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Few Federal Seed Loans Sought in This County

Applications being made to the federal government for seed loans indicate that Runnels is in perhaps the best condition of any county in the state. A check-up at the Dallas office on April 14 showed that only 53 applications had been filed for loans in this county through this channel while in other counties in this section several times that number had been filed.

The final date for securing production loans is April 30 and the only place in Runnels county to make application is in the county agent's office at Ballinger. There a special man is in the office with a supply of blanks for making applications.

The information given out from Dallas on April 14 showed the following approved applications by counties: McCulloch 49, Coke 82, Concho 32, Callahan 150, Taylor 42, Brown 299, Coleman 278, McLennan 278, Red River 1,067, Smith 1,282, Panola 1,633, and Williamson 105.

The number of loans in this county will be considerable more than the above figure as many are taking advantage of the opportunity to get small loans. The average loan in this county will be less than \$100 and will be used for the purchase of planting seed.

GOOD CROWD SEES CLUB PERFORMANCE

The south ward school building was packed Friday evening to witness the play presented by the South Ballinger home demonstration club. Those who witnessed the presentation of "Go Slow Mary," praised the performance highly.

A small admission charge brought in \$20 and the money will be used in sending a delegate to the farm short course at College Station this summer.

A prize quilt was awarded to John Hooks at the close of the program.

W. H. Whitley, of the Crews community, attended to business here Monday.

Runnels Highways Worth \$198,000 to County Each Year

AUSTIN, April 24.—Runnels county's state highways bring \$198,000 a year in extra business to the county in the form of tourist trade, the Texas Good Roads Association has estimated from a survey of the state's last official traffic census.

This business, the survey points out, does not include "natural" trade from local cars or those of adjoining counties, which obviously would increase with improved roads.

State checkers, from four days' actual count, found the average daily traffic to be: 400 motor vehicles on highway 4, 700 on highway 30 and 23.

Motor traffic in Texas is divided, the experts have found, in two almost equal classes. Roughly, half are local cars or from adjoining counties. The other half are from beyond the state or from Texas points at least two counties distant. The latter are genuine tourists.

"On this basis, some 550 outside cars cross Runnels county each day," the association's survey said, "scattering their good American dollars among the restaurants, hotels, tourist camps, hot dog stands, garages, filling stations and stores along the important highways.

"If they spend as little as \$1 per vehicle within the borders of the county, the Runnels county's trunk roads mean \$16,500 in added business per month, or \$198,000 a year, exclusive of the convenience and saving to her own 22,000 people, who operate some 4,500 cars themselves."

The survey, conducted by the association for every county in Texas, was designed to show importance of roads to each community, and thus arouse public opinion against any further diversion of gas tax money, which would cripple the highway program.

Mrs. Frank Biggs, of Pecos, is visiting her father, I. N. Roark.

Editors Coming Here in May for Spring Gathering

Editors and publishers representing thirty-odd towns of West Texas will come to Ballinger Saturday, May 6, to attend the spring meeting of the Heart of Texas Press Association. The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce and the Ballinger Semi-Weekly Ledger will act as joint hosts for the occasion and furnish entertainment features for the one-day program. A committee composed of H. H. Jackson, Democrat-Voice, Coleman; H. F. Schwenker, Standard, Brady; H. F. Mayes, Bulletin, Brownwood; Rufus Higgs, Empire-Tribune, Stephenville and H. M. Jones, Brownwood, met in Brownwood Saturday to arrange for speakers and assign subjects for the program and accepted the invitation to make Ballinger the meeting place.

The complete program has not been announced but will be printed and mailed to members of the association this week-end. The meeting will open at the city hall at 10 a. m. Saturday with speakers discussing matters of importance to newspapermen at this particular time. At noon the visitors will be entertained with a lunch in city park. Another business session will be held at 1:30 p. m. and a golf tournament will start at the Ballinger Country Club course at 2:30 p. m. Some of the best golf players in the district will be here to try to take the trophy from "Doc" Sellers, Rising Star publisher, who has it in his possession by virtue of two wins. Other prizes will be announced later for runners up in the various flights.

The Heart of Texas Press Association embraces towns from Stephenville south to San Saba and from Lampasas west to San Angelo. Edgar McLendon, Junction, is president and H. M. Jones, Brownwood, secretary of the organization.

HUNTERS INVITED TO HARMONY WEDNESDAY

Citizens of the Harmony community are broadcasting an invitation to hunters to attend a rabbit drive in that community tomorrow (Wednesday). The crowd will gather at the school house at 8 o'clock in the morning and will spend the entire day on the slaying. As a special inducement to hunters citizens of the Harmony section have announced a barbecue dinner with goat, beef and hog meat and a basket dinner to supplement. Every hunter in the county is invited.

2 Attempts Fail To Net Robbers Loot; Strip Coupe

Burglars failed to get anything of value in two robbery attempts here Friday evening. The Batts Chevrolet Company was entered but because of past experience, Manager E. F. Batts has quit keeping money at his place overnight. The robbers left after a search of the safe which netted nothing.

They next entered the office of the Ballinger Lumber Company and attempted to unlock the safe there but failed. The combination was left in such condition that the safe could not be unlocked Saturday morning when Manager T. H. Chancey opened the office.

Some time during the night robbers took the Chevrolet coupe belonging to Ira Hale from in front of his home and drove it several miles on the Spring Hill road where it was stripped of casings, light bulbs and all removable parts. A hole was cut in the top, probably to unfasten a door. The car was left where it was stripped.

2,000,000 Phones in Britain LONDON—Great Britain's two millionth telephone was installed in Buckingham palace. The instrument is finished in old gold and bears a decorative plate surmounted by a crown.

Bonds, Warrants Held Locally are Being Redeemed

The city of Ballinger paid local holders of bonds and warrants for interest and principal a total of \$3,090.50 during April. The largest holder of municipal securities is the Farmers & Merchants State Bank of Ballinger, which owns \$35,000 worth of the bonds and \$8,800 worth of the warrants. Fred Kiechle, vice-president of this bank, realizing the excellent financial condition of the city and the value of its outstanding paper, bought the above amount as an investment, because he believed it as safe as any bonds on the market.

On April 1 the F. & M. Bank received a city check for \$1,628 in payment of interest and \$1,100 principal on the warrants it held, and on April 20 another check was issued for \$1,050 interest on the bonds.

This money, it is pointed out, will remain in Ballinger instead of going to some bond house in the East, and will find its way back into local trade channels.

The city of Ballinger has also purchased a total of \$13,500 of its own bonds and is saving the 6 per cent annual interest thereon. The First National Bank of Ballinger owns \$2,000 worth of city bonds, making a total of \$59,300 of the outstanding \$314,500 bonded indebtedness of the city held locally.

The principal and interest on all city bonds have been paid by the city and sinking funds started to meet the next payments due.

SHEPPERD IMPROVES FROM EYE INJURY

E. Shepperd was able to be back at his office Monday morning after being out several days with an injured eye. Last Thursday while inspecting some improvement on a house owned by him, a nail struck his glasses, shattering one, and a number of small particles of glass lodged in the optic. The eyeball was badly lacerated and for several days small pieces of glass were removed.

Local Fire Losses Since January 1 Total Only \$1,519

Ballinger's fire losses since January 1, 1933 was \$1,519 on buildings and contents. The eleven fires since the first of the year involved property valued at \$10,000 the local department has done excellent work in holding the loss to this small figure. Insurance on the property involved totaled \$4,000.

Since January 1 the department has answered 11 alarms, attended 8 drills, held 4 meetings, used 2,500 feet of hose, 45 gallons of chemicals and held regular social meetings. Under the leadership of Chief Chester Cherry the local department is one of the best prepared companies of fire fighters in this section of the state.

Social meetings have been a feature in maintaining interest in the department. A social held last week for the members and honorary members was a pleasing affair. Fat barbecued mutton furnished by Harris Mullens was enjoyed after which a program of music and fun was presented.

The department is meeting each Thursday at the station to study new details. One of the most important features is the study given to buildings in Ballinger, their construction, floor plans and location of furnishings, ventilations, and how to fight a fire in that particular building. Other study at regular intervals includes city mapping locating fire plugs, salvage covers, first aid with special attention to the care of burns, and the general use and care of equipment. These subjects are taken up by blackboard charts after considerable preparation by the man assigned to the program.

Alfred Zedlitz spent last week here with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Zedlitz. Alfred a student in John Tarleton College, is a member of the military band of the institution.

Rev. R. O. Sory, of Brownwood, was here Friday attending to business and visiting friends.

Widow Who Murdered Farm Hand



How she slipped into the room where her farm hand lay asleep, blew away the back of his head with a shotgun, then rolled him in a pit of his own digging and burned his body 24 hours has come out in the confession of Mrs. Anto Dach, buxom farm woman of Schulenburg, Texas. Mrs. Dach with her three children are pictured above, while the last remains of Henry F. Stoeber, her employe, are shown below. She killed him because he attacked her several months ago, according to her statement.

Junior Class of Maverick School Entertains Seniors with Banquet

The junior class of Maverick high school entertained the seniors with a banquet Friday night, April 14. Among those present were: seniors—J. W. Borders, Margaret Lee, Thelma Stewart, Pauline Jones, Vivian Grimes, Milton and Gordon Edwards, Mildred Carlton, Annie Doris Martin and Hurlin Lee; juniors—Velma Lee, Doris McAuley, Lucille Carlton, Velma Landers, Howard Owens, Charlie Woods, James Lee, Renza Lee, and Ira Bowen; the faculty—Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Grindstaff, W. C. Bryan, Miss Maude Brookshier and Miss Lee; and visitors were—R. E. White, county superintendent; Renza Lee, Mrs. W. C. Bryan, Mrs. Pearl Marshall, Mrs. Emil Seipp and Wilma Seipp.

J. W. Borders was toastmaster and Velma Lee, the junior class president, gave the welcome address, which was indeed good. The response was made by J. W. Borders, and the class history by Margaret Lee. The prophecy was by Annie Doris Martin, Herlin Lee gave the class will, Thelma Stewart the class poem and Vivian Grimes a bear story. Music was furnished at this particular time by Wilma Seipp and Annie Doris Martin, after which Mrs. Marshall gave a short talk. Mr. White addressing the audience using Easter as the theme, comparing life to the seasons. Milton Edwards gave the charge to the juniors in which he told Charlie Woods not to get married before next year.

The tables were arranged very nicely, making the letter T, which was supposed to stand for Texas. The color scheme was blue and white, the class colors. Favors were suckers with a face, cap and gown to represent a senior. The menu consisted of grapefruit cocktail, roast chicken, gravy, snap beans, potatoes, hot rolls, English pea salad, ice cream, cake, tea and mints.

After dinner was served, the faculty and the seniors made a few short talks, some of which were comic and others of a serious nature.

Diplomas Awarded Six at Close of Crews School Term

The commencement program in connection with the closing of the Crews school was presented Friday evening before a large audience. Four girls and two boys were members of the graduating class, receiving diplomas showing they had completed their high school course.

County Superintendent R. E. White addressed the class, using for his subject the class motto, "Out of School Life; Into Life's School." Honor students were introduced and musical numbers and other entertainment made up the excellent program.

This is the first school of the county to complete its year's work.

B. M. Batts was here Monday morning attending to business and reported a fair rain and a heavy hail at his farm.

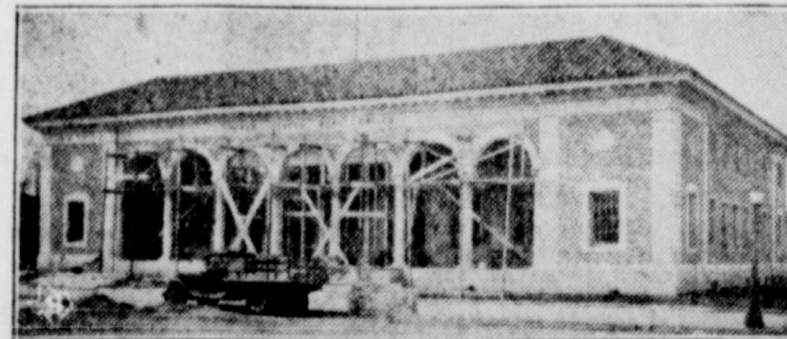
Local Singers Entertain Sick at Carlsbad Sunday

Ballinger members of the West Texas Choral Club went to Carlsbad Sunday afternoon where the entire group assembled and presented a program for the inmates of the state tuberculosis sanatorium. They received a cordial welcome by the doctors and patients.

The club appeared in a program at San Angelo Monday evening, rendering the same program which was presented here several weeks ago.

Members of the organization will leave Thursday for San Antonio where they will sing Friday in the state competition. Misses Eva Ruth Forgy and Clara Mae Forgy will leave Wednesday to take part in the solo contests in connection with the state meeting. The Ballinger women will return home the last of this week.

New Federal Building for Plainview



The new postoffice building for Plainview is being completed in record time and is expected to be ready for occupancy about April 15. It cost \$125,000.00.

Grade School Graduation Exercises Set for May 18

4-H Club Members Make Progress on Year's Projects

County Agent C. W. Lehmborg met with the Bethel 4-H club Friday morning for a demonstration in judging beef cattle. There were 47 members present for one of the best meetings of the club this year. Mr. Lehmborg explained production of beef on the farm, the selection of the cow and sire, and the need of feed for the raising and fattening of beef cattle. A beef animal was used for the judging, points as to form, quality and condition being explained, and at the close of the lesson each lad scored the points as he saw them.

All club members in the county have their projects started and last week were furnished record books in which they will keep their costs and production during the year.

Starting Tuesday Mr. Lehmborg will visit the following clubs: Tuesday morning, Content; Tuesday afternoon, Wigate; Wednesday morning, Olfen; Wednesday afternoon, Crews; Thursday morning, Victory; Thursday afternoon, Blanton; Friday morning, Benoit. Demonstrations in judging dairy and beef cattle will be held next week and some demonstrations will be made in terracing.

Teachers of the county are giving fine cooperation to the 4-H club work through the schools, according to Mr. Lehmborg.

NAZARENE LEADER TO PREACH HERE

Rev. P. L. Pierce, district superintendent of the Nazarene Church who will be in Ballinger Wednesday night to preach at the local church, will hold a board meeting after the sermon, announces the pastor, Rev. I. L. Flynn. This will be the second trip here of Rev. Pierce.

BONDING COMPANY PAYS BANK AT BRADY \$97,000

The Commercial National Bank of Brady received a check from a bonding company for \$97,000 last week. The check was issued to cover payments of bonds of several former employees of the institution and brings to a close litigation instituted two years ago.

The case which was begun in the state district court, was carried to the U. S. court of appeals. Included in the check is \$11,200 interest covering two years' time.

The Brady bank has remained open and in good condition since the court action was commenced.

Sheriff Returns Man Wanted for Murder Attempt

Sheriff W. A. Holt returned Sunday night from Sinton where he had been to get Louis Patterson, wanted here for assault with intent to murder. Patterson was arrested at Sinton Friday and local officers notified.

Patterson had been sought since an episode here last week in which H. R. Josey was seriously slashed. For several days Josey was in a very serious condition in the local hospital. He has been returned to his home but is still in a weakened condition from loss of blood.

Patterson is now in the Runnels county jail awaiting examining trial and the fixing of bond.

Patterson's mother resides at Sinton and officers there were notified to watch for him after it was learned he was headed in that direction.

Sheriff Holt drove through the country in his car and stated on his return that crops were looking fine in that section. He said corn was waist high in places and that rain fell as far south as Mason but was spotted and light.

Miss Allyn Straley was taken home Monday from the Halley & Love Sanitarium, where she had been for the past ten days recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

It pays to read the ads.

Supt. H. C. Lyon announced Monday several changes in the programs for commencement week.

It has been definitely decided to have a graduation program for pupils of the central elementary building and the date set is Thursday evening, May 18. All the girls have agreed to wear dresses made of cotton prints which was a requirement laid down by the faculty for this program.

Another important change is in the time for the baccalaureate service. This feature of commencement will be held at the Ballinger Baptist Church Sunday night, May 14. For the past several years this program has been held at 11 a. m., but in order not to conflict with Mother's Day programs in all the churches it will be held in the evening. Rev. W. D. Wellburn, of San Antonio, will preach the sermon and a union choir will render the musical program.

Members of the seventh grade in the central building voted to accept the costume requirements in order to hold their program. This was proposed to save parents of the children the cost of an expensive outfit for this occasion. A speaker will be invited to address the class and other features will be added to the program, closing with the presentation of certificates of graduation.

Mrs. J. H. McClain went to San Angelo Tuesday morning where she was to appear on a program at a district meeting of Baptist women.

P. R. Dietz, of the Crews community, transacted business in Ballinger Friday.

Rain Saturday Heavy in Town; Spotted in County

Rain in Runnels county Saturday afternoon proved to be very spotted. Ballinger received the heaviest precipitation of any point reporting, 1.55 inches. The drops fell in torrents here for more than 30 minutes accompanied by hail which did considerable damage in the immediate territory.

Berry patches in South Ballinger were damaged considerably by the frozen pellets and some gardens were practically wiped out. The hail, however, covered only a small territory.

South of Ballinger there was practically no rain at all. Miles and Rowena reporting only sprinkles. Winters received about half an inch Saturday night. Maverick and points northwest of Ballinger received fair rains Saturday afternoon.

The rain did not cover enough territory to swell streams or put out much stock water. Farmers in several communities declared they had enough "season" to start planting as soon as they could get in their fields. At the same time nearby sections are in need of rain.

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One Thrilling Thing!

By Paul Hawk

Why couldn't just one thrilling thing happen to her before she became just a part of a type-

Mary—why couldn't her name, even, have been Marigold or something?—Franklin went into her boarding house. Outwardly she was the same demure stenographer...

Harold came early and made the usual suggestion that they see a show. Two or three times a week he made that suggestion.

But Harold didn't. He wasn't, she thought slightly, the violent type. He didn't even have some of the rather questionable virtues of the college boy...

Harold paid the taxi driver. Then he turned to her there on the sidewalk and suddenly blurted, "Mary, let's get married!"

Mary looked after his retreating figure, felt rather guilty, then—unaccountably—irritated, and finally angry.

It after all. But she must not let herself get panicky!

"Tell me about the history of the cave," she suggested, grasping at any straw to ward off panic.

Separated from the world, together in that midnight chamber, it was very natural to be confident. "That name reminded me. You see—a—a man asked me to marry him. And I refused because he was so dependable, and I wanted a thrill. And I wish I hadn't!"

"As soon as I got your wire, I hit the boss for a raise—and got it! And a vacation too. Well, shall we go out now?"

BURNING FEET

They smart and ache and are so inflamed that every step you take causes real distress—Get rid of your foot troubles tonight—the new way—the right way.

Rev. and Mrs. H. D. Marlin went to Brownwood Sunday where Rev. Marlin preached at the First Methodist Church to supply for Rev. J. N. Rentfro who is holding a revival here.

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Miss Mildred Harrigan has resigned as a teacher in the San Antonio schools because her position prevented her from speaking her thoughts.

ON TEXAS FARMS

By W. H. Darrow, Extension Service Editor

It took seven and one half bales of cotton or an average of 50 pounds per mattress for Hardeman county farm wives to make 77 mattresses at home by methods shown by the home demonstration agent.

Bosque county farmers and ranchers are turning to the tanning of hides instead of selling them for the low prices offered.

It takes more than an armadillo to stem the tide of canning that has swept Texas. A 4-H pantry demonstrator in Jefferson county, Mrs. J. H. Robin, of Amelia, has canned armadillo meat on her shelves.

"Syrup week" was recently celebrated in Crockett, with pure ribbon cane syrup accepted as legal tender for newspaper subscriptions and many kinds of merchandise.

Orchards will be located on terraced tops on four farms in Johnson county where the county agent has laid out the terrace lines 30 feet apart, and with varying fall so that the rows may be nearly parallel.

Three Harris county communities have been organized for gardening for the unemployed of Houston, with an average of 20 acres in each of the community gardens.

Miss Louise Shepperd spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Shepperd.

Tax Reducers



Wilbur C. Hawk (left), publisher of the Amarillo News-Globe and a chain of other newspapers and president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, congratulates Ross D. Rogers (right) on his re-election as Mayor of Amarillo.

HOW'S your HEALTH

NOSE AND LIP INFECTIONS

Ordinary pus infections in the region of the nose and lip are peculiarly dangerous and should not be treated carelessly or roughly.

The region of the nose and the upper lip is drained by blood vessels known as the anterior facial veins, which lead into the cavernous sinuses of the head.

Should the infection extend and penetrate into the veins, it may spread and involve the brain coverings.

A carbuncle on the neck, when it occurs in a young and healthy person, is seldom fatal. Yet thick skin and dense subcutaneous tissue in the region of the neck form a natural barrier to the infection.

On the other hand, the skin around the nose and lips is thin. The veins in this region are without valves and, in consequence, this location does not offer the same effective barrier to the spread of infection as is found, for example, in the neck region.

For these reasons a pimple or boil in the nose and lip region should be dealt with cautiously.

Whereas a carbuncle on the neck might be safely incised and emptied by squeezing, a similar infection in the region of the nose and lip must be left alone, and surgically treated only by an expert.

Conservative methods of dealing with nose and lip infections may consist of bathing the region with hot solutions, the application of hot poultices and occasionally by the use of ultraviolet light.

An incision may be necessary to help evacuation, but this should be done only by a physician or surgeon.

DRINK WATER WITH MEALS GOOD FOR STOMACH

Water with meals helps stomach juices, aids digestion. If bloated with gas add a spoonful of Adlerika. One dose cleans out poisons and washes BOTH upper and lower bowels.

FOGG COFFEY LOSES BARN, FEED AND HARNESS IN FIRE

Fogg Coffey, of the Leaday section, one of the original settlers in this part of the state, was in Ballinger Monday attending to business and greeting old friends.

LONDON, April 24.—Popularity of greyhound racing in London has brought into vogue the racing puppy gift. Among the most acceptable presents are brindle sapplings just old enough for racing.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Midgley, of Cisco, visited Mrs. W. E. Midgley and Miss Thelma Midgley Sunday. Their son, Walter Edwards, had been here for the week and his parents came for him Sunday.

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Editors Are Authors



BIGBEE HOLBROOK Living in different cities and sleeping only every other night, North Bigbee, oil editor of The Dallas News, and Walter Holbrook, editorial department of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, wrote a three-act domestic comedy, "Shall We Dance?" It will be produced by the Oak Cliff (Dallas) Little Theatre April 19.

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Special Opening

Alice Duke is opening a Beauty Shop in her home 208 Tenth Street Opening Prices will Be FREE—Shampoo and complete dry with each finger 25c Croquignole Permanents—\$1 SPECIAL \$7.50 Oil Steam Wave \$3

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HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED RECENTLY? Ledger subscribers are requested to notify the publishers of any changes in their addresses promptly.

Many farmers will begin planting as soon as their fields are dry enough. The "season" is not general, however, and some sections have had practically no moisture in more than a month.

Rain which fell Saturday proved the worth of street work done here during the past several months. Many blocks almost impassable after a shower have been covered with caliche, wet and rolled with city machinery.

A number of West Texas cities have passed ordinances in the past several months taxing door-to-door peddlers. These fellows sell merchandise in competition to local business houses.

Ballinger will have the honor May 6 of entertaining newspapermen of this section of the state. Some 40 or 50 will come here to attend the Heart of Texas Press Association meeting.

"The New Man" Is Revival Subject

Rev. J. N. Rentfro, evangelist, conducting a revival at the First Methodist Church, will speak tonight at 8 o'clock on "The New Man." An invitation is extended all citizens of Ballinger to hear this message.

Services are being held each morning at 10 o'clock and each evening at 8 o'clock and will continue through Sunday evening. An increase has been evident in attendance at services on week days and efforts are being made to augment this interest during the remainder of the campaign.

RACING PUPPY ESTEEMED AS A GIFT IN LONDON LONDON, April 24.—Popularity of greyhound racing in London has brought into vogue the racing puppy gift.

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Thursday Will Be Visitors' Day in Primary Grades

The little pupils in the primary building of the Ballinger school system are looking forward to Thursday, which is annual Visitors' Day in that school. At this time parents and friends of the little folk are invited to visit the rooms and watch the progress of a day's work. In each room posters, charts, booklets, etc., will be displayed for inspection.

The entire forenoon will be devoted to regular class work which the visitors are invited to witness. "The children of this building look forward to this day throughout the school year," said Mrs. W. A. Bridwell, principal of the primary department, "it is their big day." She added that teachers and pupils will be happy to receive as many visitors as can be present.

The afternoon program will endeavor to show patrons what is being accomplished by directed play. Each room in the building will present a number on the campus east of the building where the visitors may remain in the shade. The numbers to be presented are combinations of play activities taught in the various grades during the physical education period. This program will include:

First Grade

Rhythms—Mrs. W. A. Bridwell
Circus Day—Mrs. Neil McAlpine
Singing Games—"The Farmer"
Miss Gladys Jones

Second Grade

Stunts—Miss Malcorine Wardlaw
Spring Pageant—Mrs. H. C. Lyon
Chimes of Dunkirk—Miss Zemma Street

Third Grade

Singing Games—"The Sleeping Beauty"
Norwegian Mountain March—Miss Eloise Walker

Notice

As I cannot designate your homestead, you will have to see me and assess your property if you want your home exempt from state tax. I will be in my office May 3 all day to take your assessment.

Yours truly,
MIKE C. BOYD
25-17

SOCIETY.

Baptist Society Compliments Seniors

Thursday night, April 20, the Woman's Missionary Society of the Ballinger Baptist Church complimented the high school senior class with a three-course banquet. For six years the women of the Baptist church have in this way expressed their interest in the graduating class and from the start to the finish of this one it was considered the best.

The tables were beautiful in rose and white, the class colors, with white and pink roses in profusion on the table and throughout the banquet hall in the church basement. Plate favors were hand-painted programs and hand-made miniature suitcases tagged as place cards, both suggesting going from high school to college.

Plates were served to seventy-five including the seniors, the high school faculty, the pastor of the church, Mrs. C. J. Lynn, president of the missionary society; Miss Lena Hess, of San Angelo; and Mrs. J. M. Dawson, of Waco.

A. F. Ligon, principal of the high school, was toastmaster and he allowed no dull moment to appear, interspersing jokes and "take-offs" throughout the evening.

Following the invocation by the pastor, Mrs. Lynn gave appropriate words of welcome in her characteristic way.

Four members of the senior class, Margaret Ladwig, Chester Taylor, Mary Lee Gentry and Elsie Motley, pupils of Miss Nona Diltz, gave readings. Miss Katherine Todd and Mrs. L. Schermerhorn furnished music for the program. The speaker of the evening was Mrs. Dawson, of Baylor University, Waco. Her subject was "Raising the Skyline." From her first word to the conclusion Mrs. Dawson held her audience in rapt attention. She is recognized both north and south as a popular speaker and on this occasion she was at her best.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hays and little daughters returned to their home at Rankin Sunday evening after spending the week-end with relatives here.

Mrs. Lavee Wyatt, of Dallas, is here for an extended visit with her mother, Mrs. J. M. Tindall.

Program for Rural School Graduates Is Being Planned

County Superintendent R. E. White has mailed letters to all schools of the county to ascertain how many graduates there will be from the seventh grade this year and the closing date of each school. As soon as he hears from the principals he will set the date and arrange the program for the county-wide graduation exercises which will be held at the Ballinger Baptist Church.

For the past three years such a program has been held about the time of the baccalaureate service of the Ballinger high school. This year, however, the program will not be held until about the time the last schools close as in the past some pupils have become indifferent to their studies after they received diplomas assuring their passing.

Graduates completing the seventh grade in rural schools of Runnels county usually number about 200 and a similar number is expected in this year's class. Certificates will be presented each pupil showing he has finished the course and is ready to enter high school.

Guard Officers Are Pleased with Inspection of Unit

Major O. E. Paxton, U. S. A., spent Monday in Ballinger, inspecting the records, property and personnel of company C, 142nd infantry. Major Paxton came here as an inspector ten years ago and is declared one of the best qualified inspectors ever to visit the local company.

Local officers are delighted with the inspection although they do not know yet what kind of rating the company will be given. Captain A. R. Murchison said he felt sure it was by far the best inspection the company had ever stood and that the best grade in the history of the organization would be made.

Major Paxton carefully went over the rifle range, orderly and supply rooms, watched guard mount, examined the men in marksmanship, musketry, riot duty, first aid and automatic rifles. Men and officers were ready for the test and promptly answered the questions of the regular army officer.

Captain Stedman, of McCamey, medical officer attached to the 143rd infantry, came here to witness the inspection as this is the closest unit of the division to his post. He returned home Tuesday morning.

Three officers and sixty-one men answered roll call for the annual federal inspection.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our thanks to all our friends for their kindness, sympathy and help; also for the beautiful floral offerings, during the illness and death of our loving daughter and sister, May God bless you for your kindness, and may His blessing be with you forever.

Mrs. Anna Dorotik and Children.
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BALLINGER WOMEN ATTEND PRESBYTERIAL

Mrs. C. R. Stephens, Mrs. E. M. Lynn, Mrs. J. M. Pyburn and Miss Edell Bell Walker left Tuesday for Brownwood to attend presbyterial of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. The first general session will be held this evening at the First Presbyterian Church of Brownwood. The executive board was to meet earlier in the afternoon to transact business.

Mrs. Stephens is president, and Mrs. Pyburn corresponding secretary of the presbyterial. The local delegation will return home Thursday.

QUARTET SINGERS AT REVIVAL WEDNESDAY

The Ballinger home town (colored) quartet, jubilee singers, will be heard Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7:45 at the revival services being held here by Jack McDonald. Everybody is invited.

M. L. FORGEY PURCHASES G. A. LADWIG GROCERY

M. L. Forgey purchased the G. A. Ladwig grocery Monday and will take over the management of the store at once. It will be known as Forgey's Grocery, and will be operated at the same location as previously.

Mrs. R. A. Dickinson returned home Sunday night from Brownwood where she spent several days with her son, Garland Dickinson, and family.

Angelo Ready For Rotary Conference



Between 600 and 1,000 Rotarians and their wives from the 61 clubs in northern and western Texas are expected to attend the annual 41st district conference at San Angelo Monday and Tuesday, May 1 and 2. In the top corners are shown officials who will have much to do with the conference. Top center is the City Hall and Municipal Auditorium where the general conference sessions are to be held. Other San Angelo buildings are also shown. Special trains are to be run from

a number of Texas points, some of them arriving at San Angelo Sunday for early registration, free golf playing and a non-denominational service to be held there that night by Rabbi Harry Merfeld of Beth El Temple, Fort Worth.

Business sessions start Monday morning after opening formalities. Entertainment features in abundance have been provided. Among the prominent speakers to be at the conference are Joseph W. Jackson of Madison, Wis., director of Rotary International, Dr. Bradford Knapp, president of Texas Technological College, Lubbock, and others.

MILES BASEBALL TEAM WINS FROM LOCALS BY 9 TO 8 TAB

The Miles Giants emerged with the big end of a 9 to 8 score in the baseball game played here Sunday afternoon at Fair Park. The Bearcats did not start their scoring until late in the game but finished in fine form, running the count to a tie in the eighth only to be beaten out in the final frame.

A number of new faces appeared in the Ballinger line-up Sunday and fans see the promise of a stepping amateur team this summer. The management is anxious for anyone desiring to play to come to practice at Fair Park each afternoon. Other games are to be booked this week and a contest will be scheduled for each week-end.

Calling Cards printed on short notice. Phone 27, we do the rest. It pays to read the ads.

John Nicholson Wins First Place In Art Contest

John A. Nicholson, son of Mrs. R. A. Nicholson of this city was winner Saturday at Abilene in the district interscholastic art contests. For the best all round art talent, he will receive a scholarship for one year in Simmons University, the only scholarship prize offered in the contest. He also was awarded first place in charcoal drawing of still life.

The youth will go to Austin May 5 to take part in the state competition, winning the right by his work at Abilene Saturday.

The art contests were held in a studio on the campus of Simmons University. Mrs. Lois Hogs



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Shaw, of Sweetwater, former head of the art department at McMurry College, was judge. Other winners in the contest were Ruth Carlin, San Angelo, painting; and Sherman Laudermilk, Abilene, modeling.

Mrs. Nicholson and son went to Abilene Monday to attend a tea in honor of the winners at the fine arts building at Simmons. The three winners were at the head of the receiving line during the afternoon.

This is by no means the first honor to come to young Nicholson as a painter. His pictures exhibited at the West Texas Exposition, West Texas Fair and the Runnels County Fair received several blue ribbons. He is a member of the senior class of the Ballinger high school and will receive his literary diploma in May.



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210 Rats Killed At Farm Home On Valley Creek

Joe McKenzie and Roy Tyree set a rat killing record Monday morning that will be hard for anyone to beat. They took their rat dogs and went to the home of A. C. Newsome on Valley Creek where rats had been killing chickens. They moved a pile of maize and when they had finished the job they had a pile of 210 dead rats besides many small ones killed in their nests.

The rat dogs were so tired after fighting the rodents for several hours that they would hardly start a new chase. The men at first had to help the dogs as rats were too numerous for the number of dogs.

Mr. McKenzie said when the dead bodies were gathered up they had a large cottonseed meal sack full. The rats had built their homes under the maize ricks and

some had deep holes in the ground. Water was poured into the holes to force them out.

Mrs. Newsome had a flock of about forty chickens reduced to about six hens in just a few days by the rats.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends for the kindness and sympathy shown, also for the floral offerings, during the illness and death of our darling baby. We also wish to thank the nurses for the kindness shown during our short stay at the sanitarium. May God bless you in your hour of grief.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Carlton and children.

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M. S. "Buster" Caudle, student of Texas Technological College, served as one of the judges in the district debating contest at Lubbock last week. The college was host to the more than 2,750 pupils who attended the meet.

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MRS. J. B. SORRELS, FORMER BALLINGER CITIZEN, DIES

Mrs. J. B. Sorrels, 46, died at her home in Colorado, Texas, Monday after illness of several weeks' duration. Her mother, Mrs. G. B. Nixon, of Ballinger, left some time ago to be at the bedside of her daughter.

Mrs. Sorrels, formerly Miss Jimmie Gilliam, made her home in Ballinger for a number of years and since her marriage visited here on numerous occasions. For a time she was in business in Ballinger and is remembered by many.

Funeral services were held at Colorado Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock and interment is to be made in the Odd Fellow cemetery, Abilene, this (Tuesday) afternoon at 3 o'clock. A number of Ballinger friends went to Abilene for the burial service.

Survivors include the husband, three children and decedent's mother.

G. P. STALLWORTH DIES AT EL CAMPO FRIDAY

G. P. Stallworth, 49, died at his home at El Campo, Friday afternoon after an illness of several years' duration which baffled physicians. He was a brother of Mrs. Brooks Rudder and Mrs. Max Wilson, of Ballinger; and a brother, Nick Stallworth, formerly resided here.

For some time decedent had assisted in RFC activities at Houston but gave up this work recently and returned to his home on account of failing health. At El Campo he had been associated with the First National Bank and at one time with the Central Power & Light Company.

Survivors include the widow and three children.

PROMINENT LODGE OFFICERS ARE ENTERTAINED HERE

Mrs. Eva Huskey, of Greenville, state supervising deputy, and Mrs. Pauline E. Lewis, of Abilene, district deputy, of the Royal Neighbors of America, arrived in Ballinger Monday from the state convention at Austin to look after interests of the order.

While here the visiting officers enjoyed the hospitality of the local chapter in the home of Mrs. W. A. Drennan. Ice cream and cake were served.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Wiley have returned from a trip to San Antonio and Corpus Christi. They were in San Antonio April 21 to witness the Battle of Flowers.

Doctors Land Huge Ray
HOUSTON, April 24.—Three doctors, angling in the Gulf, hooked a giant spotted ray measuring seven feet by seven feet and weighing 310 pounds.

Honored



Miss Susan Sheppard, daughter of Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas, is the 1933 Queen of the Beauties at Duke University, Durham, N. C. Her portrait will head the beauty section of the yearbook.

MOVIES

Uproarious Bridge Battles Staged in Peppy "Grand Slam"

A world's championship bridge battle forms one of the highlights in the latest First National picture, "Grand Slam," featuring Paul Lukas and Loretta Young, which opens a two-day run at the Palace Theatre tomorrow.

The battle is staged with elaborate detail, with a great crowd of spectators, fifty kibitzers and a radio announcer to inform the public of the plays and the scores. The scene took many days to stage although it occupies but a few minutes on the screen.

Some of the most uproarious moments in this satirically humorous comedy take place during the championship contest, which is eventually won by "the honeymoon bridge couple," who could play clear through a game without quarreling.

The story by B. Russell Herts, concerns the invention of a champion bridge system, which was not a system at all, by a man who knew nothing about the game, but whose phenomenal luck brought him fame as an expert, and enabled him to make "seven spades" bids at will.

Other players in the cast include Frank McHugh, Glenda Farrell, Helen Vinson, Walter Byron, DeWitt Jennings, Roscoe Karns, Mary Moran, Lucian Prival and Lee Moran.

Lawyer Caught in Land Swindle, Ranchers Saved in Zane Grey Picture

Zane Grey's exciting action romance, "The Mysterious Rider," done into a motion picture by a cast headed by Kent Taylor, Lona Andre, Irving Pichel, Gail Patrick and Warren Hymer, has been booked for showing at the Palace Theatre Friday and Saturday.

The film tells the story of a single man's battle against powerful forces which seek to evict half a hundred ranchers and their families from the property which they own and love. The attempt is set under way by a crooked lawyer, who, after discovering that the land occupied by the ranchers is not legally theirs, employs underhanded methods in transferring it to a powerful financier.

The latter demands that the ranchers be thrown out of their homes, and when Taylor, their leader, urges them to resist, he lands in jail for his efforts. But he bursts loose, and at risk of his life, exposes the entire swindle, to bring the film to a breathless climax.

A romance between Taylor and Miss Andre runs throughout the film. Pichel is cast as the lawyer.

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

Times Have Changed

Mrs. Skidmore—In these days it's almost impossible to get what you want.

Mrs. Podsnap—Yes. When I was first married I could get anything I cared to from Mr. Podsnap just by crying a little. Now I have to go into hysterics in order to squeeze enough out of him just to pay for my stockings.

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West Texas News Notes

Spring shipments of livestock started from Sonora last week, a total of 34 carloads being shipped. Twenty-five cars of cattle were shipped, fat steers bringing 5 cents and heifers 4 cents. Monday of last week was the big day for shipments, 28 cars being loaded at the stock pens in Sonora.

Eldorado, Christoval and Sonora citizens have petitioned the federal postal department for mail service on Sunday. These towns have been receiving mail only on week days and the petition asks that both incoming and outgoing mail be handled on Sunday hereafter.

A meeting of disabled war veterans was held at Kerrville Sunday, a large number from this section of the state attending. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss proposed legislation that will affect disabled World War veterans.

Farmers living near Brownwood met there last week to study sweet potato raising. Experts addressed the gathering, telling of new methods. After studying the territory it was declared it should be the greatest sweet potato producing area in the Southwest.

The city commission of Menard has started a campaign to clear all vacant lots in the corporate limits of mesquite brush. This is the first step in a beautification campaign which will be conducted by the city administration, with civic clubs cooperating. RFC aid will be used to clean up vacant property.

A number of Fort McKavett men will take an examination for the postmastership of that town this week. The compensation is \$638 per annum.

District court adjourned at Robert Lee last week after trying a negro on a prohibition law violation charge. A full day was spent in taking evidence and the jury turned the defendant loose after five minutes' deliberation. The grand jury found one bill, a felony.

Dan Ratliff, of Miles, is reported to be recovering from injuries sustained near Mason last week when his truck loaded with sugar missed a bridge and hit the creek embankment. Ratliff and others in the truck caravan had been driving all night and it is supposed he fell asleep at the wheel. He was picked up after the crash and taken to Mason for treatment.

The annual meeting of the Brady Chamber of Commerce last week drew a large crowd to that city. An excellent program, including numbers by the famous Light

Court of Inquiry Held Following Arrest of Three

Quite a bit of excitement prevailed on Broadway Thursday afternoon, according to the evidence developed in an inquiry by City Attorney C. P. Shepherd in municipal court Friday morning. According to the testimony Claude McIntire, John Hollingsworth and Otis Reno were at the Felton Wright filling station on Broadway Thursday afternoon and observed an automobile which appeared to be running with the emergency brake on come to a stop. In the car were two men and a woman and after the car stopped a short scuffle occurred between one of the men and the woman, according to the youths' evidence. From their view it appeared that one man was trying to keep the woman from getting out of the car and also holding his hand over her mouth to keep her from screaming.

Attachment Now \$60
The Williams Tractor Attachment now \$60. See R. R. Williams or call collect. Will deliver to your farm. 25-tf

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hays and children, accompanied by Miss Ruth Howard, of O'Donnell, went to Winters Sunday en route home after a short visit with the former's brother, W. M. Hays, and other relatives here.

It pays to read the ads.

Crust Doughboys of Fort Worth, Helped Make the Attendance a Record Breaker. Practically all towns in the heart of Texas area were represented by delegations.

Coleman business interests are raising their quota for the Boy Scout movement this week. The assessment for that city is about \$500 and memberships will be sold at \$1 per month until the goal has been reached.

More than 150 wool growers of Runnels and Coleman counties assembled at Talpa last week to attend the school presided over by S. P. Davis of Texas A. & M. College. Grading and scouring were the main topics taken up.

Novice 4-H club girls cleared \$15 from a play they presented last week. "The Path Across the Hill" was produced with club members taking the roles. The money will be used to send delegates to the farm short course at College Station this summer.

Members of the vocational agriculture class in the Santa Anna high school are at work on the project they will enter in the Coleman County Fair next fall. Insects are being arranged on posters and the complete display will be ready for exhibition when the fair opens.

The Winters school board has reelected all faculty members for another year with the exception of the superintendent. The board will name the man to head the school at an early date. A. H. Smith has served the Winters school as superintendent for five years.

The graduating class of the Sweetwater high school will give the school as a parting gift 25 trees, which will be planted in front of the building. Beautification of the campus, already commenced, will be pushed by the seniors.

Jack Bishop, of Paint Rock, has started the erection of a new five-room residence. The house will have hardwood floors, a service porch and a large front porch. The concrete foundation has been finished.

The Junction school received compliments at the hands of the state inspector last week when his visit was concluded there. With remarkable equipment for a school of that size the 1932-33 term has been all that could be expected. The home economics department received full credit for efficient work. Although teachers have not been paid in recent months, faculty members have given their best efforts to make the school as good as any in that section.

Water Earnings Make Payment On Bond Issue

The city financial statement at the close of March shows the transfer of \$4,727.50 from the water utilities fund to the sinking fund on waterworks bonds issued in 1930. This payment of principal and interest on this issue of bonds is taken from the earnings of the water department and was not received from a raise in taxes.

During March the water receipts totaled \$1,373.27, with disbursements of \$854.76, leaving a net gain of \$518.51. Of the disbursements \$178.75 was used for improvements which brings the total actual gain to \$687.26.

Receipts in the general fund for March were \$296.25 and in the sanitary department \$213.85. Disbursements from the sanitary department for the month totaled \$182.32, making a gain for this department of \$31.53.

Transfers were made from the general fund to all the sinking funds to take care of principal and interest on outstanding bonds.

The cash balance at the close of March totaled \$49,654.39. In the Farmers & Merchants State Bank the balance was \$35,946.52; securities held by the city, \$13,500.00; and cash in vault at city hall, \$207.86.

Balances in the various funds on the city books are as follows: general and street, \$10,036.41; water utilities, \$10,344.79; sanitary, \$202.79; waterworks 1921 issue, \$1,035.15; waterworks 1922 issue, \$7,577.90; waterworks 1930 issue, none (\$4,762.25 paid on March 1); street 1922 issue, \$16,245.59; re-

funding 1928 issue, \$114.97 (\$1,-386.75 paid March 1); refunding 1930 issue, \$325.93 (\$1,762.50 paid March 1); lights 1921 issue, \$3,-102.63; city hall 1930 issue, \$168.62 (\$1,863.50 paid March 1).

GUARDSMEN SPONSOR DANCE AT ARMORY

Johnnie Lochaby and his orchestra of radio fame will furnish the music for a dance at the national guard armory on Friday evening of this week. Regular admission prices will prevail for this affair which is under the auspices of the local national guard company.

"HAUNTED HOUSE" DRAWS CROWDS TO BERMUDA

HAMILTON, Bermuda, April 24.—Residents of the north shore district of Pembroke Parish are much exercised over the nightly appearance of a "ghost" in an occupied house near the North Shore Road.

Those who claim to have seen the wraith say it appears in various shapes, first as a vaporous ring, changing into the form of a dancing woman; then as a crawling crab. It appears nightly and is not disturbed by the presence of curious visitors. It appears in conjunction with the rising of the moon, but spectators agree it is not caused by any shadow effect of the moonlight.

MECHANICAL AGE NEAR FOR NEW GUINEA FOLKS

SYDNEY, Australia, April 24.—Australia is planning to raise the standards of the primitive people of New Guinea, who are still ac-

customed to incessant tribal warfare.

Speaking before the Mandates Commission of the League of Nations recently, a representative of the Australian government emphasized the tremendous problem of raising these primitive people to the standards of the mechanical age, of providing work, improving health, and consolidating village life, while interfering as little as possible with native laws and customs.

A system of tropical government is being evolved, and the welfare of the native rather than the economic exploitation of the territory is the paramount consideration. The health service, for example, absorbs a fifth of the revenue.

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