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Next week will be a busy period in Ballinger as thousands of late shoppers start a round of the shops looking for gifts they failed to buy early. Stores will keep longer hours next week in order to render better service and stocks of gift goods are still large. Clerks will continue to handle the rush until a late hour on Christmas eve.

Sunday should be go-to-church day in Ballinger. It is the Sunday before Christmas and the Nativity theme will be stressed in every service. Many church members have spent much time preparing excellent programs that will be entertaining as well as inspiring and citizens are urged by the ministers of the city to attend the church of their choice next Sunday.

"Be careful how and where you shoot fireworks," is a warning from Chief of Police Lee Moreland. The shooting of fireworks in the business district is against the law and the chief is urging that every precaution be exercised in shooting them at any other place.

State fire records reveal that the Yule season brings the heaviest fire loss of any period of the year and practically all of it can be eliminated if the proper care is taken.

One of the best ways to be happy at Christmas time is to help those who are less fortunate. Ballingerites are offered an excellent plan for providing for families in distress. Many local people have given of their time to go to every part of the city and find out who need help and list entire families along with the needs of each individual. It will require only a small expense and a little effort to give these people a Christmas that will make all concerned happier. Children are looking forward to a visit from Santa Claus and unless those who can, rally, there will be nothing but disappointment in many homes.

NORTON FOOTBALL PLAYERS GUESTS AT OYSTER SUPPER; H. W. LYNN IS HOST TO BYNS

The Norton football team, the coach, "Buck" Elkins, and Supt. O. L. Conger were guests of H. W. Lynn Friday evening at an oyster supper at the L. L. Strohle Cafe. The team recently won the championship of district 3 in class C when it defeated the Rochelle eleven at Ballinger in the deciding game.

The team and guests assembled in The Ledger office and when the tables were laid went to the cafe. E. M. Lynn, mayor of Ballinger, extended greetings to the team and commented on its splendid record in the three years it has been playing football. Two of the three years the Nortons have been in the championship contest, winning twice and losing in 1936.

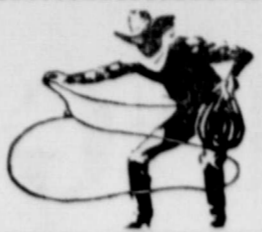
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Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Ely, of Sweetwater, were here Sunday, visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Schnable and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Stengel.

WEST TEXAS NOTES

[Clipped from Our Exchanges]



Civic organizations at Brady will look after needy families and provide Christmas for the kiddies of the town with a heavily laden tree on the plaza on the night of December 23. Toys, groceries and other items will be put on the tree for those who need help and many children will receive fruits and toys from Santa Claus.

The Paint Rock Future Farmers of America chapter initiated eight new members at a meeting last week and made plans for their work during the ensuing year. At the close of the business session the second-year class served refreshments to all present.

Menard county will share in the federal aid road building program and is to get a contract for 12 miles of paving on highway 4, to be let December 17. This contract will include the section of highway 4 from Menard to the Concho county line and will close a very important gap on this route. The cost of the proposed surfacing is about \$90,500.

For several weeks committees have been selling stock in the Mason County Fair and hope to complete the work within a short time. Buy the grounds for the permanent buildings, and start construction. The required \$15,000 has been raised with the exception of about \$900 and this is expected to be sold soon. The grounds will not be bought until after the stockholders meet and elect officers for the duly organized association.

A new section for the Robert Lee schools is about complete and will be ready after Christmas. Plumbers are working day and night installing heating equipment in the old and new sections. Furniture for the gymnasium and auditorium has arrived and the Parent-Teacher Association has

contracted with the Texas Scenic Company, of San Antonio, for the sets and curtains for the stage.

The Brownwood city council voted last week to install parking meters and gave an order for 426 machines to be set up along the curb on the principal streets. Citizens recently voted 593 to 197 against the installation of meters and the council's action came as a surprise.

J. T. Baker, of Fort Stockton, was elected president of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association last week when the annual meeting was held at Brady. Headquarters for the association will be in Fort Stockton during the ensuing year.

The Melvin Business Men's Luncheon Club last week turned a fund over to Supt. K. O. Ellington to provide Christmas for the school children. The money will buy Christmas trees and give candy, fruit and nuts to the children on the closing day of this term.

Ex-service men of the World War living in Concho county met at Eden Tuesday night for the purpose of reorganizing the American Legion post. The John R. Lapp post, inactive for several years, was formerly one of the strongest and most active Legion organizations in this part of the state. A membership drive will be held and at a later meeting construction of a club house will be considered.

Coleman churches and civic organizations are concentrating their efforts this year in one Christmas program for the poor. In previous years each group did charity separately with the result that there was much overlapping. A community tree will be one of the feature events for children

and civic clubs will stage their annual potato show, the entries to be donated to the needy.

The Philcepo Country Club at Rising Star has built grass greens on its golf course and will have them ready for play when the spring season commences. The new greens were sodded with Bermuda taken from a lake shore nearby, covered with fertilizer and will be in condition for play in the early spring. The old sand greens have been kept intact so play can continue until the new greens are ready.

P. Pettit, manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company stations at Cisco and surrounding towns, will retire on January 1 after serving there for more than a quarter of a century. E. Hooks will take over the duties, coming to Cisco from Pampa, where he has been manager several years.

The Winters Lions Club voted at its meeting last week to join other civic groups in working for a spring livestock show at Winters. The purpose of the exhibition primarily is to give F. F. A. boys an opportunity to show their fat stock but other departments will be open to producers who have animals for showing.

Sheriff's Sale
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by virtue of a certain execution issued by the Clerk of the County Court of Runnels County, on the 23rd day of November, 1937, in a certain cause wherein C. F. Braden and R. L. Perkins were Plaintiffs and L. M. Kuhn was defendant, in which cause a judgment was rendered on the 2nd day of November, 1937, in favor of the said plaintiffs, C. F. Braden and R. L. Perkins, against said defendant, L. M. Kuhn, for the sum of Two Hundred Forty-Five and 25-100 (\$245.25) Dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per centum per annum from date of judgment, together with all costs of suit, I have levied upon, on December 9th, 1937, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. and will, on the first Tuesday in January, 1938, it being the 4th day of said month, at the Courthouse door in Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, within legal hours, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of L. M.

Kuhn in and to the following described real property, levied upon as the property of L. M. Kuhn, to-wit:
120 acres out of the Valentine Reice Survey 413, Abstract 408, in Runnels County, being the same land described in the deed from Charles C. Ferguson, et al, to Lucy Mary Kuhn, dated December 20, 1937, recorded in Volume 111, page 444, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

And on the said 4th day of January, 1938, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a. m. and 4:00 o'clock p. m., on said date at said

time and place, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash all the right, title and interest of said L. M. Kuhn in and to said property.
The above sale to be made by me to satisfy the above described judgment for Two Hundred Forty-Five and 25-100 (\$245.25) Dollars in favor of C. F. Braden and R. L. Perkins, together with the costs of said suit, and the proceeds applied to the satisfaction thereof.

W. A. HOLT,
Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas.
By Gerald Black, Deputy,
Ballinger, Texas, December 9, 1937.
9-16-23-30

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Society--Clubs--Organizations--Other Interests of Women

Fort Worth Visitors Complimented Mrs. R. S. Griggs, Mrs. J. W. Bone and Mrs. Joe Wilmeth...

Elaborate decorations suggestive of the Christmas season were combined with bowls and vases of poinsettias, gholandia blossoms and mandina berries...

Members of the 1937 junior high school football team and their coaches, Frederick Kingsbury and Paul Gibbs were entertained by the pep squad and their sponsor, Miss Vhelma Parrish...

Informal talks, stunts and group games gave diversion in the large living room decorated in Christmas colors.

Others included, Mmes H. H. Halley, C. R. Stephens, Jack McGregor, Estes Lynn, F. C. Miller...

Four Are Hostesses to Class Mmes T. J. Forgye, Sam Behringer, Layne Moreland and M. S. Patrick were hostesses to the Methodist Philathia Class Tuesday evening...

Autumn leaves were used in profusion to decorate rooms where wreaths were hung in windows and a lighted and decorated tree was surrounded by gifts which were exchanged later in the evening...

The luncheon was served in four courses to the guests of honor, Mmes Lyon, Harshaw, Currie Baskin, Weeks and Bruce.

The festivities concluded with a Sunday luncheon at the Central Hotel with Mrs. Currie, hostess.

The banquet room, which had a beautiful decoration of tinsel stars suspended from twisted streamers of blue and white and a decorated tree, was the scene of the affair.

Ballinger B. and P. W. Entertained in San Angelo Ballinger Business and Professional Women's Club members were guests of honor at a dinner and Christmas party given in the crystal ballroom of the Cactus Hotel at San Angelo last Thursday evening.

Ballinger Girl to Graduate in San Angelo Miss Margie Mae Halstead will graduate from the San Angelo Business College with the January class. She is a 36 graduate of the ballinger high school.

Baptist Circles Have Christmas Programs Baptist Woman's Missionary Society circles met in three homes Monday afternoon for special Christmas programs. Hostesses were Mrs. R. T. Williams, Mrs. E.

Chunn and daughter, Effie Jean, were given a surprise "pounding" on Friday evening of last week when church members assembled in the Doss Bible Class room for an informal church night.

Troy Simpson was master of ceremonies and led in singing of familiar group songs. Talks were made by Sam Behringer and the Rev. Mr. Chunn. Piano numbers were played by Cal Adair.

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The SNAPSHOT GUILD Make a Christmas Picture Book



Let pictures tell the story. Bedtime on Christmas Eve is as important to the story as discoveries at the tree next morning. Amateur food or flash lamps and super-sensitive film put the pictures on a snapshot basis.

PLANNING our Christmas pictures is very much like planning our Christmas shopping. Far in advance we resolve to do it early. Day after day we resolve to do it early. And then all of a sudden the time is up, we can't do it early—and we don't do it well.

So, here's sound advice. Do it now! Get yourself pencil and paper and work out a Christmas scenario. Mr. and Mrs. Cal Adair and Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Cheatham were parent sponsors. Teachers present were: Misses Vhelma Parrish and Eloise Jones, and Messrs. Jack McKay, Kingsbury and Gibbs.

Others were: Pat Lawrence, Mabel Gregor, Louise Hardin, Mary Lou Routh, Eula Mae Payne, Dorothy Dell Jones, Claudia Cunningham, Catherine Routh, June Horn, Dorothy Miller, Cathryn Iden, Marie Killam, Mary Lou Davis, Alice Robinson, Louise Simpson, Faye Hutcheson, Olene Hull, Orenta S. Kelton, Margaret Collins, Dona Lee Cole, Zelma Mosley, May Belle Dean, Maxine Terrell, Irene Harville, Marjorie McGregor, R. A. Smith, Alexander McGregor, Quentin White, Duwain Simpson, Weldon Simpson, K. V. Northington, Winefred Campbell, Loyd Bell, Walter Allison, Billy O'Neill, C. A. Long, Donald McGregor, Dale McCullough, Rene Greenwell, Erwin Stokes, G. C. Stanley, Fred Berry, D. L. Green, Bobby Wright, Hudson Herring, Eugene Sutherin, James Lasater, Frank Atwell, Herbert Dean, Julian Westbrook and David Caudle.

C. Grindstaff and Mrs. Edgar Boelsche. Giving program numbers were: Mrs. Wix Currie, Mrs. A. F. Broek, Mrs. Clarence Morton, Mrs. B. C. Kirk and Mrs. J. H. Endacott.

Supper for Althean Class Baptist Althean Class members together with husbands were guests at supper Tuesday evening in the junior assembly room in the church basement on Eighth Street. Mmes R. E. White, Henry Doss, C. W. Jennings, Bertha Hardin and Neal Nutt were hostesses.

A large lighted, decorated tree, placed against a simulated fireplace, was laden with exchange gifts. The long table was laid in white linen glistening with Christmas snow. Red holly berries and lighted red tapers were placed the length of the board on each side of a smaller tree.

A two-course supper was served. During the business session it was decided to "adopt" a family. The class presented its gift to the teacher, Mrs. B. C. Kirk. Present besides the hostesses and their husbands were: Rev. and Mrs. Clarence Morton, Messrs. and Mmes. Grover Stanley, R. T. Williams, G. A. Swann, L. R. Tigner, Robert Lowry, Hubert Parrish, P. Taylor, J. E. Smith, Gerald Black, Nixon, Cecil Jones, W. L. McAdams, Glenn Morrison, Ona Penn, O'Kelly, Misses Royalty and Cora Hays.

Gulf Employees Have Christmas Tree Employees of the Gulf Oil Co. in Ballinger were entertained Monday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Adair on Eighth Street.

Christmas flowers decked rooms and centered the lace laid dining room table which was lighted with red tapers. Individual gifts were exchanged from a beautifully decorated tree, following a series of group games and contests.

A plate of sandwiches, potato chips, olives, fruit cake and coffee was served to Messrs. and Mmes. M. H. Morgan, Clarence Bissett, Maxie Cole, Clayton Bissett, George Dankworth, Misses Lurline Brookshier, Pauline Morris, Opal Bradshaw, Eula Mae Clark, Messrs. Gordon Gressett, Derwood Bissett, Vernon Carroll, Dillard Adair, Foy Farmer, Gordon Powers, Winnie Merie Adair, Gwendolyn Morgan, M. J. and Skipper Cole.

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Beck, Monte Stone, E. L. Smith, Glyn Mitchell, H. E. Evans, Frank Partridge, Floyd Thompson, Lester Freeman, Floyd Partridge, Misses Tootsie Freeman and Dorothy Ruth Lynn.

Miss Helen Moore Complimented Mrs. Tom Guin and her mother, Mrs. Henry Jones, entertained for Miss Helen Moore, bride-elect of Roy Worley, of Sinton, Tuesday afternoon in the Guin home on Ninth Street.

Blue and silver leaves and sprays and wreaths of holly gave a festive air to rooms where contract appointments were also in blue and silver.

At the conclusion of games in which prizes for high score and high cut went to Miss Elsie Motley and Mrs. Loyd Herring, a lovely surprise shower was presented Miss Moore.

At the tea hour madeira-laid tables were centered with miniature blue and white Christmas trees on reflectors, for the serving of the salad course with coffee. Favors were small corsages of blue and silver foliage.

Included for games were: Misses Moore, Dorothy Ruth Lynn, Virginia Livingston, Minnie Ola Cox, Motley, Mmes. John Hollingsworth, Tommie Hall, Dick Stengel, Jones Parrish, Thomas B. Hill, Charles Bailey, Leonard Stallings, Herring, W. B. Woody, Herbert Sledge, J. D. Forman and G. A. Swann.

Tea guests were: Mmes S. Shepherd, E. E. King, J. W. Moore, Edgar Boelsche, Misses Mary Faye Wardlaw and Elva Sykes.

Dorcas Class in Morton Home Members of the Baptist Dorcas Class were guests in the home of Mrs. Clarence Morton, their teacher, for a Christmas party Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Killough and Mrs. James Parrish sang "Silent Night, Holy Night." Mrs. Edgar Boelsche told the story of "The Other Wise Men" by Henry Van Dyke; and Mrs. Claude Collins, Jr., played piano selections.

Mrs. George Stowe poured tea from a lace-laid table decorated with blue and silver appointments. Blue tapers burned in silver holders. Corsages of holly were favors for the plate of date pudding, coffee and Christmas candies passed by Mrs. Killough and Mrs. Jap Adams.

Toys were brought, which will be given to the class "adopted" family and the children in Buckner's Orphanage.

Others present were: Mmes A. C. Cloven, of Las Cruces, New Mexico; J. G. Tuckey, Frank Flynt, Floyd Wigninton, Favors, Jim Townsend, Drury Hathaway, Joe Beck, Jr., Otis Barber, Joe Flynt, Jim Duncan, O. T. Toney, Malcolm Morgan, Ernest Moody, J. H. Endacott, Joe Eubank and Weldon

Howell. Fellowship Class Holds Annual Party

Members of the Fellowship Class of the First Methodist Church school met in the home of Mrs. H. G. Agnew on Sixth Street Tuesday evening for their annual Christmas party, with Mmes Bynum Britton and Jack Bridwell; Misses Griffie Atkins, Wayne Byler, Eugenia Baskin and Ione Bigby as co-hostesses.

The president, Miss Byler, presided over the business session at which the class decided on a poor family to "adopt" for Christmas.

During the social hour gifts were distributed from the lighted Christmas tree and games of

bingo were enjoyed by the members. A dessert course was served to:

Mmes J. G. Douglass, Ray Tisdale, Jack Hampton, Arthur Underwood, Wilson Middleton, Price Middleton, J. D. Forman, W. E. Moss, U. W. Johnson, Walter Middleton, Jr., E. A. Sommer, Myles Nixon, Henry Moody, Jack Scales, Bill Clark, W. R. Clark, E. L. Rappy, Fred Middleton, Jack Nixon, Jr.; and Misses Beulah White, Evelyn Crowell, Faye Clark, Bernice Simmons, Eloise Jones, Myrna Sue Clark, Ophelia Haines, Wynis Greer, Maurine Tipton, and Katherine O'Neill.

Additional society items on page ten

King-Holt Co.'s Surplus Stock Sale Continues to December 24th The results of our first week's SALE has exceeded our fondest expectations. We have sold lots of Furniture, yet plenty surplus stock remains to be sold by the 24.

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BALLINGER SCHOOL NEWS
By Kathryn Bell

Address by Rev. Jones
Rev. Wallace Jones, minister of the First Christian Church, spoke to the student body during the chapel program Friday, December 10.

Taking his text from Proverbs, Rev. Jones emphasized the value of school work and the effect of the habits formed during one's school days on his later life. "One is not in school to prepare for future life," he said. "He is in school to learn how to live."

Senior Class Meeting
The senior class had a business meeting Monday during the physical education period.

Sid Reese, the president, presided and made the financial report to the class. Following this, Miss Green outlined the plans for selling tickets to the senior play. Also plans for a silver tea, to be given by senior girls, were discussed.

Lena Rivers
Place: high school auditorium.
Time: Friday, December 17, at 8 o'clock.
Play: "Lena Rivers"
Author: Ned Albert
Director: Ernest Sublett
CHARACTERS:
Lena Rivers—Kathryn Bell
Granny Nichols—Virginia McShan
John Livingstone—Richard Zeditz
Mrs. Livingstone—Edith Jones
Caroline Livingstone—Jean Hargett
Anna Livingstone—Eloise Mullins

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John Junior—Tony Nixon
Frank Graham—Fred Jennings
Mrs. Graham—Mary Lou Creasy
Durward Belmont—Melvin Holt
Malcolm Everett—Oran Highy
Aunt Milly—Willie Mae McMillan
Old Caesar—Billie Jack Connelly
This presentation of "Lena Rivers," on December 17, promises to bring you a full evening's entertainment, and, since the play is a melodrama, there will be both laughs (we hope) and tears. The play is enhanced with the costumes worn by the various actors, as all costumes are characteristic of the Civil War era.

The price of admission will be 25 and 35 cents, and the doors to the auditorium will be opened at 7:45 o'clock.

Home Economics Dinners
A three-course dinner, carrying out the autumn color scheme, was given by Ruth Ashton and Marguerite Snyder Monday evening, December 6. The centerpiece was a pumpkin surrounded by fruit and autumn leaves and favors were turkey nut cups.

Guests for the dinner were Misses Genevieve Green, Armead Howard, Fletcher Metcalfe, and Mr. Ernest Sublett.
Eileen Smith acted as the maid.
A Chinese dinner was given by Esther Wiesepape and Eileen Smith Tuesday evening, December 7. The menu carried out the Chinese theme, as did the centerpiece which was a miniature Chinese bridge with dolls standing upon it.

For favors, green fans and white lanterns were given to the guests. The guests included Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Ward, Dick Holstead, and James Bell, Jr. The maid for the Chinese dinner was Marguerite Snyder.

Letters to Santa Claus
Dear Santa Claus:
I'm a little boy, seventeen years old, and I want you to come see me Christmas eve. Please bring me a pair of "red flannels" to keep me warm this winter, 'cause it's so cold walking to Six' house and back to town again.
Your little friend,
Willie Hartman Penn.

Dear Mr. Thanta (she says):
I've heard that there isn't no Thanta Claus, but I don't believe it. Won't you please prove to me that there is one by bringing me a fur coat for Xmas. I've been a good "little girl" all year, and I've let my friends play with my dolls and kiddle kar.

Please prove that there is a Thanta Claus.
Yours for more fur coats,
"Alice" Virginia McShan.

Where's That Birdie?
Don't get excited, it's not the Fuller brush man at your door, it's the seniors selling tickets to "Lena Rivers."

What was Edith doing with a shovel in the park Sunday afternoon?
We never knew Jean was musically inclined until recently when the band was organized.

Who was the person that was celebrating for the Xmas holidays during chapel Friday?

Mrs. Frank Keese and daughter, Francine, of Long Beach, California, spent a few hours here Friday, visiting Mrs. J. C. Cook, Mrs. Keese's sister.

Sheriff's Sale
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels:

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, of the 14th day of December, 1937, by John B. Rayburn, Clerk of said District Court for the sum of Eight Hundred Thirty-Three and 30/100 (\$833.30) Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of J. D. McCollom Lumber Company, a corporation in a certain cause in said Court, No. 4317, and styled J. D. McCollom Lumber Company, a corporation, vs. Will Hamann, and Julia Hamann, placed in my hands for service, I, W. A. Holt, as Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did, on the 15th day of December, 1937, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

194 acres out of the F. J. Ford Survey 154, Abst. 786, and 10 1/2 acres out of the W. C. Ry. Co. Survey 183, Abst. 542, situated in Runnels County, Texas, and being the same land described in deed, from E. Schweitzer, Sr., et al, to Julia Hamann, recorded in Vol. 151, page 237, Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, to which reference is hereby made for more particular description of said property, and levied upon as the property of Will Hamann and Julia Hamann, and that on the 15th day of January, 1938, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Runnels County, in the city of Ballinger, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by

Taking Count of Unemployed



As millions of questionnaire cards poured in on Washington, the gigantic task of computing the number of unemployed men and women in the United States in order to aid them more effectively was undertaken by government workers. Lester Potar is shown at the assorting machine at the census bureau.

Christmas Matinee Free for Children, Slated at Palace

The management of the Palace Theatre has announced its annual Christmas show for the kiddies of Ballinger and surrounding territory. The show will commence at 9 o'clock on the morning of December 24 and the doors will be thrown wide open to all children, no admission being charged for this special matinee.

Children who would like to may bring packages containing gifts for distribution by the Goodfellows. Any kind of an offering, such as used toys, fruit, food or clothing will be acceptable, and will be turned over to a committee for distribution to the needy of the city. A package is not necessary for admittance to the special matinee, however, it was declared.

A special program has been booked by the Palace for this date which includes a group of comedies and other special features that will entertain and amuse the little folk.

W. D. Scales, manager, stated that this show was the management's Christmas gift to the youngsters of this territory and that he hoped the Palace auditorium and balcony would be completely filled on that date.

The entire theatre staff will be on duty to look after the little boys and girls and help them find seats, and it will be the kiddies' party from 9 o'clock until noon.

Parents are urged to permit their children to attend and it was stated that they will be looked after in every way. The show will be made comfortable for any kind of weather.

The doors will be opened promptly at 9 a. m. and the performance will begin as soon as the audience is seated.

SAYS NOW IS THE TIME TO ERADICATE CUT ANTS
COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 15—December, January and February are the best months in which to eradicate cut ants, the little red ants which build great underground "towns" and which cause damage of approximately \$1,000,000 annually in Texas, according to R. B. Reppert, entomologist of the extension service of Texas A. & M. College.

The colonies are weakest during these months as there are no young queens and only small broods are being produced. Reppert said control is accomplished by pouring a tin of water into one of the numerous holes above the town and by adding a quart of carbon disphosphate or "highlite" to the last gallon or two of water. When the holes are stopped up, the ants are killed by fumes of the "highlite."

"We hear so much about grasshoppers that we pay little attention to cut ants, but they do a tremendous amount of damage over a large section of the state," Reppert said. "The average cut ant town does an annual damage of around \$8."

County agricultural agents in many counties staged cut ant eradication drives the past winter, and they are planning new control programs for the next three months. At a cost of \$4,750 for "highlite," farmers and ranchmen, under direction of these agents, destroyed 12,521 towns in the past campaign with an estimated annual saving of \$93,000.

Starr county led in the eradication drive the past year and destroyed more than 3,500 towns. Other counties prominent in the campaign were Brooks, Parker, Houston, Medina, Fayette and Hidalgo.

Be wise—advertise.

John Deere Day Set for Saturday At Mansell Bros.

Saturday will be John Deere Day in Ballinger. Mansell Bros. store will be headquarters for farmers during the entire day and special demonstrations and picture shows will be presented for their entertainment and instruction. Everything is free and preparations are being made to take care of three or four hundred visitors on this occasion.

Saturday morning at 9 o'clock a special feed mill demonstration will be given for those interested. This will show the latest John Deere equipment in action and teach modern methods of fattening livestock with the aid of a feed mill.

Beginning at 1 p. m. a continuous picture show will be screened at the store and the public is invited to attend. Four special pictures have been obtained for this part of the program and men, women, boys and girls will enjoy these films. "Friendly Valley," "School Days," "Champions on Parade" and "What's New in Farm Equipment" are titles of the four pictures and each will be presented on a special screen with talking equipment and good projection.

Employees of the Mansell Bros. store will be on duty all day to help entertain the farmer-visitors and no tickets will be required to witness any of the entertainment features.

Dr. C. F. Bailey, W. B. Woody, and J. F. McMillan returned Tuesday from a turkey hunt in the Del Rio section. They brought back four gobblers.

Sales Books at Ledger office.

RURAL SCHOOLS PLAN CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

A number of the rural schools in Runnels county will present Christmas programs next week just before the holidays begin. The Offen, Cochran, Maverick, and Blanton schools have announced programs at the office of County Superintendent E. C. Grindst and the entertainments will be presented for the general public.

Most of the schools dismissed on Thursday, Dec. 23, but the programs will be tomorrow (Friday) night of the week and continue through next week.

Judge O. L. Parish will close the fall term of district court in Ballinger this week and will be here during the Christmas holidays. On January 3 he will go to Coleman to open a five weeks' term of 119th district court in that city.

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If you don't have tickets, or need more, ask us for them before the day of show. They are FREE!

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2 Pioneers of County Pass to Great Beyond; Funerals Held Sunday

James Madison Johnson, 83, for 61 years a resident of Runnels county and one of the men who operated cattle here on the open range, died at Winters Saturday. He suffered a stroke of paralysis a week before his death and for the past four years had been in failing health.

Decedent was an extensive land

owner and ranchman in this county and had lived at Winters since 1923.

He was a charter member of the Ex-Open Range Cowpunchers' Association and served as president of that organization since it was formed in 1906. He was always in attendance at all meetings until his health failed four years ago. He helped in preparations for the meetings held each August on the L. P. Wood ranch near Runnels.

From 1906 to 1912 Mr. Johnson was president of the Winters State Bank and at the time of his death had banking interests.

Decedent was born in Campbelltown, Florida, and moved to Gonzales county in 1871. In 1876 he moved to Runnels, then the county site of this county, and began running cattle on the open range. He was married in 1887 and he and his bride moved to the Johnson ranch in 1889. His wife died in 1930.

Survivors include three sons, Jim, Lee, and Frank Johnson, of Winters.

Funeral services were held at the family home in Winters Sunday afternoon, Rev. W. T. Hamor, pastor of the Winters Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was made in the Main Street Cemetery.

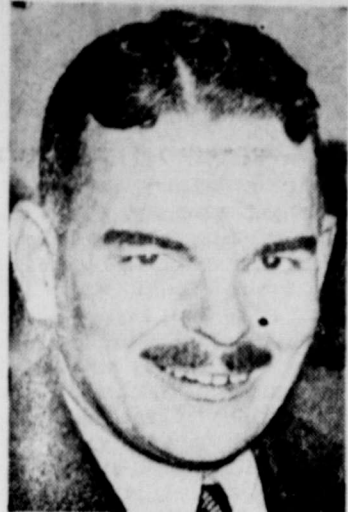
Pallbearers were W. T. Pike, Pat Wood, W. W. Parramore, Rufus Allen, Bernice Gardner, R. S. Murphy, Walt Allen and Harris Mullin.

W. W. Farmer, 80, Runnels county pioneer and at one time a wealthy stock farmer of this section, died Saturday afternoon at the home of a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Pearl Farmer, in Miles. He had been in ill health for three months.

Last rites were held at the King-Holt Funeral Home chapel in Ballinger Sunday afternoon, Rev. W. B. Wheeler, of Miles, and Rev. Clarence A. Morton, of Ballinger, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Farmer celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on July 15, this year. Decedent was

RACKET SMASHER



Racket-crushing, crusading young Thomas E. Dewey beams for the camera after his recent election as district attorney of New York county. Running as a fusionist candidate on the same ticket as reform Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia he was elected by a landslide vote. He gained fame as a special prosecutor when he succeeded in smashing major crime rackets in New York city.

born at Poplar Bluff, Missouri, in 1857. He lived in Kansas and Colorado before moving to McCulloch county in 1881. He and his family moved to Runnels county in 1906 and began farming on a large scale.

Survivors besides the wife include a daughter, Mrs. W. A. York, Lubbock; two sons, Ben Farmer, Follette, and J. C. Farmer, La Verne, Oklahoma; and two brothers, C. D. Farmer, Eugene, Oregon; and L. J. Farmer, Los Angeles.

Sheriff's Sale THE STATE OF TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Execution Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, Texas, on the 8th day of December, 1937, by John Rayburn, Clerk of said Court, for the sum of Four Hundred Twenty and no/100 (\$420.00) Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of Thomas G. Patteson and C. P. Shepherd, and against Tom Field, Green Field, Cynthia Donoho, May Field Pond, and Anna Belle Tillery, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 4350, and styled Shepherd & Patteson vs. Tom Field et al, placed in my hands for service, I, W. A. Holt as Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did on said Court, No. 4350, and styled Shepherd & Patteson vs. Tom Field et al, placed in my hands for service, I, W. A. Holt as Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did on the 8th day of December, 1937, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

FIRST TRACT: Lot 1, Block 36, Original Town of Ballinger; Lot 1, Embury and Field Addition to the City of Ballinger; and the Southwest 40 feet off of Lot 7, Block 34, Original Town of Ballinger, (said three tracts of land, however, subject to a life estate therein in favor of Sallie Field); and

SECOND TRACT: Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12, Block 3, of the Sunnyside Addition to the City of Ballinger, and Lot 6 and the Northeast 20 feet off of Lots 7 and 8, Block 34, Original Town of Ballinger, all in Runnels County, Texas.

And levied upon as the property of the defendants, Tom Field, Green Field, Cynthia Donoho, May Field Pond, and Anna Belle Tillery, and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1938, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said execution order of sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said defendants, Tom Field, Green Field, Cynthia Donoho, May Field Pond and Anna Belle Tillery, but subject to life estate of Sallie Field in first tract.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Ballinger Ledger, a newspaper published in Runnels County.

Witness my hand, this 8th day of December, 1937.

W. A. HOLT, Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas. By Winona Jones, Deputy.

9-16-23-30

HUNGARY USING U. S. PLANES

BUDAPEST, Dec. 15.—Hungary is reported to favor American aircraft in the reorganization of its air force. Several new planes were purchased last year. Many pilots are being trained near Budapest, and the youths look smart in their new khaki uniforms. They wear long cloaks when not on duty.

Wright Certifies 17 Local Gridsters To Get Sweaters

Coach Felton T. Wright, of the Ballinger high school, has certified a list of 16 players and the student manager to receive letters this season. Sweaters marked with a "B" will be awarded later in the year as soon as an order can be placed and received here.

The sweaters will be presented the 1937 Bearcats at a special chapel program after Christmas. The sixteen players participated in enough quarters to be considered "regulars" and meet interscholastic league requirements for letter men.

The team will lose eight of its sixteen letter men by graduation or age this year and will have eight to begin the next season with.

Those certified for letters are: Dillard Adair, Curtis Jones, Cecil Carter, Roy Gressett, Fred McKay, Johnny Barnett, Luther Morris, Billy Jack May, Gordon Powers, Cecil Roe, Thomas Parrish, Don Fritz, Corbett Davis, Douglass Cox, Marquiss Flanagan, Samuel Wellhausen, and the student manager, Arthur Wiesepape.

NORTON SCHOOL NEWS

By Elizabeth Clifton

Mr. Lynn Gives Football Boys Oyster Supper

The football boys were given an oyster supper by Mr. H. W. Lynn in a Ballinger cafe Friday night. All the club attended save two. The boys enjoyed the affair immensely and appreciated the honor highly.

The Norton pep squad extends thanks and gratitude to the citizens of the community for the cooperation they have shown in transporting the pep squad to and

from football games. Also, we wish to thank the Ballinger pep squad and band, as well as the Ballinger citizens in general, for the loyal support they gave us, especially at the Norton-Rochelle game.

Annual Pep Squad-Football Team Banquet Scheduled

The annual pep squad-football team banquet is scheduled to be held on December 18, at the school house. Pep squad and football executives of the 1936-37 team are invited.

School will turn out for the Christmas holidays on December 23. The regular routine of work will be resumed on January 3, 1938.

We regret the loss of many of our football boys and pep squad girls this year. Football boys who played their last game with Rochelle are: Rudolph Carter, Travis Barrett, Ralph Jennings, Curtis Pruitt and J. W. Taylor. "Manager" Kevill also graduated this year. Pep squad girls who yelled in the Eagle pep squad for the last time at the Norton-Rochelle game are: Leta Lewis, assistant leader of the pep squad for this year; Jenna V. Setser, Irene Hickman, Laura Sturkey, Leta and Vesta Stewart, Marie Nix, Mildred Murphy, Jessie and Ethel Paschal, and Katherine Smith.

Officials for next year's pep squad were elected last week. They are: Ella Mae "Slats" Jennings, main leader; Phyllis "Sidy" Roper and Lucile "Dell" Williams, assistant leaders; Ada Patton and Stuart Setser, drum girls; and Jayce Roper, secretary-treasurer.

"Daddy," exclaimed the little boy.

"One more question, then," sighed the tired father, "Only one."

"How far is it," inquired the tot, "between to and fro?"

Be wise—advertise.

Senior Class Play Will be Presented Tomorrow Evening

The Ballinger senior class play will be presented tomorrow (Friday) evening at the high school auditorium, the curtain rising at 8 o'clock. The play is under the direction of Ernest Subiett and a cast has been working for the past month getting the production ready for the public to witness tomorrow night.

"Lena Rivers," a dramatization of the Mary J. Holmes novel in three acts by Ned Albert is the offering selected for the 1937 senior play and much care was given the casting of performers for the various parts. Many members of the class participated in the try-outs and Mr. Subiett was well pleased with the ability of those chosen for the roles.

Admissions of 25 and 35 cents will be charged for this attraction and the proceeds will be put in the commencement fund to take care of the expenses of speakers and other items connected with programs at the close of school.

The play and between-act specialties will provide a full evening's entertainment and school patrons are urged to keep Friday night open so they can attend. The curtain will rise promptly at 8 p. m. and special scenery will help make the performance a success.

HUNTER FINDS MINE

KILFINAN, Scotland, Dec. 15.—Boring operations have been started at Kilfinan on a vein of copper found by a student out for a rabbit hunt. Versed in geology, he was attracted by earth scrapings near the mouth of a burrow. He sent samples to an assayer who reported that they were copper ore. Exploration revealed a

promising vein and now the population of the whole district on the east of Loch Fyne is dreaming of a new prosperity.



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Oranges ^{California Navels} Med. Size 2 Doz. 35c
Large Size 1 Doz. 25c

Bananas ^{Central American} Doz. 10c

Apples ^{Choice Delicious} Medium Size Box \$1.65

Sweetened Coconut Bulk lb. 23c

Del Monte Pears No. 24 Can 19c

Powdered or Brown Sugar 2 lbs. 14c

Christmas Candy
Good Assortment
2 lbs. 25c



Chocolate Covered Cherries
1 lb. Box 19c
Fancy Xmas Chocolates
5 lb. Box 85c

Christmas Nuts

English Walnuts



Large Size lb. 23c Med. Size lb. 19c
Almonds lb. 25c
Brazil Nuts lb. 25c
Pecans, Natives lb. 10c

Cranberry Sauce
Ocean Spray
2 for 25c
Cranberries
lb. 18c

Mince Meat
Pecan Valley
9-oz. Pkg.
3 for 25c

Dates
Fresh Bulk
Pitted
2 lbs. 23c

Vanilla Wafers
Cellophane Bag
lb. 15c

Christmas Apples

Washington Romes Medium Size Doz. 10c
Fancy Delicious Large Size Doz. 25c
Fancy Winesap Medium Size Doz. 15c

Coffee, H. & H. 1 lb. 27c
3 lbs. 75c

Chocolate ^{Hershey's Baking} 8 oz. 2 for 25c

Swansdown Cake Flour ^{With Free Pkg. of Baker's Coconut} 29c

Crisco 3 lbs. 50c
6 lbs. 99c

Salmon ^{Alaska Pink No. 1 Can} 2 for 25c

Pickles ^{Fancy Dills or Sours} 25-oz. C.H.B. 23c

Peas ^{No. 2 Mission} 2 for 25c

Christmas Market Specials

TURKEYS ^{These are Specially Selected Birds} No. 1 lb. 25c
No. 2 lb. 20c
HENS lb. 23c
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GUINEAS Each 60c
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Grand Jury to Complete Investigations Tomorrow

The Runnels county grand jury will be in session here tomorrow to complete its work in connection with the fall term of 119th district court. The investigators probably will conclude their work late in the afternoon and adjourn for this term.

The week's petit jury reported back for duty Wednesday morning but cases set for trial were postponed until the next term. The jurors returned this (Thursday) morning but were dismissed by Judge O. L. Parish when no cases were ready for trial.

The final work in connection with the present term will be finished this week.

A jury awarded Fritz Maas, Tom Green county man, damages of \$12,500 Monday afternoon in a suit in which Joe Sefcik, of Runnels county was defendant.

The jury answered in favor of Maas all of the 17 special issues submitted by Judge Parish. The suit was based on malicious prosecution and slander.

In the petition it was claimed that Sefcik filed complaint on October 19, 1936, before Justice of the Peace J. T. Mathison at San Angelo, charging Maas with com-

mitting a felony: disposing of mortgaged property. The complaint was dismissed September 16, 1937, it was shown in the trial.

Maas also alleged that Sefcik attempted to have him indicted in district court at San Angelo on November 1, 1936, by alleged false statements which charged Maas with disposing of mortgaged property of more than \$50 value.

The petition also set out and claimed that Sefcik made a second complaint, this time before Justice of the Peace B. W. Pilcher in Ballinger, charging embezzlement of money and property. On this complaint, the petition alleged, Maas was arrested and held in jail at Dallas and in Runnels county. Later Maas was no-billed by the grand jury here.

By the complaint filed at San Angelo, the jury found that Maas had suffered 91,500 damages. He was allowed this and \$8,000 for the complaint filed in Ballinger, and for the slanderous statement he was allowed \$3,000.

The case of Peter James and Allen James vs. Mrs. Mattie James, contesting the will of the late F. W. James, was settled out of court Monday.

A large crowd attended B. T. U. Sunday night. An interesting program was given. It was decided to have just one group, as we felt that one group leader could take care of the fifteen or eighteen who are willing to take parts on programs. Those who do not feel that they can take part are just as welcome as those who do take an active part.

Dave Forgy was elected general group leader; Brooks Gibson, Bible reader leader; and Mrs. Gaddy, pianist. As a special feature of our B. T. U. service next Sunday night, the president has arranged for a Christmas reading, and a Christmas carol, entitled "Silent Night," sung by Mrs. W. N. Gaddy and Mrs. Pat Tyree. The subject for the B. T. U. program is "The Laws of God." This promises to be one of the most helpful and most interesting programs we have ever had. At the close of the program, we will have a beautiful hymn that never grows old, "Jesus, Hold My Hand," sung by Mrs. Pat Tyree, playing her own accompaniment on the guitar. Everybody come! Visitors are welcome.

As usual, about January 1 will bring "moving day" around for some people in our community. In a way, when one of our neighbors or friends move out of the community, it is closely kin to the family circle being broken, as we always try to share our joys and sorrows with each other.

From now on, henceforth and forever, we will try to get started promptly, and make a special effort to get through on Sunday nights in time for those who desire, to attend preaching services at Valley View, providing our lights don't go out for ten or fifteen minutes as they did last Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Forgy, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Laxton and family, and Troy Laxton, of Ballinger, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs.

Leonard Laxton and daughter, of near Oifen.

Miss Winnie Lee Jones called in the home of Miss Mike Foulger last Thursday afternoon.

Grandma Maxwell, of Ballinger, spent last Wednesday and Thursday nights with her daughter, Mrs. Doc Camp, and family.

The weather of the past week has consisted of almost every kind. First, cloudy and cold, then a few snowflakes and a little mist, followed by warmer weather. Then clear skies, cloudy again, then clear part of a day, and at this time skies are heavily overcast and a good rain falling. We do not prophesy, but here's hoping when these lines are being read that the sun will be shining brightly.

Dorothy Neil Camp returned home Friday after visiting relatives here for several days. Important! This is the last chance we will have to remind you through this column that the Christmas program will be held Thursday night, December 23. It will be followed by the distribution of gifts from the Christmas tree. Everyone is invited to attend.

The boys and girls in the rhythm band will make their first public appearance of this year in their new suits of purple and white, on the night of December 23.

Most of the Barnett people plan to spend Christmas at home with a family gathering, or in the home of some relative where the family plans to gather. This joyful season brings to each of us a measure of happiness that corresponds to the degree in which we have turned our minds, feelings and action to the spirit of Christmas, as it is expressed in the song of the angels, "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

Other rural correspondence on page twelve

Rural

BARNETT BELLRINGERS

There wasn't a very large crowd at Sunday school Sunday. Those who were not present failed to have their names in the hat to draw for Christmas gifts. However, if the absentees are there next Sunday they will be given another opportunity.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Tyree and son visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Stubbelfield Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nelson and son, of Old Runnels; Mr. and Mrs. John Duke and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Tyree spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Pat Tyree and son.

About a month ago the reporter aroused much curiosity among the people by writing that wedding

bells would ring again soon. We believe everybody understands by this time.

Last Friday night, Walter Cook and Miss Thresa Laxton stole a march on their friends and relatives, by going to the home of Rev. M. C. Golden and being united in marriage. Accompanying the couple were Troy Laxton, brother of the bride, and Hershel Cook, brother of the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Cook left immediately after the wedding for Donie, Freestone county, where Mr. Cook is employed and where they will make their home. Mrs. Cook was born and reared in this community. She is the sweet and noble daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Laxton and was one of the most popular young ladies of this community. We will miss her from our Sunday school and community activities, but wish her smooth sailing on the sea of matrimony. Mr. Cook formerly resided at Marie but is more recently of Norton. He is a young man of sterling character and makes and holds friends wherever he goes. The couple have a host of friends and relatives who wish them many years of happiness together and the very best that life holds.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Landers spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Landers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Linderman spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Madison, of Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Gaddy and little daughter visited relatives at Marie Sunday afternoon.

Those who visited in the S. W. Burk home Sunday were Misses Rosemary Camp and Mildred Burks and Mrs. E. A. Norman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Burks spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. L. C. Burks.



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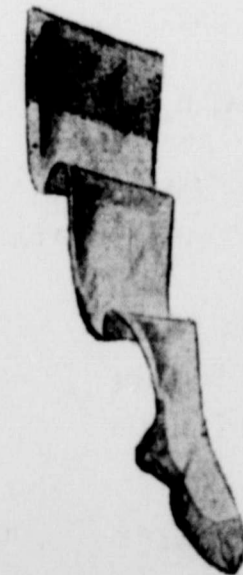
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CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES

Ballinger church groups are ready for the Christmas season and next Sunday morning and evening will reach the climax with beautiful programs. Practically every church in the city will observe the great event in some way or an other at both the morning and evening hours. In addition to these, presents will be distributed from Christmas trees this week-end and next week for children in the primary departments. Many Sunday school classes are also making provisions for the "adoption" of needy families.

First Methodist

A joint Sunday school and church service will be held Sunday morning with Sunday school departments presenting a program, bringing gifts for the poor of the community and a cash offering for the orphans' home at Waco. At the close of the morning program Rev. Marcus M. Chunn, pastor, will deliver a short Christmas sermon to the entire group. The program will start at the regular 9:45 Sunday school hour with departments meeting to prepare their reports and at 10:25 the entire school will assemble in the auditorium for a one-hour service.

At 7:30 Sunday evening the choir of the First Methodist Church will present its annual Christmas concert. A group of 36 voices will render a full hour of Christmas anthems and special numbers featuring both women's and men's quartets, a female trio and other numbers.

The church will be beautifully embellished for the occasion, silver and blue used in all decorations and lights. The organ console has been moved for this concert and the choir will be seated in the center of the church in special concert arrangement.

This service is to begin 30 minutes late in order that members of other churches may attend at least a part of the program.

Eighth Street Presbyterian

Rev. C. H. Ward, pastor, will deliver his Christmas message at the Sunday morning church hour. At seven Sunday evening a Christmas cantata will be presented and readers taking part. This program is under the direction of Miss Carmen Demmer and the public is cordially invited to hear it.

On Wednesday evening, December 22, the Sunday school Christmas tree will be held at the church. A short program will precede the appearance of Santa Claus.

On Monday afternoon, December 20, the ladies' auxiliary will hold its Christmas program at the church.

First Christian

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock Rev. Wallace Jones, pastor, will deliver his Christmas sermon to members of his congregation and visitors. Special music also will be rendered at this service.

A special vesper service of Christmas music and readings will be presented Sunday evening at 8:30. All citizens of Ballinger are invited to attend this service which will be concluded in time for the congregation to attend a Christmas program at some other church in the city if they so desire.

Ballinger Baptist

At 9:45 a. m. Sunday members of the Sunday school will observe a "White Christmas," bringing gifts for the poor and the orphans' home. Christmas programs will be presented in the departments.

Sunday evening at 7 o'clock the annual musical program will be presented in the church auditorium. Choir members will render musical numbers that will appeal to everyone. Special decorations will be put up in the church.

The evening program is under the direction of R. E. White, choir director, and Mrs. L. Schermerhorn, organist. Included in the music will be solos, duets, male

quartets, a girls' octet, old Christmas carols, hymns and anthems. Special numbers will be played on the vibraharp by Mrs. Schermerhorn.

First Presbyterian

On Sunday morning the primary, junior and intermediate-senior departments will join in a Christmas program which will include the bringing of gifts for the poor.

At the 11 o'clock hour the pastor will preach a Christmas sermon

and special music will be rendered by the choir.

At 7 o'clock Sunday evening there will be a pageant, "The Light Shined in Darkness," portraying the Christmas story in prophecy and song up to the birth of the Savior. The pageant, directed by Mrs. E. W. Stasney, will be participated in by the choir, under the direction of Mrs. Alex McGregor. A large group of characters will be seen in the pageant. Special efforts will be

made to create a beautiful setting and the correct atmosphere for this old, yet ever new, story.

On Thursday evening, December 23, the young people will meet at the manse and go out to sing Christmas carols outside the windows of the sick, shut-ins, and elderly people.

GEORGE SCRUGGS ATTENDS LAST RITES FOR FATHER

George Scruggs, employee of the

Humble Pipe Line Company here, was called to Athens last Thursday on account of the serious illness of his father, J. R. Scruggs. The senior Mr. Scruggs was stricken with pneumonia last week and died Monday night of this week. Funeral services were held at Athens Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Scruggs will return to Ballinger tomorrow (Friday) to resume his work.

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Notice is hereby given to the Delinquent Taxpayers of Ballinger that tax suits have been filed and other suits are now in preparation for filing against Delinquent Taxpayers.
To avoid additional cost and penalties, payment must be made or arrangements made at the City Hall to pay these taxes. We do not desire to proceed with this unpleasant duty, but the Delinquent Taxpayers will be confronted with this situation unless payment is made.
D. P. McALPINE,
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- Kellogg's Flakes 9c
Corn
- New Process Oats 42-oz. Pkg. 12c
- Apple Butter 38-oz. Jar 17c
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Can
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 - Peaches 39c
 - Apricots 43c
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SOCIETY

Shakespeare Club Resumes

Pan-American Study
Following a series of special plays the Shakespeare Club resumed its study of Pan-American literature last Thursday noon.
The papers had an international flavor with Mrs. Dwight Sharpe reading "South America and the Doctrine of Discovery." Miss Armead told of the types of Euro-Americans attracted to the Americas. Mrs. Loyd Herring's topic was "Future of South America and Desirability as a Field for Colonization."
Leonard Stallings presided at the business session, during which final plans were made for Christmas party.

Agnew Compliments Mother
Mrs. Tom Agnew named her mother, Mrs. Myrtle Harshaw, of Beach, California, and Mrs. Bone, R. S. Griggs and Joseph, of Fort Worth, guests of honor last Saturday afternoon. The entertainment at forty-two Wilke Terrace home.
Red and silver theme was used in floral adornment of the dining room.

table decoration which was an arrangement of silvered spruce leaves and Christmas balls intermittently lighted with tiny concealed electric bulbs. Clusters of mistletoe were used around lights and a decorated tree was placed on a village snow scene surrounded by a tiny fence. Red tapers gave a soft light.
Mrs. E. C. Baskin received guests and presented the honorees.
Game appointments were matched parchment folders with Santa Claus in art. Assisting were: Mmes. E. W. Stasney, R. W. Earnshaw and J. B. Striplin.
Awards went to the honored guests. A dessert course was served with coffee and sprigs of holly as favors.
Others included: Mmes. R. L. Harwell, Marcus Chunn, W. B. Halley, Tom Caudie, Ed O'Kelly, John Weeks, John Currie, R. W. Bruce, J. G. Douglass, J. Y. Pearce, R. G. Erwin, George Holman, E. Shepperd, C. P. Shepherd, G. G. Odom, M. B. Wardlaw, H. C. Lyon, L. C. Alexander, W. A. Bridwell, A. B. Legate, C. R. Stephens, H. W. Lynn, E. E. King, Jack Nixon, Sr., Sam Behringer, J. E. Brewer, D. R. Hall, W. E. Midgley, I. Vancil, J. W. Blasdell, and Miss Nell Alexander.

Triple-Four Entertained
On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Tom Agnew entertained Triple-Four Contract Club members and added friends.
She was assisted by her small daughter, Marilyn.
Prizes were won by Mrs. M. S. Patrick for high; Mrs. Harry Lynn, cut; and Mrs. R. T. Williams, low.
Guests were: Mmes. R. W. Earnshaw, K. V. Northington, Edgar Boelsche, Alex. McGregor, J. A. Schnable, Troy Simpson, J. B. Striplin, Lynn, L. R. Tigner, E. W. Stasney, Claude Stone, Patrick, Ralph Payette, Williams, Levy Lee, J. G. Tuckey, Ralph Vancil, Sim Cottle, H. J. Zappe, Ford Taylor, O. T. Toney, Rothal O'Kelly, E. C. Baskin, W. E. Moss, George Stowe, Tommy Hall, J. D. Forman, Charles Bailey, Frank Pearce, Edward Sommer, Oren Chandler, Jack Rudd, Leonard Stallings, Loyd Herring, Robert Bruce, Arthur Giesecke, George Kirk, Floyd Stainback, Herman Giesecke, Jr., Ross Murchison, Bailey Mack, L. M. Lovelace, H. G. Agnew, O. L. Huddleston, J. R. Hawk, Leslie Baker, D. W. Hooper, Edwin Mayer and Sol Mayer, of San Angelo, and Miss Florence Westbrook.
Bruces Are Dinner Hosts
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce were hosts at dinner in their home on Broadway on Thursday evening of last week.

The dining room table, laid in Italian outwork, was centered with an oval reflector on which rested a mound of brightly colored Christmas balls with clusters of silver grapes placed at each end. Green tapers burned in silver holders. The supper was served buffet style.
Foursome tables were laid in Madeira and parchment contract tables also served as place cards. In games Mr. and Mrs. Tom Agnew received high couple score prize.
Others were: Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Stasney, Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Boelsche, Messrs. and Mmes. R. W. Earnshaw, Troy Simpson, J. B. Striplin and Claude Stone.
Wiener Roast for Sunday School Class
The Baptist intermediate class of which Dr. Oren Chandler is teacher entertained with a wiener roast last Friday evening at city park.
Wieners and marshmallows were toasted over a huge camp fire in the open and games were played afterward.
Present were: Dr. and Mrs. Chandler, Maurice Duncan, Ann Morton, Isla Mae Jennings, Mary Edith Herring, Dana Ruth Conway, Sam Wellhausen, Fred Coleman, Guy Lively, Jr., Orland Middleton, Billy Wilson, Bill Sykes, Douglass Cox, Leroy Wilson, Pinkie Bykers and Jadin Hubbard.
Delta Kappa Gamma Initiates New Members
Misses Faye Clark and Marryatt Smith attended the Delta Kappa Luncheon at San Angelo last Saturday given in the Virginian room of the St. Angelus Hotel.
The colors of the organization, red and gold, were emphasized by the use of American Beauty roses in brass bowls and red tapers in brass candlesticks.
Six new members were initiated.
Eastern Star Has Christmas Party
Ballinger chapter No. 266, Order of Eastern Star, held its annual Christmas party following the regular December meeting on Monday evening.
Christmas pot plants in red, green and silver were placed about the large room. A decorated and lighted tree in the East and holly wreaths tied with red cellophane bows against the windows were added decorations.
During the opening line of march an "H" was formed in honor of Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Halley.
Following the formal chapter closing Mrs. C. G. Jennings as marshal led an officers' drill for the visitors.
Miss Griffie Atkins was mistress of ceremonies for the program which consisted of a vocal solo, "In Old Judea" by Mrs. Troy Simpson; Christmas readings by Marilyn Agnew; carols sung by a chorus composed of Mmes. Alex. McGregor, Levy Lee, A. B. Stobaugh, Jack Nixon, Jr., Simpson, Messrs. McGregor, R. W. Earnshaw and Simpson; and vibraharp selections by Mrs. L. Schermerhorn.
Gifts were presented Mrs. Charles Bailey, worthy matron; and Mrs. Jennings, district deputy, by Miss Pauline Morley as she recited original poems.
A plate of chicken salad surrounded by triangular shaped sandwiches in the five colors, white, green, yellow, blue and red, arranged to represent a star, was passed with coffee by Misses Cordelia Lynn, Gloria McGregor, Evelyn Teague, Eulalia Nicholson, Isla Mae Jennings and Mary Simpson. Favors were sprigs of mistletoe.
The general committee members were Miss Loyce Fowler, Miss Marie Norwood and Miss Atkins.
Mrs. Miller Hostess to Class
Mrs. F. C. Miller, teacher of the Conquest Class of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church, entertained members Wednesday afternoon in her home on Seventh Street.
Mistletoe and other Christmas foliage decorated rooms where the singing of carols preceded the business session. Mrs. Sam Malone, president, was in the chair. Plans were made for caring for the needs of an adopted family. Each member presented Mrs. Miller a gift.
Refreshments of plum pudding topped with whipped cream was served with coffee.
Junior Woman's Club Has Christmas Party
The Junior Woman's Club met in their regular bi-monthly program meeting Wednesday afternoon in the Shakespeare Club room.
Silver and blue were the colors used in room decorations and at the tea table laid in lace. The centerpiece was of silver and blue on a reflector and blue tapers burned in silver holders.
The Christmas program consisted of group singing of carols; the Scripture by Mrs. Jap Adams; a discussion of Yuletide customs of many countries by Miss Pauline Shiller and piano numbers by Miss Isla Clayton.
During the social hour, Mrs. E. C. Grindstaff was assisted by Mrs. Leroy McAuley, Mrs. H. G. Agnew and Mrs. J. A. Killough in

Yuletide Pageant To be Presented By Boys and Girls

A program that should attract a large audience will be presented Tuesday evening at the Ballinger high school auditorium. A Christmas pageant by the girls' and boys' choral clubs of the senior high school will be staged under the direction of Miss Mary Talbot.

1. Introduction—"Under the Stars" sung by girls' trio, composed of Eula B. Moore, Mary Simpson and Lucille Hooks.
2. Prologue—Reader, Aden Crager
Luke 1:26-35, 37-38
Matthew 1:18-25
Luke 2:1-7
3. "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"—boys' and girls' choral clubs
4. Reader—Luke 2:8-14
"And There Were Shepherds in the Field"—Scene
"Silent Night"—boys' and girls' choral clubs
5. Reader—Matthew 2:1-10
The Three Kings—"We Three Kings"—boys' choral club
6. "O Little Town of Bethlehem"—boys' and girls' choral clubs
7. Reader—Luke 2:15-20; Matthew 2:1, 11-12
"Away in a Manger"—girls' choral club
Manger Scene—"The First Noel"
Reader—Luke 1:68-79; Luke 2:14
Manger Scene (continued)
Angels singing—"O Come All Ye Faithful" and "Joy to the World."

Mrs. Alex McGregor will play the accompaniments.
No admission will be charged for this entertainment and citizens are urged to attend. This is the first year for choral club work in the high school section and the first for boys in the local schools. Miss Talbot has been instructing the two clubs since the beginning of the term in September and the members have made excellent progress.
The following numbers will be presented in the pageant, "The Birth of Redemption":

entertainment. Nearly thirty-four dollars were taken in from the sale of the pies, popcorn, gifts from stores and from a contest. The pies brought about \$23. Leonard Wilkerson won the ugly man contest over Horace Whitley.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Castor are reported ill at their home on Eighth Street.

Announcement
I wish to announce to the public that I am moving back to the Jennings Funeral Home and will be on the job there 24 hours every day.
Rumors have been circulated that I was no longer connected with the funeral home. There were untrue as I have never severed my connection with the home in any way and have been on the job all the time.
New workshop rooms will soon be completed which will provide a much better place for the refinishing and repair of furniture. We will devote more attention in the future to this work and will guarantee every job we undertake. Our modern equipment for this work, plus many years of experience makes any type of work possible for patrons of this section.
I appreciate the friends and patrons of past years and assure them and all others that I will strive to render pleasing service on every job entrusted to my care either in funeral direction or in the workshop.
Respectfully,
C. G. ("Al") JENNINGS
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FROST KILLED FEED MAKES GOOD SILAGE
COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 15.—Reports that large areas of late feed crops were damaged by recent frosts have prompted E. R. Eudaly, dairyman of the extension service division of Texas A. & M. College, to remind county agricultural agents that frost killed feed is suitable for filling trench silos.
Recent experiments have shown that frost killed feed, which is virtually without market value, makes excellent silage. Mr. Eudaly said, "Thousands of tons of frost damaged feed were placed in trench silos last year," he added, "This feed kept well and cattle were fed as much as 50 pounds a day without ill effects."
"Texas farmers can save thousands of dollars by filling trench silos with feed damaged by the recent freeze," he continued.
"It usually is well to let the feed stand for about three days before cutting, according to Mr. Eudaly, and tests have shown feed can be saved by the trench silo method as long as two or three weeks after it is killed by frost. More water is required for this type of feed than is usual, Mr. Eudaly added.



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Rice Flour 20-oz. Pkg. 20c	Peanuts 1/2 lb. Cellophane Bag 10c
White Raisins 1 lb. Pkg. 15c	Baker's Coconut 1/4 lb. Pkg. 10c
Pitted Dates 1 lb. Pkg. 20c	Angelus Marshmallows 1/2 lb. box 10c
	Knox-Jell Any Flavor 2 for 15c
	Hershey's Cocoa lb. Can 20c
	Pecan Valley Mince Meat 9-oz. Pkg. 10c
	Pillsbury's Pancake Flour 1 1/4 lb. Pkg. 12c

Fruit or Food Baskets
An ideal gift for the home, friend or to send to some poor family. Let us help you select a basket of delicious Christmas goodies.

White Grapes No. 1 Can 15c	
Pineapple Chunks No. 2 1/2 Can 30c	
Peas Early Garden No. 2 Can 20c	
Asparagus All Green No. 2 Can 35c	
Oysters 5-oz. Can 15c	
Cocktail Sauce 10-oz. Bottle 10c	
Cherries Chocolate Covered 1 lb. box 22c	

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Large Sticks or Mixed for Christmas

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50c

Ladies' Slips

Fine quality rayon slips. Lace and embroidery trimmed. Tea rose and pink.

49c



Penney's GIFT BARGAINS!



Always Popular Gifts!

Men's Socks

Patterns Galore! **25¢ PR.**

Gay designs in fine quality rayon socks. Mercerized heels, tops, toes. Smart colors!



MEN'S GLOVES

Unlined Capeskin **98¢ PR.**

Favorites with men! Well made in two styles—snap wrists or slip-ons. Black or brown.

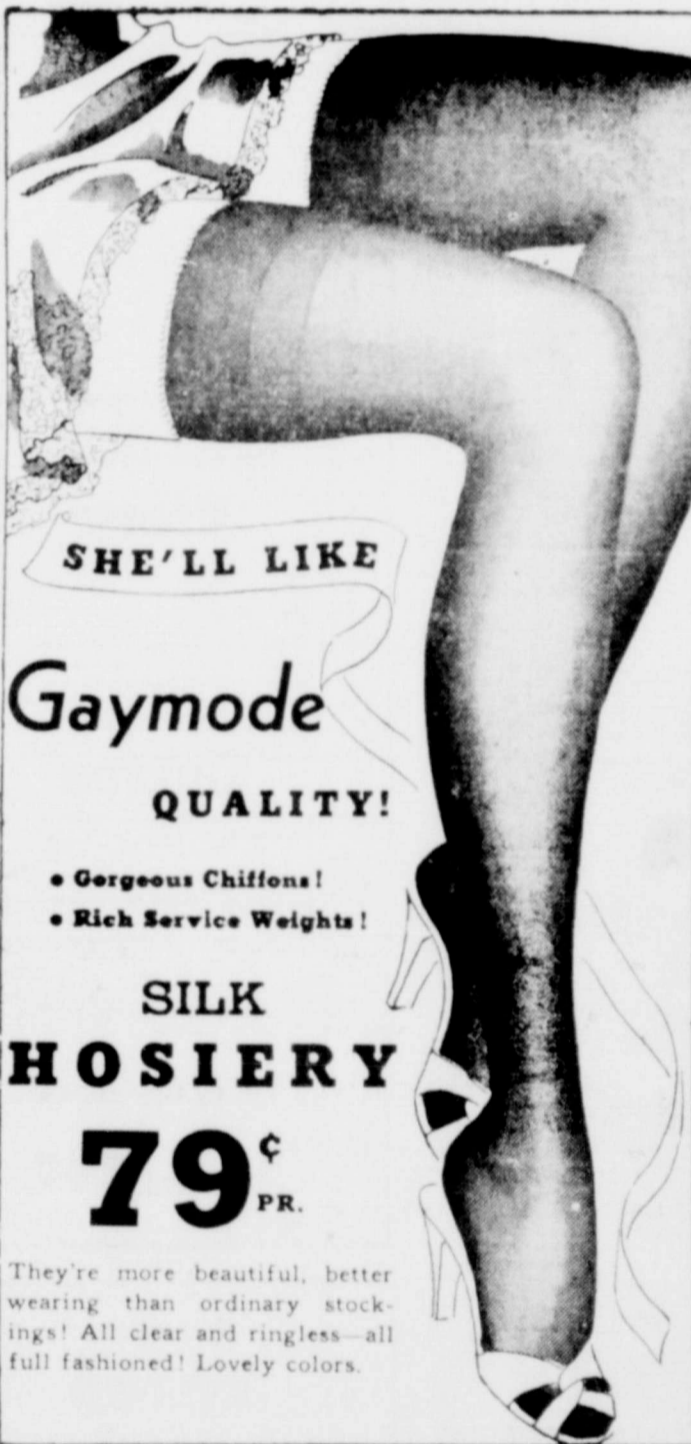


Handkerchiefs

15c to 49c

Three in a Gift Box

Exquisitely dainty linens with hand spoking, drawn cords, lace and hand embroidery!



SHE'LL LIKE

Gaymode

QUALITY!

- Gorgeous Chiffons!
- Rich Service Weights!

SILK HOSIERY

79¢ PR.

They're more beautiful, better wearing than ordinary stockings! All clear and ringless—all full fashioned! Lovely colors.



Prettily Trimmed! Smartly Tailored!

Cynthia SLIPS

98¢

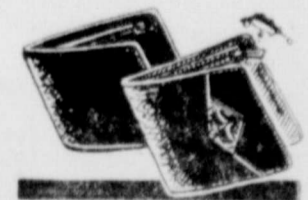
A practical, yet good looking gift! Of rayon crepe, in four gown and blouse cut styles. Trim, fitting—very well made! 32 to 44.



Traveling Case

With 11 **2.98** Fittings!

Of real walrus grain leather with stand-up back, fabric lining—and slide fastener closing.

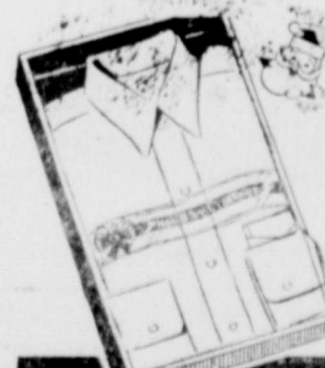


Men's Billfolds

Genuine **49¢** Leather!

In grained leathers or good looking embossed designs. Slide fastener closing! Boxed!

Towncraft SHIRTS



Gift Boxed! **1.49**

Shirts he'll be proud to wear! Fine pre-shrunk shirtings with non-wilt Nutcraft attached collars. Carefully tailored throughout! Ocean pearl buttons. 7-button fronts (not 6)! Neatly boxed for Christmas!

PENNEY'S
J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, Incorporated
BALLINGER, TEXAS

Want Ads

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment, 408 Sixth Street, Phone 28. 16-11

FOR RENT—Furnished bedroom, 308 Sixth Street, Phone 516. 16-11

LOST—Lady's small wrist watch, two cork wrist band, Reward. Notify Davis R. Hall, Hicks Rubber Company. 16-11

FOR SALE—R. I. Red roosters, blood tested strain, P. R. Dietz, Ballinger phone or route 2. 16-31

FOR RENT—One large room furnished for light housekeeping, southwest side, ideal for winter lights and water furnished and deposit up for gas. Call at 301 Thirteenth Street. 11-

LOST—On Eighth Street, brown fur trimmed cape collar, to child's coat. Finder please leave at Elite Cafe, Reward. 16-11

LOST—Lady's hand-bag on the highway between Paint Rock and Ballinger, Wednesday morning. Finder keep bills for reward. Return to Mrs. W. W. Brooks, San Angelo, Mereta Route. 15-

WANTED—Housework, Have had experience. Call Ballinger Ledger office. 16-11

Salesmen Wanted MAN WANTED for Rawleigh Route of 800 families. Write today Rawleigh's, Dept. TXL-39-SA, Memphis, Tenn. 16-11

FOR SALE—1937 model little Willys sedan, in perfect condition. Will guarantee better than 25 miles per gallon. Retail price \$593.00, sacrifice sale price \$395.00. See Dan Liverman. 16-31

FOR SALE—Two good business lots, 30 by 120 feet, corner Seventh Street and Strong Avenue on paved highway, excellent location. See H. J. Zappe. 16-11

WANTED—To rent farm and buy teams and tools, J. M. Hill, Talpa Route 2. 16-11

I will thresh maize and shell corn every Thursday at my farm nine miles south of Ballinger. Robert Lange. 16-31

FOR SALE—Hogs and pigs, W. T. Padgett. 9-21

FOR RENT—Apartment, 2 large rooms furnished, 503 Tenth, Mrs. W. F. Mason, phone 130. 9-31

See the fresh Holly and Christmas Wreaths at Ballinger Floral Company. 9-21

TO LEASE—Three to five years a good sheep and grain farm, R. E. Lee, Box 106, Ballinger Star Route. 9-31

FOR SALE—250 smooth mixed lambs, Earl Lawton, Miles, Texas. 9-31

FOR RENT—Apartment, three furnished rooms, bath and garage, Phone 1279. 2-31

FOR SALE—Steel frame ball bearing 2-row Stalk Cutter, Patterson's Shop. 25-11

FOR SALE—Bronze Turkeys, DeWitt McDonald strain, Frank Krc. 25-41

SORE THROAT—TONSILITIS! Mop your throat or tonsils with Anathesia-Mop, our wonderful new sore-throat remedy and if not entirely relieved within 24 hours purchase price will be cheerfully refunded. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. 021-Apl-11

ECZEMA RELIEF! We guarantee our Paracide Ointment to quickly cure any form of Itch or Eczema or your money will be cheerfully refunded. Large jar only 50c at Weeks Drug Store. M1-38

Drew Dickson is in St. Louis to attend a sales meeting of the Brown Shoe Company. He will return home for the Christmas holidays.



HURRY HOURGLASS

Showers of rain fell all night Monday night, giving the water-haulers hopes for a heavier rain to put out stock water. There were only thirty-eight present for Sunday school Sunday. We are expecting a larger crowd next Sunday as it will be our regular church day. Mr. and Mrs. Frank O'dell, Mr. and Mrs. Youra Blackmon, Misses

NOTICE TO RURAL CORRESPONDENTS The Ledger would appreciate getting your news for next week's issue earlier than usual and in time for our publication on Wednesday afternoon. There will be closing of schools, Christmas socials, visitors coming and going, and many other items to include in communications next week, so please send them as early as possible. THE LEDGER

Gerry Clanton and Juanita O'dell, of Winters, visited in our community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Grounds, of Talpa, called on Mrs. Owen Bragg Tuesday.

We are sorry to receive the sad news today (Tuesday) of the death of Jess Stovall, of Kansas. He is well known here as he resided here several years ago. He was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Grover Avant and an uncle of Mrs. Arthur Kerby.

Dr. and Mrs. Joe Beakley spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Allcorn and Elva Joe.

The Ladies' Missionary Society met with Mrs. John Rosford, Tuesday. The fifteen ladies present quilted two quilts for Backer's Orphan Home. At the noon hour a delicious lunch was served.

In the afternoon Miss Mary Fuller, whose marriage to Marshall Belcher is to take place December 22, was honored with a miscellaneous shower. Miss Fuller received many nice and useful gifts.

Registered in the bride's book, made by Mrs. Lonnie Allcorn, were: Mrs. Elsie Kerby, Neitha Kerby, Thora Kerby, Mrs. Jim Brevard, Mrs. John Rosford, Alta Hale, Ruby Matthews, Lemina Fuller, Vivian Kerby Brevard, Elva Jackson, Mildred Kerby, Mrs. Lonnie Allcorn, Mrs. Arthur Fuller.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Stokes visited in our community Sunday. Welby Fuller and Mailer Hill were Coleman business visitors Friday.

Mrs. Miller spent Thursday with Mrs. Clyde Brevard.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hale called on Mr. and Mrs. Welby Fuller Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Allcorn and Elva Joe spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fuller and Norma Sue.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rosford, Dorothy Mae and Kenneth spent Sunday with Mrs. Schwartz, of Crews.

Several from here attended the singing at Crews Sunday. The singing convention will meet at Mud Creek January 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Bragg called on Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hale Tuesday night.

Read the ads—save money.

TRAVEL WITH Santa Fe for a SAFE Comfortable HOLIDAY TRIP

Examples of travel costs from BALLINGER to

Table with 2 columns: City, Fare. Rows include FL. Worth, Dallas, Okla. City, Wichita, Kansas City, Chicago.

Overnight Service via "The ANGELO" to Fort Worth-Dallas offering direct connections to Oklahoma, Kansas City and Chicago.

LOW FARES now on sale to all points for Holiday Travel. Ticket Agent, Santa Fe Lines, Phone 47, Ballinger, Texas.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS ARE GUESTS AT DINNER Members of the Ballinger school board and Superintendent H. C. Lyon, Principal George E. Stowe and A. F. Brock were guests of home economics class of the Ballinger negro school Saturday afternoon at a seven-course turkey dinner. The meal was served at the colored school, members of the class cooking and serving the food.

Myrtle Wormley is teacher of the class and a large group of girls and boys are taking the course. Good progress has been made by this class, which is taking one of the most popular subjects taught in the colored school.

Tables were decorated with Christmas colors and a Christmas tree was the center of the entire room was beautiful and the

guests were delighted with the way the dinner was served. Members of the board attending were A. J. Thorp, A. McGregor, E. J. Harber, J. A. Killough and Henry Doss.

BALLINGER MEN ATTEND DODGE-PLYMOUTH MEETING

O. C. Sykes, Fred Holliday and C. J. Bell went to Abilene Tuesday to attend a meeting of Dodge and Plymouth dealers and salesmen of this area.

T. L. "Mike" Mullican, of Dallas, regional manager of merchandising, was in charge of the meeting. A general discussion of the 1938 cars was held during the morning and afternoon sessions and sales plans were made for the ensuing year. Representatives from a 150-mile

radius of Abilene attended the meeting.

STATE EDUCATORS' MEETING AT AUSTIN JANUARY 6 AND 7

Educational leaders of the state have been issued an invitation to assemble at Austin on January 6 for a two-day "workshop" meeting of county and city school superintendents, and members of boards of trustees are included in the list. A program of interest has been arranged which will include several prominent speakers from out of Texas who will deliver addresses.

County Superintendent E. C. Grindstaff stated that he would attend the meeting and that three members of the county board of education, E. E. King, Paul Petty and W. J. Gardner, also would be present.

A number of representatives of city schools in the county also are expected to attend this meeting, called by State Superintendent L. A. Woods.

Danger of---

Continued from page 1) according to the records of the local fire department, have occurred around Christmas and members of the department hope to close the insurance year on December 31 with no further damage or destruction.

A few fires this year have caused the losses to be heavier than usual in this city and another one or two during the remainder of the year probably would add a

penalty to local insurance rates. Mr. Cherry is improving rapidly but his condition will keep him from his usual activities for some time.

See the fresh Holly and Christmas Wreaths at Ballinger Floral Company. 9-21

WEDDINGS

Williams-Neely Brooks Williams, of Rowena, and Miss Lenora Neely, nurse in the Halley & Love Sanitarium, were married at Abilene on November 27. Mrs. Williams will remain with the hospital until January 1 after which the couple will make home at Rowena.

Receipts in duplicate for all pur-

SAFEWAY Headquarters for CHRISTMAS FOODS. Illustration of Santa Claus and reindeer.

Kitchen Craft Flour

Table with 2 columns: Quantity, Price. Rows include 6 lb. Sack, 12 lb. Sack, 24 lb. Sack, 48 lb. Sack.

Harvest Blossom Flour

Table with 2 columns: Quantity, Price. Rows include 24 lb. Sack, 48 lb. Sack.

Airway Coffee

Table with 2 columns: Quantity, Price. Rows include 3 lb. Pkg., Edwards' Coffee.

Pinto Beans

Table with 2 columns: Quantity, Price. Rows include Fancy Recleaned, 3 lb. bag.

Steamboat Syrup

Table with 2 columns: Quantity, Price. Rows include An Energy Giving Food, No. 10 Pail.



Baltimore Standard OYSTERS

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Rows include Bulk Sugar Cured SLICED BACON, Old Plantation Seasoned Pork SAUSAGE, Fresh Pork SHOULDER ROAST, Beef SHORT RIB ROAST, Hockles PICNICS.

Fancy Box Chocolates

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Rows include Blue and Silver, Red Label Karo Syrup, Snowdrift, Brown Sugar, Powdered Sugar, Shredded Cocoanut, Bulk Dates, Shelled Pecans, Oats.

American Youth BREAD

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Rows include Sliced, White or Whole Wheat, Full 16-oz. Loaves, Sugar, Pure Cane, Compound, 4 Pound Carton.

Beautiful Washington Fir Christmas Trees

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Rows include Queen Mixed, Orange Slices, Monster Gums, Chocolate Drops, Peppermint Sticks, Peanut Butter Slab.

Get Yours Today Prices Range From 30c to \$1.25

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Rows include Assorted Nuts, Walnuts, Almonds, Brazil Nuts, Pecans, Paper Shells.

Mixed Nuts 2 lb. Bag 45c—5 lb. Bag \$1

Armour's Star Sliced BACON

It's a breakfast treat lb. 33c

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Rows include Genuine Sunkist Oranges, California's Finest Fruit, 288 Size Dozen, Genuine Idaho Potatoes, Washington State Apples.

Fresh Foods

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Rows include Cauliflower Head, Celery, Cocoanuts.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Rows include Genuine Idaho Potatoes, Washington State Apples.

SAFEWAY STORES