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Commencement, Recital Programs are Announced

Dates for the various programs and recitals in connection with commencement for the Ballinger high school have all been set and programs will be ready for each of the engagements. A number of private teachers of the city have booked the auditorium for recitals and for more than a week the hall will be used each evening.

The first program of general interest will be witnessed May 5 when Miss Katherine Todd presents an observance of National Music Week. Performers on this program include the high school glee club, the junior boys chorus and the central elementary glee club. Miss Todd is teacher of public school music and has charge of the organizations appearing in the concert.

On May 9 the expression class of Mrs. J. A. Schnable will be presented in recital. Mrs. Schnable has a large class of beginners and advanced pupils, all of whom will perform.

May 11 has been set by Miss Hattie Mae Dunlap, teacher of piano, for the annual recital of her class. A delightful program is being arranged by Miss Dunlap.

Another recital of piano students will be offered May 12, this time by the class of Mrs. Sim Cottelle. Mrs. Cottelle has a large, well trained class.

The baccalaureate services will be held at the Ballinger Baptist Church May 14 at 11 a. m. The following program has been announced by Supt. H. C. Lyon:

Class processional
Anthem, by the choir
Scripture lesson, Rev. J. H. McClain
Prayer, Rev. H. D. Marlin
Anthem, by the choir
Announcements, Supt. H. C. Lyon

Violin solo, Miss Katherine Todd
Sermon, Rev. W. D. Wellburn, pastor of Government Hill Methodist Church, San Antonio
Song, congregation
Benediction, Rev. E. W. McLaurin.

Mrs. L. Schermerhorn, teacher of piano and organ, will present her class in their final recital of the year May 15.

The expression class of Miss Nona Diltz will be presented May 16 in a program of readings and plays.

May 18, Senior Class Day, will be the second program in which graduates take part. It will be staged in the high school auditorium at 8:30 p. m., using as the theme "A Class Interpretation."

Following is the order of the program:

Introduction, Yolanda McWilliams, president
"Our History," Elsie Motley
"Our Accomplishments," Lowell Nelson
"Our Ambitions," Vera Taylor
"Our Business Ideals," Claudia Compton
"Our Civic Ideals," Wilma Jean Neas
"Our Social Ideals," Walter Biederman
"Our Religious Ideals," Jack Lynn
"Our Teachers," Chester Taylor
"Our Wishes for the School," Mary Alice Leathers
Class song, "Texas My Texas," by the class.

The final program will be presented at 8:30 p. m. May 19. For the class graduation exercises, a former citizen, Judge B. B. Stone, of Fort Worth, will deliver the principal address. The program follows:

Processional

POSTER DISPLAYED HERE SAYS "DO SOMETHING"

A large poster on display in a number of Ballinger offices has been creating considerable discussion recently. The poster, distributed by a tablet company, has been received by chambers of commerce and their members in all sections of the state.

The lithograph is captioned: "Roosevelt Has Done His Part—You Do Something." The text below reads: "Buy something—buy anything—anywhere—paint your kitchen—send a telegram—give a party—pay a bill—rent a flat—fix your roof—get a haircut—see a show—build a house—take a trip—sing a song—get married—it does not matter what you do—but get going and keep going."

Light Showers Fall in Scattered Spots of County

Runnels county received spotted showers Tuesday evening to break a drought that has been delaying planting for the past two weeks. Only a few sections received enough moisture to be of any material benefit but the showers will help if followed by more precipitation.

A hard shower fell for about ten minutes in Ballinger shortly after nightfall. The government gauge here registered a quarter of an inch. Brownwood received the heaviest rainfall in this part of the state, half an inch.

Jack Carroll reported that he received half an inch at his place about two miles south of Pony and that a strip through that section got a fair rain.

Bronte, Blackwell, Crews, Wilmeth, Wingate, San Angelo, Bradshaw, Leaday and several other points in the report compiled by the district officers here of the Southwestern States Telephone Company received no precipitation. Some of the showers listed fell late Tuesday afternoon.

The heavy shower here caused much water to run off, testing the new drainage lines. The downtown streets were filled with water for about an hour after the drops ceased falling.

Invocation, Rev. J. E. Kerr
Instrumental music
Class address, Hon. B. B. Stone, Fort Worth
Piano duet
Certification of graduation, Principal A. F. Ligon
Presentation of Diplomas, President of the Board Earl Morley
Announcements, Superintendent H. C. Lyon
Benediction, Scott H. Mack.

Supt. Lyon stated Thursday that graduating exercises for the seventh grade would be held this year, provided the pupils agree to wear simple clothing and go to no extra expense for the occasion. The matter will be decided within the next few days and if approved the program will be held Wednesday evening, May 17.

Texas Desperadoes Kill 2 in Joplin, Mo.



Clyde and Buck Barrow, brothers of West Dallas, are being sought throughout the Southwest for killing two officers at Joplin in a gun battle. "Shoot to kill" is the order that has been issued. In the house, from which the men shot their way through a cordon of officers, a pardon from Governor Ferguson for Marvin Ivan (Buck) Barrow was found. They were identified by an automobile and by description. Both men have long police records. Clyde has been charged with killings in West Dallas, Hillsboro and Atoka, Okla.

Two Killed In Highway Blast

RFC Inspector Here to Checkup On Files, Work

J. J. Boley, district inspector for the RFC commission of Texas, went over the records of the local committee and inspected work accomplished here Tuesday. He found everything in fine condition and so stated to the board members before leaving.

Mr. Boley has 48 West Texas counties in his district and is on the road all the time looking after the enforcement of the rules of the commission and checking monthly reports from cities receiving aid.

The April allotment has begun to arrive here, the first quarter of the apportionment of \$4,000 being already in the hands of the county committee. Work in five towns of the county is moving forward with large numbers of men being given employment.

A meeting of the Ballinger committee will be held Friday with city officials and county representatives present. At this conference other projects will be discussed and plans adopted for work here the remainder of this month.

The applications for May and June are now before the commission and will be acted upon when the body meets soon for that purpose.

CONCHO COUNTY FARMER KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Fritz Westphalen, 40, farmer who lived five miles southeast of Eden, was killed instantly Wednesday afternoon by lightning. He was on the front porch of his farm home when the bolt struck him, causing instant death.

Westphalen was born in Germany but many years ago was naturalized as an American citizen and had been residing near Eden since. He was a bachelor and lived alone. Burial rites were held Thursday at Eden. All of decedent's relatives live in Germany.

Ernest Mullikin is driving a new Chevrolet coupe with radio attached which he purchased Tuesday.

Richard Laman, 34, and Rex Rogers, 38, were instantly killed and their bodies terribly mangled, when a charge of dynamite exploded prematurely on highway 4 between Paint Rock and Eden about 7:45 o'clock this (Thursday) morning.

The two men were examining explosives when the blast occurred and were directly over the charge. The bodies were taken to Eden where funeral arrangements are pending.

A deep cut being made in the right-of-way seven miles north of Eden called for the use of dynamite in blasting rock. A number of loads were shot Wednesday but two or three failed to explode due to a light rain which fell about that time. Rogers and Laman were testing a large charge, which consisted of approximately two cases of dynamite, that failed to go off the afternoon before. They were said to have been using a flashlight battery and globe for the tests and something went wrong causing the entire charge to explode under them.

Rogers, who was foreman, had been employed in Concho county for the past year. The body was being held at Eden awaiting the completion of funeral arrangements. His wife, who is employed at Houston, is en route to Eden. Their home is at Pottsville, Texas.

Laman resided near Eden where he had made home for several years. He will be buried there but the time for the funeral had not been set this morning.

Several other workmen were standing within a few feet of the victims when the explosion occurred but none was injured seriously.

HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY ENJOYS PICNIC AT PARK

Members of the Ballinger high school faculty enjoyed a delightful picnic given by Miss Elizabeth Parker and Miss Marryatt Smith at city park Wednesday. Lunch served at 6 o'clock consisted of bacon, scrambled eggs, salads, red beans and a dessert. Just as the meal was finished a threatening cloud sent the picnickers hurrying to their homes.

Buy your printing at home.

Beautification Report Being Compiled for City and County

Indians Were Good Farmers Long Before White Man Came

The Pueblos were skillful farmers long before they had knowledge of the white man. They depended chiefly upon agriculture for food, though they have always hunted wild animals—and in modern times have owned livestock. From the remote past, corn has been their principal crop and at least as early as 1540 they raised cotton. Crops were matured in locations and under conditions that would seem impossible to a modern farmer. They practiced irrigation, even taking advantage of showers to water systematically their small fields, diverting the downpour into channels and furrows where it was most needed.

The Mohave Indians as first known to Americans were a farming rather than a hunting tribe. Corn, beans, pumpkins and melons—and, later, wheat—they produced in abundance. For the moisture necessary to grow their crops they had to rely upon the annual overflow of the Colorado; so in seasons of low water their fields failed to produce. All the Yuman tribes below Needles cultivated about the same crops and in the same manner as their stalwart kinsmen, the Mohaves.

The Pima Indians surpassed all the other Arizona tribes as tillers of the soil—both as to the extent and skill of their agriculture. Long before recorded history these Indians made use of well-constructed irrigation canals—evidences of which are still plainly visible. Each community had its own ditch, several miles in length, into which water was diverted by means of rude dams. Before civilized methods became known to them, the Pimas planted

their seed with a dibble. Corn, beans, pumpkins, melons, onions, squashes and cotton constituted their chief crops. Barley and wheat were introduced by the Spanish padres. From the time that the Americans first traveled by way of the Gila the Pima Indians were the only productive inhabitants of Arizona.

Writing in November, 1846, Col. W. H. Emory records in his "Notes of a Military Reconnaissance" the following facts about agricultural methods of the Pimas:

"We were at once impressed with the beauty, order and disposition of the arrangements for irrigating and draining the land. Corn, wheat and cotton are the crops of this peaceful and intelligent people. All the crops have been gathered in, and the stubbles show that they have been luxuriant. The cotton has been picked and stacked for drying on the tops of sheds. The fields are subdivided by ridges of earth into rectangles of about 200 feet by 100 feet for convenience of irrigating. In the houses were stored watermelons, pumpkins, beans, corn and wheat, the three last articles generally in large baskets

The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce this week will begin compiling a report of beautification work done here and in the surrounding country during the past year. When completed the report will be sent to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention to be held at Big Spring on May 11, 12 and 13.

A beautification contest was started by the regional chamber of commerce one year ago and Ballinger was entered in the campaign. During the past year encouragement has been given the program here and through these efforts much has been accomplished. The local report will be an excellent one, it is asserted, answering fully every item on the questionnaire.

The first part of the report deals with planting and yard beautification. Information already gathered shows that many yards have been landscaped here during the past twelve months and that the improvement is still going forward.

Rural beautification will also show up well. Through the home demonstration clubs many homes have been beautified and this spring doorstep planting has been one of the major projects. The clubs are sponsoring improvement of rural yards and demonstrators in each club have led the way.

A section of the report in which Ballinger will excel many

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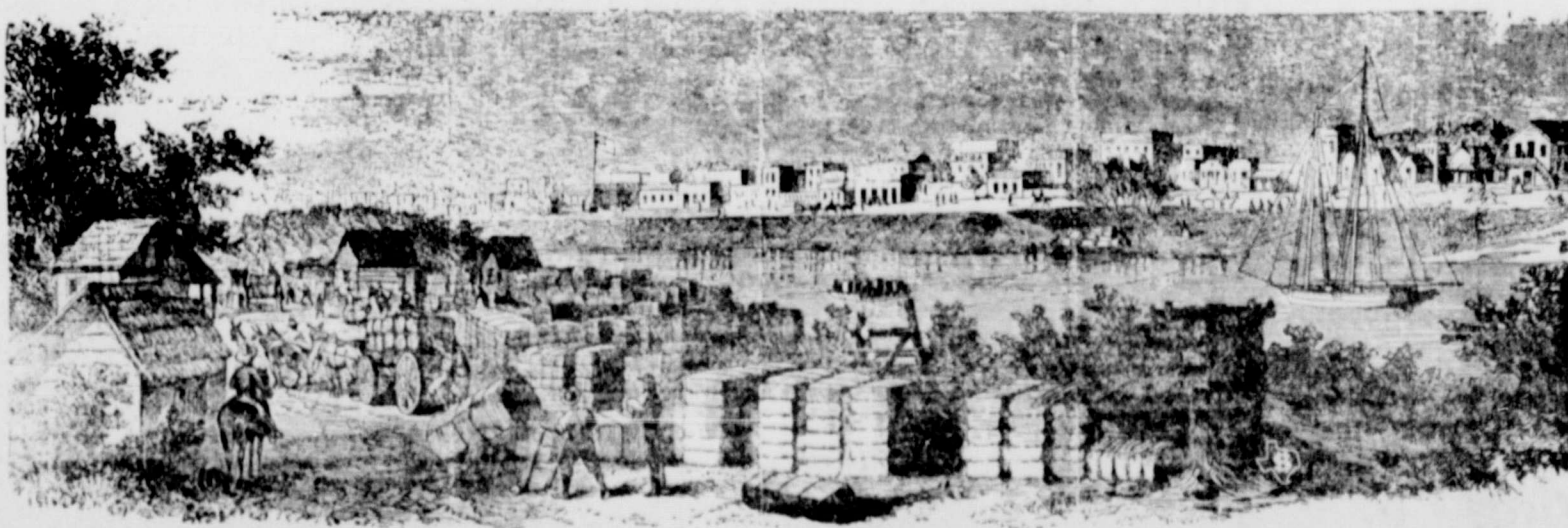
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Brownsville (Texas) Just Before the Last Battle of Civil War



This sketch shows 2,000 bales of cotton being ferried across the Rio Grande river from Brownsville to Mexico (now the site of Matamoros) just before the impending battle—the last of the Civil War. Brownsville was then under martial law, being occupied by an army under Major-General N. P. Banks. Historians disagree as to whether the embattling forces knew the Civil War had been over five weeks, as the contest was principally for possession of the cotton. A statue commemorating this battle has just been erected on the battlefield.

Vacant Houses In Ballinger April 1 Numbered 58

The survey of vacant business and residential houses in Ballinger April 1 showed a total of 58 vacant. This includes all types of houses within the city limits and apartments. In recent weeks there has been a big demand here for houses and practically all residences are now occupied. The number of vacant business houses remains the same as for the past several months, only a few desirable locations being available.

There were also 58 homes in the city occupied and without city water connections April 1. Most of these are in the suburbs.

The biggest program of the city at this time is the street work being done in connection with RFC relief. The city is furnishing wagons and teams for hauling material and a crew started this week at the end of the pavement on Eighth Street and will place calliope on the thoroughfare to the city limits on the Wingate-Norton road. Improvement of some lateral streets has been completed with the exception of sprinkling and rolling.

Half of the large drain line underneath Eighth Street at the corner of Eighth and Boushall has been completed and workmen are making the excavation for the other half. This line will remove a large amount of water which has heretofore run down Eighth to Ninth Street, keeping it out of the business section.

City police killed five dogs last week and are making a close watch for dogs without 1933 tags. Employees of the city office stated that few dog tags have been purchased and that killing of dogs will go forward until all strays have been destroyed. A few dogs have new tags and also a state tag showing that they have been given hydrophobia vaccine.

City Health Officer E. R. Walker established a quarantine for scarlet fever and raised one last week. He has received a few reports of measles and chicken pox. His statement, however, shows the general health of the city to be excellent.

A portion of the city's weekly report deals with the hardness of Ballinger water. The following is copied from the report: "Present hardness of water will continue until the creek and the lake have been thoroughly flushed out by rains, as the present alkalinity is 320 ppm, whereas the normal is 20 ppm. The above is given in way of enlightenment in answer to the belief among some customers that treatment is causing hardness and the white deposit formed when water is boiled. This is the result of natural alkali coming from springs in the lake watershed."

Rotarians Elect New Directors at Annual Meeting

The annual business and social meeting of the Ballinger Rotary Club was held at city park Tuesday evening. A number of guests, members, and their wives were included in those present.

A basket picnic lunch was served in the park but threatening clouds sent the picnickers scurrying away as rain started. Announcement was made that the program of business and fun would be concluded at the city hall auditorium and for more than an hour the crowd was entertained.

A short business session was held with President E. E. King in the chair. The nominating committee named six directors for another year who are to take office in July. H. W. Lynn, A. L. Burden, Sam Behringer, E. Shepperd, J. H. McClain and K. V. Northington were elected. Mr. King will automatically become a member of the board for next year making seven on that body.

BALLINGER STOCKMAN SELLS HEAVY STEERS

L. W. Farris, of Ballinger, sold 79 head of cattle at Fort Worth Wednesday which were shipped from here earlier in the week. Among the bunch sold Mr. Farris delivered 28 steers that averaged 1,028 pounds and for which he received 5 cents a pound. Another group of steers averaged 980 pounds and brought 4 1/4 cents. Mr. Farris received as much as 4 1/4 cents for all the stock delivered with the exception of five cows which brought 3 cents.

"My grandpaw died of throat trouble," explained the applicant for insurance.

Agent: "What kind of throat trouble?"

Applicant: "I don't exactly know; all I remember is hearing them say, 'Cut him down, boys, he's dead.'"

San Jacinto Battlefield



The Historic Spot Where Houston's Army Changed the Map of North America.

April 21, 1836! A date of hal-
lowed traditions—associated with
deeds of flaming patriotism and
sacred memories. A date to be
commemorated reverently in a
great Texas Centennial celebra-
tion in 1936.

It not only marks the anni-
versary of the Battle of San
Jacinto in the war between Texas
and Mexico, but it is one of the
greatest days of American history
because the battle of San Jacinto
brought to a successful conclu-
sion the desperate struggle of
Texas for independence from
Mexican domination; and as a
result a new nation was born—
the Republic of Texas.

The battle of San Jacinto was
fought on a plot of ground that
has been set aside by the state
as a memorial park—an enduring
shrine to Texas heroism. It is
situated a short distance from
Houston with an extensive water-
front on the Houston Ship Chan-
nel—or Buffalo River as it was
known in the days of Sam Hous-
ton. This spot on the waterway
is a place of great natural beauty.
The land has a gentle roll, the
vegetation is exceptionally bril-
liant, and the wild flowers here
grow in unusual profusion and
fairly radiate their brightness.
Huge "bearded" live oaks dot the
lovely landscape.

Every year, on April 21, the
battleground is a patriotic mecca
that attracts thousands. Exercises
are held in commemoration of
the great event of the day, and
each year sees no recession of
the fervor or enthusiasm with
which the programs have always
been received.

Much has been written of the
interesting human achievements
of the Battle of San Jacinto when
General Sam Houston and his
small band of Texas pioneers
wrested victory from the dictator
Santa Anna and his trained army
of Mexican soldiers, but probably
few persons realize the vitally im-
portant results of this battle—not
merely to Texas but to the entire
continent of North America.

Judge Clarence R. Wharton,
Houston historian, has impressively
written of this angle of the
conflict in his book, "The Re-
public of Texas." In his descrip-
tion of the battle of San Jacinto
he states in part: "As they
fronted each other this day they
were in a struggle for the bound-
ary line of distinct civilization.
Upon the discovery of the Ameri-
cas the Spaniard by his explora-
tions and bloody conquests had
fastened his domination, his
language, his laws on all South
America. Even after the Spanish
cession of Louisiana to France
and the relinquishment of Florida
to the United States, Spain yet
held Mexico and it included
Texas and the vast country to the
northwest to the 42nd parallel
upon the Pacific. In North
America England had become the
dominant power and here, on this
April day, there came the clash
of Latin with Saxon sovereignty."
"Sam Houston, Sidney Sherman,
Tom Rusk, Edward Burlison, John
Wharton, and hundreds bearing
English names and of English
ancestry, were opposed to Antonio
Lopez de Santa Anna, Castrillon,
Juan Nepomuceno, Almonte, Pedro
Delgado, and others with high-
sounding Spanish names. The
ancestors of these combatants had
fought each other when the
Spanish Armada sailed into the
northern seas to work the destruc-
tion of England. And now they
were to come to grips in the con-
test for a land larger than the
continental empire of Charles V,
with the British Isles thrown in.
One million square miles of river
and forest, mountain and plain
were lost to his imperial highness
at sundown that day."

The beginnings of the city of
Houston and of Texas develop-
ment are firmly implanted in this
colorful event of early Texas his-
tory. In the same year of the
battle of San Jacinto the city was
founded and the illustrious name
of the hero of Texas' struggle for
independence was given to the
little settlement on the banks of
Buffalo River.

Further honors were conferred

on the town when the congress of
the Republic of Texas, on Novem-
ber 30, 1836, selected Houston as
the first permanent seat of gov-
ernment of the new nation; the
authorization setting forth that
this designation would be effective
until the year 1840 when it was
planned to move the capitol to a
more central location within the
confines of the state.

Judge Wharton states: "The
Allens (the founders of Houston)
had undertaken to provide a cap-
itol building, and on April 16, 1837,
they began its construction so as
to have it ready for the session of
congress which was to and did
convene on May 5th following."

From this humble but auspicious
beginning Houston has grown to
become a commanding city of
Texas and of the South. Through
the transformation of the bed of
Buffalo River to a deepwater
channel it has achieved a port
rank of international importance.

By their votes the people of
Texas have authorized for a
Texas centennial celebration in
1936 commemorating the historic
events of 1836, of which the battle
of San Jacinto was most notable
and in which the picturesque San
Jacinto battlefield and state park
will play a prominent part.

Farmers raise 70 per cent of
their own food.

Simmons to Hold Band School for Boys this Summer

ABILENE, April 20.—A band
school for boys to be offered for
six weeks during the summer has
been announced by the Simmons
University school of band music.
The session will begin June 8 and
continue through July 24, accord-
ing to Prof. D. O. Wiley, who is in
general charge.

Seven leading conductors and
teachers of Texas will offer private
lessons, group drills, ensem-
bles to boys of high school
age. A department for high school
band conductors and students of
college standing is also being in-
cluded.

Organized supervision and re-
creational programs are also be-
ing stressed by those in charge.
Young boys will be placed in
groups in suites of Ferguson Hall
at Simmons, a modern men's
dormitory. Adult supervision will
be in charge of each suite. Certain
hours are to be set aside for
study and recreation.

Faculty of the school will be as
follows: D. O. Wiley, head of
Simmons school of band music
and conductor of the Cowboy
Band, general director, in charge
of drills and rehearsals; John
Victor, former soloist with Cre-
atore's Band, brasses; R. T. Bynum,
director Abilene high school band,
woodwinds; H. A. Anderson, con-
ductor Lubbock high school band,
reeds; Cecil Cammack, conductor
Sanderson high school band,
French horns; Earl Ray, conductor
Wink high school band, general
assistant; Marion McClure, for
four years with the Cowboy Band,
percussion.

LOCAL DENTISTS ATTEND MEETING AT SAN ANGELO

Drs. E. W. Stasney and C. W.
Cheatham, of Ballinger, and Dr.
F. J. Brophy, of Winters, attended
the meeting of the San Angelo
Dental Society Monday evening.
The meeting, held in the Western
Reserve building, included in the
business session election of offi-
cers for the next year.

Relief for distress and unem-
ployment increased 185 per cent
in 1932.

Carsey Will Start New Band Class For Boys, Girls

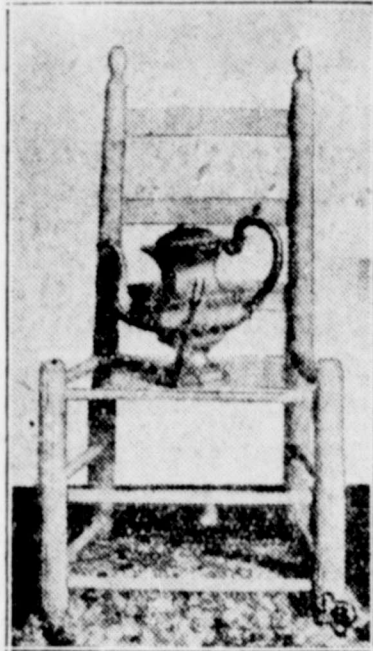
H. H. Carsey, local bandmaster,
is preparing to start a large class
of beginners in band music at
once. He hopes to start a large
class before school closes so that
the members will be ready to
take chairs in the regular band
next fall.

Mr. Carsey said the class would
be open to both boys and girls.
As a special inducement he will
give girl members of the class
free instruction. If as many as 20
boys start lessons will cost \$2
per month and in case there are
less lessons will be \$3 monthly.

Other West Texas towns have
had fine results from enlisting
girls in their bands. Coleman has
a band of more than 100 pieces,
about one-half of which are girls.
They learn fast and on the smaller
instruments surpass the boys in
many instances.

The regular band will be con-
siderably in need of reinforce-
ments during the year and the
class to be organized will make
up the bigger part of the band by
time for the 1933 fall fair. The
band has lost in membership be-
cause some are attending college

Hero's Chair



The articles in this picture were
property of David Crockett, one
of the greatest heroes of Texas
independence. The chair is 125
years old, and was brought to
Texas from Tennessee on the side
of a covered wagon by Colonel
Crockett's widow. It is now the
property of his granddaughter,
Mrs. T. H. Hiner, of Grandbury.
The fork and trap were ac-
quired by Colonel Crockett while
he represented West Tennessee
in Congress in 1832. The missing
prong of the fork was removed
and used as an awl for making
shoes during the Civil war.

SPECIALS AT FARLEY'S MARKET

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, APRIL 21 and 22

ROUND STEAK, lb.	10c
LOIN STEAK, lb.	10c
SEVEN STEAK, lb.	8c
SHOULDER ROAST, lb.	8c
PLATE RIBS, lb.	6c
PORK ROAST, lb.	8c
PORK CHOPS, lb.	10c
PORK SAUSAGE, lb.	8c
VEAL LOAF MEAT, Pork added, lb.	6c
MUTTON ROAST, lb.	8c
MUTTON CHOPS, lb.	10c



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ing time for rehearsals and con-
certs.
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class may see Mr. Carsey for full
information regarding lessons and
instruments.

OLD SETTLERS TO MEET AT FORT CHADBOURNE

The Old Settlers Reunion will
be held at Fort Chadbourne Sun-
day, April 23. This has been
made an annual affair for citizens
of Coke county. The all-day meet-
ing will include "dinner on the
ground."

The Coke County Singing As-
sociation convention will be held in
connection during the afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Killough and
son returned Wednesday from
Dallas and Temple where they
had been visiting and attending
to business the first part of the
week.

STUDENTS, WOMEN, SAVE DOGS FROM DEATH IN MEXICO CITY

MEXICO CITY, April 20.—Some
two hundred school children
recently took direct action to help
dog owners who were in danger
of losing their pets. In one of the
lower quarters of the capital a
truck had been loaded with
ninety dogs, all of which had been
lassoed by an expert, and were
about to be taken from the
streets for slaughter.

Tearful women followed the
truck, and thus enlisted the sym-
pathy of students at a local
school. Rallying to the rescue,
they overpowered the motorman
and police representative, in spite
of the latter's pistol. Opening the
door of the truck they were satis-
fied to see ninety dogs regain
their freedom. There seems no
immediate prospect that the
plague of stray dogs in Mexico
will be cured.

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room for rent, a used car to
sell, or a radio to exchange
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**Imagine a refrigerator that
uses no more current than
one ordinary lamp bulb**

ECONOMY
Here is a new standard
of economy. A genuine
Frigidaire that operates on
as little electric current as
one ordinary lamp bulb.

BEAUTY
This new Frigidaire intro-
duces a distinctive style in
cabinet design, with a finish
of white Dulux and hand-
some chromium hardware.

QUALITY
With porcelain interior,
every detail reflects that
quality which has made
Frigidaire the choice of a mil-
lion more buyers than any
other electric refrigerator.

CONVENIENCE
Automatic defrosting—ice
trays that slip out of the
freezer at a touch of the
finger—extra room for tall
containers—and a compart-
ment for frozen storage.

1/4 MORE FOOD SPACE
A highly efficient, space-saving insu-
lation gives the cabinet smaller out-
side dimensions, but much greater
food storage capacity. See the
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HERRING TOPICS

The community seems to have spent a very pleasant Easter, the day being lovely. The kiddies enjoyed an egg hunt at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brevard in the afternoon.

Rev. Funderburk delivered two good sermons Sunday, large audiences hearing both sermons. We have changed our church day from the first to the third Sunday.

Jim Norris, of Talpa, and Mrs. Edgar Brandon, of this community, left Tuesday for Wichita Falls in response to a message that their brother at that place was quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hale, of Ballinger, visited in this community Sunday, and were dinner guests in the G. C. Aventura home.

Several from this community attended the baccalaureate service at Crews Sunday night. The sermon was delivered by Rev. H. D. Marlin, pastor of the Ballinger Methodist church. Miss Mona Aventura, of this community, was one of the graduating class.

Farmers of our community are practically up with their farm work until a good rain. Some are shearing sheep this week.

Dry weather and rabbits have just about destroyed all gardens hereabouts.

Mrs. M. F. Kerby visited her daughter, Mrs. Clyde Brevard, Monday.

Mrs. M. S. Hale visited her grandmother, Mrs. S. H. Miller, Monday.

Rev. Funderburk was a guest in the J. P. Brevard home Sunday.

J. T. Webber and son, C. D., of Hopeville, Calif., were visitors here the past week-end. They were en route home from Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Featherstone and daughter accompanied by little Miss Lexie Brevard visited in Coleman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Allcorn were callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lennie Allcorn Sunday afternoon.

Several of the farmer-stockmen of this community attended the wool growers' meeting at Talpa Tuesday.

A group of people from here attended the play at Oxien Wednesday night.

Club Has Interesting Meeting
The Herring Club met with Miss Bernice Hale Monday afternoon. One member gave a demonstration on soap making and plans for a social were discussed in regular round table manner.

Those present were: Mmes. Owen Bragg, Pete Petrie, M. S. Hale, E. R. Aventura, A. S. Allcorn, Ben Featherstone and Misses Lemma Brevard and Bernice Hale.

The next regular meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Owen Bragg. "Summer Care and Cultivation" will be the main topic for discussion. We invite new members and visitors.

BETHEL NEWS

Rev. L. D. Hardt filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday morning.

Misses Alma and Velma Lampe, who are attending school in San Angelo, spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lampe.

Misses Flora and Bernadine Greenhill spent Saturday night with Misses Corene and Juanis Nunley.

The Methodist Sunday school enjoyed an Easter egg hunt at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hedrick Shelburne Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. W. F. McShan visited in the C. A. Womack home Sunday.

Miss Elsie Gilkerson was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Richardson Sunday.

Mrs. Emil Goetz and children, of Wall, spent Sunday and Monday with Mrs. Goetz' sister, Mrs. L. F. Loika.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Greenhill spent Saturday night in the Oran Nunley home at Concho.

Mrs. R. C. McElrath visited Mrs. J. M. Nunley Sunday afternoon.

Quite a few from here attended the funeral of Tillie Carter at Ballinger Sunday. Mr. Carter was well known here.

CONTENT NEWS

Farmers are up with their work and waiting for a rain and hope that they will not have to wait long as it is time to plant. Small grain would be helped by a good rain.

Rev. Cole filled his regular appointment this month. The church voted to begin the meeting on the second Sunday in

Two Killed in Airplane Crash



Wreck of Monoplane, which crashed in a nose dive in the yard of Evon Brunnett, keeper of the Eastland airport, Sunday afternoon. J. W. Penn, 30, of Cisco, owner and pilot, and Bill Hussey, 21, of Cisco, occupants of the plane, were instantly killed, their bodies being badly mangled.

the 76th birthday anniversary of S. T. Proctor Sunday, in the W. S. Proctor home.

Those who attended the play presented by a group of young people from Simmons University, Abilene, at Winters Sunday night, report an enjoyable evening.

Teachers employed for the coming year are: V. D. Armstrong, Truett McDonald, Miss Lehman, Wingate, and Miss Addie Lou Glass, Ballinger.

Members of the B. T. S. have been assigned roles and begun rehearsals on two plays, "Mother Mine," and "The Tree of Golden Fruit," both to be presented as a program on Mother's Day. An invitation has been extended to churches in this zone to send representatives here for the regular B. T. S. zone meeting at that time.

The Mazeland boys' indoor baseball team will meet the Winters team in a game at Winters Tuesday afternoon.

Rev. Joe Casey conducted the preaching services at the Methodist church Sunday, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Page, who is conducting a revival.

Ralph Proctor, who had been visiting relatives here for the past two weeks, returned to his home at Big Spring Monday. He was accompanied by W. S. and S. T. Proctor, who will attend to business while in Big Spring.

This community received \$25 for unemployment relief this month. G. R. Blackmon, Elgin Davidson, Obie Wheeler and Henry Rumpy are the distributing committee. Several men were given employment and improvement is noted in the condition of the cemetery.

The grammar school students enjoyed an Easter egg hunt Friday afternoon. There were many eggs and all the kiddies had a delightful time.

Roy Jackson and family, of Eagle Branch, visited relatives here Sunday. They were accompanied on their return by Mrs.

Jackson's sister, Miss Ella Long, who will spend a few days in the Jackson home.

HARMONY HERALDS

Rev. R. F. Cole, of Abilene, filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Keating, and Mrs. A. H. Pickens, of Mullin, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stubblefield recently. The first two named are Mrs. Stubblefield's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Stubblefield, of Barnett, visited in the Joe Stubblefield home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Hobbs and baby, of Winters, attended church here Sunday and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Truett Billups.

Mrs. Cora Maddox spent Saturday night and Sunday with a friend, Mrs. Sewell, of Novice.

Mr. and Mrs. Oren Mathis and children spent the week-end with Mrs. Mathis' mother, Mrs. E. A. Meadows.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Tunnell and children visited the former's parents at Oplin last week.

Miss Imogene Schwartz, of Dale, is spending the week with her sister, Miss Aletha.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius and daughter, Miss Ruby, and Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Patterson, of Goldthwaite, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jake Brown last week.

Rev. R. F. Cole, R. L. Pumphrey, Lum Galbreath and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Seals attended a program at the Mann church Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Rube Kiser and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Clint Dean and baby visited Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Smith, of Franklin Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Lee Seals and Mrs. Edgar Branham and baby visited their mother, Mrs. W. T. Hill, and other relatives at Ballinger, last week.

The children of Buck Stubblefield surprised their father with

a birthday dinner Sunday. All the children were present except one son and one son-in-law was also absent. The following were present: Mrs. Artie McClelland and three children, of Brookshier; Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Stubblefield and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stubblefield, of Barnett; and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stubblefield and baby, of Winters; and two sisters were present in the afternoon, Mrs. Cela Campbell and Miss Ora Stubblefield, of Ballinger. The honoree received many nice gifts. This was his 57th birthday. The children enjoyed an Easter egg hunt in the afternoon.

We wish to announce a rabbit drive to be held in the Harmony community April 26. There will be plenty of barbecue and the women will bring basket dinners. Hunters are invited.

School Honor Roll for March
Ruth England, Madeline Bruce, Ellen Gearhart, Wayne Yeager, Vernon McCartney, Wayne Cummings, Weldon Worthington, Ferrell Gene Billups, Juanita Long, Johnnie Bob Branham, Marvin Seals, Willie V. Seals, Ruth White, Lorena Gearhart, Oneta Rhodes, Buford Caldwell, Jack Presley and Wade White.

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Brooks Dozier, of Brownwood, was here Tuesday visiting friends and attending to business.

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Boy Scout Meeting Will be Held at San Angelo Next Friday

Two of the most important Boy Scout events of the year will take place this week-end. These events are the annual council meeting and the annual jamboree.

ODD TEXAS - - By Sticks Stahala



THE CAR OWNED BY JOE EDWARDS AND MARTIN OF CANTON, TEXAS AND DRIVEN BY A FRIEND, COLLIDED WITH ANOTHER CAR OF THE SAME MAKE AND MODEL WHICH WAS DRIVEN BY A FRIEND OF A RED-EARDED MARTIN OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS WHO OWNED THE CAR.

MOVIES

Action and Thrills Promised in 'The Big Stampede' A lot of action and thrills is promised to lovers of western pictures when 'The Big Stampede,' Vitagraph production, opens a two-day run at the Palace Theatre tomorrow (Friday).

NO BONUS

The line at the teller's window waited patiently as the old darkey slowly counted the little sheaf of currency he had received for his check.

HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED RECENTLY?

Ledger subscribers are requested to notify the publishers of any changes in their addresses promptly.

Many thousand rabbits have been slaughtered in this county during the past month and other communities are planning drives before farmers get busy with their crops.

New traffic regulations regarding turns at intersections are proving satisfactory but a number of motorists in making a left turn still go around the sign in the center.

May 1 will again be open season for catching game fish. Bass and crappie may be caught and kept after the last day of this month in limited numbers.

The great amount of RFC work being done hereabouts has been the cause attributed to many individuals improving their property.

After spending several years studying the habits of the crow it has been announced by the biological survey that the bird is not as black as painted.

Indians Were -

and placed on the tops of the domes. A few chickens and dogs were seen, but no other domestic animals, except horses, mules and oxen.

Special Opening

Beauty Shop advertisement for Alice Duke, 208 Tenth Street, offering various services and prices.

Football Players Answer Call for Spring Practice

Coaches H. B. Self and George Stowe started spring football practice Tuesday afternoon and expect to issue equipment to all candidates some day this week.

Here's an itemized gas bill...

Advertisement for Community Natural Gas Co. showing an itemized gas bill for \$7.06 and a list of services like hot water, cooking, and heating.

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EAGLE BRANCH EVENTS

Rev. John Bishop filled his regular appointment at Eagle Branch Sunday and delivered a very interesting sermon.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Berry and children, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Cooper and children, Mr. and Mrs. Corbet Cooper and son, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fisher, of Dale, and Rev. John Bishop were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Berry Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Smith and Mrs. J. E. Talley visited Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wilson and son, Joe B., of near Winters, Sunday evening and enjoyed ice cream.

Those visiting in the J. E. Talley home Saturday evening were: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Corbet Cooper and son, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fisher, of Dale. Games of 42 were played.

Misses Louise and Marie Wade and Agnes Waldrop spent Sunday with Misses Merle and Maxie Moore. Misses Merle and Maxie entertained a number of their friends with an Easter egg hunt in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schwartz and children, of Crews, visited with Mrs. Schwartz' parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Moore, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Davidson and granddaughter, Novel, were guests of Marshall Davidson, of Hatchel, Sunday.

Leo Freeman visited with Earl Cooper Saturday night.

J. E. McCarter and family visited Mr. Petty, of Ballinger, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Wood and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Dement, of Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Gerhart, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kurtz, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Kurtz, and Mr. and Mrs. Scales were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kurtz Sunday.

Regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association was held Friday night. A short business session was followed by a very interesting and laughable one-act play presented by eight of the Helpers' Club members. Excellent violin and guitar music was furnished by Clinton Walden, Travis Cummings, of Harmony, and Miss Vera Boone, of Winters.

The Helpers' Club met with Mrs. J. E. Talley Wednesday, April 12. One quilt was quilted, after which the hostess served delicious cake. Those present were: Mmes. Burley Campbell, H. G. Bradley, Charles Berry, O. V. Cooper, Corbet Cooper, Wm. Freeman, John Freeman, Raymond Freeman, H. L. Tooker, and D. C. Smith. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. H. L. Tooker April 27, at which time new officers will be elected.

Mrs. E. V. Dunn, of Fort Stockton, who is spending a few weeks with relatives and friends at Ballinger, visited a few days last week with her niece, Mrs. H. L. Tooker.

MARIE MUSINGS

A mass meeting was called at the Marie school house last Friday evening, the purpose of which was to get up a petition, send it to Representative H. O. Jones, asking that he assist in keeping the school per capita from being lowered. The meeting was opened by singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Mr. King read the letter received from R. E. White, county superintendent, which was discussed, after which all present signed the petition to be sent to the representative.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Turner and daughter, Marcell, of Wingate, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Landers Sunday.

Bill Landers and Miss Modena Black were week-end visitors in Abilene.

G. W. Turner and son, Turner, were Ballinger visitors Saturday.

Gus Poehls and two sons, Ed and Ernest, attended to business in Ballinger Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Carroll visited relatives in Ballinger, Mertzon and Richland Springs the past week-end.

A large crowd attended the rabbit drive last Friday. The drive began at the Carter place, one mile west of Norton. Dinner was spread at the Marvin Turner crossing on Oak Creek. It is reported that a large number of rabbits were killed.

Mrs. Florence Gentry, of Ballinger, is visiting in the Chas. Gentry home.

Miss Modena Black was the guest of Miss Estelle Mackey, of Bronte, last Thursday.

R. J. Clark and L. B. Barbee visited relatives and friends at San Angelo last week.

Texans Enjoying Decimal Beer in Louisiana Oasis



Top Photo—Houston misses put their feet on the rail of a Lake Charles night club and pronounce 12 beer to their liking. These smiling maidens all drove over from Houston to be present when beer went on general sale in Lake Charles Thursday, and you can tell by their expressions that said beer tickles their palates just right.

Lower Photo—Here's a scene from right across the State line at Orange, Texas. A hurriedly improvised bar and saloon is taking care of the beer wants of Orange, and adjoining Texas cities. This bar is less than 100 feet from the State line, and if you think there wasn't a mad mob of people from Texas scrambling for beer at this address when it went on sale last Thursday at noon, then you've got another think coming.

Virgil Cook attended to business in Ballinger Thursday.

Ed Stephens and Taylor Shelton were in this community buying cattle last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Black and family visited in the Frank Flynt home Monday.

Grady Clark and J. T. Shelton visited in the Brookshier home Monday evening.

Mrs. James Lott and son, James Warren, Weldon Shelton and J. King are reported to be recovering from the measles. Some of the patients have been quite ill for several days.

J. Black was a Bronte visitor Monday.

Sam Seay, Sr., was carried to the Hailey & Love Sanitarium last week in a very serious condition, but is reported to be resting better this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gentry, of Ballinger, visited in the home of their son, Claude Gentry, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Black spent the week-end in Ballinger, visiting relatives.

J. T. Shelton attended church at Norton Sunday night.

Worth Burleson transacted business at Bronte Thursday.

BENOIT NEWS

The rain which fell here Tuesday night was welcomed by all. It will be much help to young grain and gardens.

W. T. Hill is on the sick list this week.

Misses Lurlene Brookshier and Laura B. Gibson spent Saturday night with Miss Cleo Hoffman.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Williams entertained the young folk with a party Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill and Mrs. B. A. Dishman and son, of Ballinger, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Elam, of Miles, Sunday. They attended the Easter singing Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Odom, of Ballinger, visited Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gibson Tuesday.

Miss Faye Hill visited friends and relatives at Crews the past week-end.

Rev. Hall, of Talpa, visited the local school Wednesday and gave an interesting talk to the pupils and teachers.

Mrs. O. C. Cox, Misses Zaza Chenoweth, Elgah Jonas and Vivian Hill, and Woodrow Cox attended the district inter-scholastic meet at San Angelo Friday.

CREWS NEWS

Rev. Hall filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday morning.

Noel Young was ill last week but is able to be up this week.

Several of the stockmen of this vicinity attended the wool growers' meeting at Talpa Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mathis and family and Edwin Young, of Bangs, visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mathis and family visited in the Sam Mathis home at Token Sunday. Mr. Mathis' mother accompanied them home for a short visit.

The district singing convention will meet at the Crews Methodist church Sunday afternoon.

A fine program was rendered by the grammar school Tuesday night. It was thought best to postpone the business session of the P.-T. A. until the next regular meeting date, Tuesday night, May 2.

Miss Doris Hill, of Wilmeth, is

spending the week with Miss Harvey Mae Pape.

The farmers are just about up with their work and ready for a good rain which is badly needed so that planting can be finished.

Miss Louise Stephens resigned her position as teacher in the local high school and accepted a place as teacher in the Wingate school. Her successor has not been officially announced.

Rev. H. D. Marlin, of Ballinger, delivered a masterful discourse to the senior class here Sunday evening. He presented the idea to the young minds, that they were entering a different line and would now face a world that cared little for the failures, but always has a welcome hand for the successful, and one cannot be a failure through lack of effort to succeed. An overflowing house was present. Mrs. Marlin accompanied the speaker.

W.T.C.U. Speakers Will Come Here Monday Afternoon

Arrangements have been completed for a union meeting of women of Ballinger who are interested in the aims of the Women's Christian Temperance Union at the Methodist church at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon, April 24. Leaders were notified by telegram Thursday that Mrs. W. C. Jones, of Brady, district president, and Mrs. Van Watt, state president, would speak to the local audience.

All missionary societies of the city that meet at that hour Monday have agreed to join in the union meeting. Mrs. Van Watt is nationally known and an interesting speaker.

800 Sign Petitions Asking State for \$16 Per Capita

Petitions circulated in Runnels county requesting the state legislature to do something so that the state school aid for next year be not less than \$16 per capita have been returned to the office of County Superintendent R. E. White. Twenty-four of the thirty petitions have been returned bearing a total of over 800 signatures.

The petitions do not suggest any special tax measure or means of providing the money but merely ask that representatives and senators seek some way of providing state aid sufficient to maintain the schools next year.

The Runnels county petitions will be delivered this week, going to the representative for this district, who will place them in the proper hands.

Mr. White said he considered the response shown by the school patrons of this county good. Leaders in a few communities were unable to circulate the petitions in the short time allowed.

A message received here Thursday from H. Giesecke at San Antonio stated that Arthur Giesecke, who recently underwent an operation there for appendicitis, was to be removed to his parents' home today and is recovering rapidly.

A. Y. Pinkerton, employee of the Banner Ice Company, is confined to his home on account of illness.

Miles Baseball Nine Here Sunday To Play Bearcats

The Ballinger independent baseball team will meet the fast stepping Miles club at Fair Park Sunday at 3:30 p. m. This is the locals' second tilt of the season. The opening game last Sunday with the Rowena nine resulted in a 6 to 5 win for the Bearcats in 10 innings. Dankworth and Hardy both pitched fine ball and Dankworth and Marsh hit the pellet for enough scores to win.

The local team has worked out each afternoon this week. A number of new men have reported for practice, made good showings, and probably will see service against the invaders Sunday. Mack Brown has practically taken charge of third base and also demonstrates that he can hit the apple. Schnable, veteran infielder, has been working at second base several days and is in fine form for regular games.

A good sized crowd saw the game here last Sunday and attendance is expected to be greater for the next go. The same admission will be charged as for the opening game.

The management of the local club is trying to get the Coleman team of the West Texas League here for a game May 14. An open date on the league schedule will enable the Colemanites to play an exhibition game that week-end.

JOE OSTERTAG GOES TO SISTER'S BEDSIDE

Joe Ostertag received a message Tuesday stating that his sister, Mrs. Hermania Neuwald, of San Antonio, was at the point of death. He and Mrs. George Kerley and George Kerley, Jr., left Tuesday afternoon for San Antonio.

Mrs. Neuwald resided in Ballinger a number of years ago and is remembered here by associates of those days. In recent years she has made home in San Antonio.

Mrs. R. M. Warnock has returned to her home at Fort Stockton after a brief visit with her daughter, Mrs. Guy Middleton, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Grippie have moved to Abilene, where they will make home. Mr. Grippie was highline repair man for the West Texas Utilities Company here several years.

B. F. Morrison and Andy Varner have moved to San Angelo where they were transferred by the West Texas Utilities Company.

Fred Ross, minister of the Eighth Street Church of Christ, will close a revival at San Saba this week and return here in time to preach for his congregation Sunday morning and evening.

Rev. John N. Renfro, who is conducting a revival here, was called to Brownwood Wednesday to officiate at the funeral of James McCartney, killed recently in an airplane accident.

Talent Itself
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How often you say, "What shall I give them to eat?" Read the advertisements and you'll find the answer.



Consult the Advertisements Before You Buy

Health Records In Local School Show Good Work

Final health inspections which have recently been made in the Ballinger public schools show an unusually good record for the year just coming to a close from the standpoint of corrections made since the first examinations.

At the beginning of the term last year Mrs. George Stephens, county health nurse, examined every pupil and at that time a record card was filled in and filed for each student. On these cards every defect was noted and where necessary the parents were notified and requested to see a physician. Regular check-ups were made with the record cards and defects that had been corrected removed.

Tabulations show that the following percentages of corrections have been made during the year: primary building, 24 per cent; west ward, 13 per cent; central elementary, 36 per cent; and high school, 40 per cent.

School and public health authorities point with pride to the percentage of corrections made to show that the instruction is making children healthier and more efficient students.

The percentage would be still higher, it is claimed, but often when a child is taken to the family physician it is found advisable to wait for a considerable period. Some defects require much time to obliterate and this cannot be done within nine months.

Full Gospel Hour

An old fashioned revival is now going on. Services held every evening at 7:45 o'clock in the Howard shop building. Messages are being given pertaining to the last days and many are receiving great light on the word of God. You are invited to bring someone with you.

Evangelist Jack McDonald of San Antonio

FRENCH ARMY DESERTER DRAWS SERVICE PENSION

PARIS, April 20.—In the recent trial of Julien Leserre, by the correctional tribunal of La Rochelle-sur-Yon, in Vendee department of France, it was discovered that the defendant, although having been tried in the World War for desertion and sentenced to death, nevertheless drew a veteran's service pension.

Leserre was placed on trial charged with begging, admitted the offense, and was about to be sentenced to jail for a week, when an officer of the court recognized him as the condemned man and told the judge. When confronted with the officer Leserre also admitted this allegation, saying:

"I was condemned by default, because the interested authorities could not find me. But, what would you? I kept in close touch with the pension authorities and when I was arrested the other day I was drawing a pension as a veteran of the war."

Said the judge: "How did you achieve that?"

"The pension was offered to me and so I accepted. What would you?"

Although the conseil de guerre will probably quash the death sentence, Leserre has, meanwhile, been indicted for defrauding the government. The uniqueness of his case is deeply interesting French lawyers, some of whom hold that he cannot be convicted of fraud because he had never been dismissed from the army.

Marks Battlefield



Commemorating the last battle of the Civil War, the United Daughters of the Confederacy unveiled a statue at Brownsville on April 18. This battle was fought five weeks after peace had been declared. Allen Pate, descendant of Confederate veterans, is standing by the marker.

National Guard Inspection is Set For Next Monday

Major O. L. Paxton, federal inspector of national guard units, will arrive here Sunday to inspect company C, 142nd infantry. He will spend all day Monday looking over the property, and at 8:30 p. m. the men will be drawn up in formation at the armory for personnel inspection.

For the past two months officers of the local guard unit have been drilling their men and preparing for the federal officer's visit. Captain A. R. Murchison declared Wednesday that he believed the company would make the best showing since it was mustered. He said the men were ready and equipment was in excellent shape.

The inspector will visit the rifle range, the armory, the supply room and examine paper work in the orderly room. In the evening he will inspect the three officers, fifteen non-commissioned officers and forty-eight enlisted men in marksmanship, musketry, first aid, riot duty, guard duty and map reading. Automatic rifle-men will receive a special test which will take in the mechanical parts of the rifle.

The local rifle range has been completely rebuilt since last year and is now one of the best in this part of the state. Improvements have been made at the armory, new equipment has been placed in the supply room recently, and a full corps of officers has the paper work and other details in the best of condition.

New non-coms were "made" two weeks ago to fill vacancies and those promoted have had much experience in the duties assigned them. Officers are Captain Murchison, company commander; First Lieutenant K. V. Northington, and Second Lieutenant Joe Beck, Jr.

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(Seal)

R. L. DANIEL,
Chairman of the Board
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Big Population Gain in Argentine
BUENOS AIRES, April 20.—The National Statistical Bureau has published a report estimating Argentina's population on December 31, 1932, at 11,846,655, an increase of 50 per cent since the 1914 census. The population of Buenos Aires is 2,214,702, an increase of 40 1/2 per cent.

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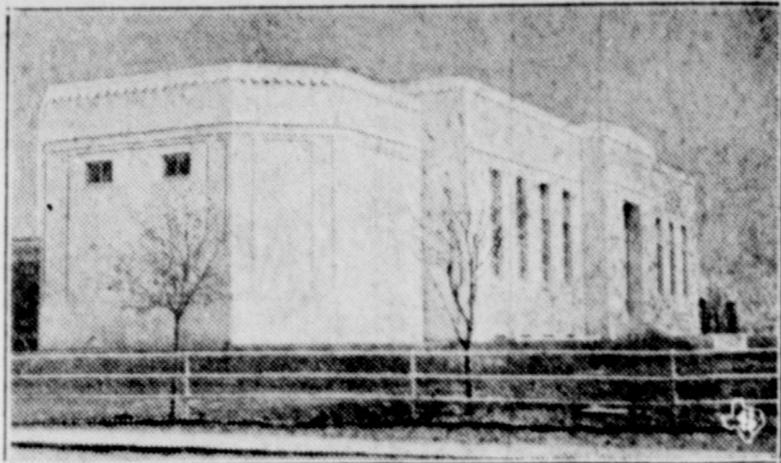
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Panhandle Historical Museum Opens



The Panhandle-Plains Historical Society Museum was dedicated last week. It has just been completed at a cost of nearly \$55,000. The structure, of Texas limestone, was made possible by the contributions of hundreds of people, from all parts of the United States, though mostly from Northwest Texas.

Man With "Radio Brain" Considered

WARSAW, April 20.—A natural explanation of the man with the "radio brain," who recently has been exhibiting his powers in Europe, has been proposed by scientists of this city. A recent center of his activities, the seemingly uncanny power possessed by this man permits him to receive radio programs directly, he asserts, without aid of a receiver or other apparatus. He merely listens and hears the program inside his brain.

Since the actions of the human brain are known to be electric, it was not unthinkable that this man's brain might be in some mysterious way a natural radio receiver. This, however, is not the accepted explanation. Instead the conclusion is that this individual hears corresponding sounds, pre-ears in the usual way, although the ear mechanism apparently is worked directly by the radio waves, not by sound.

An experiment frequently performed in public by the American engineer and scientist, Dr. Sergius P. Grace, supplies the clue. Using a powerful amplifier generating electric impulses instead of sound waves, Dr. Grace can hold alongside anyone's head a metal plate to which the electric signals are communicated. This person then hears corresponding sounds, presumably because electric attractions and repulsions between the metal plate and the eardrum set this drum to vibrating much as sound waves would do.

To explain the "radio brain" it is imagined that some unusual electric condition of this individual's ears makes some part of the ear's machinery vibrate electrically in response to strong



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Junk Man: "My mistake. Any bottles?"

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Beautification Report—

(Continued from page 1)

other West Texas cities is in beautification of city buildings and property. The new city hall surrounded by a well landscaped lawn, is equal that of any other city in West Texas. The park, which has been practically constructed during the last twelve months, is a remarkable accomplishment for one year and beautification about the city pumping plant has been added as a part of the park project.

All these details will be assembled in the report, listing the number of trees planted, lawns started and other civic beautification moves.

A separate section of the report will deal with building, painting and repairing and a fair amount of accomplishments will be listed for Ballinger in this particular.

"It is extraordinary that Mrs. Jenks can never see any faults in her children," observed Mrs. Smith.

"Mothers never can," remarked her husband.

"What an absurd idea, James! So like a man, I'm sure I should see faults in our children at once—if they had any."



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WOMEN INVADE CUTLERS' FEAST IN ENGLAND

SHEFFIELD, England, Jan 30.—For the first time in 300 years women partook of the same food as men at the annual Cutlers' Feast, which was held here recently. Previously women had been admitted to these feasts only after all the feasting was over, and then they were merely allowed to seat themselves in the balcony of the banquet hall

and listen to the speeches of the men.

This year they not only had a banquet of their own, but also they had the same menu, which included, among the thirteen dishes, the famous venison which has always been eaten at these banquets. They were not permitted to feast in the same room as the men, but in one adjoining. They heard the toasts through loud speakers.



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Games, Races, Freaks and Wild Beasts Amused Thrill-Hungry Roman Populace, In Fore-Runner of Modern 3-Ring Circus

"Sign of the Cross" Depicts 1933 Attitude of Nero's Minions to Spectacle Scenes Which Barnum Might Have Introduced to the United States; Ancients Weren't So Different Says Director After Research.

PINK lemonade and sticky candy, the blare of the band and the muffled roar of caged animals, the shouts of barkers and the smell of the sawdust... this is the circus that America knows, and the circus that ancient Rome knew equally as well.

Cecil B. DeMille, noted movie director, preparing to film his latest spectacle, "The Sign of the Cross," a story of pagan Rome, which comes to the Palace Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, April 23, 24, and 25, was amazed to discover, during his research on ancient Roman life and customs, that the Roman circus had so much in common with the modern variety.

No Repeaters

The Roman variety, he found had its quota of wild animals, just as the American circus has. It had its quota of curious freaks and skilled human performers. Its spectators sat in their grandstand seats and gorged themselves on a sort of pink lemonade and a sticky kind of candy, just as modern circus-goers do.

There, however, the similarity ends. The

remained for the master of the spectacle in the silent days to prove that sound had only served to increase the scope and effectiveness of this type of entertainment.

Bath of Asses Milk

Here is unfolded the whole pageant of Rome in the time of Nero—at once the most dissolute and the most colorful period in Roman history. Here is the dramatic contrast between the palaces of the patrician Romans and the humble, hidden abodes of the early Christians—on the one hand the wicked Empress Poppaea in her luxurious bath of asses' milk; on the other, the Christian girl, Mercia, ministering to the tortured and hunted among the people of her faith.

And, here, as a climax to the whole spectacle, is the Circus Maximus with its gladiatorial combats, its wrestling matches between black men and bears or crocodiles, its battles between Amazons and dwarfs, its chariot races, and its featured event—the feeding of the Christians to the lions. Here, in short, is an unforgettable panorama of an age of blood and licentiousness and passion and majesty.

were long eras when wine was so plentiful that it filled the bath tubs of the nobility. Napoleon is said to have used six cases of cologne a month for his ablutions.

Superb Cast Portrays Historic Characters

"The Sign of the Cross," is something more than an inspiring spectacle within itself. It is proof of the fact that Cecil DeMille, master of this type of entertainment in the silent days, can bend sound to his will, and produce a film of even vaster proportions than in the past. It is further proof of the everlasting appeal of entertainment of a spectacular nature, whether the audience happens to be in Rome's Circus Maximus or in the modern motion picture theatre.

The telling of the film's strong story, moreover, has been placed in the hands of an exceptionally talented cast. Fredric March scores as the Roman patrician, Marcus Superbus, who loves a Christian girl; Elissa Landi is lovely as the Christian, Mercia Claudette Colbert surpasses her every past performance as the wicked Empress Poppaea; Charles Laughton is no less than magnificent as Nero, and Vivian Tobin, Ina Keith, Joyzelle, Robert Manning, Ferdinand Gottschalk, Harry Bresford, Arthur Hohl, Nat Pendleton, Clarence Burton, Richard Alexander, William V. Mong, Tommy Conlon, Joe Bonomo and Harold Healy are excellent in supporting roles.

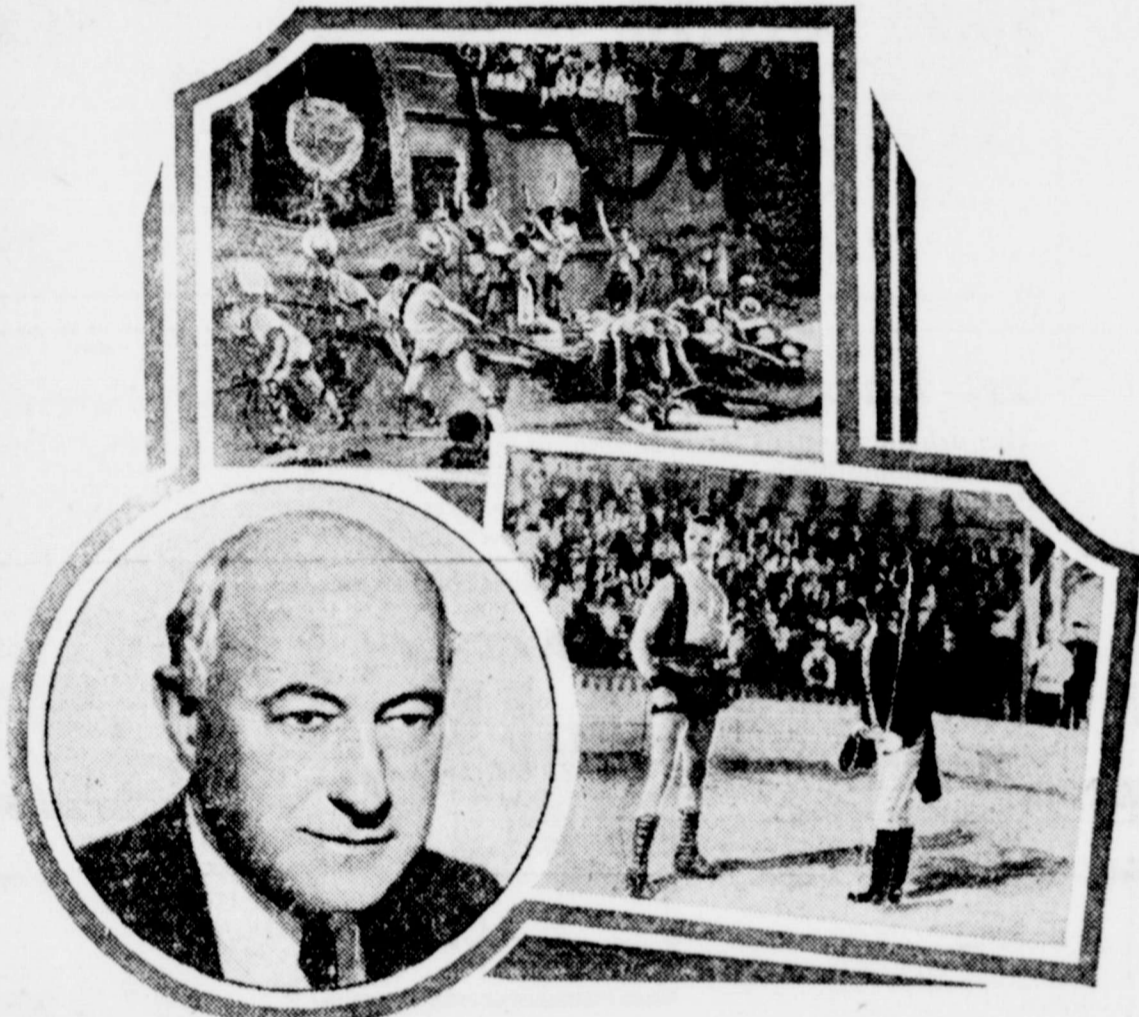
"The Sign of the Cross," is a great religious story, a great love story and a great spectacle.

Last Minute Plea Made Before Nero



Sixty Christians sentenced to die by Nero for their faith in "The Sign of the Cross," Cecil B. DeMille's great spectacle, but Fredric March, as Prefect of Rome, in love with the Christian maid, Mercia, begs for their lives, angering the jealous Empress, played by Claudette Colbert.

FIRE!
Rome wasn't the only city destroyed by fire, even if its conflagration turned out to be the best publicized of all history. Cecil B. DeMille, noted movie director, who portrays the burning of Rome in his spectacle, "The Sign of the Cross," looked up and tabulated these other great fires:
64—Burning of Rome.
1666—Great fire of London, destroying 436 acres of the city, 13,200 houses.
1835—Great fire of New York.
1838—1,158 buildings in Charleston, S. C., destroyed by fire.
1842—1,992 buildings in Hamburg, Germany, destroyed by fire.
1845—1,000 buildings in Pittsburgh destroyed by fire.
1851—3,000 buildings in San Francisco destroyed in two blazes.
1866—2,500 buildings destroyed in fire at Quebec, Canada.
1871—Great fire of Chicago; 18,000 buildings destroyed; loss, \$196,000,000.
1901—Jacksonville, Fla., was swept by \$11,000,000 fire.
1904—2,500 buildings destroyed in Baltimore fire.
1906—Fire and earthquake at San Francisco caused \$400,000,000 property loss; takes 500 lives.



SIGN OF THE CROSS

Circle: Cecil B. DeMille, director of "The Sign of the Cross, sees some similarity between circles of ancient and modern crowds to circus spectacle. Both thrilled to death, he says.
Right: Scene in modern circus arena, ringmaster introducing to throng performer garbed in costume of ancient Roman gladiator.
Above: Roman Circus Maximus "between-the-acts," slaves clearing the arena in preparation for more spectacles to follow.

performers in the modern circus play at danger. The Roman entertainers actually staked their lives on their "acts."

The Roman circus originated as a military exercise, and for many years was simply a display of armed force. Originally a race between two chariots was the piece de resistance of the program. Later, the number of chariots was increased to four.

The races were highly exciting events. The vehicles traversed a course about 1,600 yards long. This was divided into two halves, necessitating an extremely sharp turn at each end of the course, with the probability that not all the chariots would get around the corners, and that attendants would have to sweep up pieces of chariot, equine anatomy and human anatomy. Seven laps was the standard distance for a race.

Remaining features of the early circus were displays of swordsmanship, military manoeuvres, and the like.

Displays Bankrupt Nobles

As time went on, however, bigger and better circuses became the rule in Rome. Patricians seeking political popularity were forced to finance the games, and each attempted to outdo the other in elaborateness of his personally sponsored circuses. Many threw themselves deeply in debt in this manner.

They scoured the empire for wild beasts which could be brought to Rome to fight one another for benefit of the spectators, or could be pitted against human adversaries. They took slaves skilled in use of the sword and the spear, threw them in the arena, and forced them to fight each other to the death.

Later, as the empire became more and more degenerate, the circuses, likewise, became more and more degenerate. Freaks of all varieties—giants, dwarfs, strong men, strong women—were armed with a variety of weapons—clubs, three-pronged spears, flaming torches, chains, whips, ropes—and forced to kill each other for amusement of the populace.

Vivid Picture of Pagan Rome

Spectacle upon spectacle, magnificence outdoing itself. Many believed, and steadfastly contended, that the day of the film spectacle passed with the advent of talking pictures. It

Master of Grand Effects

Once more, as in the days of "The Ten Commandments" and "King of Kings," enormous crowds mill before the camera, and once more, DeMille proves himself the undisputed master of crowd effects. The street scenes and the scenes laid in the Circus Maximus are masterpieces of mob excitement.

Builds Imperial Bath

DeMille, who has the unique distinction of being the one director who has effectively helped to make American bath-tub stylists, reconstructed Poppaea's imperial bath from authentic sources.

Not only were excavations in ancient Rome consulted, but blue-prints were made of a Roman bath 1800 years old which is still in use in England. The latter is fifteen and a half feet in length, almost seven feet wide and four feet-ten inches deep. It was built of Roman tile faced with marble. Water spouted from a lion's head instead of the more familiar twentieth-century faucet.

Comparing the ancient Roman bath with its modern counterpart, George Sakier, head of the Bureau of Design Development of the American Radiator and Standard Sanitary Corp., declared, "While the bathroom of today are neither as immense nor as costly as the royal Roman bath, they are every bit as luxurious, and they have the convenience and sanitation of which the ancients never dreamed."

A twist of the wrist and today we have hot, cold or tepid water. In Nero's day, things were different. There was a Calidarium, heated to the limit of human endurance by raging fires built directly beneath the tub; a Tepidarium of moderate temperature; and a Frigidarium, corresponding to modern cold showers.

Until he decided upon milk for Poppaea's bath in "The Sign of the Cross," DeMille always used water in his bath tub scenes, although history reveals that other liquids have been popular from time to time. Madame Tallien, noted French beauty, bathed in the juices of strawberries and raspberries. The Greeks loved "the sweet of mint" while there

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R. A. Perry, of Miles, attended to business in Ballinger Thursday.

Deaths

W. L. Moore

W. L. Moore, 76, died at the Central Hotel Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock after illness of a week's duration. He became ill Thursday of last week and since had been in a very serious condition, friends holding no hope for his recovery.

Mr. Moore moved to Ballinger 13 months ago with his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Gosnell, and made home at the Central.

Funeral services will be held in Snyder this (Thursday) afternoon at 2 o'clock. The body was taken to Snyder in a King-Holt Company hearse which left here at 8:30 a. m. The immediate family and a number of Ballinger friends accompanied the cortege. Rev. J. H. McClain, pastor of the Ballinger Baptist Church, will conduct the rites.

Survivors include the daughter, Mrs. Gosnell; a son, M. L. Moore, Wichita Falls; mother-in-law, Mrs. Rebecca Baker, Bronte; and son, Rufus Baker, Bronte.

King-Holt Company undertakers are in charge of arrangements.

Fresh water cat fish, wholesale or retail. Phone 88, Hopper Cafe. 1f

SOCIETY.

Ninth Birthday is Celebrated

Mrs. John Endacott and Miss Ida Mae Voelkel were hostesses for a birthday party Wednesday afternoon honoring Jeanne Endacott, who observed her ninth birthday anniversary. A jolly group of young friends assembled in city park from 3:30 until 6 to play games and use playground equipment. Mrs. F. A. Wade assisted in the entertainment.

After two hours of diversion refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served with jo-boys as plate favors to the following: Sammie Morley, Ruthie Davis, Patsy Doss, Eleanor Wade, Marion Ferguson, Jean Bozell, Maurine Preston, Dean Albright, Junior Ohr, Malcolm Locke, Jim Will Wilson, Jimmie Bozell, Bill Preston, Alexander McGregor, James Lasater, Lewis West and the honoree.

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Shipment of Casino sandals just received. White, blue and green. Leather soles, \$1 the pair

Special sale of broken size shoes in \$2.95 and \$3.95 grades, the pair \$1.95

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Full fashioned, pure silk, first quality, new shades, the pair only 59c