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Cherry Makes Good Damage by Insects Grade at Fire School Spotted in County

The Ballinger fire department is in receipt of a letter from H. R. Brayton, director of the firemen's training school held annually at College Station. The letter deals with the grade made by Fire Chief Chester Cherry at the 1932 school. Mr. Cherry made an average grade of 96 which was among the best of the many chiefs taking the course.

Mr. Brayton's letter said: "I wish to congratulate you and your city on the excellent quality of work done by the representatives of your fire department during the recent session of the Texas firemen's training school held at this college."

"As you know, a careful record was kept on each man who attended this session as to attendance at all meetings, interest, cooperation and a final examination covering all the work given during the session. The grade of your fire chief during the session was 96.

"I am submitting to Raymond S. Mauk, fire insurance commissioner, the list of cities and their representatives satisfactorily completing this training school course. I would suggest that at your earliest convenience you write him and take up the matter of the 3% credit on your local key rate."

By having a representative at the school who did satisfactory work Ballinger will receive a 3% credit on the key rate, besides the educational good which will make the local department a better fire fighting crew.

A check-up on the work of the local department for this year shows that since January 1 the fire loss here has amounted to only \$12,661.50. In this loss there were \$77,786.00 worth of buildings and contents affected which was covered by insurance totaling \$58,600.00.

Other interesting information shown on the books of the department for the first eight months of this year show 19 drills and 10 meetings held by the company. There were 22 fires which the department answered with the results listed above as to loss. Chemical used, 289 gallons; hose laid, 13,250 feet; hours of pumping, 12 1/2; motor run, 19 hours and 20 minutes; gasoline used, 97 gallons; lube oil used, 15 gallons.

There were 34 active members on the roster of the department with an average of 23 attending meetings of the company and an average of 26 attending all fires.

The firemen answered six calls where there was no fire when they arrived, and have made five trips out of town. The big truck has been run 35 miles and the Chevrolet chemical truck 88 miles this year.

The examination given at the training school and which was taken by every fire chief attending included seven principal questions and ten sub-questions under each, a total of 70. These had to be answered within one hour and Mr. Cherry completed the test in less than an hour for the grade of 96, which was considerably higher than most. Following are the seven main titles:

1. First aid drill
2. Ladder drills
3. Knot and hitch drills
4. Gas and smoke, and gas mask drills
5. Tools and care of tools
6. Hose line and friction loss
7. Salvage drills.

Mrs. Arthur Carlock has returned to her home at Headton, Okla., after a two weeks' visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lander.

Miss Audra Lee Smith has gone to Eden, where she will teach expression during the school term.

John Goehring, who resides south of Concho, was in Ballinger the past week-end and stated that the pecan crop in that section along the Concho River was good this year.

Rev. E. W. McLaurin returned Saturday from Dallas where he had been to attend a meeting of representatives of Presbyterian schools of Texas to adopt budgets for the ensuing year.

J. A. Patterson, of the Valley Creek community, who was operated on at the Helley & Love Sanitarium Thursday morning, is reported to be getting along nicely.

Charles Lee, of the Maverick community, was in Ballinger Monday morning and stated that so far as he knew cotton was doing well in that vicinity. He said some were complaining of boll weevils and worms but that most cotton was still blooming and looked good.

Several sections of the county have reported that weevils are doing considerable damage at this time. Some stalks of cotton which were exhibited in Ballinger the past week-end showed damage by insects, while others had heavily fruited branches.

Two stalks of rank growth without a single boll were shown here Saturday. Squares were destroyed by insects and the farmer declared he did not expect to put a sack in his field this fall because of pest ravages.

Another stalk from a field a short distance away carried a total of 135 grown bolls and over 200 squares and blooms. All farmers declared that the sunshine was beneficial, that fields were drying out rapidly and cotton was expected to begin opening fast.

Heaviest damage to crops from recent rains was said to be that done to milo maize that was standing or shocked in the field during the wet weather.

BALLINGER MAN LEASES LAUNDRY AT WINTERS

Joe Thomas has leased the Winters Steam Laundry and has moved his family there to start operation of the plant. He expected to begin regular runs Monday providing all details could be arranged. Mr. Thomas has been a citizen of Ballinger for many years and for a number of years was connected with the Ballinger Steam Laundry.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas are both experienced in the laundry business and understand every detail thoroughly.

Health Committee Is Named Monday

Members of the executive board of the Runnels County Health Committee received their appointments for the ensuing year Monday. A nominating committee, composed of A. H. Smith, Mrs. R. P. Kirk, and J. D. Motley, was named some time ago to select citizens for service for the next year and to make a report. The list was turned over to the commissioners' court here Monday and was approved.

The executive board is larger than in previous years. After a study of the past year's report the nominating committee decided to give fuller representation to the entire county and increased the membership in order to do this.

For the past year R. E. White, of Ballinger, has been chairman of the committee and will remain as a member for the ensuing year. Dr. J. W. Macune is a member of the committee and is also county health officer which entitles him to a place on the executive board. The only other local member is Mrs. Harry Lynn.

Practically every community in the county has a representative on the committee this year. A meeting of the new committee will be called within a short time for organization and to discuss plans for the new year's work.

Members of the executive committee elected and approved Monday are: R. E. White, J. W. Macune, and Mrs. Harry Lynn, Ballinger; Mrs. Ralph Ashburn, Mrs. Carl Davis, Winters; Mrs. J. H. Herndon, Miles; Mrs. T. J. McCaughan, Mrs. W. W. Mitchell, Norton; Mrs. F. A. Haverland, Rowena; Mrs. Rufus Allen, Ballinger; Mrs. T. A. Crockett, Rowena; Mrs. R. E. Wolber, Bronte; Mrs. Arch Brookshier, Benoit; Mrs. Lela Hill, Ballinger; Mrs. J. W. Bright, Goldsboro; T. E. Beard, Talpa; Mrs. T. A. Brevard, Winters; Mrs. D. A. Dobbins, Winters; Mrs. D. A. Dobbins, Winters; Mrs. Percy Crimm, Ballinger; Ray Sparks, Talpa; Mrs. Truitt Billups, Winters; Mrs. F. B. Wood, Wingate; Mrs. Annie McAuley, Maverick; Mrs. Louis Hensley, Wingate; Mrs. Ira McNeil, Norton; Mrs. George Lloyd, Winters; Mrs. J. C. Bloxom, Ballinger; Mrs. H. E. White, Winters.

Derrick Kills Girl When House is Sliced in Two



The home of Ed Saffold, Gladewater, East Texas oil worker, after a derrick falling in a sand storm cut it in two, killed Ruby Placker (upper right) and seriously injured Peggy Jane Saffold, Ruby, 10, had come over to play with Peggy Jane, six. Ruby died 30 minutes after the crash. Peggy Jane, with a broken arm, fractured skull and severe leg lacerations, is expected to recover.

City Board Will Meet Sept. 20th

The equalization board for the city of Ballinger has completed inspection of the new tax rolls just completed and has mailed 210 notices to property owners asking them to appear before the board to show cause why their renditions should not be raised.

The meeting of the board at which time property owners will be given an opportunity to appear has been set for September 20 at the city hall. Out of the 1,100 property owners in Ballinger only 210 lowered their renditions this year to an extent that they will be called before the board.

In the letter requesting the appearance of the 210 property owners reasons are given why property cannot be valued lower at this time. It points out that the bonded indebtedness of the city now outstanding was made with property values averaged over a long period of time and it is impossible for the renditions to be lowered as it would not provide for retirement of the bonds.

Since the notices were mailed a number of property owners have responded, stating that the proposed raises are all right and that they will not appear before the board. Most of these are large property owners.

The city administration in preparing the budget for the fiscal year based it on certain values and allowed for a percentage of delinquent tax payments and every effort will be made to keep the taxable values equalized.

Otis Jacob and Clarence Morris left Saturday to enter Abilene Christian College, Abilene, for the fall term.

Saddles are Stolen At Herring Ranch

Thieves Thursday night visited the barns at the Bob Herring ranch south of Ballinger and took two saddles. The theft was discovered Friday morning when some of the ranch crew went to use the saddles and found them missing. Local officers were notified and postal cards giving a description of the saddles were sent to officers in a number of cities, asking them to watch for the loot and arrest anyone offering the saddles for sale.

The saddles were described as follows: "No. 1, in good shape, silver mounted, rubbed on right hand side by rope, made by W. J. Andrews of San Angelo, No. 2, practically new, has toe fenders, made by W. J. Andrews of San Angelo, and numbered 712. Has new lining."

Mr. Herring offered a \$25 reward for recovery of the saddles and arrest of the thieves.

HILL ATTENDING STATE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

County Attorney Roy Hill left Monday morning for Lubbock to attend the state Democratic convention. Mr. Hill accompanied friends from East Texas who came this way, and will act as a delegate from this county during all the sessions of the convention.

Kidnapped Heir



Long legal entanglement is expected to follow the alleged kidnapping of Hugh Bradford, 10-year-old grandson of former Mayor T. L. Bradford, of Ballinger, by his father, Hugh's mother divorced his father in 1924, then died in 1925, and Mayor Bradford became the child's guardian. Now Mayor Bradford is dead, leaving much of his large estate to the boy, and his father has taken him to Louisville, Kentucky.

Two are Arrested Past Week-End

Gilbert Diamond, negro, was arrested early Monday and placed in jail, charges of carrying a pistol being filed against him. Diamond was arrested in the section of the city known as the "flat" after officers were informed he was carrying a gun.

Francisco Rodriguez was arrested Saturday afternoon and fined \$14.50 in justice court on a petty theft charge. Rodriguez was charged with stealing a pair of trousers from the Reeder dry goods store. He entered a plea of guilty when arraigned and paid off when the fine was assessed.

Officers reported little other trouble here over the past week-end.

Member Taylor is here on a month's furlough from Randolph Field, San Antonio, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Taylor. The young man has finished one year of a three-year enlistment in the regular army.

Be wise and advertise.

Hasse Returns from Visit to Germany

Chas. Hasse, who lives in the Winters country, returned this week from a trip to Europe. Mr. Hasse sailed from Galveston June 1 and spent a vacation in Germany, France, Spain and Ireland. He embarked from Galveston, sailing direct to Germany, and went at once to the old home-land from whence his father left 86 years ago. The major portion of his time was spent in this vicinity, visiting relatives, some of whom he had never seen before.

Mr. Hasse was on the boat 22 days going over and 19 on the return trip. A large delegation from Texas was on the steamer on each voyage and enjoyed each other's company.

The Runnels county man studied the differences between that of the old country and in the United States and is glad to be at home although he had a very enjoyable visit abroad.

Feed is Damaged By Heavy Rains

Farmers in Ballinger the past week-end gave accurate reports on crop conditions in this county after almost a week of rain. No county-wide survey of field crops has been made but most farmers have been over their fields to see what damage was done.

Many farmers were of the opinion that the greatest harm had been done to feed crops already matured in the fields. Milo and other grain sorghums have turned black and in some cases the heads have sprouted. The crops will still be good feed but not as good as had they been harvested before the continued wet period. One farmer declared he harvested milo a few years ago after a wet spell and found the heads shattered badly as he fed it to his stock.

Most of those interviewed regarding the condition of cotton were of the opinion that the next week or two would determine whether it was damaged. Very little cotton was open and with plenty of hot sunshine most areas will not be damaged much if it is believed.

Fields where water stood for several days will sustain the most loss in production. In these fields many bolls were under the water for sometime and are expected to be ruined. Insects are not reported to be showing any increase and cotton is said to be blooming to the very top of the stalk.

Fields of feed that had been harvested with reapers are suffering and with a late frost will make another crop or at least furnish good grazing for livestock.

C. W. Lehberg, county agent, asserted that the injury to feed would make it difficult to find good heads of grain sorghum for use in fair exhibits due to their blackened condition.

Health Nurse Starts Work at Winters

Mrs. Georgie Stephens, county health nurse, began examining the pupils in the Winters school Monday morning and making permanent records of the findings in each examination. She stated Monday afternoon that she would be there the remainder of this week and most of next week before the work was completed.

Mrs. Stephens and Supt. A. H. Smith are working out plans for a definite health program which will be conducted in the Winters school during the year. The county health nurse expects to spend about one day of each month at Winters conducting the program and in doing follow up work.

The examinations being held at this time will eliminate all children who have no physical defects and physicians and dentists will not be asked to inspect any but those who need diagnosis and recommendations for a doctor.

As soon as the permanent cards are completed, parents of children with physical defects will be notified and asked to correct them.

Mrs. Stephens will take up the work in other schools of the county after finishing at Winters and continue the examinations and health clinics until all have been inspected. Every effort will

Special Labor Features Asked On Concho Road

The state highway department is advertising for bids for the surfacing of highway No. 4 from the Runnels county line through Paint Rock and to a point 6.5 miles south of that city. Bids for the work will be opened by the commission on September 20 and a contract awarded.

This is the first letting in this section under the federal emergency relief plans for highway construction and has a number of special labor agreements contained in the contract.

Contractors will be required to use hand labor wherever expedient to employ same, use local labor where available, giving home people every opportunity for employment.

Contractors must agree to pay unskilled labor an average of 30 cents per hour and work them not more than 30 hours per week. Skilled labor is to receive 45 cents per hour and the 30 hours per week is the maximum. Preference must be given ex-service men who have dependents.

The total contract on highway 4 calls for 10.74 miles of caliche base course, water-bound broken stone macadam base course and triple asphalt surface. The surfaced portion of the road will be two feet wider than that in this county but of the same type of construction. All surfacing in Concho county will be 20 feet wide.

Grading has been completed on this road for several months and has been opened to traffic. All drainage structures, including the large concrete-steel bridge across the Concho River, have been completed and the road is in excellent condition for surfacing.

Specifications can be seen here in the office of G. M. Garrett or in the state highway department offices at Austin.

Belton High School Girl Fatally Burned

The tragic news of the death of Doris Yarbrough, 15, adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Yarbrough, of Belton, was received here the past week-end by relatives when the girl died in a Belton hospital where she was taken following burns received late in the afternoon Thursday.

The tragedy occurred in the Yarbrough garage. Mr. Yarbrough was working in the garage with his car and in some way some gasoline became ignited and the 15-year-old girl's clothing caught fire. In his excitement Mr. Yarbrough grabbed a bucket which he thought contained water and threw it on the girl. Instead of water the bucket was filled with gasoline.

Miss Yarbrough was a sophomore in Belton high school this year. Mrs. Yarbrough and Mrs. W. B. Woody, of this city, are sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Woody returned Monday afternoon from Belton where they had been since Saturday.

Following the funeral Saturday Mr. Yarbrough was arrested, charged with the murder of the girl, and was carried to Austin and lodged in jail after some talk of violence was heard on the streets of Belton. He made a short statement, detailing the fatal accident and asserting that he was in no way to blame for the girl's death.

Mrs. Yarbrough was away from home at the time of the tragedy attending a meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy.

Supt. H. C. Lyon, Sterling Prince and George E. Stowe attended to business at Brady Saturday.

Mrs. J. C. Cook and Mrs. James Dankworth visited friends and relatives at Houston last week.

be made to correct the ailments. Only the grade school pupils at Winters are being examined by the county nurse.

Planning Exhibits For County Fair

Prospects for the 1932 Runnels County Fair are better than at any time since the organization was perfected 14 years ago. A check-up on the various departments indicates that every foot of space will be filled with entries this year.

In the agricultural building ten 4-H club booths have already been assured, according to C. W. Lehberg, and many farmers of this section are planning individual entries in all lines usually shown in that department. Also in this building will be found the school exhibits and four rural schools that have never entered before have reserved space. Material for these exhibits was selected last year and a teacher volunteered to put up the displays because most of the rural schools will not be open. In case any county exhibits are sent here they will be given space in this building.

In the women's building some 20 or more home demonstration clubs will enter booths, the antique and curio department will be filled, and the culinary department superintendent is expecting the largest display in recent years. The floral show will be conducted again this year, one day being set apart for cut flowers. A number of women in the county have accepted superintendencies in the various departments and are working to fill their divisions with the best displays possible. Special attention will be devoted this year to the fine arts department, which probably will be shown in the merchants' building.

The poultry and livestock departments are being prepared for a large number of entries and will be ready to receive them several days before the opening date of the exposition.

At the present time local committees are making a drive for special parades and for the improvement of the displays in the merchants' building.

Additional gravel walks have been built so that rains will not prevent visitors from going to and from the various buildings.

The program committee is endeavoring to secure a football game for each afternoon of the fair and already have three scheduled.

City Tax Rate is Lowered 15 Cents

The public hearing on the city budget was held here Monday afternoon but no one appeared before the commission to question any item included proposed for the next year. The budget was adopted by the commission Tuesday morning after being held open for public inspection Monday afternoon and evening.

The tax rate for the next fiscal year will be reduced 15 cents, being set at \$1.20 on the \$100 valuation. The budget is based on a \$3,000,000 total rendition on which the set tax rate will provide ample revenue for all expenses.

This is the third straight year the city commission has been able to cut the tax rate. The rate was reduced in 1930 from \$1.50 to \$1.45, in 1931 to \$1.35 and this year cut still deeper.

The budget calls for a total of \$67,512.92 to meet all requirements of the interest and sinking funds, general and street, water, and sanitary utilities funds. Separately the requirements for the interest and sinking fund were placed at \$26,070, general and street funds at \$18,991.82, water utilities \$20,056, and sanitary utilities at \$2,400.

R. E. White left Monday morning for Miles to attend the opening of the high school there. Mr. White was invited to address the students and attend the opening program.

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Ballinger merchants are becoming more optimistic and declare that business already shows signs of improvement notwithstanding that no farm products are moving to bring in money. The rush is anticipated about the time of the opening of the Runnels County Fair in October when cotton is expected to be moving fast.

Cotton picking is expected to start in practically all sections of the county the last of this week provided the sun continues to shine. Ginners are expecting to start regular runs the last of this week and to continue without delay. Farmers in town Tuesday stated that full grown bolls were beginning to pop open fast and picking would be good within a short time. Many Mexicans are beginning to arrive here and will camp until time to commence picking.

Drivers who crave speed should seek some lonely highway to step on the gas and not use downtown streets where traffic is thick. The hazard on the highway might be as great to the driver but other men, women and children will be in less danger of the maniacal driver. Motorists who speed up and take long chances downtown are going to wake up some day to a tragedy that will haunt them the remainder of their lives and it will be too late then to correct their fault. Autoists should realize that a few minutes longer in making a trip will not amount to much but a life crushed out will be a thing that will live forever in memory.

Citizens have been crying for tax reduction for the past year and this county has granted their request. The county tax rate is less this year and property owners living in this road district will receive a big saving as no tax will be levied to take care of outstanding bonds this year. Accumulations saved on construction are sufficient to take care of the interest and sinking fund this year and nothing has been assessed for this. The tax levy heretofore for this one purpose has been 57 cents on the \$100. The city has announced a big reduction that will be of great benefit to the tax payers and the school tax will remain the same. All summed up citizens of Ballinger will be benefited in their taxes this year about 77 cents on the \$100.

TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR FIRE DEPARTMENT

During Fire Prevention Week a large part of the interest will center on the local fire department. It will be a good time for the average citizen to investigate that department and determine, as best he can, whether it is up to the standard modern fire hazards required. It is an interesting fact that as civilization develops and our social and industrial structure becomes more complicated, the chance of fire grows steadily greater. By the same token, the type of apparatus and personnel of fire departments, whether small or large, must grow constantly more efficient. All any fire department is, is men and machines. The difference between a first-class department and a poor one is simply the difference in those men and machines. Is the personnel well trained and scientifically directed? Are water and alarm facilities the best? Is apparatus standard and produced in plants capable of manufacturing a complete unit for fire fighting purposes, instead of assembling a lot of accessories and calling it a fire engine? These are the questions every citizen should ask. The answer will constitute a survey of the local department. A good fire department does not necessarily cost much more than a poor one. No department which is really efficient can be called expensive. One destructive fire can consume more dollars than are necessary to maintain a department for years. So—take a good look at your fire department during Fire Prevention Week—and at regular intervals during the rest of the year as well.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCulley and sons, who had been visiting for some time in the J. M. Skinner home, left Saturday for their home at Kingsville.

Day and Night Service. Merchants' Lunch 25c. At Ratliff's.



How Interscholastic Meets Are Conducted

By Roy Bedichek
(Chief of Texas Interscholastic League)

EDITOR'S NOTE—The following article is one of a series written by Mr. Bedichek on various aspects of the Interscholastic League work in Texas.

In the article before this one, county meets of the Interscholastic League were described. These are held in about two hundred counties, and in them contestants are qualified for participation in one or another of the twenty-seven district meets which are held each year in the month of April. District organizations comprise from eight to twenty counties each, the largest one being district No. 1, including the greater part of the Panhandle. Professor W. E. Lockhart directs this district and the meet is held in and conducted by the West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon.

Each of the other teachers colleges holds a district meet for the counties in their respective sections, and several other higher educational institutions do the same. District No. 8 is centered in Abilene and held at Simmons University; district No. 14 is centered in Waco and held at Baylor University; and so on. A district center is placed in each higher educational institution, if the grouping of the counties around it permits this to be done. The reason for holding meets, whenever possible, in a college is obvious. A large number of auditoriums is necessary for the public speaking contests, and first-class athletic fields and equipment are desirable for conducting the athletic events. Moreover, the athletic staffs of colleges are competent and willing to conduct the athletic meet, while members of the respective college faculties are, as a rule, willing to serve as judges in the literary events.

This plan has also the advantage of bringing the brightest and most talented pupils of the public schools into touch with their nearest college, and this contact inspires many of them to go on to college after their graduation from the high school.

The contact which is given colleges with public school authorities through league meets many think is productive of much good. This may be called the "Texas plan" for conducting interscholastic contests, as Texas is the only state in the union which has worked out a thoroughly cooperative plan between high schools, common schools and colleges for conducting this activity. The writer explained this to a group of extension directors from a number of other states at the last meeting of the Extension Directors Association, and it was received with the greatest interest. Several expressed the opinion, however, that it would not work in their respective states, saying that the rivalry existing between the colleges was so great as to prevent effective cooperation.

In some parts of the state, however, higher educational institu-

tions are not available as district centers, and hence district meets are conducted entirely by the public schools. Such is the case in the Texarkana center, in the Rio Grande valley, and in a number of other sections.

In the district meets, twenty-seven in number, contestants are qualified for the state meet in the following events: declamation, debate, essay writing, extemporaneous speech, reading, writing and arithmetic, and in the following athletic events: tennis, track and field, and rural pentathlon. Since there are a number of divisions in most of these events, a large delegation of contestants is qualified from each district for the state meet. The league also holds a track meet for county winners from class B schools at the North Texas State Teachers College, Denton, of which Professor Theron Fouts is director.

There are a few contestants qualified for the state meet which do not come up through the regular district elimination, but through a series of contests organized on a different basis. Such is the dramatic contest, the typewriting, journalism and art contests.

So once each year, the veterans of these many scholastic, literary and athletic contests, having each won in the local try-out, in the county and in the district meet, converge from the four corners of Texas upon Austin, where the great final contest of the year is held. Some three thousand contestants and delegates assemble on the first week-end of May, and have done so for the past twenty-two years, to match their wits and their bodies and their skills for the honor of being declared state champions in their respective events.

The expenses of attending the state meet are so equalized by means of a rebate fund that it costs in transportation no more for a contestant to come from El Paso or Amarillo than from Waco or San Antonio. This fund is built up throughout the year by means of small fees which are charged each school upon entering the league, and the fund is then redistributed after the state meet to the schools on the basis of transportation expense of the entries qualified and attending. This year, the rebate on transportation expense totaled about eight thousand dollars.

The next articles of this series will be written by R. B. Henderson, athletic director, concerning the athletic contests of the league, and they will be followed by articles on dramatic and journalism contests by Morton Brown and Dewitt Reddick, respectively.

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VITAMINS AND DISEASE

The study of vitamins and their relation to disease and disease prevention, as well as to the normal development of the human body, is of relatively recent origin.

There is much conclusive information concerning vitamins, as well as half-established conclusions which ought to be accepted with reservations.

A lack of vitamin A—found in butter, cod liver oil, milk, milk foods, eggs and spinach—in the dietary has been known to lead to the development of the condition known as xerophthalmia, an eye disease.

In this condition it has been found that the tissues of the eye and neighboring regions undergo a degenerative change which permits an easy invasion of bacteria and subsequent infections.

Mellanby and Green have found that rats kept on a diet of good quality with respect to all other known dietary factors, but lacking vitamin A, develop infections and die.

These infections involve the eye, tongue, lungs, ears, nasal sinuses, the genito-urinary tract and other portions of the body. They also found that when the

diseased animals, if not too far advanced, were subsequently fed a diet rich in vitamin A, they recovered.

On the basis of these experiments they called vitamin A the anti-infective vitamin.

Then they instituted a study to show the infection preventive values of a diet rich in vitamin A when applied to pregnant women.

Two hundred and seventy-six such women were given a diet rich in vitamin A during the month before birth of the child, and their experience was compared with a like number of women who had not been subjected to special care.

It was found that puerperal sepsis or infections associated with delivery was prevalent in but 1.7 per cent of the women fed a diet rich in vitamin A as against 4.7 per cent in the other group.

A. F. Ligon has returned from Fort Worth to resume his duties in the Ballinger high school. Mr. Ligon was called there last Monday on account of the serious illness of a brother.

Huley Caudle, of Hatchel, has moved to Eden and opened a watch repairing shop in the Day Drug Store. Mr. Caudle has been repairing watches and jewelry for some time and has become expert in this line.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Robertson have returned to their home at Dallas after visiting relatives here the past week.

MOVIES!

Advised to be Tough in This Tough World!

Barbara Stanwyck's new Columbia starring drama, "Shopworn," the attraction Wednesday and Thursday at the Palace Theatre, presents the star in one of her most dramatic and glamorous roles. She is seen as "Kitty Lane," a courageous girl who has been warned by her father that it's a tough world and the best way to take the wallops it is to hand her is to be tough herself.

Regis Toomey plays the role of the young doctor who learns that his own mother was responsible for the girl he loved being driven to an immoral life. ZaSu Pitts and Lucien Littlefield are paired as husband and wife, and provide their own peculiar brand of comedy. Clara Blandick plays the mother and her plots are aided and abetted by Oscar Apfel as a judge. Albert Conti, Robert Alden and Maude Turner Gordon complete the cast.

The story is told against a background of shifting scenes, with Miss Stanwyck wearing many beautiful clothes.

Air Mail Mystery Serial to Begin Run; Buck Jones also on Program at the Queen

Jammed to the hilt with the zooming aerial adventures of a heroic mail pilot and filled with blood-tingling action and breathless romance from start to finish,

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This serial with a special Buck Jones feature will mark the opening of the Queen Theatre, closed for several months.

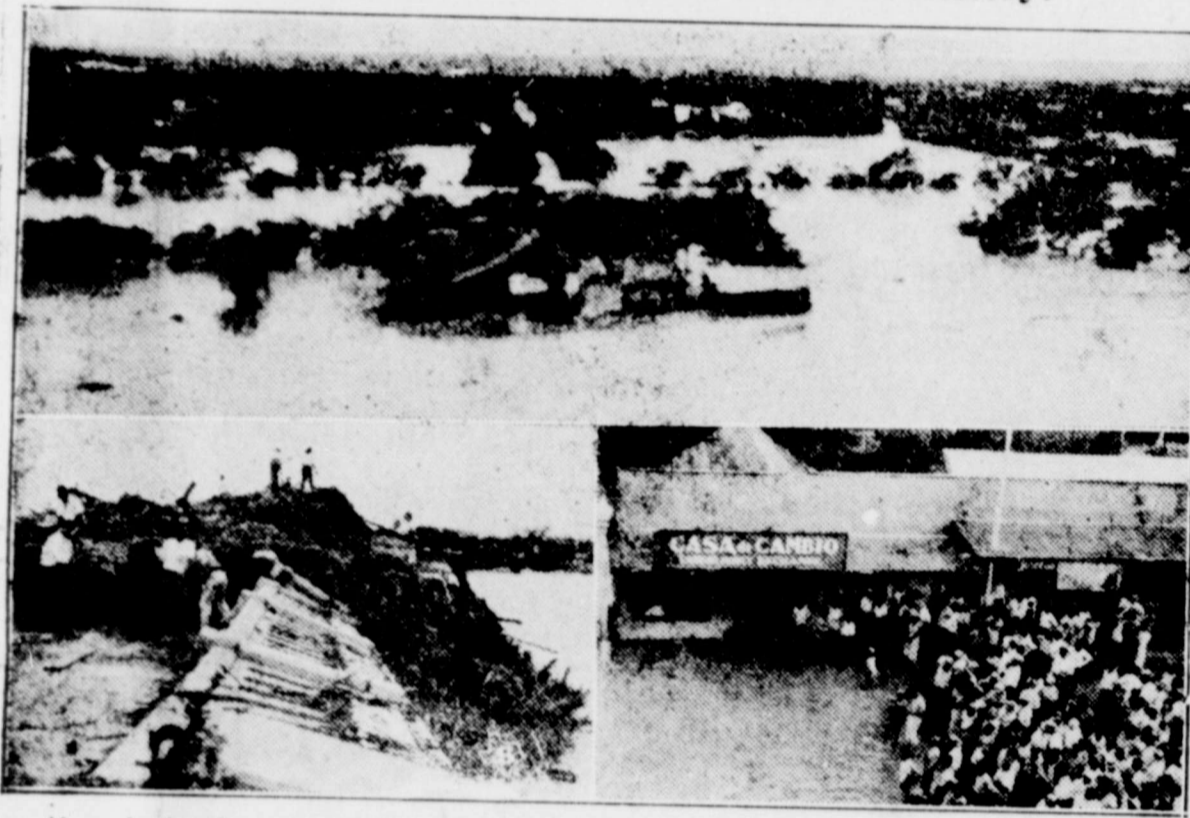
James Flavin, the former West Point athlete and sensational picture star, is co-featured with beautiful Lucile Brown in this story of an intrepid aviator of Uncle Sam's mail service, who is snared by aerial bandits in a mad struggle for possession of millions of dollars in gold.

Wheeler Oakman, Frank S. Hagney, Al Wilson, stunt flyer; Sidney Bracey, Nelson McDowell, Walter Brennan, Bruce Mitchell and other well known players are included in the top-notch cast.

Buck Jones is seen at the Queen Friday and Saturday minus the wide sombrero and woolly chaps of his usual screen characterization. In his new Columbia picture, "High Speed," he has a new type of role as a daring young racetrack driver. Loretta Sayers has the leading feminine part in the picture. William Walling, Ed Le Saint, Wallace MacDonald, Ward Bond and Pat O'Malley have other leading roles.

Earl Morley, manager of the West Texas Utilities Company, district G, is moving to his home in Wilke Terrace this week. Mr. Morley has had the house, which was formerly a duplex, remodeled into a modern residence.

Scenes of Rio Grande's Worst Flood in History!



Above is the river edge of Piedras Negras, Mexican town across the Rio Grande from Eagle Pass, Texas. The swirling water carried away scores of adobe homes and nearly covered those not washed away. Lower left pictures the attempts of work crews to remove debris from the international bridge at Laredo, before any more could be swept away. Lower right shows the Laredo money exchange under water. Old bridge of the flood was the worst in the history of the border country. At least seven lost their lives. Damages are estimated at more than five millions.

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Football Schedule is Completed at Brady

School football officials of this district met at Brady Saturday to arrange a schedule of games for the current season and attend to other business. Seventeen schools were represented at the meeting and all business was completed for the first time in years.

Soon after the meeting was called to order it was decided to divide the district into a class C and a class B loop. When this was done it was found that it would still have to be divided into a western and an eastern division as in previous years because it would be impossible to play a round robin schedule with the entire district. The division of schools as to classes B and C was made on the number of enrolled students in the high school. It was also voted that class C and B teams would not play any post-season games against each other for the final championship of the district and will in no instance compete against each other.

The schedule for each group must end by November 18 and the champions of each division will meet the next week to determine the district championship and be ready for bi-sectional games. Dues were set at \$2 for class C teams and \$3 for class B.

Class C teams will play a complete schedule under rules of the interscholastic league and at the close of the season champions of each division of the district will meet for the district title.

A change in numbering this year makes district 11 district 13. This change was made at Austin in redistricting the state.

The western division, class B, of this district is composed of the following schools: Bangs, Santa Anna, Coleman, Winters, Bronte, and Ballinger. All these schools were represented with the exception of Bronte.

The Ballinger team has one open date after the schedule commences and that is for the county fair game here on October 8. It is possible that a pre-season game will be arranged here for the latter part of this month. Following is the schedule for the Bearcats:

- October 1, San Angelo, there
- October 8, fair game, (open)
- October 14, Bangs, here
- October 21, Bronte, here
- October 29, Coleman, here
- November 4, Santa Anna, there
- November 11, Brady, there
- November 18, Winters, there.

The executive committee of district 13 is: H. C. Lyon, Ballinger, chairman; C. R. Smith, Paint Rock; W. E. Whitten, Brady; E. D. Stringer, Goldthwaite; J. C. Scarborough, Santa Anna. Alternate directors are: J. T. Roundtree, Lampasas, and Chas. Dameron, Winters.

Coleman has the largest high school enrollment of any in the district, 376.

Uniforms Planned For Ballinger Band

Plans are underway for providing the Ballinger Band with new and flashy costumes. A sample of the proposed uniform has been made up and sent here and those who have seen it hope to outfit the entire organization before the opening of the Rannels County Fair October 4.

The uniform consists of a long duster made of bright red material, trimmed in black, and with a black overseas style cap. The sample received here was made up in red and white but the colors will be changed to coincide with the colors of the local high school and because the band plays for football games and other events sponsored by the school.

The board of directors of the band will ask Ballinger firms to purchase one or more of the uniforms and those who buy a complete costume will have their names embroidered on the coats. The total cost for one full outfit is \$3.75.

The uniform would be suitable for winter or summer as it can be worn over regular clothes. The dyes are guaranteed fast and the material is such that it will last for several seasons.

At present the band is without uniforms and to make a good showing on parades and at other engagements during the fall fair should have some distinctive dress.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Malone and son left this week for Hillsboro, where they will make their future home. Mr. Malone has been connected with the Ideal Barber Shop for the past several years.

Mrs. C. W. Tibbs, of Dallas, and Mrs. Eva Tibbs, of Itasca, were week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Tigner.

Scenes of Rio Grande Valley Flood



Smiling, though the flood hit him, along with the rest, is this Mexican in the upper left photo. He is sitting on a two wheeled wagon similar to conveyances which took hundreds of persons to higher ground when the flood came. Upper right shows chickens that went to roost before high water came. The result is illustrated. The scene below shows Mexican laborers completing the sealing of the floodway levee south of Mission, Texas. A few hours after the photo was taken, water was four feet up on the sandbags.

King-Holt Stages Birthday Party

The birthday party staged by the King-Holt Furniture and Undertaking Company Monday evening drew one of the largest audiences ever to assemble here for a single attraction. More than 1,000 accepted tickets as they entered the store and many passed through the doors without taking a ticket. The party will continue Tuesday evening and all features of the program will be repeated for the benefit of those unable to attend the initial presentation.

The building was so crowded that traffic officers were employed to direct the guests and keep too many from the balcony at one time.

During the entire evening the large crowd was entertained in a de luxe manner. Fifteen factory representatives made special trips here to assist Mr. King in staging the party and to preside over small booths containing articles manufactured by their houses. Each of these departments were visited by the throng and a short talk and demonstration given by

dot with butter. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) until the tomato skins are slightly wrinkled.

the person in charge.

Out-of-town representatives here included A. L. Lawrence, of the Perfection Stove Company, Kansas City branch; Carl A. Wevat, Belmont Casket Company; Edwin Jennings and wife, National Casket Company, Dallas; Ross Cameron, Clark Grave Vault Co., of Columbus, Ohio; Harry Goodman, Hub Furniture Co., Ft. Worth; Glenn Dugan, wife and son, Sewall's Paint and Varnish Co., Kansas City; Geo. Kiker, Kiker-Knight Funeral Home, Abilene; John L. Reeves, Rome Company, Chicago; Mrs. Otho Jones, Abilene; Mike Mathis, Ft. Worth; and Trell Manley, Philco Radio Company, Philadelphia; E. R. McCoy, wife and son, Texas Coffin Company, Waco; Mrs. Rita Barber, Southland Garment Company, Stamford; E. H. Lively, Paraphine Company, makers of Papeco Rugs; and a number of salesmen who visit this territory.

St. Perkins, of Abilene, served Schillings iced and hot coffee to all who came his way. With each serving was a generous helping of Brown's Cakes.

A feature that attracted many of the visitors was the birthday cake in a front show window. The cake, a monster in size, 45 inches in diameter and 30 inches high, was iced in white and on top burned 11 electric candles.

A quartet of colored boys made a number of appearances on the

balcony above the first floor singing harmony selections and featuring the negro spiritual. They were recalled for many encores and each time quit singing in order to allow the party to move on before the crowd was satisfied.

On the third floor Mrs. Coy Drennan rendered piano numbers for the entertainment of visitors on that floor.

Special features demonstrated by each of the many representatives are too numerous to mention. A notable exhibit, however, was that of Mrs. Rita Barber, who showed grave clothes. Her house is one of the few in this part of the South.

John L. Reeves, of the Rome Company, Chicago, demonstrated one of the newest pieces of furniture on the market, a studio lounge. This article of furniture built for crowded apartments, makes a beautiful living room divan, opens to a full double bed with genuine "Slumberon" mattresses or can be divided for twin beds or into two single beds for any part of the house. He had good attendance about his booth admiring this new and useful creation.

Another interesting exhibit was given by the Clark Grave Vault Company, showing a miniature vault and casket which was lowered underneath water, brought back to the surface, and shown

to be perfectly dry inside.

The store was beautifully decorated with cut flowers and many electric lamps were turned on to enhance the beauty of the setting. J. D. Motley was in charge of the floor and made all necessary announcements.

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Mrs. H. G. Hays returned home Monday from O'Donnell where she visited relatives.

W. A. Gressett, of Wichita Falls, came in Sunday to visit his parents. Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Gressett and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Demmer and daughter, Miss Joe, returned Monday from Austin, where Miss Demmer consulted an eye specialist.

Mrs. R. A. Dickinson went to Cisco Sunday to visit her father and other relatives.

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Emphasizes Importance Of Tomatoes in Diet

Fresh home grown tomatoes are now both plentiful and cheap. The tomato crop is at its peak now, and selling at their lowest level. The bureau of home economics directs attention to this opportunity because tomatoes have a special value in any low-cost diet.

The tomato was popular long before housewives understood its great importance in the diet. Now, because of the essential food substances it contains, it is considered one of the most valuable foods in the American diet. Thus popularity and importance combine to make a demand to which producers have responded with large tomato crops. Tomato production in the United States now runs to more than four billion pounds a year for market and canning purposes only, not including the tomatoes grown in home gardens for home use.

The food values of the tomato are much the same as those of the orange, grapefruit, and other citrus fruits. It is rich in vitamins A, B and C, and even when cooked or canned it retains its vitamin content values. This gives it especial importance as a source of vitamins B and C because these two elements are usually destroyed by heating. The acid of the tomato prevents that loss when tomatoes are cooked or canned.

From the homemaker's standpoint, the tomato is a satisfactory article of food because it can be used in so many ways. Raw, cooked or canned, it furnishes a welcome contrast to many other vegetables, both in flavor and color. And it can be served at any meal or in any part of any meal. It is the only common vegetable that may be safely canned at home without a pressure cooker. Thus it can be put away for use in winter when fresh vegetables and fruits, the only other equally good sources of vitamin C, may be out of season, or out of reach because of cost.

Of tomato dishes there are literally scores, partly because tomatoes combine so well with other foods of so many kinds. They may be cooked with meat, Swiss steak, for instance; or they may be cut in half and baked on a slice of ham. Stuffed and baked, and served with grated cheese; they may be an appetizing main dish for dinner, lunch or supper. Tomatoes, corn and cheese on toast make a combination of food values amounting to a whole meal

in one dish. Raw stuffed with cole slaw; or stuffed with chopped cooked meat and chopped celery or chopped cabbage, or with canned salmon and chopped celery or cabbage, provide still more vitamins, with sustenance of other kinds besides. A salad of tomatoes and cottage cheese, or of sliced tomatoes and sliced hard-cooked egg, is another dish rich in vitamins, protein and minerals as well.

For babies, and for everybody, one of the most useful and convenient items on the modern American menu is tomato juice. Plain tomato juice or orange juice for the baby, say the nutritionists, are equally good, and one or the other is very necessary, for the baby's food would otherwise be very deficient in vitamin C. For the rest of the family, tomato juice cocktail is more interesting, and this may be made in a dozen ways, according to taste in seasons. One simple combination is tomato juice and sauerkraut juice, in proportions according to taste. Other cocktails are flavored with onions, celery, tomato catsup or horseradish.

Then there are the green tomato possibilities—some of them quite as attractive as ripe tomato dishes. Merely to mention fried green tomatoes, green tomato pickles or green tomato pie is proof of that. Fried tomatoes, by the way, according to bureau experts, are best if the slices are dipped in egg diluted with water, then dipped in fine bread crumbs or corn meal, and allowed to dry a little before frying. Many people prefer underripe or green tomatoes for frying.

RECIPES

Tomato, Corn and Cheese on Toast
Three tsp. flour; 3 tsp. melted butter; 1 onion, sliced; 2 cups tomatoes, fresh, cooked or canned; 2 cups corn, fresh, cooked or canned; 2 tsp. salt and one-quarter pound cheese, shredded. Brown the flour in a frying pan, remove the flour and blend with 2 tsp. of fat. Brown the onion in the remaining fat, add other ingredients except cheese, and cook about 10 minutes. Stir in cheese and when melted serve on thin, crisp toast.

Baked Eggs in Tomato Cups
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This excellent air view taken south of Marlin, Texas, in Falls county shows why they named it Big Creek. The tracks of the Southern Pacific and Highway No. 6 were partially washed away when 14 inches of rain fell between Mart and Mexia, up the creek from the bottoms pictured. Several trains were marooned in this flood. Note the tracks and the road running parallel in the photo.

West Texas News Notes

Brady merchants are planning a trade extension institute and have engaged the services of Henry Stanley, one of the nation's leaders in this profession, who will be there for three days. The institute is being sponsored by the Brady Chamber of Commerce and all merchants in that city will take part.

Melvin citizens are elated over the announcement by a member of the state highway commission that highway No. 9 will pass through that town. The highway board member stated that Melvin was too good a town to be missed by the route and plans are now made to pass through Melvin's main street. This will mean paving of the main street.

The Hill Country Baseball League has closed its season with the exception of the play-off series between Llano and Mason. The clubs' officials voted for a split season when the race became uneven and the play-off will attract a large number of fans.

Coleman citizens set in motion a movement last week to secure a right-of-way from Coleman to the McCulloch county line. McCulloch county has already provided 100-foot right-of-way from Brady to the Colorado River and the state highway department has agreed to build an all-weather road when all requirements are complied with. Five or six miles will be saved by the proposed route between the two towns.

A Coleman county grand jury, 35th judicial district, reported ten indictments to Judge E. J. Miller last week. The grand jurors were in session all the week investigating crime in that county.

The O'Bar Oil Refinery at Coleman will open this week after being closed for some time. The refinery, located in the northern part of the city, will reopen for full time, running on crude produced at Dressy, east of Cross Plains. The gasoline will be sold at filling stations in all sections of West Texas.

The opening of the Winters school Monday, September 5, saw an increase in enrollment over last year. Registrations for the first day reached 650, against 610 a year ago. Supt. A. H. Smith stated that 25 per cent of the high school pupils this year were non-residents who had come to Winters to take advantage of better facilities than available in their home communities.

Harris Mullins is using a number of farms near Crews to pasture sheep. He has three places

budget and adoption of same by the city commission. The budget will take care of the town government for the next year without any service being hampered. Some economy measures were included in the budget to bring about the reduced rate but no departments will be cut out entirely.

The grand jury in session last week at Pa'nt Rock returned three indictments, completing its investigations. The indictments include two charges of forgery and one of theft.

Mrs. Wesley Prinzing, of Miles, recently displayed a number of peaches that resemble strawberries. The peaches are the second crop to be gathered from the Prinzing tree this year. The first crop was ripe in July and the peaches were larger than the fruit now being gathered. The

The city tax rate at Eden was reduced from \$1.10 to \$1 last week following a public hearing on the

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Weddings

Keele-Wyche
Audie Keele, of Hatchel, and Miss Ela Wyche, of Norton, were married here Saturday morning at 10:30 at the home of W. R. Woods, Rev. W. D. Wiley, of Bethel, performing the ceremony. They drove here and in the presence of a few relatives and friends were united in matrimony.

The young couple will make home at Hatchel.

SOCIETY.

Engagement is Announced at Seated Tea

On Friday afternoon of last week Mrs. O. L. Parish and daughters, Misses Esther and Marguerite, were hostesses to announce the engagement of Miss Mildred Street to Byron Pumpfrey of Winters.

The lovely Parish home on Seventh Street was given an elaborate floral decoration with pink and white roses and queen's wreath being used in graceful arrangement throughout the entire reception suite. The dining room table was especially lovely with a bank of queen's wreath forming the centerpiece.

Guests were welcomed by Miss Rosa Crockett and presented to the formal line composed of Miss Esther Parish, Mrs. Parish, Miss Street, Mrs. W. F. Street, Miss Maurine Pumpfrey of Winters, Mrs. Frank Pumpfrey of Winters, Miss Zemma Street, Mrs. J. H. McClain and Miss Marguerite Parish.

After guests were seated a program of musical numbers and readings was given by Misses Nell Shepperd, Grace Murchison, Nona Diltz, Louise Shepperd, and Mary Elizabeth Trully.

The refreshment plate was passed by Misses Margaret New, Gladys Jones, Trully and Vhelma Parrish. They also presented each guest with an individual corsage made of queen's wreath tied with pink satin ribbon on the end of which were tiny pink hearts. These bore the words, "Mildred-Byron—Sept. 20."

Guests were: Misses Street, Zemma Street, Jones, Murchison, Diltz, New, Crockett, Ruby Ferguson, Louise and Cordelia Batts, Pumpfrey, Parrish, Muda Tittle, Willwood Bridwell, Trully, Nell and Louise Shepperd, Mmes. W. F. Street, Curtiss Street, S. L. Alexander Sr., Wash Nance, Holtzhauser, Gus Nunn, James Alexander, S. L. Alexander Jr., Pumpfrey, J. L. Pumpfrey, McFarland, all of Winters; R. E. Trully, McClain, E. P. Talbott, T. J. Parrish, Willie Stephens, E. Shepperd, M. S. Karmany, P. J. Harris, E. F. Batts, W. A. Bridwell, A. E. Bozzell, W. C. McCarver, J. A. Killough, E. E. Woodson and C. A. Watson.

Bride-Elect Honored
On last Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Miss Vhelma Parrish and Mrs. P. J. Harris were joint hostesses at a surprise miscellaneous shower for Miss Mildred Street, bride-elect. The party was held at the home of Mrs. Harris on Teath Street.

A color scheme of pink and orchid was used, and the rooms were lovely with flowers and a miniature bridal procession arranged on a table in the living

room. Games fitting the occasion were played, the last being "Packing the Bride's Suit-Case." A number of forfeits were collected and Mrs. Lee Sykes, to redeem her forfeit, took the guest of honor to examine the closet in Mrs. Harris' bedroom and report what was found. As a result of the search a basket of beautiful and useful gifts, for Miss Street, presented by those present at the shower, was found.

Refreshments of punch and angel cake with pink icing were served. Plate favors were bachelor buttons and fern tied with orchid ribbon.

Invited guests included: Mmes. McClain, Talbott, McCarver, E. Shepperd, C. J. Lynn, Lee Sykes, White, Bell, Rothal O'Kelly, Killough, Hubert Parrish, James Parrish, W. E. Middleton, Eugene Gressett, Batts, Trully, M. B. Webb, O. L. Parrish, Lyon, Bridwell, Alexander, Hugh Parrish, W. F. Street, Jesse Jones, Neal McAlpine, Neel Nutt, Blasdel, Willie Stephens, Curtis Street, Hois-houser, J. A. Nunn; Misses Esther Parrish, Marguerite Parrish, Louise Batts, Cordelia Batts, Margaret New, and Zemma Street.

Jack Lynn Named Football Captain

Jack Lynn, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Lynn, senior in Ballinger high school and center for the past two years on the football team, was elected captain of the 1932 team Monday afternoon in a meeting of the players held at Fair Park.

It was first announced that a captain would be named before each game but this plan was looked upon unfavorably by fans, players, and coaches, so a meeting was called for the purpose of naming the field general for the season.

Jack Lynn, a student first, and a football player second, who puts his whole soul into the game, was the unanimous choice of his teammates. The selection also met with full favor by the fans who realize that the job this year will be looked after right. Jack is a student of football and will go on the field knowing his duties not only as player but as captain. Last year he was perhaps the best center in the district and is expected to be selected on the all-district team this year. He is popular with other pupils and a natural leader. He is equally as popular with the fans and business men of the city.

From thirty to forty men are working daily in preparing for the first game October 1, when they meet the San Angelo high school eleven there.

VATICAN CITY SEEKS TITLES FOR NEW PUBLIC WAYS

VATICAN CITY, Sept. 12.—Following two years of intense construction, Vatican City finds itself with 13 streets and seven squares lacking names.

The pope has appointed a special commission to remedy the lack.

It is probable that the old square of St. Martha, which has been enlarged and modernized, will be named after the present pontiff.

PEACE IS MERE MYTH DESPITE 8,000 TREATIES

BERLIN, Sept. 12.—Despite some 8,000 peace treaties, mankind has seen only 268 years of peace in 3,400 years, say statistics compiled by the Institute of International Law.

Even in these 268 years peace was only relative, as minor conflicts between remote tribes probably escaped record.

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An election contest has been filed in Comanche county by one of the candidates for justice of the peace. In making the recount the county Democratic executive committee failed to count thirty questionable ballots. Following this announcement the contest was filed.

the past ten days that town reported 24.30 inches. During the past twelve months the Coke county capital received 48 inches of precipitation and is surpassed only by Sweetwater in this region. Sweetwater records 50 inches for the past 12 months.

EARTHQUAKE ADDS LAND TO NEW ZEALAND HARBOR

As the result of the earthquake which devastated Napier last year, 300,000 acres of good farming land has been added to New Zealand.

The land was raised in the harbor, and the department of agriculture says that it is rich and should be planted to cloves and grasses.

Part of it is rather salt, but drainage is expected to overcome this.

Farmers Use Reclaimed Land
WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Sept. 12.—(P)—Nearly 3,000 new acres have been reclaimed in the Everglades area by truck farmers this season. A total of 35,714 acres in the upper and middle Everglades was planted to truck crops, of which 2,873 had not been in cultivation before.

DALLAS—Baker Moise hosiery mills of this city are operating on a full time schedule.

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