

Tortures of Chain Gang Prison Camps a Throwback to Medieval Times

Expose of Unbelievable Conditions as Revealed in
"I Am a Fugitive from a Chain Gang," Rocked
Smug America Out of Its Complacency.

The outfits pictured here are exact replicas of chain gang prison devices, made by Warner Bros. for use in Paul Muni's starring picture, "I Am a Fugitive From a Chain Gang."

Investigation Revealed That "Sweat Box" and "Pickshack" Used Today to punish Refractory Prisoners in Chain Gang Camps, Surpasses in Cruelty, "The Iron Maiden," and "The Rack" of Middle Ages.

By HERBERT CROOKER

(Criminologist, and author of the novel, "The Hollywood Murder Mystery" and "The Crime in Washington News.")

FROM the torture chambers of Medieval Europe to the prison camps of these United States of America seems like a long jump.

But is it really?

Recent disclosures inform us most convincingly that the conditions which exist in American prison camps in this year of 1933 do not differ greatly from those in the times of the Borgias, and the days when the Roman blonde beauty, Beatrice Cenci, was tortured on the rack.

We have learned that the Iron Virgin and the rack of the Middle Ages find their combined counterpart today in the pitiless sweat box. The ancient lash and the cruel cat-o'-nine tails still snap and crack and draw blood from sweating, cringing backs. There are still the chains and manacles, clanking mercilessly while the hot sun beats down on beady brows of men who have sinned against the law.

Not the ancient laws of Kings! But the modern law of civilized man. Yes, of civilized man!

We have read terrifying tales in fact and fiction. Tales of imprisonments of horror. Dungeons, vile and rat infested. Fantastic jailbirds of the ilk of Francois Villon, Cansanova, Cagliostro, Monte Cristo, Vidocq, the Man in the Iron Mask, and scores of others. Do they exist today?

They do!

Today's counterpart of the poet-criminal, Villon, and the fleeing Vidocq, is Robert E. Burns, former prisoner-at-large, from justice and the law, but now returned to prison. A man who states his case between book covers in the startling volume, "I Am a Fugitive From a Chain Gang."

And when you read you murmur, "Can such a state of affairs exist in this day and age?"

The answer is—Yes!

The tales of horror have not only come from the printed record by Burns but from the mouths of men who have escaped from this living death. Or men set free when their time was up—if they lived to tell the tale. No small amount of space has been given in the newspapers about the pitiless prison camps—so much so that a motion picture company came to the decision to make a pictorial record of this harlequinade of justice.

Movie Prison Camp Too Much for Actor

A Broadway stage star, Paul Muni, was taken from the Great White Way where his name had twinkled in lights, and sent to Hollywood to create the role of this modern Casanova, this modern Man in the Iron Mask, the hunted creature in "I Am a Fugitive From a Chain Gang."

And a story has leaked eastward that after several days on the celluloid rock pile in the sun-baked stone quarries, with heavy chains clanking at his wrists and ankles, Paul Muni, of hard-boiled "Scarface" fame, was so worn out that he sat down and broke down and cried. He had enough of it even in his world of make-believe.

Students of criminology, and the fascinating elements of crime and punishment, never lose interest in their subject. Indeed, it is fascinating to us all. It was fascinating to Paul Muni, to the motion picture company, and to the property man at the Warner Studio. For it was the job of the property man to fashion replicas of these modern instruments of prison torture.

Much to Muni's horror, the property man fashioned a most uncomfortable sweat box for his use. A counterpart of the Iron Virgin, the rack of the Borgias!

The Inhuman "Sweat Box"

A rough wooden box somewhat on the order of a rustic telephone booth, in which a man is placed with his feet in wooden stocks, so that he may not draw himself up. A chain is tightened around his neck and attached to the top so that he may not sag downward without danger of strangling to death.

The dungeons of stone and steel of Medieval Days are now replaced by the wooden shacks for the 1933 chain gang's quarters. Long, low, smelly buildings, entirely of wood, but with iron barred windows. Two rows of beds, rude wooden affairs, with wooden slats and a blanket in place of spring and mattress. And a heavy chain at the foot of every bed, manacled to the chain on the prisoner's ankles.

The mess hall of today is also a kitchen and washroom. Here on one side are the cooking ranges on which fried pork fat and sorghum and dough biscuits and coffee are prepared three times a day.

On the other side—the washroom. Several

large sheet iron wash tubs in which those who are not too spueamish scrub themselves. Fifty men wash in one tub, and when the second and third man has finished his ablutions the water has already become a sickening black.

15 Hours a Day on the Rock Pile

Then comes the daily grind on the rock pile, in the stone quarry, on the country roadway. Fifteen hours a day under the sickening sun. And when the work carries them far afield, the "pie wagon" goes along. The "pig wagon"—a steel-barred wagon on wheels holding four tiers of three bunks each.

And all of the time the chains are clanking . . . clanking . . . clanking!

A prisoner in a chain gang camp in this fair country of ours is never free from his clinking chains.

They are riveted on the day he is incarcerated. They are removed only when he completes his sentence . . . or dies on the rockpile, or in his pitiless wooden bunk.

All of the necessary varieties of chains were made in the studio blacksmith shop under the careful eye of the property man—that unsung hero of filmdom. The most common chain is the "strad chain" of thirteen links, connected with the manacles on the prisoner's ankles. The manacles themselves are riveted on.

There is the cruel "upright chain," which is three feet long, attached to the center of the "strad chain," and which has a ring at the end which the prisoner holds in his hand when he walks.

The ring is a link joining miserable companionship. Linking the chain gang together. When they go to sleep at night they are held by the "ring." When they journey in the "pie wagon" the "ring" binds them. When they are led along the roadway or to the quarries the "ring" grotesquely weds them to one another.

When more emphatic punishment is necessary there is always the ball and chain and the biting arm manacle. A not uncommon method of torture is the use of the "pickshack." A bar of steel thirty inches long, weighing ten pounds. Clamped securely to the prisoner's legs it is worn in addition to the shackles for a period of from sixty to ninety days.

Let us observe the whipping post of this year, 1933. The post is but a heavy wooden post holding a cross bar. The whip is something else again.

The Lash and Whipping Post

The whip has a large wooden handle, and a thong six feet long, three inches wide, and one quarter of an inch thick. The lashes fall on naked backs . . . the number of lashes according to the offense of the cowering victim. And the victims state that it is a most effective means of punishment.

They say that chains and bars do not a prison make. An "old saw" only too well understood by the prison chain gang guards. Each guard knows well that he is just a walking target for a pick axe, a shovel, or a blunt instrument fashioned by a prisoner with escape in his heart.

Guards with rifles . . . shot guns . . . automatic pistols . . . machine guns . . . dynamite. A veritable arsenal on hand to guard against an escape, or a mass insurrection. And there is the well stocked kennel of hungry, baying bloodhounds, the real terror of the convict in flight.

So now you have the picture. It is unbelievable. Yet it exists.

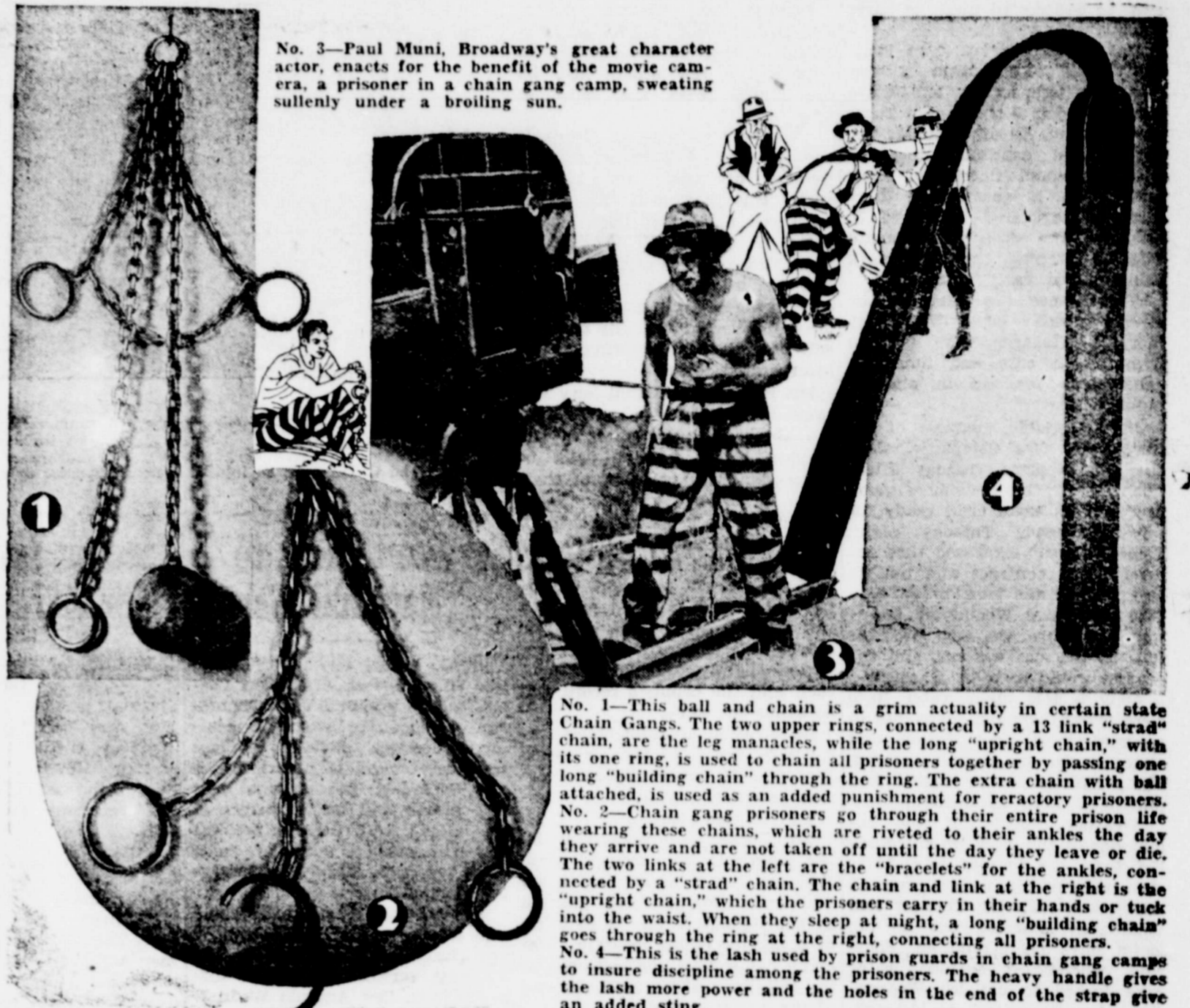
It is not the task of this writer to declare the rights and wrongs of such a medieval system. This is not a monograph on the humanity of man. It is merely a word picture of a sad state of affairs which will undoubtedly be remedied.

There are those who say the lawless get what they deserve and deserve what they get. And there are those who say that Man should be given a chance for redemption. When Man is handled like the vilest beast can he have such a thing as a thought for redemption?

A very great prison authority, Warden Lawes of Sing Sing Prison, states in his latest volume, "Twenty Thousand Years in Sing Sing" that sympathetic application and daily regulation will help the criminal to regain his place in the world and become a respected citizen again.

Certainly, this from a great humanitarian who knows his subject is worth more than all of the sweat boxes, lashes, manacles, ball and chains of Medieval America.

Will this state of affairs go on? Probably not. However, it has been with us, it is with us now. But a time must come when the stinging lash of the Borgias takes its place for good in the museum of weapons of torture.



No. 3—Paul Muni, Broadway's great character actor, enacts for the benefit of the movie camera, a prisoner in a chain gang camp, sweating sullenly under a broiling sun.

No. 1—This ball and chain is a grim actuality in certain state Chain Gangs. The two upper rings, connected by a 13 link "strad" chain, are the leg manacles, while the long "upright chain," with its one ring, is used to chain all prisoners together by passing one long "building chain" through the ring. The extra chain with ball attached, is used as an added punishment for refractory prisoners. No. 2—Chain gang prisoners go through their entire prison life wearing these chains, which are riveted to their ankles the day they arrive and are not taken off until the day they leave or die. The two links at the left are the "bracelets" for the ankles, connected by a "strad" chain. The chain and link at the right is the "upright chain," which the prisoners carry in their hands or tuck into the waist. When they sleep at night, a long "building chain" goes through the ring at the right, connecting all prisoners. No. 4—This is the lash used by prison guards in chain gang camps to insure discipline among the prisoners. The heavy handle gives the lash more power and the holes in the end of the strap give an added sting.

MILLIONS

have waited for this world-acclaimed picture! Thousands suffered the tortures of the damned that it might be made! Now here's the original, authentic truth about a present day hell-on-earth, written in blood by a convict who is still in flight from the horrors he dared expose! His escape made front-page history—and so will this blazing real-life picture of Robert E. Burns' amazing life and desperate loves!

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HERRING TOPICS

Sunday was regular preaching day. A large crowd attended each service.

Those who attended the funeral of Mrs. Farmer at Coleman Sunday included Mr. and Mrs. Featherstone, L. J. Brevard, Mr. and Mrs. Kerby, Noble Faubion, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Avert, Misses Ozella and Mona Avert, Loelia Stovall and Orin Brister. Mrs. Farmer was the mother of our former teacher, J. L. Farmer.

Miss Selma Morton was the guest of Miss Maggie Ruth Brevard Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brevard and son were guests in the Marion Kerby home Sunday.

Misses Meek, Stevens and Louderman, of Crews, attended church services here Sunday morning and were dinner guests in the W. L. Allcorn home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brister and sons, Orin and Elvis, and Miss Loelia Stovall, all of Ranger, spent the week-end in the G. C. Avert home. Miss Loelia and Orin remained for a longer visit.

The Herring basketball team played the Glen Cove team at Glen Cove Friday afternoon, the result being that the local boys were badly beaten.

Mrs. G. C. Avert visited in the home of Mrs. Cox, of Crews, Saturday.

Mrs. J. P. Brevard spent Monday with her mother, Mrs. Miller.

Rev. Funderburk was a guest in the G. C. Avert home Sunday.

Mrs. Mattie Perrie and children returned home last week after a short visit in the M. F. Kerby home.

A number of young people of the community attended a social at Glen Cove Saturday night.

BETHEL NEWS

Rev. R. F. Cole filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday. Both services were well attended.

Foster Greenhill, J. W. Little and Harry Dierschke were among the boys making records in 4-H club projects during 1932. These boys, with their parents, were among the guests at a luncheon given in their honor at Ballinger Tuesday.

Miss Edna Richardson spent the week-end with her father and sister at Spring Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley were dinner guests of their daughter, Mrs. Robert Wood, and family, Sunday.

Miss Elsie Gilkerson spent the week-end with her parents at Abilene.

Miss Mary Nunley spent the week-end with Miss Evelyn Tullos, of the Hagan community.

The Bethel basketball boys' team won second place in the class B division in the tournament at Winters Saturday.

TALPA TOPICS

Rev. Branham, of Bronte, preached Sunday morning and evening at the First Baptist Church.

Misses Marie and Curtiss Gregory spent the week-end with relatives in Talpa.

Mrs. L. R. Bradford and children, of Santa Anna, spent the week-end with Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Jones.

Harold Brown, of Stacy, spent Sunday with his brother, Bob Brown.

W. L. McClure and Mr. Favors, of Millersview, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Livingston and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rush spent Sunday in Coleman, the guests of Mrs. Purcell.

J. L. Bomar passed away Friday morning and was buried in the Talpa cemetery Saturday afternoon. Rev. Hall conducted the rites. Out-of-town relatives who attended the funeral were Riley Bomar, Electra, John Bomar, Porsan; Mrs. Mary Cox, Wichita Falls; Mr. and Mrs. E. Cox, Burkett; and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Probandt, San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Partridge visited at Santa Anna Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kelly spent the week-end at Oplin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Deakins, Ruth and Ruby Deakins, and Mrs. J. M. McConnell attended the funeral of Mrs. Ira Farmer at Coleman Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Moore and Mrs. W. B. Wright, of Ballinger, attended the funeral of J. L. Bomar here Saturday afternoon.

PONY NOTES

Flows have been running full time the past three weeks, and the farmers are progressing nicely with their farm work after the long delay on account of wet weather.

We are glad to report Harry Mapes rapidly recovering from a serious infection on his leg.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Northington and Jack Cooke visited in the E. F. Krc home Sunday.

Edwin Frank Ford, of Mereta, had business in this community Wednesday.

W. J. Fowler, Jr., and E. Schram went to Leaday Saturday after a bunch of broncos.

Mrs. Oscar Prusser, of Dale, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Fox, the past week-end.

Jeanne Mapes, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mapes, who had been ill several days, is able to return to school.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Thompson and family were guests in the Leonard Cape home Sunday.

Harry Mapes was a caller at the R. W. Conley home, at Concho,

Sunday. We regret to report Mr. Conley still in a serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Erhard Schram and Mrs. W. B. Jordan transacted business at San Angelo Friday.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Mapes, who have been ill for some time, are reported to be improving.

We are having some real winter weather this week. The Bethel school bus which gathers the children in this neighborhood, froze up Tuesday morning after going only about one and a half miles and was unable to complete the route. The thermometer dropped to 3 above Wednesday morning.

BLANTON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Schwertner and daughter, Margaret, of the Cross Roads community, recently visited the former's mother, Mrs. Joe Schwertner.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wade and children, Ellis, Edna Ruth, and Ramah Lois, visited in the Paul Witter home at Blanton Sunday.

The Louis Baca family had as guests Sunday afternoon Frank Zak and son, Andrew, George Schwertner, Albert Neumann, Zachariah, Clinton, and Raymond Tounget, Aileen, Hazel and Emmitt Wade, J. D. and Billy Baca.

EAGLE BRANCH EVENTS

The blizzard which struck this section of the state Monday night was the worst in two years. The temperature dropped to 5 1/2 degrees Tuesday morning. The storm was very detrimental to livestock and automobiles but we hope will serve a good purpose by destroying boll weevils and other crop pests.

Merl Moore visited her friend, Lorena Bradley, Sunday.

Agnes Kurtz spent the week-end with Bertha Jacob.

Mr. and Mrs. Kurtz enjoyed a turkey supper in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Bradley Sunday evening.

Willie Mae Cooper spent Sunday with relatives in Ballinger.

A number of the pupils of the Eagle Branch school were absent Tuesday and Wednesday on account of the inclement weather.

Several of the citizens of this community attended the singing at the Ballinger Baptist Church Sunday afternoon and had the pleasure of hearing V. O. Staraps and Freddie Martin, of Abilene, besides other good singers.

Clyde Harding and wife were guests of J. C. Cooper and family Sunday.

Donella Kelly spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Davis, of

RED BANK NEWS

The farmers of this community have been taking advantage of the pretty weather for the past few weeks, in preparing their land for another crop.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Zak and son, Johnnie Daniel, of the Kristoff community, visited in the Louis Baca home Saturday night.

Clifford King is spending a few days with friends and relatives in

Ballinger Beauty Shop

I have opened a shop in the same quarters formerly occupied by Mrs. Helm and will operate under the same name, giving the following introductory prices:

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All Work Guaranteed.

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Sheriff M. E. Mote of Childers



Faye Pennington



Mrs. Ida Hunsucker

Here are three people who figured in the murder of Deputy Sheriff Joe Brown at Rhame, Texas, and the subsequent manhunt. Above is Sheriff Mote of Childers county, who arose from his sick bed to capture Mrs. Ida Hunsucker and Faye Pennington, who stopped in Childers in their effort to evade the law after Brown's murder. Mrs. Hunsucker admitted being the mother of Glen Hunsucker, allegedly one of Brown's killers. Miss Pennington is said to be Hunsucker's "girl."

Drasco.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Jacob spent Sunday in the home of Herman Bredemier, of Pumphrey.

J. E. Davidson visited A. M. Davidson, of Hatchel, Sunday.

R. D. Jackson visited relatives at Wilmett Sunday.

Albert Henson was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Adkinson, of Oxien, Sunday.

The Helpers Club met with Mrs. J. C. Cooper Wednesday afternoon. Thirty-two blocks of a "friendship" quilt were embroidered and 13 blocks of another quilt pieced. New officers were elected. Refreshments were served to the eleven members present.

It was decided by a vote of all the members to have a called meeting in the home of Mrs. J. C. Cooper and make curtains for the stage of our school.

Mrs. Lola Boothe visited in the

Blanton community.

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home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Watson, of South Ballinger, the past week-end. Mrs. Watson has been confined to her bed for the past week but is reported to be improving.

CREWS NEWS

The most severe blizzard of the season struck about 1 o'clock Tuesday morning, accompanied by heavy sleet. The mercury fell many degrees in a very short time.

Mrs. Beryl Bradley, of Bradshaw, is assisting in nursing her brother-in-law, C. W. Schwartz, who is critically ill.

Mrs. P. R. Dietz is reported to be ill.

Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth visited our community Sunday, and while here informed Miss Marguerite Mathis that she would receive \$15 in gold for the best garden club record in 1932. Miss Maxine Bradley will receive \$5 in gold as second prize, and Miss Harvey Mae Pape \$5 as second prize in food preservation. The prizes are being given by the Ballinger Cotton Oil Mill. The Ballinger Rotary Club extended an invitation to the club boys and girls, with their parents, to attend a banquet in their honor, Tuesday noon, at the Central Hotel, Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Phipps returned Friday from Glen Rose, where they attended the funeral of Mr. Phipps' mother. They were called there Sunday and remained until after the funeral. Decedent is survived by her husband, 92 years of age, but who is healthy and active, and several children and grandchildren. The community extends sympathy to Mr. Phipps.

P. R. Dietz, W. E. Jones, Misses Arzele Jones and Marguerite Mathis, also Rev. and Mrs. Hall, of Talpa, attended the Sunday school rally at the Winters Methodist church Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester McBeth, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Phipps and family, Don Morris and Elva Walden attended the singing convention at Ballinger Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Norris, of Talpa, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Jayroe Sunday.

Mrs. W. J. Young and Opal Grissom accompanied Mrs. W. E. Jones and daughters, Misses Mamie and Marie, of Winters, to Santa Anna Friday.

Miss Arzele Jones spent the past two weeks with relatives and friends at Drasco.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jackson are visiting the latter's parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Branaman, of

Bronte, this week.

Mrs. Kelly, of Talpa, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mathis visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mathis, of Tokeen, Sunday.

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LYON IS SPEAKER AT CONCHO MEETING

Supt. H. C. Lyon has accepted an invitation to address the Concho County Council of Parent-Teacher Associations Saturday at Lowake. He will address the gathering on the subject of "Some Responsibilities of Parent-Teacher Associations."

All organizations in Concho county have been invited to send representatives to this meeting. A number of out-of-town workers will take part in the program.

THIS WOMAN LOST 35 LBS. OF FAT

Miss M. Katner, of Brooklyn, N. Y., writes: "Have used Kruschen for the past 4 months and have not only lost 35 pounds but feel so much better in every way. Even for people who don't care to reduce, Kruschen is wonderful to keep the system healthy. I, being a nurse, should know for I've tried so many things but only Kruschen answered all purposes." (May 12, 1932).

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The Others, Too

Poet—I really think you ought to publish my poem on spring. I'm an old subscriber, you know.

Editor—Yes, but we also have to consider the feelings of the other old subscribers.—Pathfinder.

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MEAL Fancy	20-lbs. 21c
PRUNES Medium Size	10-lbs. 59c
FIGS Fancy White	2-lbs. 29c
COFFEE Bright and Early	3-lb. pail 75c
ONION PLANTS White Bermuda	400 for 25c
YAMS Kiln Dried	10-lbs. 23c
GRAPEFRUIT Texas Seedless	bushel 95c

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Did you know—that their cotton drafts were cleared through this bank?

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Ledger subscribers are requested to notify the publishers of any changes in their addresses promptly. Under the new postal laws newspapers and periodicals must pay postage due for notices of any changes in address furnished by the postoffice.

Clothing which has been issued by the Red Cross for the past three weeks came in nicely this week when the temperature dropped below zero. Almost every kind of garment that can be used with the exception of shoes has been distributed here.

Again the duck season in this section is all wrong—as the hunters see it. Ducks by the thousands have poured into this county this week, settling on lakes, creeks, rivers and branches.

Records made by Runnels county 4-H club boys and girls during the past year should be good examples for some of the adults to follow. The training which these boys and girls are receiving amounts to a liberal education.

The Ballinger fire department started the new year right by going the first month without a loss. Few calls were sent to the department during January and so far no damage of any kind has resulted.

REDUCE WASTE AND SUFFERING

The American people customarily burn up about \$500,000,000 worth of property each year. About 10,000 human lives are included. This is a tragic burden on every community.

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are at a premium and taxation at a maximum, and when the nation sorely needs every business, we still burn up about \$500,000,000 worth of property annually.

During the first ten months of 1932, fire loss was approximately \$5,000,000 greater than in 1931, a year in which the waste was practically the same as in the preceding three or four years.

If fire waste works a great hardship in normal times, what is its effect in an era of depression? There can be no question but that the destruction of homes, factories and places of business is not only an obstacle in the way of recovery, but an abetter of more hard times.

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4-H Club—

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above cost of \$18.36 per acre, with some 800 pounds of cotton in the field yet to be picked.

In the livestock feeding contest Irving Halfmann, of the Offen club, set an excellent record on swine. He purchased one brood sow at the beginning of the campaign and raised 12 pigs. When he began feeding them the pigs weighed 30 pounds each and after 90 days with a self feeder they weighed 130 pounds each, or a net gain per animal of 100 pounds in the three months.

Jack Carroll, Jr., of the Bethel club, took one sow and from her raised four pigs. He commenced feeding when the pigs averaged 120 pounds each, fed for 120 days and the four animals averaged 265 pounds each. The pigs brought \$33.50 on an investment of \$6.

In the poultry department, J. W. Little, of Bethel, made an outstanding record. With five turkey hens he cleared \$97.55, or \$19.51 per fowl. He received 150

Old Texas THE LAST BATTLE OF THE CIVIL WAR WAS FOUGHT IN TEXAS... MAY 13, 1865... AFTER LEE HAD SURRENDERED TO GRANT AT APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE, VIRGINIA, (APRIL 9, 1865)... NEAR BROWNVILLE, TEXAS.

eggs from the five hens, hatched 72 young turkeys and raised 58.

The second poultry award went to Foster Greenhill, of the Bethel club. From six hens he received 1,780 eggs, hatched 56 baby chicks and raised 45. His net profit for the year was \$53, or \$8.48 per hen.

The ten boys and girls winning prizes this year made clear on their projects \$1,152, or \$115 each. Their average age is 15 years. There were many other boys and girls in the county who made almost as good records and whose work was highly profitable.

County Agent C. W. Lehmborg in charge of boys' work in this county, has done much for the youths in the past four years. Regular meetings are held and the boys are instructed in all kinds of agricultural activities, including livestock and poultry raising.

Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, county home demonstration agent, has charge of the girls' activities and meets with the girls' clubs regularly as well as the women's home demonstration clubs. The records made by the girls awarded prizes show how her efforts have been rewarded.

The best carbon paper for typewriters at Ledger office.

FINDER OF GOLD REEF IN AUSTRALIA IS DEAD

SIDNEY, Australia, Feb. 9.—Rich in romance, the story of the finding of the famous Coolgardie gold field in western Australia has been retold following the death of William Ford, one of the discoverers. Ford was a poor prospector when he made his lucky strike.

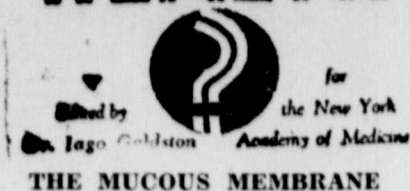
Accompanied by a chance acquaintance, Arthur Bayley, he started out from Perth in April, 1892, on an expedition. After many fruitless wanderings, they arrived one night, footsore and despondent, at a native well at Coolgardie. There they camped, ate their meager supper and turned in. Ford was astir early, and had not gone far before he picked up a gold nugget weighing a quarter of an ounce.

Before dinner time he and Bayley had found more than twenty ounces. A short time later they struck the reef which soon became famous throughout the mining world.

Noisy Siesta

"Did you hear Robinson snoring in church this morning? It was simply awful." "Yes, I did—he woke me up."

HOW'S your HEALTH



THE MUCOUS MEMBRANE

The process of living involves not only satisfaction of our basic needs, but also continuous vigilance against the disintegrating forces that beset us.

Not the least among these are the bacteria, apparently, seeking always to gain entrance into our bodies and feed upon our substance.

Nature has provided us with effective protective mechanisms to fend against these invaders. The tough outer layer of the skin, when intact, is an effective barrier against the ordinary outside agents.

But man has an inner outside as well as an outer inside. For, the respiratory and digestive tracts have protecting membranes of coverings called mucous membranes.

Suitable to the work which these two systems are called on to perform, these lining membranes are soft and pliable.

They are covered in health with a slimy, elastic, tenacious and pliable fluid layer, the secretions of the mucous membranes.

In this sticky substance are

caught and largely destroyed bacteria, pollens, dusts, powders and other foreign substances of small or microscopic size.

Both mechanically and chemically, mucus, as the secretion of the mucous membranes is called, tends to protect the body against injury by these agents.

In the case of larger particles taken into the gastro-intestinal tract, the mucus surrounds them and thus prevents them from causing injury by abrasion as they pass down the gastro-intestinal tract.

In the respiratory tract the cells of the mucous membranes are equipped with whip-like projections, which move in a rhythmic fashion and propel the mucus and its contents.

It is thus that phlegm is brought up to the throat where it may be hawked and expectorated, and by means of this mechanism, too, the back portion of the nose and the throat is cleared of its accumulations.

PLAY-OFF BASKETBALL GAME IS POSTPONED

The basketball game between Ballinger and Content school teams scheduled to be played at Content Wednesday afternoon was postponed on account of the cold weather and will be played either Thursday afternoon or evening at Winters. One game of the series of three has been played, the Bearcats winning by the score of 30 to 28. If the Content quintet

annexes the next tilt, tying the series, a third game will be played this week-end to determine the county championship.

The price of a cut of cherry pie....



When dining out the meal is usually tapered off with a cut of pie... it's the natural thing to do. Besides, 10 cents is not big money to satisfy a sweet tooth—unless you have stopped to reckon with the purchasing power of a penny.

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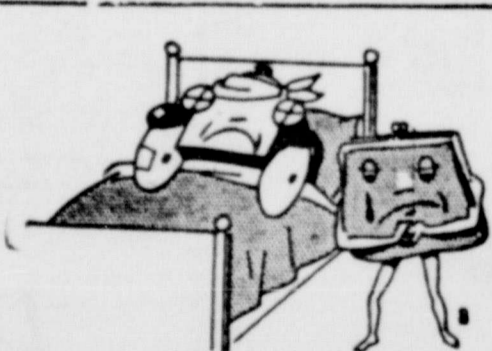
What Is ATHLETE'S FOOT

Over 30 Million Americans Now Have It—Is This Dreaded Disease Becoming a Plague?

Athlete's Foot is a fungus germ (Tinea) which appears on the feet in the form of a little yellow blister, causing severe irritation and itching—especially between the toes. This disease is very contagious and is spreading with alarming rapidity among all classes of people.

The failure to successfully treat Athlete's Foot in the past has been due largely to the fact that these germs hibernate in the pores of the shoes. Salves and liquids applied only to the feet DO NOT PENETRATE THE PORES OF THE SHOES. Medical Science has recently de-

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THE LAST GASP of a dying automobile is pitiful to the ear of the pocketbook—long lived cars are those whose owners have cared for radiators and batteries in winter weather, used chains and insured thorough lubrication....

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Progress and Power

Present-day industrial progress of small communities is based in a large measure on ample and economical power facilities which deliver a practically unlimited power supply at once—when and where needed.

Small local plants, serving single communities, generally lack these facilities—lack the variety of volume and demand which is necessary if the road to industrial growth is not to be blocked.

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Progress and power go hand in hand in the small city—and the West Texas Utilities Company is aiding this desired progress in 125 alert cities and towns in West Texas, the "Land of Opportunity."

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Frigid Weather Cuts "Party" Attendance

Attendance at the firemen's party at the city hall Tuesday evening was reduced on account of cold weather. About 40 people were present and ten tables of progressive "42" were operated from 8 to 11 o'clock. The auditorium was made warm and comfortable with extra stoves.

Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the games. Practically all of the members of the Ballinger department, a number of honorary members and a good number of firemen's wives will leave Tuesday morning for Brady to attend the convention of the Hill Country Firemen's Association. Automobiles have been secured to accommodate all desiring to attend.

The Ballinger department will send a crack racing team to Brady to enter the hose races and endeavor to bring home the first award. Practice is being held daily and the local team is making fast time.

Citation by Publication THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon C. E. Williams by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, Texas, on the Fourth Monday in February, A. D. 1933, the same being the 27th day of February, A. D. 1933, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 10th day of November, A. D. 1932, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 3877, wherein Grace Williams is Plaintiff, and C. E. Williams is Defendant, and a brief statement of plaintiff's cause of action, being as follows:

Suit for divorce and custody of children; plaintiff further alleging that she and defendant were married on or about the 26th day of February, A. D. 1927, and separated on or about June 1, A. D. 1932, and grounds for said separation being cruel treatment; plaintiff alleging that on vari-

ous and sundry dates defendant cursed and abused plaintiff, calling her all kind and character of vile names, and alleging other and various acts and conduct, all of which caused plaintiff humiliation and great physical pain and suffering. Plaintiff also prays for the custody of Charles Williams, a boy two years of age, and James Williams, a boy one year of age. Plaintiff asks for a dissolution of their marriage relation; for the care, custody and control of said children; for all costs of suit and such other and further relief as she may be entitled, together with other allegations which are more fully set out in the original petition filed by her attorney, Roy L. Hill.

Herein fail not but have before said Court, at its next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger, Texas, on this 26th day of January, A. D. 1933.

(Seal)
JOHN THOMASSON, Clerk,
District Court, Runnels County,
Texas.

Revival Will Enter Second Week Sunday

The revival at the Church of Christ, Eighth Street at Bonsal Avenue, will enter the second week Sunday with Evangelist Fred Ross preaching each week-day evening at 7:30 and at regular hours Sunday. Attendance has been good despite the very cold weather. The building is made comfortable for any kind of weather and everyone is invited to attend during the remainder of this week and next.

Evangelist Ross will speak Thursday night on "Positive Divine Law;" Friday night, "The Lost Christ;" Saturday night, "Why I Am What I Am;" Sunday morning, "The Divinity of Christ;" and Sunday evening, "What the Church of Christ Teaches."

Singers of the church provide the music for each service.

Zane Grey Picture At the Palace Soon

Zane Grey's action romance of the West, "Heritage of the Desert," done into movie form with a cast headed by Randolph Scott, Sally Blane and J. Farrell MacDonald, opens tomorrow (Friday) at the Palace Theatre for two-day showing.

The production, directed by Henry Hathaway, follows the plot of the novel closely. Scott, as a young surveyor, is called by MacDonald to his ranch to check its boundaries accurately. David Landau, head of a band of cattle rustlers, attempts to prevent his reaching the ranch house alive, but fails.

Arriving there ultimately, Scott meets and falls in love with Miss Blane, daughter of MacDonald's dead partner. She is to marry MacDonald's son, but she is soon in love with Scott. The son, a weak character, borrows money from Landau to finance his spree in town, and ultimately suffers death at his hands.

His father, broken-hearted but infuriated, and Scott lead the cowboys on the mission of vengeance, and when they have completed it, the path to happiness for Scott and Miss Blane is clear.

Miss Alice Duke has gone to San Angelo to enter the spring class of the Jolly Beauty School.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tindall have returned from Wichita Falls, where they visited relatives.

David Baker Gets Scholastic Honors

David Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Baker of this city, a student of the University of Texas, is continuing to set a high scholastic record. He has just completed the first semester at Texas, making A-plus on five subjects. This placed him at the head of a list of 47 students eligible for Phi Eta Sigma, honorary scholastic fraternity for freshmen. The large group of students eligible for this society this year was also a record for the university. Fifteen of the 47 set new high records in grades.

David was honor pupil of the senior class of the Ballinger high school last year. He finished here with a general four-year average of 97.7, one of the best grades ever recorded in the local high school. In addition to being the honor graduate, he completed his course here with 21 credits when only 17 were required for graduation.

At the university he has made an exceptionally good record in mathematics. For a recent difficult examination the professor made possible a grade of 105 in order to help students receive a passing mark. David turned in a test paper which was marked perfect and received the unusual grade of five points above the 100 mark. It also brought the comment from the professor of mathematics that he was one of the best students in that subject ever to attend the university.

In addition to taking the regular literary course young Baker is a member of the Texas Longhorn Band, holding a chair in the clarinet section.

David visited his parents here between terms, two weeks ago, and has returned to Austin to begin the second semester.

Highway Work—

(Continued from page 1)

A topping, consisting of three applications of asphalt and three courses of finely crushed stone.

One contractor started grading the new portion of highway 4 between Paint Rock and Eden in Concho county Monday. After one day's work weather stopped operations. Two other companies are moving machinery to this section and expect to commence work in a few days.

Cut Your Stalks
Case 2 Row Stalk Cutter \$39.75
Higginbotham Bros. & Co
10-11

Forgy to Direct Local Boy Scouts

E. H. Forgy was elected scoutmaster of troop No. 30 at a meeting of the organization's executives here Tuesday afternoon. The sponsor of the troop, the Ballinger Rotary Club, called a special meeting of all adults interested in the movement at the King-Holt Company building and after a number of plans were adopted for reorganization of the work here, Mr. Forgy was named to direct the boys.

At a meeting held Tuesday evening at the city hall eleven former scouts registered for membership in the troop and Mr. Forgy will meet these and other boys interested in becoming scouts at the city hall Monday evening at 7:30. Any boy in Ballinger within the age limit is invited to attend this meeting and if possible bring his parents. Only one troop will be formed until there is need for another.

Graveling of Streets Almost Completed

Graveling being done on Strong Avenue and Sixth Street will be completed next week with reasonable working weather. Several blocks have already been finished and grades are ready on most of the remainder of the first street improvement project which is being done by the city and the federal relief committee.

Drainage improvements in the lower portion of the city is also about completed. All ditches have been opened, obstructions removed, and many new lines provided which are expected to remove water much faster from the business district. Work in other sections of the city will be continued during the remainder of this month.

The city's street machinery was used full time last week when weather permitted. The maintainer has been operating on dirt streets, smoothing them after rains. The tractor and grader have been used on streets that are being graveled and graded.

Why Suffer With Pyorrhea?
Hill's Pyorrhea Formula has just been placed on the market, after a thorough test by numerous satisfied customers. Gives prompt and efficient relief for sore and bleeding gums, loose teeth, etc. Sold under a positive money back guarantee. Can be had at L. C. Daugherty's and Weeks' drug stores.
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New Model Ford V-8 On Display Saturday

The first of the new Ford V-8 cylinder, 112-inch wheelbase motor cars will be displayed in Ballinger Saturday in the showrooms of the Harwell Motor Co., it was announced Thursday.

The new V-8 is the largest and most powerful Ford ever built. It has new and distinctively modern lines, a most attractive front end, longer wheelbase, larger and roomier bodies, faster acceleration, increased power and speed and is exceptionally economical in operation. With its 75-horsepower, V-8 engine, the new Ford is capable of a sustained speed of 80 miles an hour.

The styling of the 14 body types expresses the new mode in motor car building. The modern note is found in the sloping Vee radiator grill, the skirted fenders, newly-designed headlamps, cowl lamps and bumpers, the curve of the hoodside ventilators, the 20-degree slant of the windshield, the curved roof header, the reverse curve of the rear quarter and the backward sweep of the apron masking the gasoline tank.

The new all-steel bodies are materially wider, almost a foot longer and consequently much roomier. The attractive instrument panel is directly in front of the driver, with a large package compartment at the right side of the instrument board. Front seats in closed cars are fully adjustable. Interior fittings are luxurious. Options in upholstery and a wide choice of body colors are available.

The improved V-8 engine is fitted with all-aluminum cylinder heads, one of the most noteworthy forward steps in motor design in many years. Because aluminum dissipates heat more rapidly, the use of the aluminum cylinder heads permits higher compression pressure and results in increased speed, power and smoothness, faster acceleration and added fuel economy.

Smooth engine performance results also from the basic 8-cylinder design and the 3-point rubber mounting. Cylinder blocks are set at a 90-degree angle. The crankshaft is fully counter-balanced and the crank throws are at 90 degrees. Opposing pistons and connecting rods are even in weight. All of these features combine to place all moving parts in natural balance, resulting in exceptional smoothness of operation. The engine is fitted with down-draft carburetor, air-inake silencer and a diaphragm-type fuel pump.

Features of the 112-inch wheelbase chassis include an extremely rigid double-channel, double drop

X-type frame, torque tube drive, a straddle-mounted rear axle pinion, transverse cantilever springs, internal expanding mechanical four wheel brakes, 17-inch welded steel spoke wheels and tires of 5.50 inches section.

In the new three-quarter floating rear axle, the driving pinion is mounted in a double taper roller thrust bearing at the front and a straight radial roller bearing at the rear. This maintains permanent alignment of the pinion with the ring gear under all driving conditions and results in extremely quiet axle operation.

The frame is cushioned by four Houdaille double-acting hydraulic shock absorbers which are both automatically and thermostatically adjusted for every variation in weather or road surface conditions. The shock absorber links are insulated in rubber. The rear fuel tank has a capacity of 14 gallons.

The transmission is of the synchronized type, with helical constant mesh gears, and functions unusually quietly both in second speed and during speed changing. The clutch is of the double-disc type and is spring cushioned for soft engagement.

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The Purpose
A missionary had delivered a lecture relating his experiences in various parts of the world. He concluded with an earnest appeal for funds to keep up the good work, and added that even the children would be welcome to give their mite.

When the meeting was over, he was pleased to see a little boy pressing forward to meet him. He held out his hand to the boy, and said: "I'm glad to see you, my little man. I always take a great interest in children. I suppose you would like to contribute to the cause."

"Well," replied the little boy, "what I wanted to ask was whether you have any foreign stamps to give away?"—Pathfinder.

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Shoe Shop

SAFEGWAY STORES
Ballinger
Friday and Saturday February 10 and 11

Apples Medium size, delicious	Doz. 17c
Oranges Medium size	Doz. 19c
Onions Spanish Sweets	5-lbs. 9c
Potatoes	10-lbs. 14c

Peaches Hills Dale Sliced or Halves No. 2 1/2 Cans	Pineapple Hills Dale Broken Slices No. 2 Cans
Each 11c	2 for 25c

Airway Coffee	Lb. Pkg. 21c
Peanut Butter Polo Brand	Qt. Jar 23c
Hominy Stokely's Finest	No. 2 1/2 Cans 9c
Tomatoes Standard Hand Packed	No. 2 Cans 7c
Pork & Beans Van Camp's 1-lb. cans	3 for 19c

BREAD
TAYSTEE
Sliced, Unsliced, Whole Wheat
LOAF
5c

Green Beans Stokely's Finest No. 2 cans	2 Cans 23c
Raisins Ensign, 15-oz.	Pkg 7c
Dried Peaches	2-lb. Pkg. 23c
Mustard Polo Brand	Qt. Jar 13c
Soap Big Peet, large yellow bar	6 for 21c
Crackers Saltines	2-lb. box 23c

MEATS

Salt Pork Lean Streaked	lb. 7c
Oysters Extra Select	Pint 20c
Pork Chops	lb. 10c
Cheese Full Cream	lb. 15c
Sausage Pure Pork	2 lbs. 15c

Not only the advertised items, but every item every day at Safeway Stores is offered at a price that makes it a good value.

PALACE
Friday - Saturday

ZANE GREY'S HERITAGE OF THE DESERT
RANDOLPH SCOTT
SALLY BLANE
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Dozens of the smartest and newest creations in spring millinery just received.

Biggest hit of the season, enticing new mannish shapes in the following fabrics: Chiffon Cellophanes, Bagheera Visca and Neora Frieze in all the leading colors and head sizes.

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All the new spring colors and shapes, priced **\$1 to \$1.95**

Complete Your Costume with a Pair of **NEW SPRING GLOVES**
In Kid and Fabric, all new shades, gray, egg-shell, white and black, the pair

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Everything to Wear

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Farley's Market
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
February 10 and 11

ROUND STEAK, lb.	12 1/2c
LOIN STEAK, lb.	12 1/2c
SEVEN STEAK, lb.	10c
SHOULDER ROAST, lb.	10c
PLATE ROAST, lb.	8c
PORK CHOPS, nice and lean, lb.	12 1/2c
PORK ROAST, good lean, lb.	10c
PORK SAUSAGE, lb.	10c
VEAL LOAF, with fat added, lb.	8c

Come and see our new market now located next door to W. A. Nance Garage.

Announcement

We have just unloaded a carload of Rock of Ages memorials and we invite you to come to our yard and see them.

Phone or write us and we will call.

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All classified advertisements must be accompanied by cash unless advertiser has a regular account with the paper.
No classified advertisement accepted on an "until ordered out" basis. The number of times the ad is to run must be specified.

STRAYED—One large, brown Jersey cow, one crooked horn, no marks, no brands. Notify Ledger office or Lee Butler. 10-11-7

WANTED—Cream. We are offering the highest market price every day. C. O. D. Grocery and Creamery. 10-31

HOW IS THIS—2 row Stalk Cutter, new, \$39.75. Higginbotham Brothers & Company. 10-11

WANTED—More customers to help us move our entire stock of Furniture, Stoves, Rugs, etc. Many items at and less than HALF old prices:

- 4 piece Bed Room Suites up to \$110.00, your choice Saturday and Monday \$44.50
 - Living Room Suites up to \$84.00 old price, Saturday and Monday for \$34.90
 - \$60.00 Herrick Refrigerators \$22.45
 - 25-lb. sizes \$5.63
 - 4 burner Nesco Oil Stove and double Oven, Saturday and Monday \$23.39
 - Many other items as cheap in proportion.
- L. E. Bair Furniture Co. 10-11

FOR RENT—Unfurnished three room apartment, private bath. 407 Tenth Street. Call 333. 7-31-7

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Phone 437. 809 Ninth Street. 7-31

FOR SALE—Choice Milk Cows. Phone 463. W. W. Embry. 7-21

WANTED—To buy two good mule colts. Frank Wilde, Rowena, Texas. 7-21-7

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment, three or four rooms. 705 Ninth Street. 7-21-7

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Cash paid for cast off Clothing, Shoes and Luggage. 116 South Seventh Street. Phone 283. 6-21-7

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TEXAS DEBATER WILL MAKE TOUR OF ENGLAND

AUSTIN, Feb. 9.—The signal honor has come to Will Crews Morris, of San Antonio, senior law student in the University of Texas, of being one of the three members of a United States debate team to tour England during the late spring. Morris was last year's winner of the \$100 Stark prize for the best speaker on the university debate team, and has won unusual distinction in other forensic contests. Prior to joining other members of the national debate team, Morris will spend two months touring Europe, starting with Spain and going through Switzerland, Germany and France.

A TONIC Laxative

CONSTIPATION, with the annoying symptoms that usually come with it, cuts down organic force and disturbs normal health and well-being. A thorough cleansing of the digestive tract is of great assistance in the removal of sickening constipation symptoms. When excessive accumulated waste matter disturbs and strains the muscles of the large intestines, rendering them temporarily unable to perform their wave-like evacuating movements, Theford's Black-Draught is useful in stimulating them to activity, which, again started, should continue regularly until some future disturbance interferes. In this way, Theford's Black-Draught is one of the TONIC laxatives, tending, as it does, to establish a regular habit of evacuation.

Deaths

Miss Mattie Jenkins
Miss Mattie Jenkins, 83, died Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Sarah Davis, 404 Fourth Street. For the past 35 years decedent had made home with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Davis in this section. She was a cousin of Mr. Davis, who died here five years ago. Since then she continued to live with Mrs. Davis and made home in Ballinger for six years, residing prior to that time in the Hatchel community.
Death occurred on her 83rd birthday. She had been ill for some time and in a serious condition for several days.
Survivors include the following nephews and nieces: E. W. Gray, C. C. Gray, Bud Gray, Mrs. Ralph McShan, Mrs. Jack Wilson, Mrs. Clarence Wilson, Mrs. Jack Beard, Mrs. Robert Beard, of this county; Mrs. Julia Davis, Lamesa; and Mrs. Alice Parker, Mendoza.
Funeral services will be held this (Thursday) afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Davis. Rev. J. H. McClain will officiate, assisted by Rev. H. D. Marlin. Interment is to follow in the Runnels cemetery.
Pallbearers are: T. F. Davis, A. B. Davis, C. C. Gray, E. W. Gray, R. P. Tunnell, Morris Davis.
King-Holt Company undertakers are in charge of arrangements.

PIANO RECITAL HERE FRIDAY EVENING
Mrs. L. Schermerhorn will present her class of piano students in a recital at the high school auditorium Friday evening at 7:45. No admission is to be charged for this entertainment and everyone is invited.
The entire class will be presented, tiny pupils who have only been studying a few weeks being given a part as well as the more advanced students.
The auditorium will be made comfortable for any kind of weather.

Justifiable Homicide
Chief of Police: "What! you mean to say this fellow choked a woman to death in a well-lighted cabaret, in front of over a hundred and fifty people? Didn't anybody interfere?"
Cop: "No, everybody thought they were dancing."
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CHURCHES

Church of Christ
(Eighth Street, Bonsal Avenue)
Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m. with competent teachers for all classes.
Preaching at 11 a. m. by the minister. Subject, "The Divinity of Christ."
Preaching at 7:30 p. m. Subject, "What the Church of Christ Teaches."
Ladies' Bible class meets Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 in the church building.
Revival services each evening during the coming week at 7:30 o'clock.
The public is cordially invited to attend.
FRED ROSS, Minister

First Methodist Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
Morning services at 11 o'clock.
Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.
Evening services at 7:30 o'clock.
Visitors will find a welcome at any and all services of this church.
H. D. MARLIN, Pastor

Church of the Nazarene
(Ninth Street)
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., G. R. Ransberger, superintendent.
Preaching by the pastor morning and evening.
Young People's meeting at 6:45 W. M. S. Tuesday afternoon.
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.
Come and let us get acquainted.
I. L. FLYNN, Pastor

Ballinger Baptist Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school, E. E. King, superintendent.
Preaching by pastor at 11 a. m. 6:30 p. m., B. T. S., Ernest Moody, director.
7:30 p. m., preaching service by pastor.
7:30 p. m., Wednesday, prayer meeting, followed by choir practice, R. E. White, director.
J. H. McCLAIN, Pastor

First Presbyterian Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11 o'clock, morning worship.
3 p. m., Young People's Society.
7 o'clock, evening worship.
E. W. McLAURIN, Pastor

First Christian Church
(Broadway and Murrell)
Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Prayer meeting, Wednesday, at 7:30 p. m.
A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Church of God
Sunday school at 10 a. m., Mrs. C. H. Johnson, superintendent.
You are invited to all these services at the "little church with the big welcome."
W. S. HANCOCK, Pastor

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(Eighth Street, Bonsal Avenue)
Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m. with competent teachers for all classes.
Preaching at 11 a. m. by the minister. Subject, "The Divinity of Christ."
Preaching at 7:30 p. m. Subject, "What the Church of Christ Teaches."
Ladies' Bible class meets Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 in the church building.
Revival services each evening during the coming week at 7:30 o'clock.
The public is cordially invited to attend.
FRED ROSS, Minister

Weddings

Tooker-Boothe
H. L. Tooker and Mrs. Lola L. Boothe were married Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the 3. A. B. Hamilton residence, 703 Seventh Street. Justice of the Peace B. W. Pilcher spoke the words which united the couple, using the ring ceremony. Only a few intimate friends and the mother of the groom, Mrs. Mary Tooker, witnessed the nuptials.
Mr. Tooker moved here several months ago and opened an office for the practice of law on the second floor of the Security State Bank building. Since coming to Ballinger he has made many friends and enjoyed a lucrative patronage.
Mrs. Boothe has resided in and near Ballinger for a number of years and has a host of friends in Runnels county. For several years she has served as correspondent for The Ledger at Eagle Branch. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Watson, pioneer Runnels county citizens.
The couple will make home in Ballinger.

Clinton J. Chrisman, of Dallas, arrived here Monday afternoon for a visit with his brothers, Rawleigh and Gene Chrisman. Mr. Chrisman is a member of the engineering staff of the city of Dallas.

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Pecan Growers—
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Hayley, Norton
10:40 a. m.—"The Control of Case Bearer," C. B. Nickles, U. S. bureau of entomology, Brown-wood
11:00 a. m.—"Pecan Progress in Texas," J. H. Burkett, state department of agriculture, Austin
11:30 a. m.—"Spraying Experiments and Their Results in the San Angelo Area," Dr. S. W. Biking, College Station
12: a. m.—Lunch and entertainment at Ballinger municipal park, courtesy Ballinger Chamber of Commerce.
1:15 p. m.—"The Value of Advertising in the Marketing of Pecans," H. C. Lucas, Brown-wood
1:30 p. m.—"Improved Methods of Propagating Pecans," (demonstration), J. L. Rainey, San Angelo
2: p. m.—"How to Secure and the Value of West Texas Pecan Exhibit at State Fair," J. F. Rosborough, extension horticulturist, A. & M. College.
Election of directors and officers and other business.
Registration will begin early in the morning at the court house and the first session will be held in the district court room.
C. R. Stone left Sunday to attend the shoemen's convention and visit the wholesale markets at Ft. Worth. He will return the latter part of the week.

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