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41 Bales of Cotton are Ginned Up to Sept. 1

The first 1932 ginning report for Runnels county shows that 41 bales were ginned prior to September 1, as compared with 175 bales to the same date last year.

Since the above date the movement has been delayed by rains and cloudy weather and cotton is not expected to begin moving rapidly before the last ten days in the month. Estimates of the county's production vary at this time due to reports of insect damage. Many farms have not been inspected since recent rains but conservative cotton men do not believe the damage will be great.

After weather conditions are settled and cotton generally commences to open a more accurate forecast can be made on the 1932 crop.

The ginning report was furnished by W. A. Esmond, federal reporting agent for Runnels county.



George W. Armstrong

Armstrong to Speak Here September 20

Judge George W. Armstrong, independent candidate for governor, will address citizens of Ballinger and Runnels county September 20, at 2:30 p. m. He will speak on the court house lawn if weather permits—otherwise in the district court room at the court house.

Judge Armstrong is well known in Texas politics. He is an interesting speaker and on his visit to Ballinger will outline the platform upon which he bases his campaign for the governorship.

He advocates a state currency and credit system to supply a moratorium to suspend collection of mortgage debts and bonds, and graduated inheritance taxes to supersede the state ad valorem tax. He favors continuance of the building of good roads and the use of the highway funds for that purpose, and the use of the roads by trucks under reasonable regulations.

DIGS UP GAS-PIPE BANK TO AID HIS COUNTRY

LONDON, Sept. 15.—Determined to help his country when he heard that Britain was short of money, a farm hand near Essex asked the squire of the village to his home, and from a rusty gas pipe buried deep in his garden, he produced fifty-five golden sovereigns, which he asked the squire to give to the Bank of England.

They were worth \$275 at par, and were the man's life savings. The event has just been revealed by Waldron Smithers, M. P., chairman of the Conservative Central Finance Committee.

Cat, 25, Catches Wharf Rats ROUND POND, Me., Sept. 15.—(P)—Warren Elwell, of Muscongus Island, owns a cat which celebrated its 25th birthday by catching two big wharf rats. It is believed to be the oldest cat in Maine and seems in excellent condition, having good sight and hearing.

"What would you call a man who's been lucky at love?" "A bachelor!"

Weed Cutting is Urged Before Frost

Following an inspection trip over the city, Chief of Police Lee Moreland urges that property owners cut weeds in alleys and on vacant lots before frost. After they are killed by frost the weeds will create a serious fire hazard and for that reason and also to eliminate many mosquitoes and other insects cutting is urged. Many vacant lots within the city limits have been allowed to grow wild this year and weeds are shoulder high to a man at this time. This department also reports three arrests and seven calls answered in various parts of the city.

In the office department collections of water revenues were declared good. Plans have been perfected for the meeting of the equalization board September 20, when over two hundred property owners have been notified to appear. All unassessed property for this year was declared, renditions being placed the same as in 1931.

City Health Officer E. R. Walker raised a quarantine at 801 Fourteenth Street, where there had been a case of scarlet fever. Nine persons were given their last and fourth their first injections of typhoid serum last week.

Street work was carried on last week on all days when weather would permit. Grades and the maintainer are now being operated full time on dirt streets, smoothing out bumps since the rains.

The only damage reported in the municipal park from high water and rains was to the roadway over the bluff. It will require about two days' labor to put this in the condition it was before the rains. No progress was made in the park last week because the weather would not permit.

Water consumption dropped to a low mark last week with a daily average of 170,400 gallons, requiring 3 hours and 47 minutes daily pumping time.

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GROESBECK — Buckner Bros., Clburne, received a \$65,134 contract for construction of 13.13 miles of highway No. 14 from here to the Falls county line.

Reeder's New Store Will Open Friday

The Reeder Dry Goods Company will open for business in its new building Friday morning at 9 o'clock. The formal opening will display nothing but new merchandise and also offers the opportunity for an inspection of the new and modern store.

A large crew of salespeople has been employed this week unpacking and arranging merchandise just received and the entire store will be in perfect condition Friday to receive large numbers of shoppers.

Nothing will be moved from the temporary store in the Zappe building, corner of Hutchings Avenue and Seventh Street. This store will remain open through the fall or until all merchandise from the old store that was damaged by fire and water is disposed of.

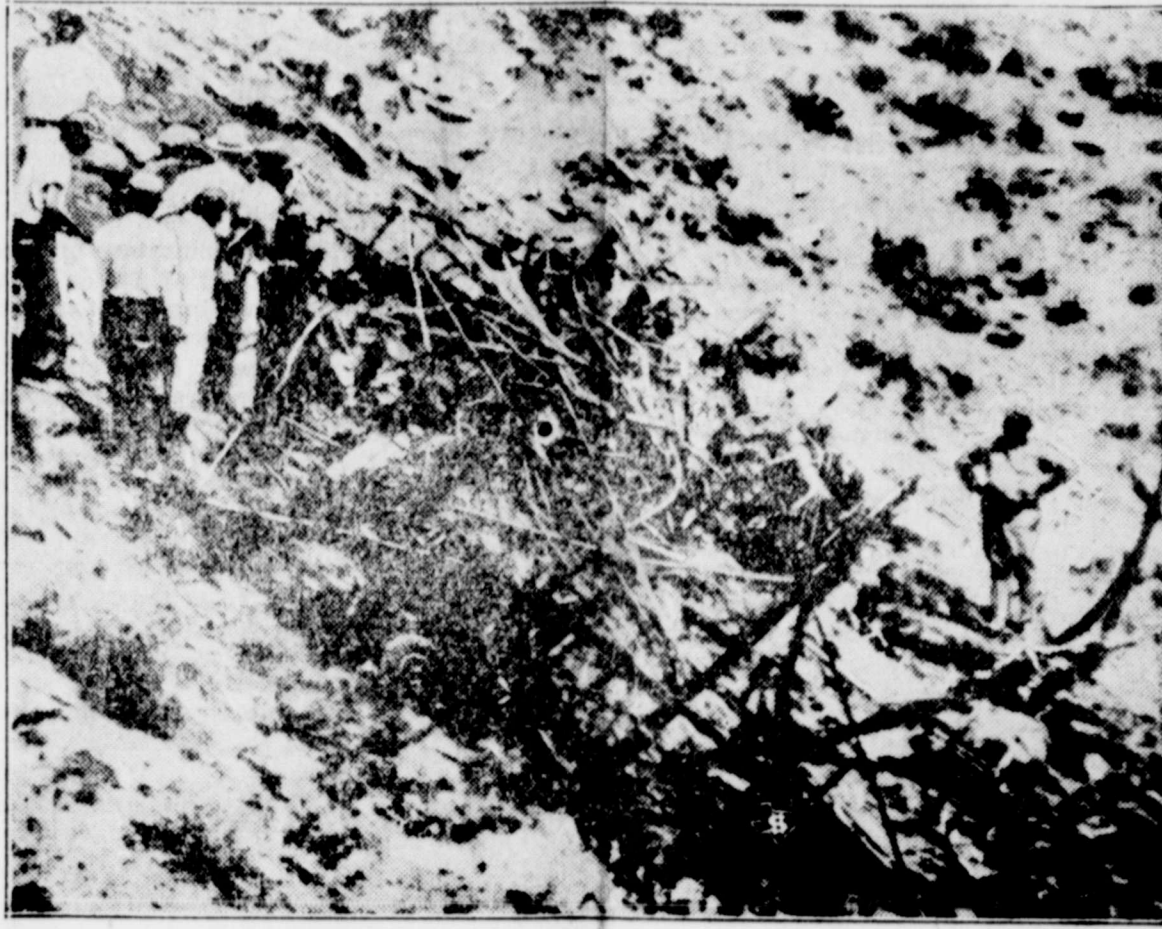
Roy Reeder, manager, visited a number of the leading wholesale markets in the nation recently, buying merchandise for the new store and most of this has arrived and is being displayed.

The interior has been completely remodeled, hardwood floors, new fixtures using center tables for the display of merchandise and open side racks for clothing installed. One side of the store is devoted to women's and the other to men's apparel, with the shoe section in the rear of the building. A balcony in the front contains the business office. Modern show windows give the store an attractive appearance from the outside.

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Charred Plane on Sheer Face of Mountainside!



Here is all that is left of the American Airways plane which crashed and burned on the face of a Guadalupe mountainside, resulting in three deaths and possibly fatal injury to a fourth man. In the picture workers are struggling to remove the bodies of Pilot W. J. Robbins, Francis Briggs, copilot and Victor Ellman, passenger. Another passenger, George A. Davidson, was thrown from the wreckage and escaped with serious injuries. The tragedy occurred in a wild and unhabited region at the foot of El Capitan pass, 80 miles east of El Paso.

County Tax Rates Cut 5c; No Road Tax is Assessed

City Valuations Show Big Drop

In making up its budget for the next year the city commission has given relief in taxation to property owners of Ballinger of 15 cents on the \$100 and set the lowest rate here in many years. This reduction has been made in the face of a loss of \$225,165 in renditions.

The shrinkage in personal property and merchandise stocks has been considerable during the past twelve months. As has been seen by merchandise advertised, prices have changed tremendously during the past year and have subtracted a large sum from taxable valuations.

In 1930 valuations were \$3,265,520 with a tax rate of \$1.45 on the \$100. In 1931 the valuations dropped to \$3,225,163 with a tax rate of \$1.35. This year valuations are still lower, totaling \$3,000,000 even, and the rate has been set at \$1.20. The tax rate in 1929 was the legal maximum of \$1.50 on the \$100. This record shows that city taxes have been decreased steadily for the past four years.

The present city commission feels sure that it will be able to carry on without any municipal department being neglected on the levy set for next year. The budget has been carefully studied by the commission and each expense item has been considered.

Valuations will be definitely decided September 20 when the board of equalization meets to discuss the matter with 210 property owners. The administration believes that to allow all an equal reduction in taxes valuations must total \$3,000,000.

NEW PECANS SOLD HERE

Bill Moore, local produce man, bought 100 pounds of pecans Wednesday which were gathered this year. The pecans were raised on the Coffey ranch at the mouth of the Concho River, south of Ballinger, and are the first to be sold on the local market this year. Mr. Moore said this was the earliest he had ever bought new pecans in this section.

TRUSTEE APPOINTED FOR HAGAN DISTRICT

The county board of education in session here recently appointed Archie Wiley as member of the board of trustees in the Hagan district to fill the place made vacant by the resignation of H. A. Williams.

The Hagan board is composed of Mr. Wiley, C. A. Crimm and L. S. Nunn.

Former Ballinger Preacher is Dead

FT. WORTH, Sept. 15.—Rev. E. P. Williams, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Hubbard, Texas, died here Tuesday at the Methodist Hospital following a serious illness of three months. He will be buried in Fort Worth.

Edmund Payne Williams was born at Collierville, Tennessee, August 23, 1861, making him 71 years old. He was the son of Rev. Edmund J. and Almyra P. Williams, and spent his boyhood days on a farm in Mississippi. He was educated at the University of Mississippi, which he attended from 1883 to 1885.

Mr. Williams came to Texas in 1887 to teach school in Wise county. The following year he removed to Fort Worth, where he became principal, successively, of two ward schools. After several years in Fort Worth, Mr. Williams served for three years as president of Granbury College, Granbury, Texas, then a leading institution, which conferred on him the honorary degree of Master of Arts.

Following this connection, Mr. Williams returned to Fort Worth, where he decided to enter the Methodist ministry, and in which he served for more than three decades. He was licensed to preach at Mulkey Memorial Methodist Church, Fort Worth, and served as pastor of churches at Polytechnic, Ballinger, Corsicana, Taylor, Mexia, Weatherford, Georgetown, Taylor, Fort Worth, and Hubbard. Six years of his ministry were spent as presiding elder of the Cisco and Dublin districts of the Central Texas conference.

In 1897, Rev. Williams was married to Miss Amelia Cumings, who has been his co-worker in church activities. Surviving are his widow; two sons, Edmund P. Jr., San Antonio advertising man, and W. Erskine II., Fort Worth teacher; two grandchildren, Clare and Edmund P. III.; a brother, Judge W. Erskine Williams of Fort Worth; and a sister, Mrs. J. Sam Barcus, of Sulphur Springs.

Rev. Williams was an active member of the I. O. O. F. for nearly 25 years and served as head of that order while at Taylor. He was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity.

Rev. Williams was pastor of the First Methodist Church of Ballinger for several years and made many friends here. He was popular outside his own church, taking an active part in civic affairs.

Be wise and advertise.

The commissioners' court in session here this week set the county tax rate for the next year at 62 cents on the \$100. This is a decrease of five cents and is the third successive reduction this year for local tax payers. The state rate was set at five cents less than in 1931; the county cut five cents; and the city cut 15 cents.

In addition to the above saving in taxes, property owners residing in road district No. 3 where bonds were voted several years ago for highway construction, will pay nothing this year for the retirement of these bonds. Accumulations in the fund are sufficient to take care of the interest and sinking fund this year and nothing has been assessed against property owners.

Property owners in Ballinger will have tax reductions this year as follows: Road bond levy, 57 cents; county, 5 cents; state, 5 cents; and city, 15 cents; total, 82 cents on the \$100. Based on city valuations of \$3,000,000 local citizens are saved \$24,600.

All these tax savings have been made with smaller valuations than in 1931. The total rate for Ballingerites this year will be \$3.51 as compared with \$4.33 last year. The rates are: city, \$1.20; school, \$1; county, 62 cents; and state, 69 cents. Last year's rates were: city, \$1.35; school, \$1; county, 67 cents; state, 74 cents; and special road bonds, 57 cents.

MRS. ED JANSEN NAMED ON HEALTH COMMITTEE

The list of new appointments on the Runnels County Health Committee includes the name of Mrs. Ed Jansen, of Miles. In some way Mrs. Jansen's name was omitted from the original list but since has been added and approved.

Mrs. Jansen, who served on the committee last year, worked diligently to improve public health conditions in the county.

VIKING CHIEF'S GRAVE UNEARTHED IN NORWAY

OSLO, Sept. 15.—During excavation for the foundation for a private dwelling near Nesna, South Norway, a Viking grave, dating from about 600 A. D., has been found.

The human skeleton unearthed is that of an important chieftain of the Norwegian Iron Age. Buried with him were his horse and his boat, evidently with the full pomp and rites of his race.

The chieftain's skeleton is comparatively intact.

DUMAS—Railroads operating in the Panhandle estimate that over two-thirds of the current wheat crop has been shipped.

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Good Prizes Offered for Demonstration Booths

Burned to Death



Carl Yarborough, of Belton, Texas, has been charged with murdering his step-daughter, Doris, 16, above. When her clothing caught fire, Yarborough threw a gallon of gasoline on her, thinking it was water, he says. He carried \$12,000 accident policy on Doris' life.

In printing the rules and premium list for the 1932 Runnels County Fair listing of prizes for the home demonstration club booths was overlooked and was not published. The error was discovered after the paper was printed and inquiries were made by a number of clubs in the county who were already assembling their products.

Prizes for these displays will be the same as those offered in the agricultural building. First prize is \$50; second, \$40; third, \$30; fourth, \$20, and all the remainder entered will receive \$10 each.

Space has been provided in the women's building for a number of club booths and most of the organized clubs of the county plan to have displays here. Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, county home demonstration agent, has been working with the clubs for the past month, explaining the score card and giving other information.

Agitation for women's club representation at the fair was started by members of the clubs immediately following the encampment here and many articles have already been selected for this department. These booths will be separate from individual entries.

The local committee in charge of the merchants' exposition hall reported the first of this week that every space in that building had been sold and that it would be filled with choice displays. An effort is being made to increase the attractiveness of booths in this building.

Other departments already have prospects of being crowded and better quality than ever is promised.

Once Traded Shots, Now Food!

MANSFIELD, Ohio, Sept. 15.—(P)—Leo Arndt and G. W. Hall were shooting at each other 14 years ago. Hall thinks Arndt, then a German machine gunner, sent a bullet that wounded him in July, 1918. Now they share lunches, working in the same factory here.

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VOLCANOS DIG OIL WELL FOR ARGENTINE VILLAGE

MALAGUE, Argentina, Sept. 15.—The Chilean volcanic eruptions seemingly shook an oil field out of the front yard of this west Argentine village.

After the people got the volcanic ash out of their eyes, Emilio Mesa noticed a blue haze over outlying fields and found fire smoldering in a hole.

Out of it he dug what appeared to be tar and further investigations show probable petroleum resources in a section hitherto unexplored for oil.

Poland Censors Shaw

WARSAW, Sept. 15.—(AP)—When George Bernard Shaw's play, "Too True to be Good," was presented here the censor deleted ten sentences including the sentiment that one remains poor when honest and also a protest against the absurdity of war.

RUNGE—One thousand three hundred ninety-six bales of cotton have been ginned during the 1932 season by four local gins to recent date.

CHURCHES

First Presbyterian Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11 o'clock, morning worship.
7:30 o'clock, evening worship.
E. W. McLAURIN, Pastor

Ballinger Baptist Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school, E. Shepperd, superintendent.
11:00 a. m., preaching service by pastor.
7:00 p. m., B. T. S., F. D. McCoy, director.
8:00 p. m., preaching service by pastor.

Church of the Nazarene
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
Preaching 11 a. m.
Evening worship 8:15 p. m.
Everybody cordially invited to all services at this church.
E. L. BONINE, Pastor

First Christian Church
(Broadway and Murrell)
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
A cordial invitation is extended to all.
CLAUDE P. JONES, Pastor

First Methodist Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
Morning services at 11 a. m.
Vesper services at 6:30 p. m.
Visitors will find a welcome at any and all services of this church.

Church of Christ
(Eighth Street, Bonsal Avenue)
Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m.
Communion at 11 a. m.

Ladies' Bible class meets Mondays at 3:30 p. m. at church building.

Prayer meeting and young people's meeting 8 p. m. Wednesday.

The public is invited to attend any and all these services.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church
Bible school at 9:45 a. m., S. P. Hathaway, superintendent.
Morning worship at 11 o'clock.
Evening worship at 8 o'clock.
There is a genuine welcome for strangers as well as members.
J. EDWIN KERR, Minister

RICE, COFFEE SUBSTITUTES APPEAR IN CHILEAN SHOPS

SANTIAGO, Chile, Sept. 15.—Barley "rice" and malt "coffee" are offered in Chilean grocery stores as substitutes for imported articles.

The idea is to get Chileans to import less of every foreign product so as to check the outflow of gold.

Several companies are producing a barley preparation to take the place of rice, imported chiefly from the United States, and breweries are selling a malt "coffee" to compete with the Brazilian berry.

Bachelor: "You oughta put your foot down and show the wife who is boss around the house."
Husband: "Tain't necessary—she knows"

Making Syrup on Farm Encouraged

COLLEGE STATION, Tex., Sept. 15.—"Texas farmers make 'sorgo sirup' and not 'sorghum molasses,'" farm sirup makers in scattered counties in east, west and south Texas were recently told by C. F. Walton, of the United States Bureau of Chemistry and Soils on a trip to the state for the purpose of aiding county agents in a program of extending and improving farm sirup making. "Molasses is a by-product of sugar making, whereas sorgo sirup contains all the plant's sugars," he said.

"The manufacture of sorgo sirup in the United States equals that of cane sirup. Sorgo is more widely grown than sugar cane or sugar beets, gives large returns to the acre, is easy to cultivate, and contains enough sugar to afford a big yield of sirup, usually at a satisfactory profit. The greatest cleanliness and care are required to produce fine sirup. Farmers will do better to offer their surplus sirup to the public in smaller containers attractively labeled. There is need of working out standard grades and of teaching the public to discriminate between good and bad sirup," Mr. Walton said.

In the sorgo sirup schools held, discussions and demonstrations

centered on varieties of desirable sorgo cane, soils, fertilizers, culture, equipment, evaporating, canning, prevention of crystallization, and taste preferences. County agents are working to extend farm sirup making for home use by encouraging established sirup makers to work on a share basis and helping sirup makers in new

areas. They are also aiding makers in standardizing their product for sale.

A farmer told his physician that he drank as many as fifteen cups of coffee in one day.

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BENOIT NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moody, of Ballinger, and Miss Elga Jonas.

F. Gressett, Gordon Gressett and C. O. Parker went to San Angelo Monday to attend to business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill, B. A. Dishman and Mrs. Dolores Lane and baby visited Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Elam, of Miles, Sunday.

The ice cream supper which was given Saturday night was well attended and about \$12.50 taken in. Little Miss Lavanda Hoffman drew the lucky number which entitled her to the club quilt offered. Lavanda is the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoffman.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cox and daughter, Thelma, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Cox and daughter, Addie Ruth, attended the singing at Crews Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Smith and two children, Mary Fred and William, of Talpa, were Benoit callers Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson and daughter, Laura B., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Prior Martin, of Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Vogelsang and baby visited Mr. and Mrs. F. Gressett and family Sunday.

Arthur Pullin and two sons attended church at Ballinger Sunday.

Taylor Lockett, of Tokeken, visited in the Claude Brookshier home recently, returning home Sunday.

Louise and Marguerite Brookshier spent last week with relatives at Tokeken.

CREWS NEWS

The singing at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon was a splendid success. A number of good singers from Ballinger, Winters and surrounding communities and probably from other towns were present. A number of beautiful quartets were rendered.

Mrs. T. E. Beard went to Santa Ana Monday to have a tonsil operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McBeth, of Sweetwater, were week-end guests of relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Branham, of Harmony, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. White Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Killam and little son, and Miss Cora Hays, of Ballinger, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. Petrie Sunday. They also attended the singing in the afternoon.

Mrs. C. A. Watson and daughter, Miss Belva, of Ballinger, visited relatives and attended the singing Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Young visited Mrs. W. E. Jones, of near Winters, Sunday.

Farmers all welcome the sunshine again. Maize heading is being rushed. Cotton is opening slowly due to so much rain recently and it will probably be ten days before much picking will be done.

The home demonstration club is working hard, preparing exhibits for the Runnels County Fair.

TALPA TOPICS

Misses Marie and Curtiss Gregory and Myrtle Tate spent Friday and Saturday at Santa Anna and Rockwood.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hale and Frank Hale spent Sunday in Miles with Mr. and Mrs. Amos Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Herring visited in the J. H. Kurtz home near Ballinger Sunday.

Mrs. C. T. Skiles and children, of Brownwood, spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown and Mrs. Hale.

Ruth and Ruby Deakins spent last week in Ballinger with Mrs. J. W. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hollinger spent Monday in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stone and daughters visited in Cross Plains Sunday.

A. B. Wilson and daughter, Lorena, returned home Tuesday from Houston, where they had been visiting Mr. Wilson's daughters, Mrs. B. C. Ely, Misses Hester Fay, Susie and Geneva Wilson.

Mrs. Walter Ray is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. Watts, of Valera.

Misses Eline Funderbery and Mildred Warren, of Brownwood, Miss Grace Ray, Milton Mercer and Bill Ray, of Talpa, returned Saturday from a motor trip to New Mexico.

Floyd Thompson came in Monday from Rankin.

Mrs. Curtis Beck and two

daughters, Margie May and Rosemary, are visiting in Bartlett.

BLANTON NEWS

Miss Euda Mae Foreman spent Saturday night with Miss Inez Clack.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Caffey had the misfortune to break his arm Sunday. He is reported to be recovering nicely.

The senior B. Y. P. U. rendered a program at Content Sunday afternoon.

Miss Aleda Macune, of Ballinger, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Macune Sunday.

R. L. Boothe and family were guests in the W. F. James home Sunday.

Members of the Winters Baptist Church, led by Miss Mildred Boone, presented an interesting program at the Blanton church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Elkins and daughter, Miss Mildred, and Miss Juanita Huddleston visited in Winters Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Malone moved to Ballinger last week for school advantages.

Miss Mayme Ruth Boothe left Monday for Norman, Okla., where she will attend school this winter.

SPRING HILL NEWS

The farmers are rejoicing over the sunny weather we are now having after so much rain and damp weather for more than two weeks, and are now busy with farm work.

O. C. Clifton returned home Wednesday after an extended visit in Pennsylvania.

Francis and Charles Allison were guests of Junior and Basil Aycock Sunday.

Miss Estelle Ingle spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Sammie Richardson.

Ernest Aycock Jr., who underwent an appendicitis operation about three weeks ago, was able to be carried home Saturday and will soon be able to be up and around.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Smith and family, of Winters, spent Saturday with Mr. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Smith.

Albert Aycock visited Leldon Clifton Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. L. K. Parr visited in the R. B. Ingle home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Crimm and Mr. and Mrs. Will Tyree, of Hagan, attended the singing at Spring Hill Sunday night.

WILMETH EVENTS

Grandmother Newsome, of Drasco, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Puckett, and family.

Mrs. Lonnie Overman is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dice, of Britton, Oklahoma, who had been visiting relatives here, returned home last week.

The young people enjoyed a social in the home of Miss Lealice King Monday night of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold are rejoicing over the arrival of a daughter, born Sunday at the Halley & Love Sanitarium, Ballinger.

All church services here Sunday were well attended.

The W. M. U. meets Wednesday afternoon and all members are urged to attend. Visitors are welcomed.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hurt, of Wingate, attended church services here Sunday.

The young people of the B. T. S. will entertain Friday night in the home of Rev. Frank Steele at Norton.

EAGLE BRANCH EVENTS

Farmers are very busy with their work since the fair weather began. All farm work had been delayed on account of continuous

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rains. Some are picking cotton but the majority are completing maize heading and report maize badly damaged by constant rains.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dameron are the parents of a new baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Woods are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy who has been named Morris Fauster.

Aulecy Carter, who had been visiting relatives at Bangs, returned home Sunday night. He was accompanied home by his cousin, John Carter, who will remain here for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mitchell and family moved to Winters Monday where they will be during the school term.

Regular church services will be held Sunday morning and evening by Rev. John Bishop. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

There is quite a lot of road work being done since the recent rains, the roads having got in very bad shape during that time but it is believed when the work is completed they will be in fair condition even during a rainy spell.

HAGAN HAPPENINGS

Cotton picking has started in our community although it is not open enough to employ many hands.

Miss Estelle Nunn left Thursday for Abilene where she will attend school.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wood and family visited Mr. and Mrs. F. Sparks Sunday.

Miss Velma Turner is visiting her sister, Mrs. Davis Nunn, of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Sparks and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Seipp and two children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Foreman, of Blanton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stinebaugh and family visited their daughter who resides in the Brookshier community Sunday.

Little Misses Florence and Lorene Wood were week-end guests of Lucille Turner.

Miss Lorraine Crimm spent Sunday with Miss Lorena Nunn.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Nunn visited Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Tubbs Sunday.

F. G. Sparks, of Dallas, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Sparks Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cotton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barry, of near Ballinger.

BETHEL NEWS

Quite a number of farmers began picking cotton this week. We hope to have pretty, dry weather for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Carrol entertained the young folks with a party Saturday night. Everyone seemed to have a nice time.

Ernest Laird returned home Saturday from Baird, where he had been visiting relatives.

Miss Linnie Mae Mathis, of Brady, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Bernadine Greenhill spent

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Sunday with Miss Thelma Wood. Mrs. Lon Muncy and daughter, Faye, spent last week in Eastland with Mrs. Muncy's mother.

Uncle Tommie Harwell is on the sick list this week. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Hedrick Shelburne spent Monday with her sister, Mrs. Paul Richardson, of Ballinger.

Misses Mamie Lou and Virginia Womack spent the past week in San Angelo, returning home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Loika and family spent Saturday night and Sunday at Wall with Mrs. Loika's sister.

Quite a number from this community attended King-Holt Company's birthday celebration at Ballinger Monday.

Johnnie Nunley spent Saturday night with Alfred McElrath.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Dierschke have moved to their new home. We hope for them a happy and prosperous married life. They entertained with a dance the first night they moved in. Everyone reported a nice time.

Both Sunday schools and both League meetings were attended Sunday.

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SPORTS

Coach Sterling Prince's Bearcats are already getting a reputation all over West Texas. The Bearcats are looked upon as one of the toughest teams in district 13 and larger towns are expecting them to go places when the conference schedule commences.

Nearly forty lads are working hard under Coaches Prince and Stowe each afternoon from the time school is out until dark, getting into physical condition. Every player realizes that he has competition for his position and there is plenty of fire and pep displayed when the coaches appear on the field.

Fans and players are delighted over the selection of Jack Lynn as captain of this year's team. Jack has accepted the responsibility and is leading the way in every new task assigned the candidates.

The starting line-up is a matter of guess work right now. For the past two years this was practically assured but there is a list of about twenty players to be considered for regular berths this

season. Back field men who look like starters are Flynt, McIntyre, Bailey, Williams, Marsh, Nelson, Jones and several others. Most of these are well known to fans and have plenty of ability.

It is entirely too early to guess at the line but a raft of big, experienced material will be hustling to make it one of the best front walls in the district. Evans, Hutchins and McMillan at ends are setting a fast pace.

Fans and players alike were anxious for a game before October 1, when the team meets the powerful San Angelo clan. It is against interscholastic league rules, however, to play before that time and the clash with San Angelo will be the season opener for the Bearcats. After that they will play one game a week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Booth, of Farwell, are here for a few days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dunlap and son. Mr. Booth complimented Ballinger very highly, saying it was one of the best looking small towns he had ever seen in Texas.

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Fall Prints
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15c

One lot of 15c grade fast color prints, special the yard

8c

New flat and cretonne crepes
in new fall shades, good quality, special the yard

69c

Ladies' rayon bloomers, extra quality, Special each

39c

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Cotton coming to gins is no uncommon sight here now and the season will soon be in full swing. Hot, sunny days are causing mature bolls to open fast and picking is starting in most sections of the county.

Ballinger merchants are becoming more optimistic and are looking forward to a good fall business. Most local firms report business has already increased considerably and when cotton begins moving steadily and more money is in circulation all local local firms expect the volume of trade to swell.

Tax reduction is sweet music to the ears of property owners. County and city officials are striving to give succor in this direction and that citizens of Ballinger and Runnels county approve the good work goes without saying. The reduction in Ballinger for this year of 82 cents on the \$100 based on \$3,000,000 total valuations will mean a saving of \$24,800 to local property owners. A large portion of this cut can be credited to County Judge Paul Trimmer who by his efficient spending of highway funds has saved enough to take care of the interest and sinking fund on bond issues for this year. By his efforts the road from Ballinger to Talpa will be built with state money and the county's part of \$55,000 to \$60,000 saved for other purposes. The same is true of the city commission. Working for the best interests of Ballinger these three men have put into action a program of economy in the face of loss in renditions reducing the municipal tax rate for three straight years. Property owners have been asking for lower taxes and our officials are striving in every possible way to heed this mandate and give relief.

HOW'S your HEALTH

Edited by the New York Academy of Medicine

VITAMIN B1
Very interesting and perhaps in their effects far-reaching researches on the effects of the lack of vitamin B1 in the diet of the young were conducted recently at the University of Chicago.

Before a litter of rats was born, the mother rat's diet was kept complete, but immediately after the birth of the litter the diet of the mother was rendered deficient in vitamin B1.

This condition was kept up for a few days and then the rat's diet was returned to normal.

The litter was nursed by the mother, and since the mother's milk could not possess vitamin B1 lacking in her food, the young during a short interval following birth suffered a deficiency of vitamin B1.

When the young rats reached a certain age, they were tested for their learning ability.

The test involved mastering a maze, that is, a series of channels through which the rat might run, all the channels but one being blind, and the correct one leading the way to the reward—food.

It was found that normal rats of the same age learned the maze in from 40 to 50 trials, while those underfed in vitamin B1 for a few days while they were young required 90 to 100 trials to learn the maze.

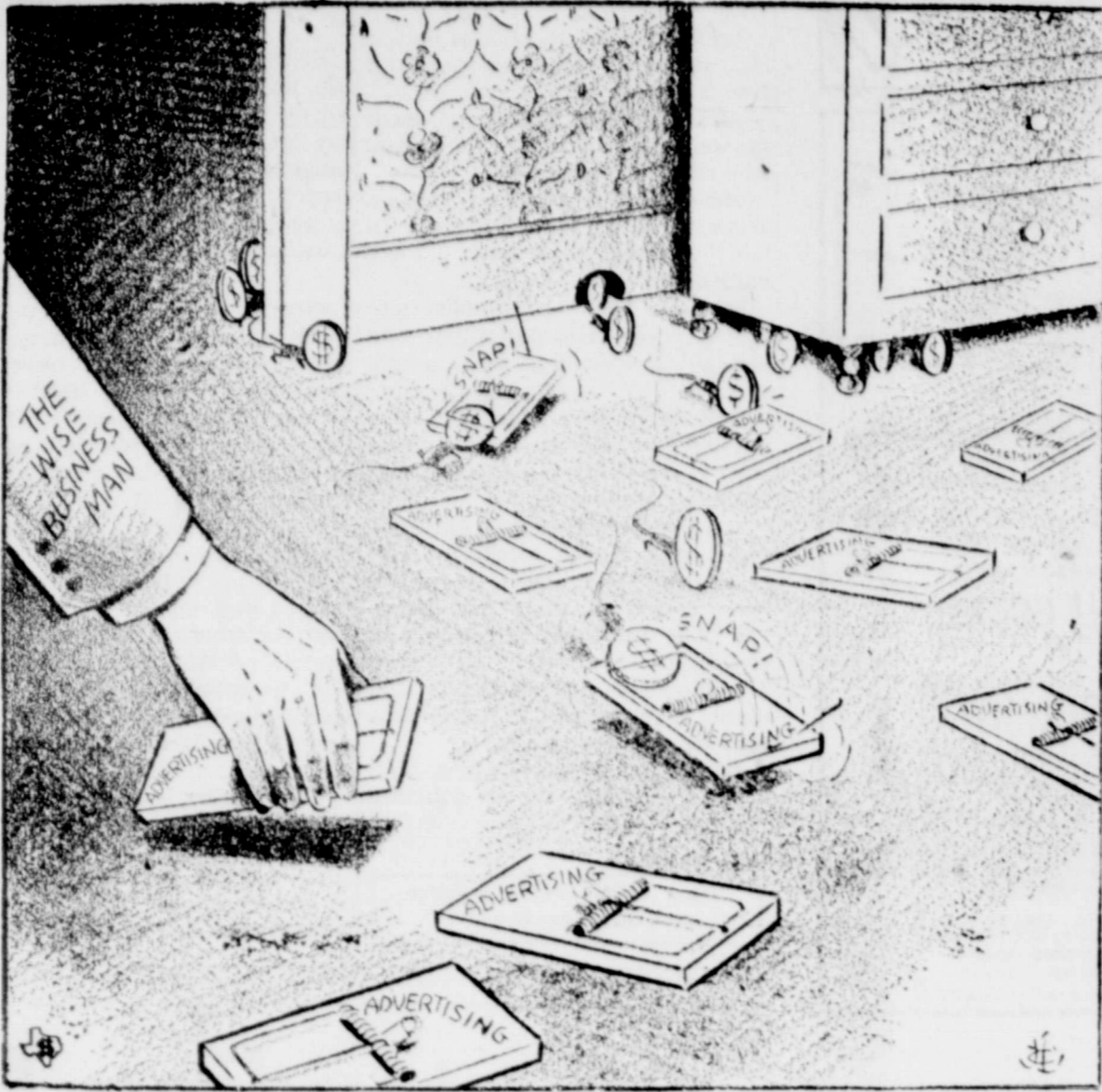
The investigators interpret their results to mean that the central nervous system of the little rats deprived of vitamin B1 during the first days of their life, suffered a permanent setback in their nervous system.

Dr. McCollum, discussing these experiments, observes that permanent injury to the brain resulting from a brief interval of the under-feeding of the anti-neurotic vitamin in early life may be of great importance with respect to the child's mental efficiency.

Pediatricians now are seeking to determine whether infants are benefited by a vitamin B1 supplement during the earliest months of life when they are confined principally to milk.

JEFFERSON — Contract has been let for repairs to the second story of the city hall.

Trapping Season Now Open



MOVIES

Edmund Lowe, Evelyn Brent Stars of "Attorney for the Defense"

Besides the featured players—Edmund Lowe and Evelyn Brent—"Attorney for the Defense," to be shown at the Palace Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday next, contains in its cast the names of Constance Cummings, Donald Dillaway, Dorothy Peterson, Bradley Page, Nat Pendleton, Dwight Frye, Douglas Haig, Wallis Clark and Clarence Muse.

Directed by Irving Cummings, this Columbia production is said to give Edmund Lowe one of his best "polished" roles as the district attorney who defends an innocent man condemned to be electrocuted.

In commenting on this offering one dramatic critic says: "Every member of this competent cast helps to put his head and shoulders above the usual type of courtroom pictures and as a result Columbia brings you one of the season's most entertaining pictures."

"Street Scene," Pulitzer Prize Drama, Brought to Screen by Goldwyn

"Street Scene," picturized from the famous Pulitzer prize play by Elmer Rice, will be presented by Samuel Goldwyn at the Palace Theatre Friday and Saturday. In directing the story of a warm-hearted romance and a passionate murder against the living screen of a city street, King Vidor makes of "Street Scene" his most ambitious effort since "The Big Parade."

Sylvia Sidney, in whose ears are still ringing the nation-wide acclaim that greeted her appearance in "An American Tragedy,"

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Elmer Rice himself adapted his stage play to the screen for Mr. Goldwyn. It ran for 600 performances in New York, and played for two years through the principal cities of the United States. Mr. Rice directed the New York, Chicago, London and Los Angeles stage productions. A published version of the play has appeared in five languages.

Most of the original stage cast were brought to Hollywood for the picture. Beulah Bondi, David Landau, Russel Hopton, Anna Kostant and Greta Granstedt are among the featured players. Every detail of a tenement block in New York's west sixties was recreated with the most complete authenticity, the houses, the occupants, the passers-by, street

noises, traffic, even to the nearby elevated, where an actual train was built to create the noises that are among the undertones of the picture. Capt. Richard Day and Willie Pogany supervised the elaborate production details under the supervision of King Vidor and Mr. Goldwyn for this United Artists picture.

SOVIET RAIN INSTITUTE PLANS WEATHER CONTROL

MOSCOW, Sept. 15.—Soviet Russia expects to carry out at once its plan to supply weather to order. The Artificial Rain Institute at Moscow already is functioning and others are to be established throughout the country.

Scientists declare that they are planning a regular schedule of fair weather and of rain at the times when it is needed by the farmers. Experiments made by means of airplanes and powerful ground transmitting stations have shown, they say, that much can be done in bringing down rain by means of high-tension currents.

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SOCIETY.

Dove Dinner for Y.W.A. Members

Mrs. J. H. McClain and Mrs. E. P. Talbot were joint hostesses in serving a six o'clock dove dinner to the Y. W. A. members of the Baptist Church on the porch of Mrs. McClain's home Tuesday evening. This was the regular porch meeting and annual howdy-do and good-bye party for teachers and college students. There being no new ones to honor, Miss Mildred Street, bride-elect of Myron Pumphrey, of Winters, was named guest of honor. The centerpiece on the bride's table was a miniature arch decorated with queen's wreath. From the arch hung a rose, a symbol of the wedding ball, and at the bride's plate was a spray of queen's wreath and a rose bud.

After the dinner was served, Miss Muda Tittle and "Mr." Mary Elizabeth Truly presented a number entitled "Hitting the Nail on the Head," in which the characters were "Mildred" and "Myron." The nails and hammer were brought and presented to the bride, which proved to be a cup towel shower. Each cup towel bore the Y. W. A. emblem and initials of the maker.

Those present were: Misses Mildred Street, Elizabeth Truly, Muda Tittle, Louise Shepperd, Nona Diltz, Rosa Crockett, Louise Hash, Gladys Jones, Hattie Mae Dunlap, Esther Parish, Grace Murchison, Margaret New, Vhelma Parrish, Zemma Street, Helen Compton, and Verda Belle Allen.

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THINK TOOTHBRUSH, NOT DIET PREVENTS DECAY

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 15.—Recent theories of biologists and dentists, chiefly in England, that tooth decay is caused by bad diet instead of by unclean teeth were challenged by Dr. H. E. Friesell, dean of the dental school of the University of Pittsburgh, and Dr.

J. J. Enright, of the Mellon Institute, before a recent meeting of dental specialists here.

For nine years the two institutions have been making a joint investigation of why teeth decay. The chief cause, they believe, is the presence around the teeth of living bacteria apparently identical with the bacteria that makes milk turn sour.

These bacteria grow in any bits of starchy food clinging to the teeth and produce acid, just as they do in milk when it sours. This acid then attacks the teeth

and causes the decay.

The fact that the teeth of some individuals do not decay even though no effort is made to keep them clean is explained, Dr. Friesell and Dr. Enright believe, by other conditions which prevent in these cases the formation of acid, it being this acid which is dangerous rather than the mere dirtiness or the bacteria.

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There were many items, in home furnishings that we carry, not shown. Many of our cheaper articles of furniture were in our store rooms which could not be opened for a public inspection, but we here and now call your attention to the fact that we carry furniture to fill every need and to fit every price.

Our stock of merchandise now is as complete as was ever carried here in prosperous times. All the stock on the floor has been purchased before recent price advances and is being sold at the lowest possible price, some lower than the wholesale price today. We have been notified of price advances in many of our lines but will raise the price of no item on our floor today.

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MARIE MUSINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whalen and little son have moved to Bronte where Mr. Whalen is employed in a gin.

R. J. Clark, Tullie and Moody Welch have returned from Rankin, where they had been visiting for the past several days.

Miss Louise Kinney left last week for Dallas, where she will enter high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flynt, Jr., and son moved to Ballinger Monday. Mr. Flynt will work there this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude McShan moved to Bronte recently in order that Mr. McShan might be closer to his work. Mr. McShan is employed by the highway department. We regret very much to lose these good people from our community.

Osmo Black and Grady Clark entered high school at Bronte Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald and family have moved back from Mingus. We are always glad to have these people in our community.

Church services here Sunday were well attended.

BENOIT CLUB PLANS BOOTH AT FAIR

The Benoit home demonstration club met with Mrs. George Williams Tuesday evening, with thirteen members present. Two new members, Miss Edna Brookshier and Mrs. Ina Buchanan, were received, and the club welcomed two visitors, Mrs. R. E. White and Mrs. Walter Finely, of Ballinger.

Plans for a booth at the Runnels County Fair were discussed and a business session held at which new officers as follows were elected: President, Mrs. A. J. Pullin; vice-president, Mrs. W. D. Lewis; secretary, Mrs. Arch Brookshier; reporter, Miss Lurline Brookshier.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Arch Brookshier September 27.

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H. P. C. Reserves to Meet Bearcats Here

Supt. H. C. Lyon announced Wednesday the scheduling of a football game here October 8, during the Runnels County Fair, with the Howard Payne Reserves. This was the only open date on the Bearcat calendar for the year and assures a feature attraction for that day at the fair.

The Howard Payne team will bring here an array of high school stars from last year's teams. It will be one of the toughest teams on the Bearcat schedule and will also be the first home game in 1932 for the local gridsters.

The Howard Payne Reserves are well coached and play a clean brand of football. They have been carded here in years past and always delivered an exhibition worth seeing. This year there are many freshmen on the squad and it is one of the strongest in this section of the state in its class. High school and fair association officials are delighted over the booking of this game.

The team which the Winters Blizzards will oppose during the fair has not been announced but will be made known within the next few days. Winters will play a game at Fair Park Friday, October 7.

The program committee is trying to arrange for other grid games as afternoon features for the fair.

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Sandwiches, Fresh Oysters 30c dozen, at Ratliff's. 13-2t

To the Voters of Runnels County:

I wish to express my appreciation and thanks to one and all in your selection of me as your choice for County Clerk.

I will remember every one as my friend whether a supporter or not, and will do my very best to make you the County Clerk you desire.

Gratefully yours,
W. W. ("Bill") CHASTAIN
16-1t

STEALS FREIGHT TRAIN TO SEE SWEETHEART

Missing the last train from Folenzara to Bastia, Corsica, and being anxious to see his sweetheart, a Russian mechanic stole a freight train, and started for Bastia.

Railway employee pursued him, and in putting on speed, he ran the engine off the track in going around a curve. The track was torn up and the freight cars wrecked.

The swain, uninjured, was arrested.

Visitors Present Program for Rotary

The Ballinger Rotary Club enjoyed the presence of a number of visitors Tuesday when all the factory representatives here to attend the King-Holt Company's "birthday party" were present. Paul Trimmier, who was in charge of the program, turned the meeting over to the guests and Carl Wevat, representative of the Belmont Casket Company, Columbus, Ohio, presided, as each guest was introduced for a few minutes' time.

Mrs. Glenn Dugan, of Dallas, who for a number of years was on the lyceum platform, responded to her introduction with a reading that delighted the audience. Harry Goodman, of the Hub Furniture Company, Fort Worth, told of the early days when he visited Ballinger as a traveling salesman. He referred to the time when the only fire in the local hotel was in the lobby and guests untied their shoes and ran to their rooms to get in bed before they chilled. He contrasted this with the present era, paying Ballinger many nice compliments, especially mentioning the good highway system constructed in this county.

The program presented by the visitors was both enjoyable and instructive. Some of the speakers pointed to the use of Texas products in their goods and showed that in this way we were all pulling together for the extension of business.

The program for next Tuesday will be arranged by the community service committee and will concern the county fair.

Lonesome Cowboy Is Here Tonight

Roy McDaniels, "The Lonesome Cowboy," recently of radio station XER, Villa Acuna, Mexico, will appear in person in Ballinger tonight (Thursday) at American Legion Hall, singing and playing favorite numbers. With him will be forty beautiful Ballinger girls in a popularity contest. The audience will choose the most popular from each of the four high school classes, and finally the most popular of those on the stage.

The program is under the auspices of the local American Legion post. The performance will start promptly at 8 o'clock and admission has been set at the low prices of 10 and 25 cents.

Young women appearing in the revue may represent any merchant in the city. The firm represented will be the choice of the girl and the merchant will pay nothing for representation.

McDaniels is well known to radio fans in the Southwest. Many of his programs from XER, KGKL, San Angelo; WFAA, Dallas; and WBAP, Fort Worth; have been heard here. He will play and sing any request number tonight.

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TINTS FROM DESERT SUN MAKES BOTTLES VALUABLE
PASADENA, Calif., Sept. 15.—Death Valley and other desert places are being combed by collectors of old whiskey bottles which, through long years of exposure to the desert sun, have been colored a deep violet. The town pump of Beatty, Nev., boasts an old-fashioned beer "schooner" possessing the much sought tint. Visitors are welcome to drink from it and admire it, but the citizens guard it carefully to see that it is not taken away as a souvenir.

Brazil Helps Working Girl
RIO DE JANEIRO, Sept. 15.—(AP)—A provisional government decree gives to working women wage rates equal to those of men, prohibits women working between 10 p. m. and 5 p. m. except in hospitals and similar places, and grants privileges to working mothers.

Work has been started on a low-water dam on the South San Gabriel River.

HERE'S HOW BUSY BEE BLOCKS GERMAN RIVER
STETTIN, Germany, Sept. 15.—Bees stopped a fleet of ships from passing through the big railway drawbridge here. An attendant found the lever clogged with a huge swarm which would not let him approach. Half a dozen steamers were hooting desperately; skippers cursed; longshoremen shouted advice—all without avail.

After an hour's delay, the bee swarm rose and so did the bridge.
Dyke Owns Dike Mine
REDDING, Cal., Sept. 15.—(AP)—William H. Dyke has been granted a patent by the federal government for the "Big Dyke Mine," near here. The Big Dyke mine is a dike lode—a great body of low-grade ore at or near the surface. A baby is born every five minutes in Texas—12 every hour and 288 per day.

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A Study

. . . . in Contrasts

The above scene is a graphic representation of the home of two housewives—just before guests arrive for the evening meal. The woman at the left has been working in a hot kitchen all afternoon . . . nothing has gone off well . . . she is nervous, tired, irritable . . . and looks it. But the modern home-manager at the right is cool, fresh, lovely and unburied. She has been away from home all afternoon, yet is ready to take a delicious, savory and attractive meal from her oven. Her meal will be an unqualified success . . . the success of the other housewife's dinner-party is extremely doubtful.

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Beautiful sport coats, also brown and black. In the new rough materials with such luxurious fur collars and cuffs. Very specially priced for this event.

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These are good, all wool, good looking sport coats, no fur, very special for the price asked, and a real buy at these prices

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Stunning tailored coats, no fur, dust proof, moisture proof and wrinkle proof, 100% Virgin wool. Your choice for this event only

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Beautiful coats with real red fox collars in the beautiful all wool materials also wolf collars and other furs

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Fall Dress Promotion

Dresses, Dresses, just received, you should see them, black, brown and wine, any color you want, but these are the prevailing colors. Dresses of the new crinkly crepe, dresses of wool, sport dresses that are the new knit materials.



Group One:

It isn't necessary to label these dresses—every smart woman in this trade territory will know they are new by their new melon or Lego mutton or puffed sleeves, by their high necklines, by the new rough materials, the new cantons, the new woolens, also many new knitted suits with their smart bright sweater blouses. You can get a selection of any kind of dress you may need in this special event for only

\$4.95 - \$5.95 and \$6.95

Group Two:

Beautiful new rough crepes, satin crepes, woolens, in fact anything that is new in material also in style can be found in this group. Very specially priced for this event at only

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Group Three:

The very smartest, high necks, melon sleeves, in rough crepes, ostrich wools. Beautiful new sheer wools, the very best of materials in the most intriguing styles. Very special for

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We Want You to See This Beautiful Display of Dresses.

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Beautiful New Bright Plaid Silks, the very newest of the new, per yard **\$1.25**
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- PART WOOL BLANKETS**
66x80—first quality, beautiful plaids—all colors, per pair **\$1.98**
- TWO-TONE BLANKET—ALL-WOOL**
66x80—beautiful Two-Tone Blanket—reversible—green and rose, blue and rose, green and peach, many other combinations, very special for only **\$3.95**
- PLAID BLANKETS**
66x80 Plaid Blanket, 3½ pound, very special **\$1.29**

New Tilts to Fall Felts \$5

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