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## Relief Setup is Changed; No Aid to Employables

Doyle T. Brooks, administrator for district 14-A, and Mrs. Viola Perkins, district case supervisor, were in Ballinger Monday night to confer with the county case worker in charge, Joe Sandlin, concerning the new relief set-up to become effective January 1, 1936.

According to Mr. Brooks, all emergency relief under the present system will cease January 1. No more assistance will be given to relief clients except those unemployables who are permanently ill, mothers who cannot leave small dependent children while they work and other such cases where it is impossible to support the family in any way. Under the new plans no relief at all will be given to the following classes: employable persons not yet assigned to work projects, employable persons not eligible to assignment to WPA because of acceptance since November 1, employable persons in isolated areas, employable persons who are temporarily ill, federal and state transients, persons needing medical, dental or hospital care, as well as unemployable persons who need emergency assistance pending receipt of Texas relief commission checks.

Under the old system relief was given to persons who were not assigned to work projects, those who were not eligible for WPA assignments, persons who were living in inaccessible places, transients, and those needing medical attention, but according to the district supervisor, local agencies must take care of these cases beginning January 1.

The district WPA offices at Brownwood will be closed January 15 and all merchants who have disbursing orders that have been filled must have them in the Brownwood offices for payment not later than January 8 or they will have to be sent to Austin and payment will be delayed several days.

The county unit for relief will be maintained, but the personnel will be selected by the new administrator of the new district.

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## Prowlers Reported By Local Citizens; School is Entered

Prowlers have been working in Ballinger for the past two weeks but so far nothing of value has been reported stolen. One man, arrested after entering a residence here, was charged with drunkenness.

Several persons have discovered prowlers on their premises but the "callers" were frightened away before they gained entrance.

Someone entered the senior high school building Monday evening by prying open a window in one of the classrooms. Later entrance was gained to the office of George Stowe and an attempt made to get into the office of H. C. Lyon, which failed. School officials stated that they had not missed anything except a small six-shooter and a stop watch which are used in athletic contests.

Local officers said Tuesday that only a few cases had been reported to them but they could be expected at this time of the year. They suggest that residents lock their homes at night and arm themselves for protection against robbers.

As the cotton picking season is about over there are a number of strangers here with nothing to do and thieving for food may result from that cause.

## BALLINGER LIONS ATTEND DISTRICT CONVENTION

R. P. Canady and J. A. Schnable attended the Lions district convention at Sonora Friday. The meeting was well attended, representatives of all clubs in the district being present to make their annual reports and outline proposed programs for the new year.

The next meeting will be held at Eldorado in January, being scheduled sooner than usual because the last meeting was long past due and it was the desire of the chairman to get the dates back in regular order.

## They Won Over 200,000 Girls in 4-H Style Show



The best-dressed 4-H girls in the United States, chosen in the Chicago contests in which 200,000 club members were entrants, are, left to right above, Elizabeth Zehring, 17, Germantown, O.; Irene Kracht, Aurelia, Ia.; Carol V. Clark, Cohoes, N. Y.; and Mary Yeager, Terre Haute, Ind. Named "national champion," Miss Zehring won with this wool crepe dress and brown and tan plaid swaggar coat; a "wash dress" won for Miss Kracht; and Miss Clark won in the "party dress" contest. Miss Yeager, the "best dress" champion, wore a gold dotted brown silk crepe dress with gold flat crepe collar and vestes.

## 1935 Tax Payments Hike City's Income During Past Month

The city of Ballinger had a cash balance on November 30 of \$39,842.43. Tax collections for the new year have been fairly good for several weeks and the November statement showed \$1,197.85 paid into the general fund. December and January are usually the heavy tax paying months.

The city secretary has mailed post cards to all property owners indicating the amounts of their 1935 taxes. The books are open and the cashier is ready to issue receipts any time convenient to the tax payers.

The water department had collections in November totalling \$1,541.96, and the sanitary department collected \$165.19.

The city's balance was separated as follows: \$7,508.19 in the Farmers & Merchants State Bank, \$316.55 in the vault at the city hall, and \$32,017.69 held in municipal securities.

All city funds have remained in a healthy condition during the past year and all necessary work has been attended to. The commission has shouldered its share of relief projects which have caused expenditures in addition to that estimated for the 1935 budget.

The water department had a balance of \$8,521.18 on November 30 and operated the past month with an expense of only \$759.92.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Griffiths and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nixon returned Saturday night from Houston, where they attended the three-day convention of Southwestern Life Insurance Co. representatives.

## Hundreds of Children Need Food, Clothing

Committees of twelve women who have completed a canvass of Ballinger for the Goodfellows report many pitiful cases where aid is needed for entire families and hundreds of children who will have no visit from Santa Claus unless provided by local contributors.

The canvassers report families of as many as thirteen living in one small tent, many sleeping without mattresses and with scanty covering, some without fuel and all in need of clothing of any kind, and lacking food.

The outlook is one that depresses at this happy season, but it was pointed out that "if a few will put their shoulders to the wheel, make a few donations and give a small amount of time a great deal can yet be done to relieve this condition, at least on Christmas day."

The list increased a little this week both in donations and in the "adoption" of families. Following is the list to date:

|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Reported last week             | \$37.50 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Jas. E. Brewer    | 2.50    |
| American Legion Auxiliary      | 5.00    |
| Rotary Club                    | 10.00   |
| Dr. E. H. Boelsche             | 3.00    |
| West Texas Cotton Oil Co.      | 5.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Lynn        | 5.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. K. V. Northington | 2.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Sam Behringer     | 5.00    |
| Camille Behringer              | 1.00    |
| James Skinner                  | 1.00    |

A list of families that need aid published last week brought better response. Several of these families

have been "adopted" and will be provided for on Christmas eve with baskets of food, clothing, and other practical articles.

Four families of the six listed last week have been "adopted" and taken off the list, but the canvass has been continued and several others added this week. The additional needy families are as follows:

### Family No. 7

A man and his wife, and five children, ranging from 7 years of age to a baby. The man's aged mother lives with them and she has been ill for some time and will remain that way indefinitely. This family will have nothing for Christmas unless help is received from some source.

### Family No. 8

The parents, and four children, ranging from 2 to 10 years, have little prospects for a happy Christmas unless "adopted" by someone. The man has been doing some relief work but it is not enough to provide but little.

### Family No. 9

A father, 68; a son, and three daughters. The boy is in a CCC camp and is the only means of

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**\$250.00 Reward**  
Paid for Conviction of Livestock Thieves.  
Runnels County Livestock Association

## Baby Parade Friday Night To Climax Xmas Events

### League Directors Form Organization For County Meet

A meeting of members of the executive board of the Runnels county interscholastic league has been called for January 4 by H. C. Lyon, director general. The board members will discuss the various events to be held the first part of next year and set dates for the tournaments in basketball, tennis and volleyball, arrange a date for the playground ball tournament in all divisions, and set dates for the literary events and track and field contests.

The board meeting will be held at the Ballinger high school building. Directors of the various events have been notified to be present and bring any suggestions they have for improving the county meet.

All events were held at Winters last year and unless other provisions are made will be held in Ballinger this year. The basketball tournament has been held at Winters for several years, however, because there is an indoor court in the gymnasium there.

Those already appointed as directors and who will attend the executive board meeting here are: Director of athletics—Felton T. Wright, Ballinger.

Director of debate—J. I. Warren, Miles.

Director of extemporaneous speaking—O. L. Conger, Norton.

Director of ready writing—Miss Irene Brown, Winters.

Director of declamation—J. M. McCrosky, Miles.

Director of rural school division—E. C. Grindstaff, Ballinger.

Director of music memory—Miss Louise Stephens, Winters.

Director of picture memory—Mrs. C. H. Robertson, Dry Ridge.

Director of arithmetic—W. E. Ekkins, Norton.

Director of choral singing—Miss Ione McIntyre, Content.

Director of spelling—Miss Maggie Herring, Ballinger.

### KEMP BUYS HOME ON NINTH STREET FROM GARLINGTON

A deal was closed this week in which B. F. Kemp bought the old E. A. Jeanes residence on Ninth Street from J. M. Garlington. Mr. Kemp plans to move here from his rural home near Runnels about January 1.

R. I. Collingsworth, of Winters, transacted business in Ballinger Wednesday.

Rev. J. H. Leggett, of Paint Rock, was a business visitor in Ballinger Tuesday.

The annual parade of children dressed in the spirit of Christmas and riding, pulling or pushing their decorated toys, will be held tomorrow (Friday) evening, commencing at 7 o'clock. The committee in charge of this event, composed of Mrs. Tom Agnew, Mrs. Rothal O'Kelly, Mrs. J. B. Stripin and Mrs. J. A. Schnable, has completed its work of soliciting firms and organizations and has listed a large number to take part. An invitation is extended anyone who wishes to enter a child to have the entrant at the city hall tomorrow evening for a place in the parade.

There is no entrance fee or charge of any kind for participation in this event. Any merchant or individual who desires may put a child or children in the parade and use whatever decorations he wishes just so it indicates the Christmas spirit. Those who wish may affix a sign on the vehicle used to show who is sponsoring the entry.

All the children and their vehicles will be assembled in the fire station at the city hall tomorrow at 7 p. m. There the little folk will be assigned positions in the procession and will be escorted to Hutchings Avenue at Tenth Street. The line of march is to be up Hutchings Avenue to the court house lawn, where a stage will be constructed for the entries to appear before the reviewing judges.

Cash prizes of \$10 first, \$7.50 second, and \$5 third, will be awarded winners.

The children will remain at the fire station until time for the parade to commence and the program will be speeded as much as possible to get them out of the cold. Mothers of contestants are requested to be at the court house park to get their children when the judging is finished.

Special lights will be installed along the middle of the street so that the throngs can see the parade perfectly.

Herman Wilde, Mrs. Lena Warschak, Leslie Warschak and Mr. and Mrs. Clements Brockmeyer, of Colorado county, were here Tuesday and Wednesday to attend the funeral of Harry Dierschke, who died Monday morning.

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## Christmas Concert

Ballinger Baptist Church  
Sunday Evening, 7:30  
Baptist-Methodist Choirs

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|---|--------------------|
| Part I  |                    |
| 1. "Joy to the World"                             |                    |
| 2. Processional                                   |                    |
| 3. "And They Shall Call His Name Jesus"           |                    |
| 4. "Arise and Shine"                              | Adams              |
| Choir   |                    |
| 5. Reading: "The Angel and the Shepherd"          | Lew Wallace        |
| Mrs. J. A. Schnable                               |                    |
| 6. "Heaven's Eternal King"                        | Wilson             |
| Choir   |                    |
| 7. "Underneath the Christmas Starlight"           | Tillotson          |
| Ladies' Octet                                     |                    |
| 8. "And There Were Shepherds"                     | Parks              |
| Choir   |                    |
| Offertory: "March to the Three Magi Kings"        | Duboise            |
| (The sustained note represents the Guiding Star.) |                    |
| Mrs. L. Schermerhorn                              |                    |
| Part II   |                    |
| 9. "Shine O Wonderful Star"                       | Soechtig           |
| Choir   |                    |
| 10. "Bethlehem's Star"                            | Rambler            |
| Men's Octet                                       |                    |
| 11. "We Have Seen His Star"                       | Holton             |
| Choir   |                    |
| 12. "Christmas Lullaby"                           | Wilson             |
| Ladies' Quartet                                   |                    |
| 13. "Medley of Christmas Hymns and Carols"        | Miss Carmen Demmer |
| 14. "And There Were Shepherds"                    | Wilson             |
| Two Choirs  |                    |
| 15. Postlude: "Adeste Fidelis"                    | Anon               |

## LEDGER'S XMAS EDITION TO BE PRINTED TUESDAY

The Ledger will be published next Tuesday evening instead of Thursday. This will be done in order to convey greetings from Ballinger business firms and professional men to their patrons on Christmas eve and Christmas day.

Solicitors will begin selling greeting ads for the Christmas edition Friday morning and those who know news items are requested to phone this office the details.

In this edition the management wants to carry as many "personals" as possible. If you have guests, children at home for the holidays, or intend to go somewhere, please give this paper the information and it will be greatly appreciated. The Ledger's telephone number is 27.

## In Satisfaction

Service of a professional character is capable of measurement only in terms of complete satisfaction. That we have fulfilled our measure is reflected in the regard held for us by those who have found it necessary to call upon us to serve in a professional capacity.

Our service includes reasonable prices which has been a reason for the complete satisfaction to all who have needed us.

## Jennings Funeral Home

Telephone 440  
C. G. Jennings, Mortician  
Oscar Batts, Assistant  
Mrs. C. G. Jennings, Lady Assistant

## A Merry Christmas to All

If in Doubt or Undecided  
Come to This Store Where  
You'll Find

## Useful Gifts For All the Family

Low Prices Prevail

Our sales people are glad to assist or offer suggestions.

## Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

Most Everything

Funerals Need Not be Expensive to be Dignified and Distinctive

## Higginbotham Funeral Home

Herbert L. Peeples, Director  
Lady Assistant  
Day or Night Phones 1248 and 471  
Ambulance Service  
Day Phones 1248 and 96

BALLINGER SCHOOL NEWS

By Genevieve King

The football boys were presented with their sweaters in chapel last Friday. The school expects these boys who have earned the right to wear these sweaters to always conduct themselves in a pleasing manner while wearing them. These sweaters, to the boys, should symbolize more than just playing twelve quarters; they should mean that they did their best at all times, and that they were good students as well as football boys. Ballinger high school is grateful to and appreciates all those who came out for football, whether they received a letter or not.

The sweaters this year are black with red "B's." The sweater presented to W. L. McMillan, Bearcat captain, has four stripes and a star. Those who received two stripes are Sidney Hale, J. C. Chapman, Clayton West, and Duard Shetty. Leonard Seales received the manager sweater. Because only one manager sweater was given, Arthur Poole, who also did good work as manager, did not receive one. A total of seventeen boys lettered in football.

Mr. Lyon has hopes that the \$7,000 needed to complete the Bearcat Field will be available through the PWA before next summer.

The parents of the seniors were entertained in a senior reception given at the Country Club last Friday evening. The program consisted of the welcome address by Gilbert Behrend; songs by Margaret Burka, Faye Serratt, Eula May Clark, and Margie Mae Holstead; a reading by Gladys Lee Morgan; a solo in Spanish by Mary Jacques; a chapeau talk by Genevieve King, while Eula May Clark sang a solo; and a final address by Superintendent H. C. Lyon. Following the program, refreshments of hot coffee, purple and gold cookies, and purple minis were served. The favors were small rolls of purple crepe paper tied with gold cord, inside was written, "The Senior Class of 1934 wishes you a Merry Christmas."

A good representation of the seniors, their parents, and the teachers of the high school were present. Rev. W. H. F. Moore, pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church, gave the devotional address for chapel last Monday on the subject, "Medicine and the Bible."

Marion Mapes and Gladys Terrell were hostesses to a formal Christmas dinner given at the home economics building last Thursday night. The red and green color scheme was carried out in table appointments. Those present were Marion Mapes, Jack Carroll, Gladys Terrell, and Lloyd Jenkins.

Senior Highlights

Dorothy Lynn lives at 808 Seventh Street. She has attended Ballinger high school for the past three years. She studied tap dancing in 1934-35 under Mrs. J. A. Schmale. She was in the pep squad in 1932-33 and 1933-34. Dorothy is at present a member of the Dramatic Club and the Junior Women's Club. She intends to go to Texas Tech next year, and study to be a designer.

Pauline Morris lives at 808 Tenth Street. She has attended Ballinger high school for the past three years. In 1932-33 she played on the girls baseball team for the interscholastic league. She was a member of the Glee Club in 1932-33 and 1933-34. In 1933-34 she placed second in declamation in district meet, which is the highest the students of Ballinger high school have gone in senior girls declamation. Pauline was a member of the pep squad in 1934-35 and 1935-36. She played on the volleyball team last year and intends to again this year. She intends also to enter debate this year.

Melvin Phillin attended Benoit high school in 1932-33. He played playground ball that term, and also attended the A. & M. College short course. He entered Ballinger high school in 1933. Melvin was a member of the Literary Club in 1934-35, and was elected parliamentarian for the 1935-36 term. He also entered track events in 1934-35. He is now a member of the Dramatic Club, and he intends to enter declamation this year. He is also a member of the Spanish club, "La Mano Lista."

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line. (Political Advertisement)

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the friends and relatives who were so kind during the recent illness and death of our wife, mother and daughter, and we also thank them for the beautiful floral offerings. The many kind deeds will never be forgotten. W. R. Bushong and family W. Roberts, Sr. 11-

Want ads are economical and bring results.

'Twas the Night Before Christmas . . .



and all through the house, not a creature was stirring—except these tots, who had tiptoeed downstairs and knelt in prayer before the cheery hearth not to make sure that Santa would remember them. As if the jolly oldascal could pass them by on his merry round, especially after hearing those appealing prayers! Not old Mr. Kingle! It would break his heart if he forgot any of the millions of boys and girls throughout the world who eagerly await his visit at Christmas-time.

Christmas in Ballinger 20 Years Ago

(Taken from Ledger Files of 1915)

The ten churches in Ballinger were preparing for special Christmas events of various kinds. Some were having trees, some were giving food baskets to needy families and others were gathering clothing and other necessities for the poor.

Many people were ready to eat turkey for their Christmas dinner as turkeys were only 12 cents a pound.

Prosperity was truly existing in December, 1915. The Ballinger Daily Ledger issued a 94-page prosperity edition on December 17.

Miss Katherine Francis of California was here to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Deane went to Caldwell for a visit with the latter's parents.

Miss Marjorie Weeks was visiting in Coleman and attending a social gathering arranged by one of her friends.

One hundred and forty-one bulls sold from the R. R. Russell Cattle Creek ranch brought a total of \$14,800.

Dr. J. G. Douglas and Preston

ments that will give words as well as action will be developed beyond our wildest dreams.

"Streets of Ballinger will be paved with brick or some hard surface material.

"Most of the principal roads of the county will be made passable in all kinds of weather through bonds voted.

"Ballinger will have a population of 10,000. (The prognosticator may have been slightly amiss in this prediction, but he was optimistic.)

"The business section of the city will be built almost entirely of fireproof or near-fireproof materials."

Mr. and Mrs. L. Toppleck, of Rowena, were visiting friends here.

J. H. Taylor said the several cars of hogs which he carried to Fort Worth from Runnels county topped the market in their class. The cars were made up of hogs from many different farms in the county.

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line. (Political Advertisement)

Notice to Bidders

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Runnels County, Texas, will receive sealed bids up to ten o'clock a. m. of December 30th, 1935, for the purchase of road graders and tractors. If such graders, grader, tractors or tractor, should be purchased same will be paid for, in part, by time warrants not to exceed seven thousand dollars in amount.

On said mentioned date all bids will be opened in the office of the county judge of said county. A certified check for 5% of the amount bid shall be filed with each bid, which shall be forfeited to said county by the successful bidder in the event he shall fail to give the bond and perform all other things required by law.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

PAUL TRIMMER

County Judge. 12-31

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line. (Political Advertisement)

DON'T GET UP NIGHTS

Lax the Bladder Make this 25c test Use juniper oil, buchu leaves, etc., to flush out the excess acids and waste matter that causes irritation, burning, frequent desire and scant flow. Get juniper oil, buchu, etc., in little green tablets called Buketa, the bladder lax. Works on bladder similar to castor oil on bowels. In four days if not pleased go back and get your 25c from any drug-gist. City Drug Store.

Miss Faye Clark is reported improved after being ill for the past ten days.

Miss Louise Schawe had returned from Dallas.

In an article dated December 17, 1935, many predictions were made under the caption of "Ballinger 20 Years Hence." Among these forecasts were:

"Every farm home can and probably will have telephone service.

"Theatres will be better and more largely patronized. Motion pictures with photographic attach-

Midnight Mass to be Held at Olfen Church On Christmas Eve

Rev. G. A. Boeckman, in Ballinger Monday, announced that Christmas would be specially observed at St. Boniface Church, Olfen. Midnight mass is to be celebrated Tuesday night beginning at 11:45, when the choir will render a 15-minute program of Christmas carols, followed by mass and the sermon by Father Boeckman. For this occasion the Christmas crib will be used and the entire church decorated.

Improvements being made at the Olfen church have about been finished and will be ready for this special event. Large art-glass windows have been installed which add much beauty to both interior and exterior. These windows were donated by individuals and families of the parish.

The two front windows are among the most attractive. One represents the Franciscans, one of the first priestly orders in the Southwest, and the other the Jesuits first priests in the East. The other fifteen windows represent the fifteen mysteries of the rosary.

In the rear of the church three female statues have been added to the interior embellishments. Saint Cecilia, patron of singers, is positioned at the entrance to the choir loft. Saint Theresa, "the Little Flower," the modern saint, and Saint Ann, the mother of the Virgin Mary, are the other two figures.

The choir will also sing a program of carols at the ten o'clock mass on Christmas morning.

The Olfen church, one of the most beautiful in this section, is often declared to be the largest and most beautiful rural church in the United States, and members of St. Boniface parish are continually improving the edifice. Father Boeckman is considered one of the most popular priests in central West Texas.

"RADIO EVANGELIST" TO SPEAK IN BALLINGER SATURDAY

Rev. J. A. Lovell, of Dublin, "the radio evangelist," will deliver a message on the streets of Ballinger Saturday afternoon. He extends an invitation to everyone to hear him on this visit here.

Mrs. Susie Kallina was taken to San Angelo Tuesday to enter a hospital for surgery. She will be away from her school work for about three weeks.

J. F. McMillan and H. B. Fowler left Monday morning for the black-tail deer region near Juno, intending to hunt for several days.

Tires, Tubes and Batteries at Freeman's. 8-11

How Calotabs Help Nature To Throw Off a Bad Cold

Millions have found in Calotabs a most valuable aid in the treatment of colds. They take one or two tabs into the first night and repeat the third or fifth night if needed. How do Calotabs help Nature throw off a cold? First, Calotabs is one of the most thorough and dependable of all intestinal eliminators that cleansing the intestinal tract of the germ-laden mucus and toxins.

200 Attend Banquet For Football Team At Eastern Star Hall

Two serious fires in the business district of Ballinger Saturday night and early Sunday morning resulted in losses totalling approximately \$5,000.

The first alarm, about 11 o'clock, was for a fire in the City Grocery on Hutensins Avenue, operated by J. D. White. The blaze apparently originated in the rear of the store and the flames had gained considerable headway when discovered. Firemen entered the building wearing gas masks to locate the fire and soon put it under control. The terrific heat practically ruined the stock of merchandise and did considerable damage to the building, which is owned by Charles Kiechle, of Evansville, Indiana. Insurance adjusters have not arrived here and the precise amount of the damage will not be determined until then. Mr. White set his loss at more than \$1,000, and Fred Kiechle, who is in charge of his father's building, believes damage to the two-story structure will be more than \$1,000.

The next alarm, about 4:20 a. m., was for the Boiler Bakery, just two doors from the scene of the first fire. A baker had come to work early, lit a burner under a boiler to heat water, and went across the street for a cup of coffee. A few minutes later the entire interior of the building was in flames and the contents were practically destroyed. A. W. Boler, proprietor, stated Monday that it was impossible at this time to

determine exactly the amount of his loss until a complete examination of the machinery was made, but he estimated approximately \$2,000 damage. The loss on the two-story building, owned by Mrs. W. E. Boswell, of Paint Rock, was set at \$1,000 or slightly more.

Save money on groceries, read the ads.

Select Flowers for the Holidays Now. Place your order and we will save them until you want to get them. A wide variety of Pot Plants for the holidays now on hand. Artificial Wreaths and Cut Flowers. All the Time. We also have a wide choice of Santa Clauses, Silver Bells, etc., that the children will like. Your visit to our greenhouse at any time will be appreciated. Eubank Floral Co. 905 Sixth St. Phone 171

SLEEP! Tonight! When the worries, noise, confusion, high-tension work, or hectic pleasures of your waking hours "get on your nerves," here is a simple time-tested preparation that will bring a feeling of calm and relaxation and allow you to get a good night's sleep. Dr. Miles Nervine quiets your nerves. It is not habit-forming and does not depress the heart. Why take chances with dangerous habit-forming drugs? Why use narcotics that make you dull and depressed? Millions have found relief, relaxation, sleep, by using Dr. Miles Nervine. Although first used more than fifty years ago, Dr. Miles Nervine is as up to date as today's newspaper. Nothing better for the home treatment of overtaxed nerves has ever been discovered. Your druggist sells Dr. Miles Nervine. We guarantee relief, or your money back, with the first bottle or package. NERVINE Liquid and Effervescent Tablets

Why not get your 1936 FORD V-8 in time for Christmas?

THE 1936 Ford V-8 is the finest Ford ever built. It goes farther than ever beyond the accepted standards of its price class. In engine performance, riding comfort, roominess—it may be compared with cars costing hundreds of dollars more. Today's Ford is backed by over 2,000,000 Ford V-8's on the road in America alone. Here are its most outstanding values—many brand new this year. V-8 ENGINE PERFORMANCE—smoothness, pick-up and power with proved V-8 economy. 3 1/2" SAVER STEERING—the results of two new roller-eye bearings, a longer steering knuckle-arm and an increased steering ratio. SUPER-SAFETY BRAKES—with exceptionally large braking surface (186 square inches). EASIER, SYNCHRONIZED SHIFTING—QUIETER GEARS—Silent, helical gears for all speeds. NEW FREEDOM FROM NOISE—specially insulated, welded-steel body, reinforced with steel. NEW DRAWN-STEEL WHEELS—add comfort to riding—are easier on tires. Arrange a demonstration today with YOUR FORD DEALER Ford V-8 for 1936 \$510 AND UP. (Excludes taxes, license, delivery, optional equipment and dealer prep. extra. Ford Motor Credit Co., Ballinger, Ford Motor Credit Co., Ballinger, Ford Motor Credit Co., Ballinger.)

This Emblem is the officially approved insignia of this bank's membership in the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The Emblem will appear frequently in our advertising hereafter. It will serve to remind you at a glance that this bank is a qualified FDIC member—that deposits here are insured as prescribed by law, and is available as an added protection. The First National Bank of Ballinger Since 1886

# Rural

## BLANTON BRIEVITIES

Rev. McClelland, of Fort Worth, preached here Sunday morning and at night.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of California, were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Burges. Mr. Smith is a brother of Mrs. Burges.

Mrs. C. F. Tounget visited in San Angelo Monday.

Miss Mildred Elkins spent Sunday with Miss Juanita Huddleston. Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Canady were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Booth.

Miss Serena Lindemann spent Saturday night with Imogene Booth.

Our school will dismiss Friday for the holidays. There will be a program and Xmas tree Friday night, December 20.

Mrs. Reese Ward and Miss Mildred Elkins spent Monday in Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tounget, of Oxien, and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Cooper were visitors in the C. F. Tounget home Sunday.

## CONTENT CONTRIBUTIONS

Rev. Malden, the new Methodist pastor, has set his regular church day the second Sunday of each month.

Rev. R. H. Howell, Baptist pastor, preached Sunday morning on "Repentance," and Sunday night on "There Was No Room in the Inn." Both were very interesting sermons.

There have been quite a few weddings in this community recently.

Sunday, Mrs. Melburn, of this community, and J. M. Harden, of Beard, were married at the church by Rev. R. H. Howell, Baptist pastor.

Thursday, December 12, at 6:45 p. m., at Seminary Hill in Fort Worth, Miss Mary Kathryn Brown and D. B. McCombs were married by Rev. McClelland, former pastor here. Both are church workers.

Miss Rena Bell Watkins, of Lawn, and Bill Ray were married recently at Ballinger.

Miss Theda Henson and Wesley Richards, both of this community, were married with Mr. and Mrs. Ray.

We wish each of the newly married couples a long and happy wedded life.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bates gave Mr. and Mrs. Marion Boynton, also a newly married couple, a housekeeping shower recently. They received many nice things.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clayton gave Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Richards a shower Monday night. They also received many nice gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mathis and family and Mr. and Mrs. Floy England and family attended the play at Crews Tuesday night. They reported they had a very nice time and enjoyed the play very much.

## EAGLE BRANCH EVENTS

Mrs. Mary Cooper and children left Friday for California, where they go to make home. They were making the trip in a car.

Mr. Sheppard and family are moving this week to a farm south-east of Ballinger.

Miss Ailine Kurtz was the weekend guest of Misses Lorena and Sylvia Bradley.

Ted Lindeman, of Blanton, spent the week-end with Walter Bull.

Miss Magness Price and brother, Melvin, were dinner guests of James Ira and Genova Boothie Sunday.

Elmer McCarter and family were dinner guests of his sister, Mrs. H. G. Bradley, and family, Sunday.

Mrs. Travis Cummings and baby, of Winters, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kurtz.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Berry attended church services at Ballinger Sunday morning.

T. Berry purchased a registered Brown Swiss bull calf from H. L. Tooker this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Berry went to Big Spring Saturday where they attended a cooking utensil company's convention. Mr. Berry is a successful salesman for this line.

The Parent-Teacher Association meets Friday evening of this week, and the school is preparing a Christmas program to be rendered the same evening. We are looking forward to an excellent program and a good attendance.

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Because of the ever-present danger of sharks overturning canoes, the mail at Niufoo, Tonga, is towed to ships in sealed cans.

# Hints for the Farm

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**LONGVIEW**—Corn planted in seven foot rows and about three feet in the drill made approximately 30 bushels to the acre on terraced land belonging to Walter Cunyus, of Gregg county, according to R. F. McSwain, county agricultural agent. Cunyus reports that the land has been in cultivation for 90 years, and that it was terraced 12 years ago. At that time, there were several bad washes through his field. This year, he says, his best corn was made where these bad washes used to be. They are now level with the other part of the field.

**BEAUMONT**—Four bales of good grade cotton were grown on four acres this year by Eric Leger, a Jefferson county 4-H club boy, at a profit of more than \$50 per acre, according to J. F. Combs, county agricultural agent.

Eric had four acres of black land which he cultivated in the usual way. However, in the late fall of 1934 rotted rice straw and barnyard manure were turned under and the soil was tilled in winter gardening. In the spring, Eric planted his cotton in rows three and one-half feet apart and the plants were left standing in the drill 10 inches apart. About 180 pounds of fertilizer per acre was used.

Eric's gross return was \$307.50 leaving a net profit of \$216.94 or \$54 per acre.

**GALVESTON**—A net profit of \$3.91 per hen for the poultry year of 1934-1935 has been made by Phil Allen, of Galveston county, according to M. B. Vieman, county agricultural agent. Allen began with 104 hens in his flock and maintained an average of 102 hens for the year with an average production of 183 eggs per hen. His records show that his average feed cost per hen was \$2.25 and that he realized his greatest profits during a period of low priced eggs. He attributes his success to the practice of strict sanitation, proper feeding and good management.

## ON TEXAS FARMS

By Minnie Fisher Cunningham  
Extension Service Editor

Ten bushels of tomatoes were harvested by Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Holmstrom in Williamson county from 240 tomato plants in six rows on three rows of concrete tile used for subirrigation. Water was run into the tile only six times.

Mrs. Tom Holloway, home demonstration club woman of Martin county, has canned 100 pints of tomato juice, 50 quarts of tomatoes, and 35 pints of green tomato pickles, catsup, tomato hash and spiced green tomatoes.

Gordon Sewell, 4-H club boy of Van Zandt county, has fed 16 bushels of corn, 100 pounds of shorts and plenty of table refuse and skim milk to his pig which weighs 225 pounds and has cost him \$9.85. It is now worth \$22.50.

Mrs. G. E. Oden, of El Paso county, has a strain of turkeys which appear to be developing into "year round" layers. Last year she had a turkey hen which hatched off a bunch of little turkeys in December and by September the toms from this hatch averaged over 16 pounds each. Now she has two hens which have hatched off turkeys in October and two more to come off in November. These hens have laid practically all summer.

H. M. Ritcher, of Silsbee, in Hardin county, is removing all



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# Valiant War on Tree Scourges Marks Progress in 60 Years of Forestry

NINETEEN THIRTY-SIX marks the 60th anniversary of the first step toward forestry in the United States.

In 1876, after a careful study of the nation's timber, Franklin B. Hough, Uncle Sam's first "forest agent," raised his voice in warning that America's store of trees was slowly but surely dwindling.

People thought him a crank. Most Americans then thought our forests imperishable. Indeed, farmers and home-builders welcomed forest fires which saved them the trouble of clearing timberland.

Nevertheless, Hough's warnings paid its effect. Seeds of a future conservation campaign were sown in the minds of the public.

Far-sighted though he was, Piester Hough could never have imagined the splendid progress in tree conservation that was to be achieved in the next half century.

Since Congress appropriated \$2000 to finance Hough's forest inventory, there have been 10 significant milestones on the road to an intelligent, economical forest policy. In 1886, the Division of Forestry was created. President Harrison established the Yellowstone Park timberland reserve in 1891. In 1897, the present National Forest Act was passed. The Bureau of Forestry, established in 1901, became the Forest Service in 1905.

Four successive measures—the Weeks law, 1911; the Clarke McNary bill, 1924; the McNary-Woodruff act, 1928; and the McNary-Sweeney McNary act, 1928—strengthened the nation's forest policy.

In 1933, the president sent his forest work relief message to the Congress; and in 1933 the first CCC corps camp was established.

In his most optimistic moments, Hough could never have foreseen the measures under way today to protect U. S. timber stands. He could never have envisioned a forest army known as the Civilian Conservation Corps, putting in 1,841,000 man days quelling forest fires, nor the 35,459 miles of telephone lines threading forest areas to carry fire warnings, to say nothing of lookout towers, airplane blimps, "spotters," radioed alarms, etc.

He could hardly have foreseen the unrelenting war waged against the 2000 known kinds of insects which annually kill millions of trees.

And while they are fighting forest scourges, the corps and other agencies are busy replanting thousands of trees each year, in an attempt to stem the tide of deforestation.

TRULY, as Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the American Tree Association, has said, "Forestry has come far since 1876."

To commemorate the 60th anniversary of the first step in forestry, Mr. Pack has announced printing of the 43rd edition of his Forest Primer, which, when distributed, will make a total of



The first "forest agent," appointed nearly 60 years ago, would have been delighted to watch CCC lads fight forest fires, deadly menace to the nation's trees.

4,200,000 copies provided for schools and other education use.

Some of the forestry facts pointed out in the Primer are: North America, with one-twelfth of the world's people uses about one-half of all timber consumed in the world. Each year about 400,000,000 trees are felled to provide telegraph and telephone poles, fence posts, railroad ties, newsprint, etc.

Forest fires during 1934 cost the United States \$124,000 a day, nearly 42,000,000 acres having been swept by flames during that year.

In short, the Primer brings renewed emphasis to the warning which Franklin B. Hough uttered nearly 60 years ago:

## Relief Setup—

(Continued from page 1)

The state has been redistricted and Runnels county will probably be in the Sweetwater district, it was said. Only trained social workers with several years' experience in the field will be given positions as administrators in the new organization and most of the county officials will be those who have attended social service training schools.

ing schools, Mr. Pack to the one held recently at Dallas for county case workers in charge.

A budget will be set up by the new county officer in charge, sent to the district offices and then to Austin for approval by the state headquarters each month. The allotments will be made on the basis of local prices and minimum needs of the recipients of relief. The relief clients will receive their checks directly from the state offices on the ninth and twenty-fifth of each month and

no cash will be handled through the county offices. Under the new plan all clients must arrange to pay their own medical bills, etc., out of the checks they receive bi-monthly. WPA workers will not be taken care of by the relief organization, their cases being referred to county agencies such as charity boards, Red Cross chapters, etc.

An intake department will be maintained in each county merely for service. Applicants for relief will be interviewed and referred to the proper authorities, whether it be the rural resettlement board, WPA, or other agency, but direct relief will not be granted employable persons. There will be no change in the requirements for rural rehabilitation clients or WPA workers under the new plan.

Joe Sandlin, who has been case worker in charge of the Ballinger office for four months, and Miss Nadine Thorp will be transferred to district 15, which has headquarters at Brady, under the new relief organization. Mrs. DeBerry, who was formerly head of the county office, will be installed in the position of case worker in

charge of Brown county, and Miss Sarah Knox, who preceded Mr. Sandlin in the head office here, will be case worker in charge of McCulloch county.

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line. (Political Advertisement)

**No Dining Hall Service at Hotel Christmas Day at Noon**  
The Central Hotel dining room will be closed on Christmas Day as soon as the breakfast hour is over. No preparation will be made to serve Christmas dinner but the regular service will be resumed Thursday morning. 19-21

## RHODEN CONSTRUCTING RESIDENCE ON SIXTH

W. C. Rhoden has let a contract for the complete remodeling of a residence on Sixth Street. He recently purchased the house and has torn it down and will completely rebuild. The construction will be finished in February and Mr. and Mrs. Rhoden will occupy the house.

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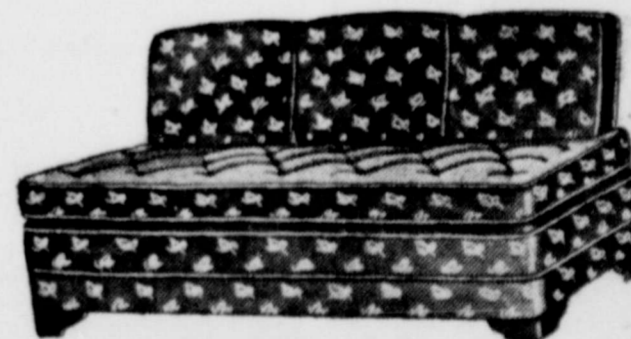


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# IN SOCIETY

**Party Series in Swann Home**  
Mrs. G. A. Swann was hostess at three prettily planned affairs last week when she entertained groups in her Wilke Terrace home. On Thursday and Friday afternoons Mrs. W. A. Green, who with Mr. Green and their daughter, Elaine, are moving to Abilene, was guest of honor.

A Christmas theme was favored in appointments for bridge games at the Thursday affair and in the refreshment plate and individual favors. Red candles lighted the dining room table which was laid in white lace and centered with a bowl of fruit.

Handkerchiefs from guests were presented to the honoree, the handkerchiefs being placed in a week-end bag tied with a big red bow. Mrs. Lawrence Grier presented the high score prize also to Mrs. Green.

Guests were: Mmes. Green, Grier, Ralph Payette, Felton Wright, Robert Lowry, Rothal O'Kelly and Henry Doss.

On Friday Baptist Alathian class members complimented Mrs. Green. Mrs. Green has been assistant teacher of this class for several years and was presented with a mahogany magazine rack as a token of love and appreciation.

Cookies and sandwiches were served with coffee to: Mmes. Green, A. O. Bartlett, Robert Lowry, L. R. Tigner, G. W. Lively, Cleora Smith, C. W. Jennings, Delbert Vancil, B. C. Kirk, Neal Nutt, J. B. Arterburn, J. B. Clark, L. B. Rudder, L. F. Grier and Mrs. Swann.

On Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Swann, of Coleman, were honored by Mr. and Mrs. Swann with a waffle supper followed by bridge games.

Other guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Grier and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doss.

## Shakespeare Club in Williams Home

The Shakespeare Club observed the Yuletide season by holding its regular Christmas meeting in the home of Mrs. R. T. Williams last Thursday afternoon.

Blue, silver and white were given emphasis in all appointments. Archways were decorated with garlands of silver tinsel and large silver bells. The dining room table had as a centerpiece a cellophane tree with ornaments of blue and silver. Silver candelabra holding white tapers completed the table arrangements. Mrs. E. C. Baskin, Mrs. C. P. Shepherd and Mrs. W. A. Green presided at the table.

Mrs. Shepherd was leader for the program and read the Christmas story from the Scriptures. Mrs. Orland Sims, of Paint Rock, sang Behrend's "The Girl" with Mrs. Arthur Giesecke at the piano. Mrs. J. A. Schnable read "The Last Word" by Henry Van Dyke. "Christmas and Poetry" was given by Mrs. Edwin Schuchard, and guests joined in singing Xmas carols to close the program.

## Christmas Parties Held in McClain Home

Two groups of Baptist young people enjoyed Christmas parties in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. E. McClain on Broadway.

Last Thursday evening the affair was given for the senior B. Y. P. U. at which twenty were present for the cleverly planned Christmas games. Pumpkin pie topped with whipped cream was served with hot tea.

On Tuesday evening young women who are members of the Y. W. A. and of the Fidelis Sunday school class paid their annual bow to the Christmas season. James McClain acted as Santa Claus and distributed gifts from "Sunshine Sisters" from the beautifully decorated tree.

A hot supper plate was served preceding the tree and other festivities to: Misses Bernice Simmons and Nadyne Soucricker and Mrs. Edward Sommer were joint hostesses to Methodist Fellowship class members.

## Fellowship Class in Annual Christmas Party

Entertaining in their class room at the church Monday evening, Misses Bernice Simmons and Nadyne Soucricker and Mrs. Edward Sommer were joint hostesses to Methodist Fellowship class members.

On the ledge of the double windows a pretty Christmas tree was flanked by large holly wreaths and just below it were stockings filled with nuts, candy, fruit, sandwiches, and potato chips. These were passed to each guest and served with Russian tea. Exchange gifts were distributed and the class presented a gift to Mrs.

Herbert Peoples, who will leave Ballinger about the first of the year.

The class is to provide cheer for a needy family.

Twenty guests were present.

## Six Are Hostesses to Class

Mmes. T. J. Sanders, E. S. Cox, Rothal O'Kelly, Bob Carsey, Ralph Vancil and Miss Thelma Midgley were joint hostesses at a prettily planned Christmas festivity given for Methodist Philathea class members in the home of Miss Midgley on Eighth Street Wednesday evening.

Familiar symbols of the Yuletide decked rooms where twenty-five guests assembled for the business session and social hour. Gifts were distributed from the pretty tree and gifts for a needy family and for the "adopted" orphan boy were brought and attractively boxed.

A chicken salad course with potato chips, cookies and hot rolls was served with tea by the hostesses.

## Miss Downing Hostess to Bachelor Girls

Miss Vernie Downing was hostess to the Bachelor Girls contract club on Wednesday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lynn on Seventh Street.

Elaborate Christmas decorations gave a festive air to the living rooms where poinsettias centered prettily laid tables at the tea hour when a salad course was served with coffee.

Surprise capsule gifts were presented by Santa impersonated by Mr. Lynn.

Guests were: Misses Grifflie Atkins, Nadyne Soucricker, Elizabeth Parker, Lucile Williamson, Eugenia Baskin, Geneva Karr, Myra Tankersley, Jeffie Bell, Margaret New, Maggie Herring, Louise Batts and Vhelma Parrish.

## Contract Club Entertained

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doss entertained their contract club Tuesday evening in their home on Sharp Avenue with a three-course dinner party.

The Christmas theme was carried out in decorations and appointments. Mistletoe and autumn leaves were used to enhance the living and dining rooms. A Christmas tree decorated with colored lights stood in the living room with gifts for each placed around the base. The presents, brought by each member of the club, were passed out at the conclusion of the dinner.

The centerpiece for the dining room table was a sugar plum tree with red tapers in silver holders on either side.

High score honors went to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Payette. Other guests were: Mmes. Rothal O'Kelly, Cleora Smith, Sam Dunlap, Duward McKenzie, Ed Sommer, Dwight Hooper, and Miss Bernice Simmons. Miss Patsy Doss assisted her mother in serving the dinner.

## Junior Auxiliary Has Christmas Party

Members of the Junior Girls Auxiliary of the Ballinger Baptist Church were entertained with a Christmas party at the church parlors Wednesday afternoon.

Names were drawn for gifts which were placed on a beautifully decorated and lighted Christmas tree. Fruit in cellophane

## At Ye Doggie Beautie Shoppe



Doggies now may have their nails clipped and their hair cut, shampooed, and curled in much the same manner as their master or mistress. A Chicago department store has opened a beauty shop for dogs, and James R. Kam, beautician, is shown drying the hair of one of his canine customers.

## These Little Pigs Went to Chicago Market



Small little squarers that like to play in the mud, but clean, white, hard molds of the famous five little pigs of the nursery jingle, are these little porkers, apparently having a good time. This display was one of the more humorous features of the international livestock exposition in Chicago.

## Candy Making Banned in 1655 But Art Thrived

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Little is known about the early history of the candy industry in the United States. Records show that confectionery was used prior to 1655, as it was in that year that an ordinance was passed forbidding the use of fine candy under penalty of a \$40 fine. No notice seemed to have been taken of this, as candy appeared at many wedding dinners chiefly in the guise of marzipan or marshmallow.

The smaller candies were made in mythological figures, hunts or allegorical subjects, sometimes indicating the trade or position of the groom. The larger pieces of sugar work depicted scenes of Leda, Noah's Ark, etc. Comfits, for the most part French, were seen. They were made of candied orange peel, ginger, sweet and delicate melons, pears and pomegranates.

In the New York Gazette of 1739 the following advertisement appeared:

"Publick Notice is hereby given, That Nicholas Bayard of the City of New York has erected a Refining House for Refining all sorts of

bags and popcorn balls were served to the following members and guests after several games: Judie Thorpe, Jane Cheatham, Patsy Doss, Virginia Doss, Odena Parish, Frances Hammond, Jean Endicott, June Horn, Dixie Payne, Virginia Bagbee, Betty Jean Harper, Billie Howell, Mable Waddell, Marjorie Best, Juanita Kelly, Wilma Mae Doherty and Mary Evelyn Ferguson.

Mrs. G. A. Swann and Mrs. Henry Doss supervised the games and served the refreshments.

Sugar and Sugar Candy, and has procured from Europe an experienced Artist in that Mystery, at which Refining House all Persons in City and Country may be supplied by Whole-sale and Retail with both double and single refined Leaf Sugar, as also Powder and Shop-Sugar, and Sugar Candy, at Reasonable Rates."

Confectionery was quite an industry in the early eighteenth century. When the federal constitution was ratified by states, parades were held by the various trades. The confectioners made and carried a Bacchus cup "made of sugar richly ornamented, four feet six inches in circumference, sugar plums in the cup, round the goblet's edge the inscription, 'The Federal Confectioners.'"

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line.

## BEXAR COUNTY WOMAN HAS VALUABLE PANTRY

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 18.—A 4-H pantry containing 1,919 containers and valued at \$316.94 has been prepared by Mrs. Gene Tupin of the Somerset home demonstration club in Bexar county, according to Miss Marie Strange, home demonstration agent. There are only four in Mrs. Tupin's family, but she enjoys dividing with the married children.

Her pantry contains leafy vegetables, other vegetables, starchy vegetables, tomatoes, fruits, sweet and sour pickles, meats, preserves, jelly, and honey.

Drew Dickson is in St. Louis this week, attending the Brown Shoe Company's convention. He will return home for the Christmas holidays.

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## TERRACING AND ROTATION OF CROPS ARE WORTHWHILE

JEFFERSON, Tex., Dec. 18.—A crop yield of 247 bushels on seven acres of corn, three and one-half bales on six acres of cotton, 3,550 pounds of blackeyed peas from four acres, and 43 bushels of field corn grown in with the corn has convinced Volney Page, of Marion county, of the value of a five-year soil building program.

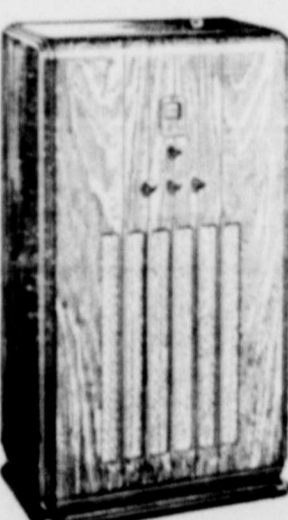
Eight years ago Page entered an agreement with the county agricultural agent to terrace all the rolling land on his farm and to follow a strict system of crop rotation, planting his corn in wide rows with cow-peas between the rows. Much of the tillable land on the farm has been in cultivation from 60 to 75 years and in the outset was greatly depleted in soil fertility.

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- Cocoa Hershey's lb. Pkg. 20c

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- 1/2 lb. Cake 20c 1/2 lb. Dot Cake 30c
- Mincemeat Pecan Valley Pkg. 10c
- Cake Flour Softasilk or Swan's Down Pkg. 33c
- Brown Sugar Cello Bag 2 lbs. 15c
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- Raisins Princess 2 lb. Pkg. 18c

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- Fruit Cocktail Del Monte No. 2 Can 20c
- Refugee Beans Del Monte No. 2 Can 20c
- Salmon Raceland No. 1 Tail 2 Cans 25c
- Tomato Juice 3 Cans 25c
- Asparagus Del Monte All Green No. 2 Can 28c
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- Noodles Pure Egg lb. Pkg. 20c

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## Midnight Matinee at Palace Xmas Eve is Naval Picture

"Annapolis Farewell," a dramatic story laid in and around the United States naval academy at Annapolis, Maryland, and featuring Sir Guy Standing, Richard Cromwell, Tom Brown and Rosalind Keith, will be shown at the Palace Theatre in midnight matinee only Christmas Eve, December 24. Appropriate shorts will also be presented on this special program.

Officials of the naval academy opened up all doors to the motion picture workers, gave sincere and practical cooperation, discarded red tape and in reality permitted the film unit to make pictures of everything in the academy which they wished to show on the screen. The result is that for the first time the real inside story of how Uncle Sam trains his sons to be sea fighters is told in "Annapolis Farewell."

Theatre patrons will get an intimate knowledge of how the 1,700 youths in the naval academy are fed, trained and educated as in the unfolding of the dramatic plot of "Annapolis Farewell" every phase of the daily life of a midshipman is revealed. The picture will show many things that visitors to the academy do not see. Those who see "Annapolis Farewell" will realize that in the naval academy the nation has probably the most efficient educational institution in the world.

While "Annapolis Farewell" was being made President Roosevelt invited the director of the picture, Alexander Hall, and the leading player, Sir Guy Standing, to visit him in the White House. The chief executive listened with deep interest to the story of the film and seemed highly pleased to learn that it portrays in accurate manner a pictorial narrative of the work of the naval academy.

### "Page Miss Glory" Spotlights Marion Davies in Hilarious Situations, Plot

Marion Davies is presented in "Page Miss Glory," a fast farce, at the Palace Theatre Tuesday and Christmas Day (Wednesday), December 24 and 25. In this Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production Miss Davies is aided and abetted by the sterling troupers Dick Powell, Pat O'Brien, Frank McHugh, Lyle Talbot, Patsy Kelly, Allen Jenkins and others.

The film is hilarious fun handsomely mounted with novel central situations and plot that seldom assails one's think tank too strongly—just the right combination after a heavy Christmas dinner. Speedy entertainment produced for laughs, it hits on high all the way.

The story is a "Cinderella" yarn with modern twists. Miss Davies plays a dumb chambermaid in a swank hotel where O'Brien and McHugh, quick talking boys, enter a composite photograph of a non-existent girl in the "Miss Glory Contest" for the frail who combines the allures of Garbo, Harlow, Dietrich and Kay Francis. Miss Davies is catapulted into the spot for laughable romantic and

business complications impinging on Powell, a goofy aviator; Talbot and a pack of news hounds; also Jenkins and Barton MacLane, kidnappers O'Brien and McHugh, in for easy dough of tieups, flyups and radio, shock absorb the situations, milking 'em to the hilt.

The production shifts from the air scenes to a radio studio, to the hotel and includes Powell's singing, plus romance and comedy.

### "Dark Angel" Starring Fredric March, Merle Oberon, to be Feature at the Palace

"The Dark Angel," Samuel Goldwyn's gripping romantic drama, starring Fredric March, Merle Oberon and Herbert Marshall, will be the feature attraction at the Palace Theatre in special midnight presentation next Saturday night and regular screenings on the Sunday and Monday following, December 21-22-23.

This powerful and beautiful love story, set in a lovely, quiet corner of rural England, reflects the hearts of a woman and two men—one of whom she loves, while the other loves her.

A great emotional climax is reached when the man she loves comes to a realization of his love for her. Their happiness is short-lived, however, as the relentless forces of life tear them apart. Years after, when the girl has resigned herself to a betrothal to the other man, a kinder fate intervenes and the lovers are reunited.

Sidney Franklin, who handled the megaphone on "The Barretts of Wimpole Street," "Smilin' Thru," and other outstanding film productions, directed "The Dark Angel."

Others prominent in the supporting cast are Janet Beecher, John Halliday, Henrietta Crossman, Frieda Inescort, Claude Allister, George Breakston, David Torrence and Cora Sue Collins. The film is released through United Artists.

### "The Case of the Lucky Legs," an Eric Stanley Gardner Story, Booked to Show in Ballinger

The latest of Eric Stanley Gardner's best selling novels to be screened by First National, "The Case of the Lucky Legs," comes to the Palace Theatre next Thursday, December 26. Warren Williams is again cast in the role of the famous and astute lawyer-detective, Perry Mason.

The picture is said to be all the most thrilling and exciting of all of Gardner's stories, and carries

## Want a Date? See the Bureau



It's a simple matter for the campus blades to get dated at the University of Utah this semester. Just to make sure that nobody'd be in someone's, the cops started a date bureau, and here's Sarah Richards taking down the qualifications of Reed Richardson, freshman class president. Height, weight, color of eyes, etc., go on the sheet and all that's left is to pick out the girl.

an unusual romance with sparkling dialog and hilarious comedy situations, in addition to breath-taking sequences.

It opens with a contest for the girl with the most beautiful legs, with the murder of the man who promoted it, after he had skipped town with all the proceeds. The killing is tied up with a triangular love affair in which the winner of the contest, Patricia Ellis, her boss, Porter Hall, and her doctor-lover, Lyle Talbot, are involved.

After the police are completely baffled, William steps in and solves the crime in a series of the most breath-taking adventures imaginable. Genevieve Tobin has the leading feminine role as the wise-cracking secretary of the lawyer-detective. Others in the cast include Allen Jenkins, Barton MacLane, Peggy Shannon, Anita Kerry, Craig Reynolds, Henry O'Neill and Joseph Crehan.

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line. (Political Advertisement)

## Red Cross Chapter Organized Friday; Officials Named

R. T. Bridge, field director for the American Red Cross, spent the week-end in Ballinger, conferring with the new county executive board and appointing chairmen for the various branches to be included in the program for the ensuing year. A check-up was made on the recent roll call in the county and other business attended to by the visiting official.

E. C. Grindstaff, county roll call chairman, reported that 341 memberships were obtained in the recent drive at \$1 each, that \$8.20 was received in donations of less than \$1 and \$71 in donations in excess of the \$1 membership fee. This made a total of \$420.20 taken in the roll call—\$174.10 of which will be remitted to national headquarters and the balance to remain in the local treasury.

A. McGregor was made county chairman for next year and has taken over direction of the organization. Other officers and chairmen are: Joe Forman, treasurer; K. V. Northington, first aid; Mrs. E. P. Talbot, volunteer service; D. G. Posey, service; James Parrish, life saving; E. C. Grindstaff, junior division; Troy Simpson, publicity.

Mr. Bridge explained a number of projects that would soon be fostered by the national organization and urged slowing up in granting relief except in extreme cases.

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line. (Political Advertisement)

### TWO YEAR ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM ON CORN-HOG

CONTRACTS IS STARTED COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 18.—Work has been started on the contract for the new two year adjustment program for corn and hogs, following conferences in Washington of producers, state agricultural specialists, and AAA officials on fundamental details. E. N. Holmgreen, administrative assistant of AAA at College Station, has announced.

"Since a major adjustment problem is to prevent an excessive production of hogs in 1937, a contract of more than one year's duration is necessary." It was pointed out by Holmgreen.

The main objective of the new program will be to maintain a balance between the production and consumption of corn and hogs during the next two years. To accomplish this objective, it will

be necessary to prevent an excessive production of corn in 1936 and 1937, allow an increase in next year's pig crop that would be at least as great as it is estimated would take place were no adjustment program in effect, and prevent an excessive increase in the 1937 pig crop.

The adjustment administration has recommended that corn production next year be limited to 95 million acres, or about 10 million fewer acres than would be likely without adjustment.

Proposed hog adjustments are calculated to provide for a 30 per cent increase in federally inspected slaughter in 1936-1937 above the slaughter expected in the present marketing year which began October 1, 1935. It is believed that a permitted hog production equal to 100 per cent of the base will allow for the desired increase in hog numbers next year.

## TWO BOYS EARN MONEY MAKING CONCRETE TILE

WELLINGTON, Tex., Dec. 18.—The construction of concrete sub-irrigation tile has proved a pleasant and profitable hobby for A. J. Fires and Elbert Blackwood, of Collingsworth county, who have constructed more than 10,000 feet of tile during recent months. The two boys have their shop in the back yard of the Fires' home and spend the hours after school molding the tile.

The boys were instructed in making the tile by the county agricultural agent, John Stovall, and they estimate that they can make approximately 50 feet of tile an hour. They have sold the tile both in town and in the rural sections.

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line. (Political Advertisement)

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(Political Advertisement)

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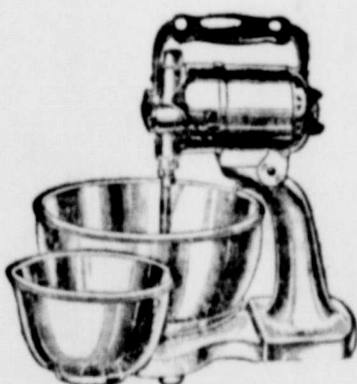
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Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shepherd spent the week-end in Cleburne, visiting their daughter, Mrs. Howard Parker. Mrs. Parker returned home with them and will visit here during the Christmas holidays.

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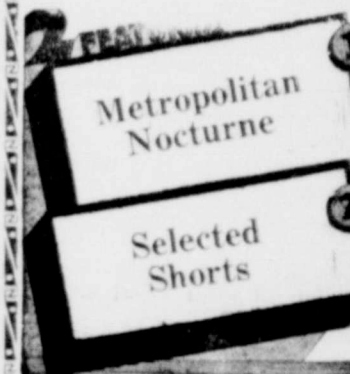
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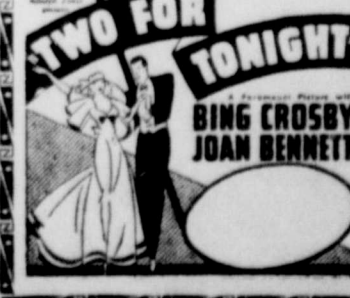
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The Big Broadcast of 1936



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### Fifteen Receive Football Letters For 1935 Playing

Fifteen Ballinger high school football players received letter sweaters last week for play during the past season. The entire team made a good showing during the season and those who received the sweaters saw the most action during conference games. According to the report given by the director of high school athletics the 1936 football team will be without the services of any of this year's letter men unless the 18-year law is repealed, as all of the letter men of '35 will either graduate this spring or they will be too old to play under the 18-year ruling.

Those who received letters for their playing the past season and the number of years each has lettered follow:

Captain W. L. McMillan, 3 years; Gordon Brookshier, 1 year; J. C. Chapman, 2 years; Robert Korenek, 1 year; Sidney Hale, 2 years; Ralph Routh, 1 year; Duward Sheffy, 2 years; Leo Thomas, 1 year; Alden Thorp, 1 year; Clayton West, 2 years; Arthur Weisnape, 1 year; Wagne Byler, 1 year; Leonard Scala, manager of the team.

The sweaters were presented the youths during chapel hour last Friday. Supt H. C. Lyon made a short talk on "Sportsmanship." Coaches Wright and Gibbs thanked the players, fans and others who had made possible a successful season. Special thanks were expressed to the "scrubs" boys who failed to letter, but who gave the regulars their workouts and practice and also to Dr. F. M. Hale for his services during the season as team physician. The seniors of the group that received the letters made short responses to the talks directed to them.

The sweaters this year are of heavy black wool with letters and stripes in red.

### Shark Captured For Zoo Disgorges Slain Man's Arm

SYDNEY, Australia, Dec. 18.—A real murder case, more bizarre than any imagined so far by writers of scientific detective stories, was the subject of a recent inquest in Sydney. At Coogee Beach, near Sydney, there is an aquarium. Desiring to add a shark to this collection, the managers this spring commissioned some fishermen to catch one alive. In April a suitable tiger shark was captured and transferred safely to an aquarium pool. This fish appeared to be more distressed than could be explained by mere capture. Actually it had indigestion.

After a few days in the pool it disgorged some bones of a large fish and a human arm which for some reason had resisted digestion and was in an excellent state of preservation. Possibly it had been preserved or embalmed, and therefore made the shark sick. This aside, the obvious explanation was that the arm came from some unlucky swimmer who had been attacked and eaten, but police officials decided at once against this theory. The arm appeared to have been cut from its body with a knife or other sharp tool, not by the teeth of a shark. Fastened to the arm was a piece of knotted rope, as though the body from which it came might have been tied. On the skin of the forearm was tattooed a scene of two men boxing.

This tattooing and the finger prints gave the Sydney police such clues that the arm presently was identified as having belonged to a laborer named James Smith, who had disappeared about ten days before the shark was caught. Further investigation convinced the detectives that Smith had been murdered and his dismembered body thrown overboard at sea. A man has been accused of the crime and arrested. Even before the inquest one witness who helped the police in identifying Smith was found murdered.

#### SCOTS AGAIN TAKE SNUFF

EDINBURGH, Dec. 18.—Snuff taking is being revived in Edinburgh, and already has many votaries. One restaurant frequented by football players, is serving a "snuff mull" with meals, while others are advertising "snuff for nothing." Some Scots now declare that snuff is an effective cure for bronchial troubles.

## Christmas Church Services

All Ballinger churches will celebrate Christmas with some kind of special program. Most of the Sunday schools will present programs next Sunday morning which will include all the children from the junior departments to the cradle rolls.

The Ballinger Baptist Church will have Christmas trees and programs in the junior, primary, beginners and cradle roll departments at the Sunday school hour Sunday morning. A number of socials and parties will be held this week and next by organizations of young people and classes and the pastor, Rev. J. H. McClain, will deliver his Christmas sermon at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Next Sunday evening a massed Christmas concert will be given in the church auditorium.

The Eighth Street Presbyterian Church will observe Christmas in the Sunday school next Sunday morning and at 11 o'clock the pastor, Rev. W. H. F. Moore, will deliver his Christmas message to the congregation. The feature program will be presented at the evening hour when a number of students of the church school will offer a pageant.

The pageant, "Bells of Bethlehem," is under the direction of Miss Eva Lilly and a number of young people will appear in the presentation. It teaches a lesson to rid the world of war, hatred, and strife, replacing all these things with Christ. As the main character kneels to pray a series of impressive visions are seen.

At the morning hour Rev. Moore will use as his text "That Holy Thing," discussing the Nativity.

A "white Christmas" will be held at the First Methodist Church Sunday, beginning at 9:45 a. m. Classes will answer roll call, bringing gifts for the poor, and after these are collected the entire church school will assemble in the auditorium where a number will be presented by each department. A short sermon will be delivered by the pastor. This church will assist in the massed concert at the Baptist church in the evening.

Christmas will be observed at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday morning and Monday evening. The choir, under the direction of Mrs. A. McGregor will render a group of anthems and the pastor will make a short talk at the Sunday morning service, to begin at 10:30. The children of

the church will attend a Christmas tree in the church basement Monday evening, at which time a visit from Santa Claus will be the highlight.

The program for the Sunday morning service follows:

Organ prelude, "Hark, the Herald Angel Sings"  
Call to worship, "Glory to God in the Highest"  
Doxology  
Invocation  
Responsive scripture  
Gloria  
Anthem, "The Christmas Story"  
Hymn, "Joy to the World"  
Anthem, "The Newborn King"  
Anthem, "Angel Voices"  
Anthem, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"  
Offertory  
Solo, "Christmas Lullaby"  
Talk, "The Greatest Christmas Gift"

Hymn, "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"  
Benediction  
Postlude

Sunday afternoon at 5:30 a Christmas vesper service will be held at the First Christian Church. The church will be decorated in white and lighted with candles. A unique background with special lighting arrangement will add to the effectiveness of the program, which consists of the story of the Nativity told in scripture and carols, with tableaux of the shepherd and the manger scenes. The service will close with a "white gifts" offering for Juliette Fowler homes. Visitors are invited to attend.

Monday evening at 7:30, there will be a tree for the children of the church school. After a short program of songs and readings, and a pantomime of "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Santa will come to distribute gifts to the children.

Rev. Wallace Jones, the pastor, will deliver a Christmas sermon at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday morning.

The choirs of the Methodist and Baptist churches will join Sunday evening for a program of Christmas music at the Ballinger Baptist Church. The sixty-voice chorus has been rehearsing for the past two weeks and will render a program consisting of Christmas anthems, male and female octets, quartets and solos.

The church is being decorated

for the occasion and the group of singers will occupy the pulpit space with beautiful decorations surrounding and under special lighting. Nothing is being omitted to make it one of the finest musical offerings ever presented in Ballinger.

Mrs. L. Schermerhorn will play the organ accompaniment for the concert and Miss Carmen Demmer will be the violinist for the occasion.

The public is cordially invited to attend and the entire auditorium will be opened to accommodate more than 1,000 people.

#### 3,300-YEAR-OLD PALACE IS FOUND AT TEL-EL-AMARNA

CAIRO, Dec. 18.—Complete with a double-walled harem and granite colossal, the 3,300-year-old palace of King Akhenaten has been traced by the Egypt Exploration Society during excavations at Tel-el-Amarna.

The magnificence of the royal palace in its heyday is indicated by a vast hall, the roof of which was supported by nearly 600 square pillars of mud brick, and decorated with green tiles into which white designs were inlaid.

The harem was the only part of the royal residence to have a double wall. In this quarter were found a fish in gold plate, and many pieces of sculpture. King Akhenaten, a monotheist heretic, founded the city in 1380 B. C. as the capital of Egypt.

#### REV. GILBERT W. WILSON RETURNS FROM DETROIT

Rev. Gilbert W. Wilson has returned from Detroit, where he attended the Great Lakes Bible school. He will fill all his regular appointments Sunday including the radio broadcast from station KGKL, San Angelo, at 8:45 a. m.; preaching at Barnett at 10 a. m.; and preaching at the Carnegie Library building here at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. At the morning hour he will discuss "My Trip to Detroit."

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The largest oil refinery in existence is in Curacao, Dutch West Indies. It has 10,000 employees and a daily capacity of more than 295,000 barrels.

No direct descendants of George Washington are living.

### Safeway Official Lauds Newspaper Advertising as Best

OAKLAND, Dec. 18.—Newspaper advertising and its increasing value to the continued business and industrial development of the nation was emphasized here today in a statement made public by L. A. Warren, president of Safeway Stores, Inc.

Citing his own company as a barometer to indicate the attitude of business toward advertising, Warren declared that he considered the growth of Safeway Stores, Inc., and other chain systems but a reflection of the power of newspapers to build and retain public respect and public patronage.

"As far as Safeway is concerned," he continued, "our advertising has been predominantly newspaper advertising, and I consider it an important factor in the growth of this company."

"It is through advertising that people come to know and understand the scope of any business concern's public service, and the commodities it offers for public consumption. In this new age of commerce and distribution, consistent advertising helps materially to create respect and confidence for those who use newspaper space."

"It seems only natural that those concerns using newspaper advertising uninterruptedly year after year do retain the highest confidence of the public they serve. Their customers have found out that they can truthfully rely upon the advertising product, service and economy which so often feature the display copy of the chain stores."

Warren referred to the succession of farmer-consumer campaigns waged by Safeway to help

farmers stimulate consumption for agricultural products as another example of the power of advertising.

"We have repeatedly endeavored to help farmers dispose of surplus or distressed crops by conducting widespread advertising campaigns on certain products at various seasons of the year," he said. "These campaigns have been eminently successful, and their beneficial effects to agriculture are both a tribute to newspaper advertising and the advantages of chain store distribution."

"The fact that chain stores are believers in advertising has considerably accelerated the pace of their progress—it has enlarged their opportunities to further

serve the consuming public."

#### \$171.39 PROFIT FROM HENS

GEORGE WEST, Tex., Dec. 18.—A profit of \$171.39 was made over a period of 10 months by Mrs. John Dunn, Live Oak county poultry demonstrator, from her flock of 200 white Leghorn hens, according to her report to Miss Linda Sears, home demonstration agent.

Mrs. Dunn has added to her poultry equipment this year a new concrete brooder house and a cellar for her incubator. She has also added sanitary drinking fountains and feeding troughs and a concrete floor to her poultry house.

### We Sell Only Pure Milk From Accredited and Scientifically Fed Cows

Any report that you hear to the effect that Kemp's is selling milk bought at random, from Tom, Dick, and Harry, is false and unfounded. We do not buy milk from the public, although if it is true our supply becomes very low at times.

We sell milk produced only by Federally tested cows, cows that are fed scientifically for milk production and for the production of Vitamins. Our milk is clean, fresh and healthful, our prices are fair, and we invite your inspection of our farm and premises at any and all times.

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It has been demonstrated that the quantity of Beer and Light Wines sold in Rannels county is not materially affected by legality or illegality of the sale.

Revenues are not collected on goods illegally sold; illegal sales are not restricted as to persons and place.

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#### SAMPLE BALLOT

FOR—Legalizing the sale of vinous and malt liquors that do not contain alcohol in excess of fourteen per cent (14%) by volume.

AGAINST—Legalizing the sale of vinous and malt liquors that do not contain alcohol in excess of fourteen per cent (14%) by volume.

After reading this you should be able to decide for yourself whether or not you want to vote for revenue received from beer and light wines or against it. This revenue goes to the old age pension fund and public school fund.

### Your vote may decide the issue!

Go vote Saturday, December 21, for revenue for the old age pension fund and the public schools fund.

(Political Advertisement)

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**TALPA SCHOOL NEWS**  
By Mary Fuller

Gloom was cast over the faces of the entire student body Monday morning when Mr. Mitchell broke the news that Mrs. Bushong had passed away. The death angel called to her Sunday afternoon and she parted from this life. We wish that there was something that we could say to comfort those left behind but there is nothing that we can do to fill her place so we must do the little things that we can. To Mr. Bushong and family we extend our sympathy.

We are glad to see that Sis Courtney's arm is quite improved. Talpa boys' team has played three games this year. They won two games and lost one. Last Wednesday night our team defeated Novice by seven scores. Players for Talpa were: forwards, Parker and Branscum; guards, Jefferies and Grounds; and center, King.

Friday night Talpa defeated Rockwood at Novice. The final score was 28-16. Starting line-up: forwards, Parker and Branscum; guards, Jefferies and Thompson; and center, King.

Saturday afternoon Novice defeated our boys 17 to 21. The same players who played in the Rockwood game started this game. Grounds took Thompson's place as standing guard in the third quarter when he fouled off.

The boys next game is with Rockwood at Talpa Wednesday night.

Out of four games the girls defeated Glen Cove and Buffalo, tied one game with Novice and then lost one game.

The tournament started off Saturday morning at 9:45 o'clock when Buffalo, an undefeated team, and Mozelle took the court. This was a fast game ending with Mozelle three points in the lead. Players for Mozelle were: M. Winslett, Woodward and Simonton, forwards; and McQueen, B. Winslett and W. Kile, guards. Ehler substituted for forward and Whitfield for Kile. Buffalos were: Talley, McCrary and Ritchie, forwards; and Williams, Muth Ritchie and Branman, guards. Williams and McCrary substituted for guards. McCrary made twelve of the team's twenty-six points. Eleven of Mozelle's points were made by Simonton.

The second game was played at 4 o'clock between Valera and Glen Cove. Valera was victorious. They tallied up a score of 32 and Glen Cove made 14 points. Billie Joe Grimes made 20 points for Valera and Myrtle May was high point player for Glen Cove. The line-ups were: Valera—Grimes, Page and Davis, forwards; Toombs, Nixon and Griffis, guards; Glen Cove—Ragsdale, May and Bradley, forwards; Neatherlin, Dodd and King, guards.

At 1:30 the game between Talpa and Novice started which ended in a 15-15 tie. The coaches agreed to play five minutes longer. At the end the scores were 19-17 in Novice's favor. Starting line-up for Talpa was: Huey, Monroe and Fuller, forwards; Herring, Marrs, and Tabor, guards. Martin substituted for Fuller and Bradley for Tabor. Novice players were: Killingsworth, Sartor and Rothmell, forwards; McCook, Sartor, and McMennemin, guards. Roper substituted for McMennemin.

The next game was Mozelle and Burkett. The final scores were 20-19 in favor of Mozelle. Burkett played a hard game with Ann Golsen making 16 points of Burkett's 19 points. Burkett's line-up was: forwards, Ann Golsen, Irma Delle Harwell and Evelyn Williams, guards; Leota Moore, Lois Martin and Daisy Gray. M. Winslett made eight of Mozelle's points.

Novice and Valera played next with Novice winning by seven scores. Mary Alice Killingsworth made fifteen of Novice's twenty-three points. Page made eight of Valera's points.

The final game was played between Mozelle and Novice. Novice won this game, also. The scores were 13-12. Mr. Cole awarded the trophy to Captain Killingsworth.

The games were refereed by Ernest Thompson.

We invite all these teams back to see us.

The girls are to play Lake View Wednesday night.

Thursday night there is to be an old fiddlers' contest at the high school building. Everybody is invited.

There is to be a Christmas program in the auditorium Friday night.

WOODVILLE, Tex., Dec. 18.—Ten tons of hay were harvested from six acres of soybeans this year by W. F. Hatton, of Tyler county, according to M. S. Hyde, county agricultural agent. One acre was left for hogs and for seed. Hatton says the best acres he raised were planted the first week in July after an early tomato crop. He intends to plant 25 acres to soybeans in 1936.

**Change of Pastors Made in Ballinger Methodist Church**

Dr. J. T. McClure, presiding elder of the Brownwood district, has announced a change of pastors for the Ballinger Methodist church to take effect this week.

The announcement from Brownwood stated that Rev. Homer Vanderpool, of Santa Anna, would be sent here, and Rev. W. E. Fisher, of Ballinger, would go to Santa Anna. The presiding elder, accompanied by Bishop Hiram Boaz, was here Tuesday to discuss the transfer with local church officials and announced the decision after returning to Brown-

wood. Rev. Vanderpool is expected to move here tomorrow (Friday) and the same truck will take Rev. Fisher's household effects to Santa Anna so that both preachers may be with their congregations for the Christmas services next Sunday.

The preacher assigned here is not a stranger, having visited in Ballinger during the past two years while his brother was pastor of the local church.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Spann returned Friday from Gonzales, where they had been at the bedside of Mrs. Spann's father, Edward Wood. Mr. Wood, the oldest Confederate veteran in Gonzales county, has been critically ill for some time but is reported improved.

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**Santa Claus' Visit Brings Many Here To Purchase Gifts**

Ballinger was filled with shoppers Saturday and from noon until late at night the sidewalks and stores were jammed. Merchants reported the heaviest shopping of the Christmas season and stores that do not handle gift goods were busy.

One reason for the increased number of visitors here Saturday was the visit of Santa Claus in the afternoon. The Ballinger Band appeared on the streets at 1 o'clock, playing a brief concert preceding the arrival of the caller from the Far North. At exactly 1:30 p. m. the jolly old fellow

appeared in the chimney at the intersection of Eighth Street and Hutchings Avenue and for more than thirty minutes greeted the 4,000 kiddies waiting to see him. Local committeemen helped Santa distribute more than 5,000 small souvenirs which included horns, whistles and other noise makers. The town resounded to the merry lout of these gifts for the next several hours.

Large throngs are expected this week and on Monday and Tuesday of next week when final shopping will be done before Christmas. Merchants say their stocks are well intact yet despite the recent heavy buying, and that thousands of suitable gifts are still available.

Sidewalk decorations are being added by a number of firms this week to make the city even more attractive, and yard decorations are more evident in the residential sections.

**TEN THOUSAND GALLON TANK FOR STORAGE OF HYDRO-GAS TO BE ERRECTED IN BALLINGER**

L. D. and Bob Murray, of San Antonio, arrived here today to complete arrangements for the construction of a Hydro-gas storage tank on the Santa Fe right-of-way east of the Walker-Smith Company building. The tank will have a 10,000-gallon capacity and will be under the supervision of R. W. DeMott, who recently secured the franchise for the sale of Hydro-gas plants in this territory.

Work on the huge tank will be started before the first of January and will require only a week or ten days to complete.

The Murrys are owners and operators of the Hydro-gas system with headquarters in San Antonio. See Freeman's for Batteries. 8-11

**PIGEON CARRIES SCORE**

HOPEFIELD, Union of South Africa, Dec. 18.—When the Hopefield football team went to play at Malmesbury, fifty miles away, they took a carrier pigeon with them. Immediately after the game the score was sent by the bird to Hopefield. It arrived long before the team, and the entire home town was ready to greet the players and celebrate when they arrived.

Gunfire, almost inaudible at close range, may be heard many miles away.

**Xmas Dinner WILL BE SERVED SUNDAY Turkey with all the trimmings only thirty-five cents. Mrs. Emma Nash**

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**Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year**

To make your Christmas a little brighter and the BIG FEAST a little better and less expensive, we offer below a real Christmas gift in the savings we have for you on the largest assortment of quality merchandise in town.

These Prices Good Until Christmas

**Fresh Fruits - Vegetables**  
Specially Selected

**Bananas Golden Fruit 2 doz. 25c**  
The kind you want for Christmas—and plenty of them

**Apples**  
We have any variety and size almost, that you may want. Come see them. Priced right, by the Box, Bushel or Dozen

**Oranges and Grapefruit**  
Our truck arrived today from the Valley, loaded with Texas Oranges and Grapefruit, at Bargain Prices!

We also have California Navels.

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**Celery large stalk 10c**

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**Yams Of course you'll want candied yams 10 lbs. 15c bushel 69c**

**Onions For your Dressing Yellow 1/2 4c White 1/2 5c**

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**Walnuts Fancy Budded Not Small hard shell 1b. 23c**

**Almonds Fancy Soft Shell 1b. 33c**

**Brazil Nuts Extra Large 1b. 23c**

**Filbers 1b. 25c**

**Chestnuts Extra large Imported 1b. 25c**

**Cocoanuts fresh 10c, 3 for 25**

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Large Assortment of Sizes  
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Hills Bros., 2 lbs. 61c

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Rio, 2 lbs. 25c

**Pickles**

Sweet Mix, qt. 25c

Sweet Plain, qt. 25c

Sour-Dill, qt. 15c

**Salad Dressing**

Large Assortment

BLUE PLATE Mayonnaise, pt. 25c

**Morton's Meat Salt**

10-lb. Can 89c

**Flour**

Light Crust, 48-lb. Sack \$2.15

Kimbel's Best, 48-lb. Sack \$2.09

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*Suggestion*

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Crushed or Sliced  
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**Fruit Salad**  
No. 1 19c

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DEL MONTE  
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**Midgets**  
No. 2 - 23c--No. 1 - 15c

DEL MONTE  
**Coffee**  
3 lb. Tin 89c

DEL MONTE  
**Coffee**  
2 lb. Tin 61c

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**HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED RECENTLY?**

Ledger subscribers are requested to notify the publisher of any change in their addresses promptly.  
 Under the new postal laws newspapers and periodicals must pay postage due for notices of any change in addresses furnished by the postoffice. Besides, there always is the probability that your paper will be delayed or fail to reach you altogether if you do not give immediate notification when you move.  
 The best plan for all concerned is send the change of address in advance.

Christmas is generally the happiest season of the year, but often some tragedy or disaster occurs to make it a time of misery for those affected. The State Firemen's Association, the Red Cross and other organizations annually conduct educational programs in an effort to get people to be more thoughtful and prevent fire, wrecks and careless accidents. Firemen urge that every precaution be taken in Yuletide decorations and this year the Red Cross is continuing its efforts on reducing the ever-mounting number of motor vehicle crashes that kill and maim. Many of these accidents can be avoided by being careful and every person is urged to think of the other fellow and make it a happy instead of a sad period.

The new year is almost here and the time for making resolutions will soon face us. If mistakes have been made during the past twelve months this is a fine time to check up and get started right. New programs will be formed and launched and how well they are finished depends on how many are willing to put their shoulders to the wheel and push.

Every town that continues to grow and progress must have a commercial organization, and the organization must have the whole-hearted support of nearly every citizen or it will fail. In January Ballinger Chamber of Commerce officials will make their annual report to the membership and outline a program for 1936. A review of the past year will reveal many worthwhile accomplishments, for which every resident should be proud and feel that his small investment in the organization has brought good results. The new program should be comprehensive enough that it will interest every citizen and receive not only his financial support but a portion of his time and energy.

**MORE CONVICTIONS NEEDED**

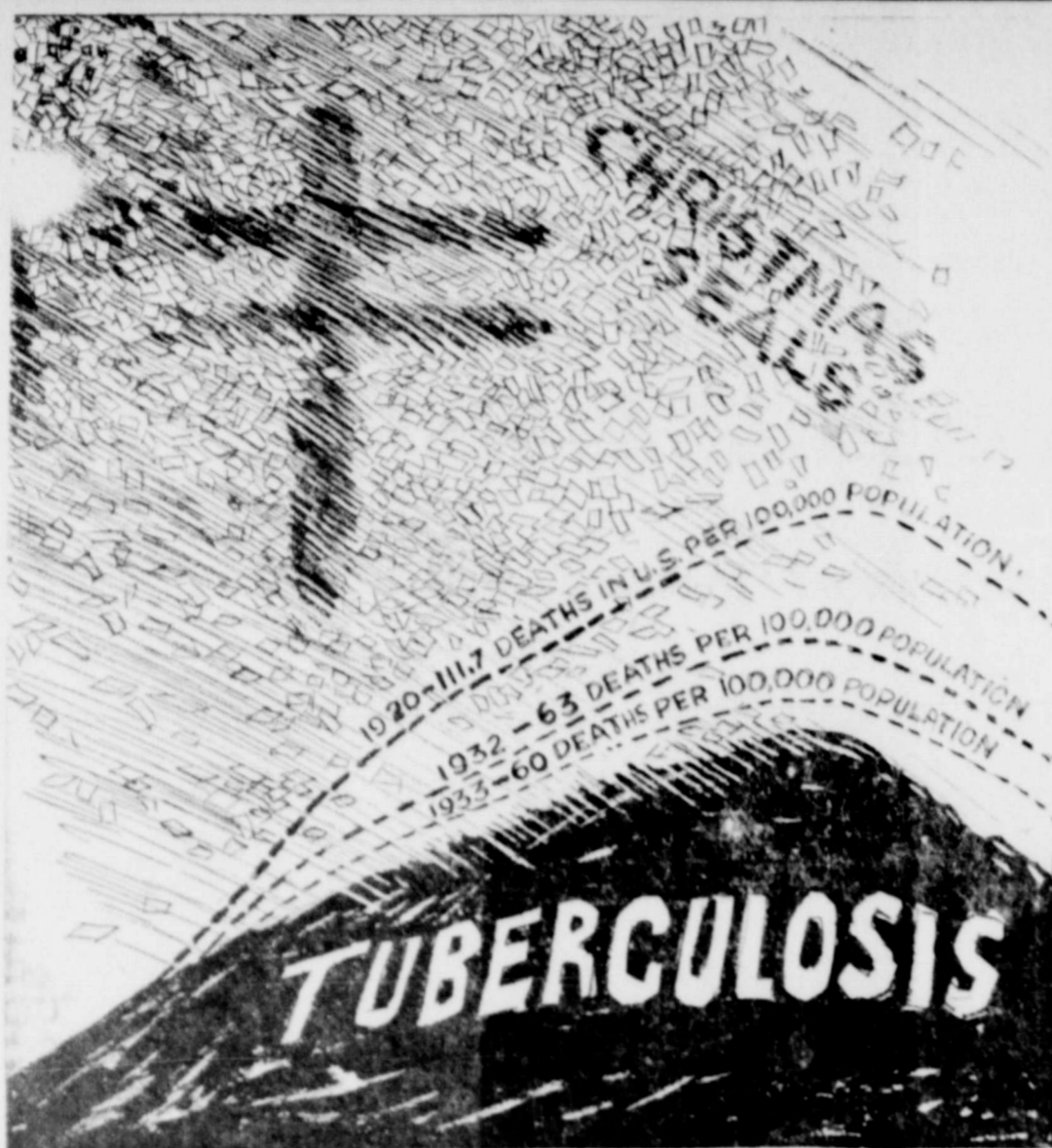
With the enhancement in value livestock, theft losses are becoming more and more serious. This is true not only in Texas but throughout the nation.

In Texas the sheep and goat men have an organization capable of reducing the sheep and goat losses from thievery to a minimum—the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association—and its work has been very effective in the past twelve months, however, we believe that the fight against the livestock theft crime wave must go deeper and must signify more than mere operation of one or more rangers acting in behalf of the livestock men. We admit that such armed protection and surveillance is of immense value to the industry and should receive more consideration from livestock men themselves, however, such work is practically worthless without the active support of the citizenship, and that brings us to the point of this editorial.

Many livestock men claim that a larger force of inspectors is needed to fight the livestock thieves; others claim that a more severe penalty is needed, which is true enough. We believe, however, that the real need at the present time in combatting this menace to the livestock industry is not only more inspectors or special rangers in the field and a ten-year penalty instead of the present four-year one to be placed upon a convicted livestock thief, but, most of all, a better spirit of responsibility and a higher degree of interest in public welfare on the part of the men who compose the jury in the trial of the alleged livestock thief. In other words, we need men on juries who will have the determination and backbone to see that the guilty are convicted. Such a spirit can be aroused when livestock men themselves do their duty as jurors and then livestock theft will be brought to a minimum.

We must remember that it

**Erosion Can Wear Away Mountains**



**WEST TEXAS NEWS NOTES**

Plans are underway for the construction of a one-story brick building in Coleman in which to house the county agent, home demonstration agent and their aides. The building, if built, will be financed through a WPA loan-grant in the sum of \$9,681 and the cost to the county will be approximately \$1,000. Besides the offices, an auditorium and library will be included in the structure. Plans have been drawn, but approval has not been obtained on the project.

The McCulloch County Society for Crippled Children is doing a great work, according to a report from Brady. During October seventeen children were placed in various hospitals and many of them have returned home, either completely cured or aided considerably. Hospitalization is free for children under 21 years, the association furnishing transportation and making arrangements for acceptance of the patients in the hospitals.

Livestock shipments from Menard during the past week totaled six cars. James Callan shipped two cars of sheep to Michigan, W. T. Taylor, three cars of cattle to Ft. Worth, and R. H. Spiller, one car of cattle to Ft. Worth.

A deal has been closed at Winters whereby three acres of land has been added to the present cemetery plot. The lots were practically all reserved and additional land was needed badly. Work has started on leveling the ground and fencing the new section.

In recent years municipal bonds have in many instances been sold at below par but the city of Coleman's bonds are now selling for around 105, according to a San Antonio broker who visited Coleman.

makes no difference how able our prosecuting attorneys are, or how efficient our law enforcement force is, the whole case after all lies in the hands of our jurors. And as long as they continue to lay down on the job livestock theft will continue to thrive. The certainty of conviction will do more to prevent theft than arrests or the severity of the penalty.—Southwestern Sheep and Goat Raiser.



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at Brownwood. About 20 men will be employed on the projects which include the application of caliche on important lateral roads in the Live Oak community. The work was scheduled to begin the past week-end.

Menard Boy Scouts won in the district meet held there last week, scoring 730 points. Other troops in the contest were from Junction, Saline, Hext and Eden. Approximately 200 people, including 100 Scouts attended the meet. This is the second time this year that Menard Scouts have scored high in competition. Barbecued meats with the trimmings were served at the noon hour and a court of honor followed the meal.

The annual banquet for the Miles high school football players was held last week at Hotel Miles, mothers of the members of the team and pep squad acting as hostesses. Special music and talks by members of the 1935 team and fans comprised the program. At the conclusion of the program a pigskin jacket was presented Coach Little.

Acting on a petition signed by about 30 per cent of the qualified

voters of the county, the Coke county commissioners' court has ordered a local option election to be held December 21. The county voted on local option in 1908 and the election was declared void because the results were never certified.

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line. (Political Advertisement)

**GANDHI'S SANITATION CRUSADE IS WORKING**

BOMBAY, Dec. 18.—In his sanitary crusade which Mahatma Gandhi abandoned politics to organize, he is meeting with encouraging success. He has turned his workers into an army of scavengers and so dealt a deadly blow to caste and pride.

Men and women who would not have allowed scavengers to pass within thirty yards of them are actually going about with brooms, brushes, buckets and disinfectants. The villagers are amazed to find persons of education and refinement from comfortable homes sweeping roads, collecting the rubbish and doing all sorts of menial work in the movement to lift up the Indian countryside.

High quality Tires at low prices at Freeman's. 8-11

THREE ACRES NET \$500

CLARKSVILLE, Tex., Dec. 18.—Three acres of land planted to tomatoes brought \$312 to Ed Peak, Red River county farmer, and to date he has sold \$343 worth of fall beans from the same ground, according to C. M. Knight, county agricultural agent. This makes a total sale of \$657 worth of tomatoes and beans, and Mr. Peak is still harvesting beans. The total expense to date on the three acres has been \$150, leaving a net profit of \$500 on the three acres.

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**Little Interest Being Taken in Beer-Wine Election for County**

County Judge Paul Trimmer stated Monday that all supplies had been mailed to the twenty-seven voting boxes in Runnels county to be used in the special election Saturday which will legalize or prohibit the sale of wine and beer containing not more than 14 per cent alcohol by volume.

The regular judges and managers will be in charge of each voting box. The polling places will open at the regular time Saturday morning and remain open until 7 p. m. Voters will use their 1934 poll tax receipts or exemption certificates to cast ballots in this special referendum.

Very little work has been done by leaders of either faction, and coming at this time a light vote is anticipated.

At the present the entire county is in the "dry" column, made so by a recent decision of the supreme court to the effect that counties "dry" at the time of national prohibition must be changed as a county unit.

**BARE YARD TRANSFORMED INTO BEAUTIFUL LAWN**

CLARKSVILLE, Dec. 18.—An uneven, bare yard has been transformed into a sodded lawn and foundation plantings consisting of waxleaf ligustrum, crepe myrtle, bella, arbor vitae and other shrubs have been added to the S. C. Stiles home in Red River county during the past year.

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according to Miss Maegene Bay, home demonstration agent. Mrs. Stiles' improvement plan was drawn up in 1934 and the work was planned for two years.

All work planned for the past year has been completed. The front fence has been removed, the side fences set back 10 feet on the west side and 24 feet on the east side, and the back fence removed. A stepping stone walk has been made in front and the front steps repaired. Front and east side foundation plantings have been made, a rose garden started and the house painted.

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line. (Political Advertisement)

**BOYS DIG AND FILL SILO**

CHILDRESS, Tex., Dec. 18.—A trench silo has recently been dug and filled by Hubert and Harold Kiker, Childress county 4-H club boys, to hold feed for their own cows. Herbert is 12 and Harold is 10 years old.

Ajax grown by the boys was put into the silo. It was cut with a sled cutter which they made, hauled in by themselves, and put into the trench silo under the supervision of V. E. Hafner, county agricultural agent. The silo, which is four feet wide at the bottom, six feet wide at the top, four feet deep, and 25 feet long, holds six tons of feed.

A 33-story office building in Philadelphia is being wired for radio in each office room.

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The "Ft. Worth Limited"  
 East Bound at 9:15 a. m.

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**CHURCHES**

**First Presbyterian Church**  
9:45 a. m., Sunday school, E. E. King, superintendent.  
11 a. m., morning worship.  
No evening service.  
If you do not worship elsewhere, you are cordially welcome at all of our services.  
E. W. McLaurin, Pastor

**Ballinger Baptist Church**  
9:45 a. m., Sunday school, E. E. King, superintendent.  
11 a. m., preaching by pastor.  
6:30 p. m., B. T. U. meeting.  
Ernest Moody, director.  
7:30 p. m., Christmas concert by Methodist-Baptist choir.  
7:30 p. m., Wednesday, prayer meeting.  
A welcome to all who will worship with us.  
J. H. McClain, Pastor

**Eighth Street Presbyterian Church**  
9:45 a. m., Sunday school, Carl Black, superintendent.  
11 a. m., morning service.  
6:15 p. m., senior Endeavor.  
6:15 p. m., junior society.  
7:00 p. m., Christmas pageant.  
7:00 p. m., Wednesday, prayer meeting, followed by choir practice.  
W. H. F. Moore, Pastor

**Church of God**  
(Corner of Sixth and Strong)  
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., S. H. Skelton, superintendent.  
Preaching at 11 a. m. by pastor  
Young people's meeting at 7 p. m.  
Preaching at 8 p. m. by pastor.  
Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.  
Woman's Missionary Society each Thursday.  
W. S. Hancock, Pastor

**Church of Christ**  
(Eighth Street, Bonsal Avenue)  
Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m. with competent teachers for all classes.  
Preaching at 11 a. m. Communion following sermon.  
Ladies' Bible class meets in the church building Monday at 4 p. m.  
Prayer meeting and young people's service at 7:45 p. m. Wednesday.  
The public is invited to attend any and all these services.  
Harvey Childress, Minister

**First Christian Church**  
(Broadway and Murrell)  
9:45 a. m., Bible school.  
11 a. m., preaching and communion service.  
5:30 p. m., Christmas pageant.  
No evening service.  
We enter an invitation to the public to attend all these services.  
Wallace Jones, Pastor

**First Methodist Church**  
9:45 a. m., Sunday school, Sam Behringer, superintendent.  
11 a. m., preaching by pastor.  
No evening service.  
7 p. m., Wednesday, prayer meeting.  
A cordial welcome awaits you at all our services.  
Homer Vanderpool, Pastor

**Church of the Nazarene**  
(Ninth Street and Harris Avenue)  
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.

**G. O. P. Chief Picks Fighting Symbol**



Filling the need for a Republican fighting symbol, this trumpeting elephant was chosen by Harrison E. Spangler, chairman of the western division of the Republican party, who wanted an appropriate G. O. P. emblem for use on party stationery. Mr. and Mrs. Spangler are pictured above with the selected pachyderma model.

M. D. Freeman, superintendent.  
Preaching at 11 a. m. by pastor.  
Junior Band at 6 p. m.  
N. Y. P. S. at 7 p. m.  
Preaching by pastor at 7:30 p. m.  
Prayer meeting at 7 p. m. Wednesday.  
W. M. S. each Thursday at 2:30 p. m.  
JOE TYSON, Pastor

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line.  
(Political Advertisement)

**Card of Thanks**  
We wish to express our sincere thanks to all those who were so kind during the recent illness and death of our son and brother, Harry, who was called to God's home while still so young. Especially do we appreciate the many beautiful floral offerings and the kind words of sympathy. May God's blessings be upon each of you.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Dierschke and children  
Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Braden  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lange  
Mr. and Mrs. Otto Dierschke  
19-11-

**MRS. H. C. LYON GOES TO MOTHER'S FUNERAL**

Mrs. H. C. Lyon received a message Tuesday night announcing the sudden death of her mother, Mrs. H. A. Parker, of Terrell. She left early Wednesday morning to join the other children for the funeral in that city.  
Mrs. Parker had been in fairly good health recently. The sudden death was attributed to a heart attack.

Walter Boswell, of Paint Rock, was here Tuesday to look after his building which was damaged in the Boler Bakery fire Sunday.

Read the ads—save money.

**Director of Rural School Music to be Here Next Month**

Miss Nell Parmlee, co-director, rural state music supervisor, has postponed her visit to Runnels county from this week until January 18. Miss Parmlee's visit was originally scheduled for this week, at which time teachers of the county were to hear her speak and give demonstrations.

The Runnels County Teachers' Association will hear Miss Parmlee both in the sectional and general sessions January 18. At the associational meeting Miss Parmlee will lecture and give demonstrations on public school music, according to County Superintendent E. C. Grindstaff, who made the arrangements for her visit here.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS GIVEN IN BROADCAST**

The King-Holt Funeral Home invites the public to hear the local programs being broadcast each evening from "the little church" in the yard of the funeral home. The programs, on the theme of Christmas, begin around 7:30 p. m., last from 30 minutes to an hour, and are followed by recorded programs as long as the audience remains. Cars may be parked along the street for this series of broadcasts.

A studio has been fitted up in the funeral home and entertainers before the microphone are connected with a loudspeaker in the miniature church.

Dr. and Mrs. O. B. Stanley, of Abilene, visited friends here for a short time Sunday.

Typewriter ribbon at Ledger office.

*Merry Christmas*

Christmas is near and we are ready with everything you'll need for your own Christmas feast—and with our wonderful Christmas baskets that will help you give a fine dinner to another family. It was Santa's idea—and we knew you would want to help him give. Special baskets will be made up to include exactly the foods you want.

Prices Effective Dec. 20, Through Dec. 24  
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**CHRISTMAS FOODS**

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**FLOUR** 24-lb. sack \$1.12  
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Pure Cream Meal 5 lbs. 15c  
Fresh Country Eggs Doz. 21c  
Fresh Country Butter lb. 29c  
Powdered Sugar 2 lbs. 15c  
Brown Sugar 2 lbs. 15c

**CRACKERS**

Fresh Baked  
**Saxet Wafers** 2 lb. box 15c

Cane Sugar, cloth bag 10 lbs. 55c  
Crisco Shortening 3 lbs. 59c  
Stokely's Tomato Juice 2 23-oz. Cans 25c  
Our Favorite Corn No. 2 Can 10c  
Our Favorite Peas No. 2 Can 10c



**Airway Coffee**  
More people are changing to Airway daily.  
3 lbs. 49c

Edwards Dependable Coffee 2 lb. can 47c

Pure East Texas No. 10  
**SORGHUM** 49c

Pickles, Dill or Sour Lg Jar 15c  
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All No. 1 Nuts 2 lbs. 35c  
5 lbs. 85c

Emerald Walnuts lb. 19c  
Brazil Nuts, Well Filled lb. 17c  
Almonds Nuts lb. 23c  
Pecans lb. 10c

**CANDY**

- Chocolate Drops 2 lbs. 25c
- Orange Slices 2 lbs. 25c
- Xmas Mixed 2 lbs. 25c
- Jelly Beans 2 lbs. 25c
- Monster Gums lb. 15c

Fluff-i-est Marshmallows lb. 15c  
Peppermint Sticks 5-oz. Stick 5c



**Faucy Chocolate**  
Carmels, Creams and Nougats  
2 1/2 lb. box 59c  
5 lb. box 99c

Chateau Chocolates lb. Box 25c  
Cherry Chocolates lb. Box 25c



Sweet Juicy California Navel  
**Oranges**  
Medium Size Fruit Doz. 25c  
Extra Large Size Fruit Doz. 35c

1/2 Box Any Size \$2.25  
Box Any Size \$4.25

Hallowa Dates, In Cellophane 2 lbs. 25c  
White Raisins lb. 10c  
Candied Pineapple 3-oz. Pkg. 15c  
Mince Meat, Little Cook 3 Pkgs. 25c  
Cocoanut, Packed in Cellophane lb. 19c

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Hershey's Chocolate 1/2 lb. Bar 17c  
Hershey's Cocoa lb. 13c

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Carrots 3 bunches 10c  
Cranberries lb. 23c  
Cocoanuts nice size 2 for 15c

You need bacon for that Christmas breakfast—oysters for the dressing or cocktail—and a main meat dish.

**Hens** Fancy Fat Dressed and Drawn each 59c  
**Hams** Sugar Cured whole or half lb. 20c

Oysters fresh Selects pint 23c  
Mince Meat in bulk lb. 17 1/2c  
Peanut Butter 2 lbs. 25c  
Bologna Sausage lb. 10c  
Sliced Bacon Rindless sug cured lb. 33c  
Beef Roast Short Rib or Chuck lb. 10c  
Grainfed Beef Loin or Round lb. 23c

**SAFEWAY STORES**

### Large Crowd Hears Bishop Boaz Here Tuesday Evening

Bishop Hiram Boaz, of Fort Worth, and Dr. J. T. McClure, of Brownwood, attended to business in Ballinger Tuesday and Bishop Boaz remained until night to preach a sermon at the First Methodist Church.

A large congregation greeted the bishop, people coming from Paint Rock, Winters and Miles to hear the sermon. The service started at 7:30 and closed in time for the churchman to take the eastbound Santa Fe train.

Using as a subject "Thy Kingdom Come," Bishop Boaz brought a powerful message, showing the work set out for Christian people in bringing the kingdom of God on earth.

The visit of this distinguished church head had been delayed three weeks ago for a Sunday service but could not come on account of the fatal illness of his brother at Fort Worth. Not having another Sunday open for some time, he came here for the week-day visit and during the day met many members of the local congregation.

While here Bishop Boaz attended a meeting of the Runnels county "dry" forces. The bishop is state head of the prohibition forces and an active worker in the cause. He advised local leaders in regard to the election to be held in this county next Saturday.

Vote early Saturday and scratch the top line. (Political Advertisement)

#### TEXAS RURAL CITIZENS SET PROGRESS PACE COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 18--

Texas extensioners taking a swift backward glance at 1935 find that great things have been accomplished by Texas rural citizens, according to an advance report to Washington, D. C., by Director H. H. Williamson.

A huge surplus feed and food crop, nearly three times as much as grown in 1934, has been harvested and saved. More than 1,000 new french silos have been reported as filled in 1935 to save this crop.

About 47,000 home demonstration club women and girls have a record of 28,119,424 containers of food already on their pantry shelves. In 127 counties 27,949 club women and girls were enrolled as bedroom demonstrators and cooperators. In 61 counties, 21,283 club women and girls have worked at landscaping the farmstead. More than 24,000 club women and girls in 107 counties are working as wardrobe demonstrators and cooperators in making their own clothes.

More than 4,000 horticulture demonstrations and 25,000 cooperating men and women influenced other rural citizens to increase the value, productivity and profits of truck crops, orchards and home gardens.

Meats work went forward with continued enthusiasm with the meat specialist visiting five districts and aiding 30 agencies in conducting farm butchering demonstration. Meat schools were held, and seven meat shows conducted in the state, where home cured and canned meat products were on display.

Hide tanning demonstrations and leather schools have been held in 30 counties and attended by representatives from approximately 150 counties.

The extension entomologist reports that the extermination of cut ants is being carried forward by county agricultural agents and that an estimated value of last winter's work in this ran at \$27,000.

Turkey demonstrations were stressed in 1935 with the result that more than 100 turkey demonstrators have improved their methods of growing, dressing and marketing their birds.

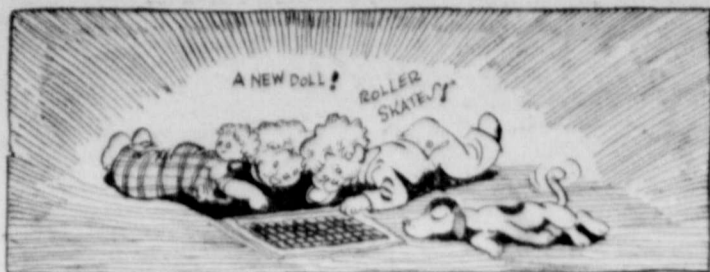
The wind erosion programs, an effort to check the blowing of soil in 22 northwestern Panhandle counties, occupied the agricultural agents in northwest Texas in the early months of 1935. Several million acres were treated and checked the blowing and drifting of soil and saved much of the moisture that fell later.

Enrollment of Texas boys in 4-H club work in 1935 increased, bringing the total enrolled up to 13,068 boys actually engaged in productive demonstrations under supervision of the county agricultural agents.

Reports of extension district agents show that 19,000 Texas farmers kept accurate record books of their enterprises during 1935.

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### The Great American Home



### 200 Attend Banquet For Football Players

The annual banquet for the Ballinger high school football team and pep squad held in the Eastern Star Hall Monday evening was one of the most successful affairs of its kind ever staged here. The banquet hall was crowded to its capacity and a few extras were not able to secure seats. For two hours the fans, players and pep squad members mingled together in the appreciation-dinner and witnessed a very clever program that furnished entertainment and amusement.

Every member of the football squad and practically every member of the pep squad was present. H. H. Carsey directed the high school orchestra in snappy music during the evening and added much to the entertainment.

Members of the Eastern Star served a delicious plate of turkey and trimmings with home-made pie for dessert. They had plenty of help and there was no waiting between courses.

Troy Simpson, toastmaster, conducted the program which followed the menu. He introduced two of Ballinger's most popular entertainers in the persons of Harry Lynn and Neil McAlpine, presenting them as two nationally known sports broadcasters, and they left the table to take their places in a specially constructed studio. It was explained that all games are played several times and that a special broadcast would be provided of the 1935 Ballinger-Winters game as the fans would have had it go. Here Mr. Lynn took the mike which was connected with a loudspeaker in the dining room and began giving the preliminaries of the game, naming sports writers present as they took their places

in the press box. He introduced a number of prominent fans as they came on the field and enumerated the starting line-up of both teams. Mr. McAlpine took up the play-by-play report of the game, giving an "actual" account of the game. The pep squad and band cheered in and added plenty of color to the broadcast. Late in the fourth quarter with only time for one play, McMillan took the ball, taded back and shot a beautiful pass across the goal line which was completed to Holt for the touchdown necessary to tie the game. Mac shot a perfect kick from placement through the uprights and the game was over, 13-12 for the Bears, and the affair in the dining room resembled what might have occurred in an actual game. The broadcasters' comment while time was out furnished good opportunity for plenty of comedy.

Paul Gibbs, backfield coach, was called on after the broadcast for a few words and expressed appreciation to the team for its work the past season. Mr. Gibbs asserted it had been a real pleasure to work in Ballinger.

Coach Felton Wright, the last speaker of the evening, talked on the past season's record and made a few remarks in regard to next year. Referring to prospects for 1936 Mr. Wright said if the 18-year rule became effective before September there would be no letter men in uniform but if it was modified to 19 years there would be six or seven to build a team around.

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- South Texas Oranges, Any Size, Bushel \$1.39**
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- 2 for 15c
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- 3 lbs. 59c
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- 3 lbs. 59c
- Cherries** Red Pitted 2 No. 2 Cans 23c
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- Hershey Cocoa lb. 11c**
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- P. & G. or Crystal White 5 Giant Bars 22c**
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- Phillips Delicious Foods**
- Tomato Soup**
- 4 Cans 19c
- Pork & Beans**
- Can 5c
- Tomato Juice**
- 4 Cans 19c
- Prunes, Choice**
- 5 lbs. 25c
- Raisins, Seedless**
- 4 lb. Pkg. 27c
- Dates, Pitted**
- 7 1/2-oz. Pkg. 10c

- Macaroni Spaghetti Vermicelli**
- 2 Pkgs. 13c
- Egg Noodles**
- Collo Pack
- Small 9c
- Large 18c
- Shell Macaroni
- Pkg. 10c

**Merry Christmas to All**

### Club Boys Attend Achievement Day Program Held Here

A large group of 4-H club boys were present for the Achievement Day program held Saturday morning in the district court room at the county court house. Mayor E. M. Lynn welcomed the boys to Ballinger and Park Kemp proposed schedule for the ensuing County Agent Elmo V. Cook was the principal speaker at the morning session, telling of the proposed schedule for the ensuing year and reviewing some of the accomplishments for the past twelve months. Mr. Cook stressed the enrollment campaign now in progress in which 300 boys are sought as 4-H club members. Adult leaders in every community have accepted their appointments and are assisting in the enrollment drive. School teachers in all the schools are taking memberships and organizing of the individual clubs will be commenced in January.

Sam Routh, Rannels county's outstanding club boy for 1935, reported on his trip to the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago, telling the other boys of the many interesting things he saw while away.

H. W. Lynn spoke on general club work and the good that it does the rural boy to be associated in organized groups under capable leadership.

A county organization was formed, Park Kemp being elected president; Noel Fagan, of Norton, vice-president; and Wagner Byler, secretary.

In the afternoon the clubbers were guests of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce at the Palace Theatre.

The chamber of commerce presented an emblem to each club boy who has been a member for the past twelve months, accepted a demonstration and completed his record book to date. Those certified for emblems were: Sam and Oscar Routh, Wagner Byler, Park Kemp, Garryn Hoffman, Ralph Koenig, Billy Hays, Ervin Halfmann, Claude Smith, Noel Fagan, Charles Patton, Neil Stewart, Douglass Cole, Jim Aylor, Winston Aylor, Norbert Halfmann, Arvel Luckett, Coy McNeil, Dan McNeil, Wilbert Rohmfeld, Ross Campbell, Raby Padgett, Jr., Herbert Seidenberger, Andrew Black, LeRoy Coats.

Some of the boys were not present to receive their emblems and the pins are being kept for them at the county agent's office.

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#### SENIOR CLASS TO PRESENT PAGEANT ON TEXAS HISTORY

Contrary to the custom of many years the 1936 senior class of the Ballinger high school will not present a play. Instead the entire class will take part in a pageant depicting some phases of Texas history. About 90 pupils are to take roles in the colorful production, which will be under the direction of Ernest R. Sublett, who has directed many high school cases in recent years.

The pageant is scheduled for the night of March 2, Texas Independence Day, and will be staged in the senior high school auditorium. Work will begin on the spectacle about February 1, it is planned. The pageant to be presented has not been selected yet, but several are under consideration and a choice will be made soon.

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All Tires and Batteries guaranteed at Freeman's. 8-11

## Christmas Celebrated in Various Ways in European Countries

Though Christmas Eve and Christmas are as widely and joyously celebrated in Europe as they are in America, Santa Claus in many European countries comes a few weeks before December 25. In Austria, for example, he appears on the eve of December 5, accompanied by a devil with tail and horns. If children have not been good, the devil switches them with wigs, and Santa Claus, or St. Nicholas, then gives everyone miniatures of himself and of devils as presents.

Christmas as well as the eve of December 5 is celebrated in Austria, but Christmas presents are supposed to come through the Christ Child. On December 24 one room of the house is shut off, and then about 6 p. m. a bell is rung, the doors opened, and everyone enters, to find the Christmas tree in all its splendor.

In Germany Santa Claus, the advance messenger of the Christ Child, goes about several weeks before Christmas, rewarding good and punishing bad children. He has various names; in the larger cities he is the "Christmas Man" in western and southern Germany "Saint Nikolaus." Sometimes he is represented as riding an ass and accompanied by a servant, who whips bad children, while Saint Nikolaus gives fruit and pastry to the good.

Every German city has its community Christmas tree, and everyone receives Christmas presents from a multitude of sources. If servants do not have a good Christmas, they often quit on that account alone. Even traffic cops are remembered in Berlin, drivers heaping up packages at their stands. The officers do not keep these, however, but distribute them to the poor.

In Holland, too, where he is supposed to be a bishop from Spain, Santa Claus comes earlier than he does in America. He is accompanied by a Moor, and early in December he calls at various homes. If the children there have been bad, he has the Moor punish them; if they have been very naughty, indeed, the Moor puts them in a bag and is supposed to carry them off to Spain with him.

The night of December 5 this Spanish bishop comes in a sleigh drawn by horses and sends the Moor down chimneys to fill the stockings of good Dutch children with presents. The next morning the little ones find gifts not only in their stockings but also on a large table, which is fairly heaped with packages.

In England children celebrate Christmas much as it is celebrated in America. Everyone, it seems, turns to carol singing, and bands of singers and church choirs go about every town. Christmas trees are very popular in England, where they were introduced less than a hundred years ago. According to one story of their first use,

#### Laxative combination folks know is trustworthy

The confidence thousands of parents have in good, old reliable, powdered Theford's Black-Draught has prompted them to get the new Syrup of Black-Draught for their children. The grown folks stick to the powdered Black-Draught; the youngsters probably will prefer it when they outgrow their childish love of sweets. Mrs. C. W. Adams, of Murray, Ky., writes: "I have used Theford's Black-Draught (powder) about thirteen years, taking it for biliousness. Black-Draught acts well and I am always pleased with the results. I wanted a good, reliable laxative for my children. I have found Syrup of Black-Draught to be just that."

#### BLACK-DRAUGHT

Prince Albert, the consort of Queen Victoria, wanted to celebrate Christmas as he had in his German home, so he had a fir tree brought in for the day.

Santa Claus comes to Scotland the same night that he does to the United States, but the real celebration of the holiday season is New Year's Eve, not Christmas. The old custom of "first footing" is still carried out that night, for this is a time of celebrating and visiting. It is regarded as very lucky to have a dark-haired person be the first to set foot in one's home after midnight New Year's Eve, but no matter what color one's hair is, one must always bear a gift. Hosts in turn offer food and drink, a specially rich pastry, "black bun," being very popular.

In Sweden children wrap presents in plain white paper and write a funny little rhyme on the cover of each. This rhyme is supposed to describe the contents, without giving away what the present is. Billy goats made of straw are one of the most important decorations of Swedish homes at holiday time, for these goats were the first presents the early Swedes made for their children.

Gifts are opened Christmas Eve, as Christmas itself is a religious holiday, with long sleigh rides to church. If the road leads through forests, the drivers carry lighted torches, throwing them into a heap outside the church door to make a great bonfire.

The "Julenisse" or "Christmas gnome" brings the Christmas

presents of Norwegian children. According to an old belief, gnomes live underground throughout the country, and one must be kind to them or they will bring one misfortune. Norwegian children used to place a bowl of porridge in the barn, with a butter "eye" in the center, as a gift to the gnomes, the "Julenisse" in particular.

At the Norwegian Christmas meal nuts are a very popular item on the menu. If by chance someone gets an almond with two meats instead of one he calls out "Filipine!" and asks a friend or relative "to make filipine" with him. Each then eats a kernel of the nut and the two agree to meet some time in the future—perhaps in a month, six months, or even a year or two. At this meeting the first one to say "How do you do, filipine?" must be given a present by the other.

In Denmark after church services on Christmas Eve, everyone returns home for a real banquet at which a traditional dish, rice porridge, is served. In it the mother of the family always drops an almond, and the one who finds it in his portion received a special advance gift. Good as the meal is, everyone is so excited that it is not enjoyed to the full.

At last, however, the room containing the Christmas tree is opened and the presents are distributed. After this the children try out their new toys, play "Ring Around the Rosy" about the Christmas tree and enjoy themselves until late hours.

Read the ads—save money.

### A King at Work



In this era of wobbly thrones, a king never knows what he'll be doing the next day. Here a monarch of the jungle philosophically plays the role of beast of burden. Every day, King, leonine inmate of a California zoo, may be seen pulling a feed wagon around the park.

#### TWO PAY DRUNKENNESS FINES IN JUSTICE COURT MONDAY

A white man and a negro were assessed fines of \$1 and costs on charges of drunkenness in the court of Justice of the Peace B. W. Pilcher Monday morning. They were arrested Saturday night and remained in jail until their cases were called Monday morning.

The negro is working out his fine on the court house lawn while the white man was released on his own recognizance.

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The way to avoid the worries of insufficient Christmas Funds is to save systematically all the year. Try it—Beginning right now.

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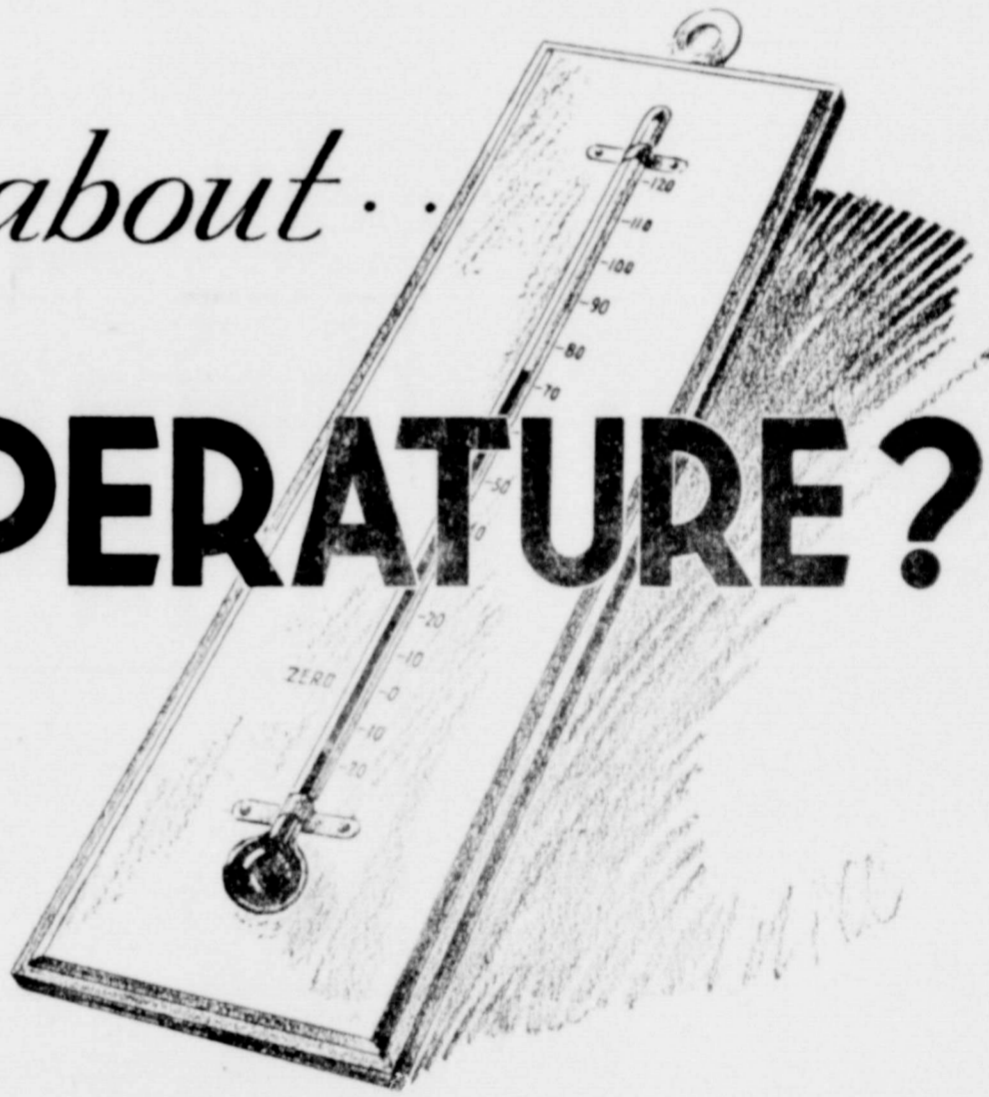
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Any sudden change in temperature as you go from a warm room into a cold one disturbs the heat regulating apparatus of the body and makes it susceptible to cold germ attacks.

Protect your family against becoming overheated or chilled. Give them the benefit of healthful, pure, warmed air throughout the house. If you are not keeping a comfortable and even temperature in every room don't go through the winter without this health protection.

If your home is inadequately heated... if you "huddle" in one or two rooms, sudden temperature changes are unavoidable. Your family goes from a heated room into a cold hall or adjoining room. Then, shivering and chilled, they return to the heated room. This happens many times a day, and each time they have unnecessarily subjected themselves to conditions that make them susceptible to highly communicable diseases. America's Public Health Enemy Number One, the common cold germ, finds a fertile field in inadequately heated and poorly ventilated homes.

Keep comfortable temperatures and adequate ventilation throughout your home. You will find that it will add to your happiness as well as assist you to protect your health and that of your loved ones.

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## Are You Prepared for Winter?

With the approach of cold, wet, winter weather it is time to consider seriously the problem of sanitation. You cannot afford to let your family go through the winter without the PROTECTION, COMFORT and convenience afforded by modern plumbing fixtures connected to the

### Sanitary Sewer

One case of serious illness such as pneumonia or typhoid fever would cost more than many years of sanitary service. Do you think it is wise to expose your family to disease by depriving them of the comfort and protection of modern sanitation?

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**WANT TO TRADE**—33 Four Door Plymouth for sheep or cattle. H. Bowen, three miles west of Winstead. 19-31

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**FOR RENT**—Furnished Duplex Apartment. See Sam Behringer or call 259. 5-11

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**FOR SALE**—217.14 acres, three miles on Ballinger highway, at \$30 per acre, or 112 acres at \$25 per acre. A. S. Pape. 1-11

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holliday, who had been living at Longview for the past year, moved back to Ballinger this week.

Chinese movie fans of the Far East call Harold Lloyd "Luke."

## DEATHS

**Harry Dierschke**  
Harry Dierschke, 20, died at the Halley & Love Sanitarium at 11:40 a. m. Monday, December 15, following illness of about ten days duration. He contracted pneumonia about ten days ago, but his condition did not become serious until a few days before his death.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at 9:30 at St. Boniface Church, Olfen. Rev. G. A. Boeckman officiating, assisted by Rev. P. J. Pokluda and Rev. H. Janvier. Interment was made in the Olfen cemetery.

Survivors include the parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Dierschke; three brothers, Otto Dierschke, Rowena, Walley and Monroe Dierschke, Bethel; four sisters, M. Eleanor Braden and Mrs. Isabel Lange, of Colorado county; and Winnie and Irene Dierschke, of Bethel; besides many relatives who reside in various parts of the county.

Funeral services were held for Joe G. Dierschke, Herbert Wilde, Fenton Wilde, Leslie Warschak, Adolph Wilde and Edwin Wilde.

Flower girls were Misses Margaret Cervenka, Doris Fox, Freda Lampe, Opal McLean, Nina Crockett, Lois Batts, Halley Holwegler, Opal Bradshaw, Ruby Wilberg, Norma, Amanda and Dora Wilde, Ella Halfmann and Elizabeth Schraer.

Decedent was born at the family home in the Bethel community and had lived there all his life. He attended the Ballinger high school in 1913 and was a star on the 33 football team. The family is well known in this section, having resided in Runnels county for many years.

King-Holt Funeral Home undertakers were in charge of arrangements.

**Mrs. A. J. Tyree**  
Mrs. A. J. Tyree, 70, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Laxton, near the Barnett school, Wednesday evening, December 18. She had been ill for the past year and had been confined to her bed for almost all of that time. Pneumonia was contracted about three days ago and death came at 11:45 p. m. Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyree came to Runnels county 43 years ago and were among the real pioneers of this section. Mr. Tyree preceded his wife in death three years. Survivors include four sons, two daughters, two sisters, and one brother. The children are: A. W. Ray, Marvin and Will Tyree, Ballinger; Mrs. J. M. Laxton, Barnett; Mrs. D. E. Forgey, Ballinger. Sisters and brothers surviving are: Mrs. G. J. White and Mrs. S. M. Palmer, of Alabama; and G. W. Palmer, of Alabama.

Occasional Chairs and Rockers from \$2.45 to \$12.50  
Occasional Tables, Coffee Tables with Glass Trays, End Tables, Smokers Sets, Magazine Stands, Book Trays, Mirrors, etc.

**Stock Reduction Sale Will Close January 1**  
Just a few more days to buy these goods at your own price, nearly for cash. We'll give a few prices only. We are over-stocked and MUST reduce by January 1. Look!

Bedroom Suites, as low as \$24.50  
Living Room Suites, as low as \$19.89

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\$50.00 Living Room Suites - \$34.89  
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\$55.00 Bedroom Suites - \$34.50

A beautiful line of Mirrors, Foot Stools, Card Tables up to - \$3.90

Don't forget our big discount on all 1935 Radios. Also hear that famous Zenith Farm Radio—no B Batteries.

Walnut Chests as high as - \$27.50  
\$15.75 Cedar Chests for - \$11.85  
\$24.50 Kitchen Cabinet - \$17.50  
4-Burner Nesco Range - \$26.75  
\$44.95 5-Burner Nesco Range - \$35.49  
\$66.50 5-Burner Nesco Range with metal tank - \$49.95  
\$55.00 Late Model Gas Range for - \$41.95  
\$22.00 4-Burner Gas Range - \$13.50  
\$24.75 Spring Filled Mattress for - \$14.85  
\$23.50 Pure White Felted Cotton Mattress - \$13.95  
9x12 Gold Seal Rugs - \$7.49  
\$15.75 Odd Dressers - \$11.69

No time for more prices—come and see the goods and prices. You will be pleased and we will appreciate your business.

**L. E. Bair Furniture Company**

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**Overton, of Big Spring**  
Funeral services were to be held this (Thursday) afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Tyree home on Valley Creek, Rev. M. C. Golden officiating. Interment will be made in Evergreen Cemetery.

Palbearers are: Ellis Stubblefield, Allen Patterson, Mida Jeanes, Jack Carroll, Alvin Newsum and John Hughes.

Jennings Funeral Home undertakers were in charge of arrangements.

**Roy Holbrook**  
Funeral services were to be held this (Thursday) afternoon at 3:30 at the King-Holt Funeral Home for Roy Edward Holbrook, 32, who died at his home, 909 Fourteenth Street this morning at 2 o'clock following an attack of pneumonia. He had been ill only nine days. Rev. J. H. McClain officiated at the last rites and interment was made in Evergreen Cemetery.

Survivors include the widow and one son, James; parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Holbrook, of Three Rivers, Texas; five brothers, Everett Holbrook, Dallas, Claude Holbrook, Whitsett, Carl, Robert, and Billie Holbrook, Three Rivers; two sisters, Anna Belle Holbrook, Fort Worth; and Mrs. Gussie Odum, Three Rivers. All were present for the funeral except Mrs. Odum and Carl and Billie Holbrook.

Palbearers were to be: Joel Masse, Raymond McDaniel, Guy Jones, Truett Hornburg, Donald Smith, Lester Sanders and Chester Wartenbach, all employees of the Piggly Wiggly grocery, where decedent had been employed for the past several months.

Mr. Holbrook was manager of the Piggly Wiggly meat market. He came here from San Angelo, where he worked for several years in various markets.

Rev. McClain, who is to conduct the funeral services, was formerly pastor of the church to which the Holbrook family belonged, and received some of the members of the family into the church.

King-Holt Funeral Home undertakers are in charge of arrangements.

Douglas Jackson, who is attending St. Edwards University, Austin, is at home to spend the Christmas holidays.

Sea anemones, beautiful as flowers, are voracious animals armed with sting cells.

## Schools of County Close Tomorrow For Xmas Week

All public schools in Runnels county will be dismissed for the Christmas holidays Friday afternoon and practically all the pupils will be allowed a full week reporting for study the latter part of next week.

Ballinger students will be out Friday afternoon and will resume classwork on the morning of December 30. Teachers in the local school system who reside elsewhere plan to spend the holiday season at home; and most of them will leave here Friday afternoon.

The primary rooms in the Ballinger schools held Christmas programs this week. The Primary Parent-Teacher Association provided trees for the two primary buildings so that all the pupils could experience the thrill of a visit from Santa Claus.

As soon as the mid-term holiday period ends students in schools all over the county will commence special work preparatory to the interscholastic league meet to be held in Ballinger in March. The basketball season will get underway in January, the county tournament to be held on some date in February. Track and field events will be held in March.

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**AUTOS COLLIDE BUT NO ONE IS INJURED**

Two cars, one driven by Allen Whitley, of San Antonio, and the other driven by Dr. F. M. Hale, of Ballinger, collided Wednesday evening about 7:30 in the 1106 block on Hutchings Avenue. Both machines were damaged considerably but no one was injured.

Whitley was charged with reckless driving and paid a fine in county court here this (Thursday) morning in the amount of \$50 and costs, totalling \$72.80, and is also having repair work done on Dr. Hale's automobile.

At the time of the collision Dr. Hale was en route to San Angelo to visit his daughter who is seriously ill in a hospital there.

The U. S. army and navy have 12 standard sizes of flags.

## Hundreds—

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support. The father is trying to keep the three girls in school but is having a hard time. Clothing is needed for all the girls and food will be appreciated for the Christmas dinner.

**Family No. 10**  
A mother and two girls need clothing and food. The mother has been receiving relief but can provide no Christmas cheer for the family.

**Family No. 11**  
Mother and father, grown son and wife; and nine small children, all living in one tent. This family could use anything and would appreciate it. It is a worthy job for some organization that can take care of that many.

**Family No. 12**  
Mother and father, and seven children, ages 13, 10, 8, 5, and twin boys, 2, and baby, 1. Christmas dinner will depend on what is done by local Goodfellows.

**Family No. 13**  
Father and six children living in South Ballinger need food and clothing for Christmas as well as many other things.

There are other needy families too numerous to list here. This week and anybody who wishes to help a particular family should telephone No. 27 and get the address.

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**SCOUT EXECUTIVE ATTENDS TO BUSINESS IN BALLINGER**

Jack Stone, Boy Scout executive for this area, transacted business in Ballinger today (Thursday). He announced that the next big Scout meeting of interest to the entire area would be held in San Angelo on January 17. A banquet at night will follow the annual meeting on this date.

Efforts are being made to have Governor James V. Allred as the principal speaker at the banquet and arrangements are being made for about 400 guests.

Mr. Stone said a plan was being promoted for a father-son banquet here in February, but that definite arrangements have not been made for this event.

John Y. Pearce, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Pearce of Ballinger, is expected home for the Christmas vacation about December 29. Young Pearce is one of the 108 boys from Texas enrolled at New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, this year.

## Christmas Tree is Buddy Day Feature At Rotary Meeting

Tuesday was Buddy Day for the Ballinger Rotary Club and the members enjoyed a Christmas tree, each man present receiving a gift from his buddy. This was the first time the buddies were revealed during the year.

A large tree was erected in the rear of the club dining hall and as members arrived the gifts were hung on the tree. After the lunch the program committee called the names and each member opened his parcel and told who had been his buddy for the past twelve months.

It was voted to hold no meeting next week as club day falls on Christmas eve and many will be out of town or too busy to attend. A report was heard from the committee in charge of the football banquet held Monday evening.

Bishop Hiram Boaz, of Fort Worth, a Rotarian for the past fourteen years, delivered a short talk on the enjoyment he obtained from Rotary.

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Burt Stanley, of Abilene, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nixon, Jr., over the week-end.

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