



### Talk on European Conditions of Day Heard by Rotarians

At its regular weekly luncheon Tuesday noon the Ballinger Rotary Club heard a first hand description of Europe as it appeared the past summer. This account was given by Miss Nell Shepperd, who traveled through ten countries during the late summer of 1938 and saw conditions which do not usually get into newspapers or radio broadcasts.

Miss Shepperd limited her talk to conditions mainly and did not elaborate on art, opera and many other such things which she felt would not be of interest to the club members.

Most interesting to her audience of men was her stay in Austria. She was there just after the country was taken over by Germany and saw the first ill treatment of Jews. She told of how stores were marked and of conversations with Jewish shopkeepers who knew that they must leave soon to find another home.

In Germany, the speaker stated that the first question asked them was "is it really as bad in America as they say it is?" Newspapers printed pictures of long bread lines and of starved bodies in the streets. All her mail received in Germany had been opened and stamped by the government censor. She told of the intensive training of young boys and girls in Italy, the boys in military tactics and the girls in learning to operate farms and businesses.

One concentration camp was visited near Berlin, but the tourists were not allowed inside and few people would discuss conditions in these places.

An interesting part of her talk was the visit to Oberammergau where the Passion Play is presented every ten years. Here the American group met many of the actors in the play and found that they were preparing for the performance in 1940. Hitler had given orders that the play not be given and had insisted that the cast present a pageant of German history including events in the country during several hundred years and climaxing with the "greater" Germany of today under the rule of Hitler. This, the actors stated, they would never do, and that they would accept persecution first.

Arriving home, she told of how glad the thirteen girls were to be back in the United States and the people they loved.

There are no icebergs in the northern Pacific Ocean.

### SON COMES TO AID



When James J. Braddock, former world's heavyweight champion, was informed that his father, 76-year-old Joseph Braddock, pictured above, had applied to North Bergen N. J., relief officials for aid, he said: "Why, he shouldn't have done that. He knows I'll take care of anything." The former champ made approximately a half million dollars in the ring.

### WALKER MADE SUPERVISOR OF PIGGLY WIGGLY STORES

F. E. Walker, for the past several months manager of the Piggly Wiggly store at Ballinger, has been promoted to the position of supervisor of the stores at Ballinger, Mason and San Angelo. He will divide his time between the towns and will be in one of the stores every day of the week.

Charles Stone comes to Ballinger as store manager here and will look after local sales. Mr. Walker will direct displays, store management, advertising, buying and other details and will give a large portion of his time to the store here, especially on week-ends.

Since coming to Ballinger Mr. Walker has made many changes in the local store that provided better display of merchandise, more courteous service and more conveniences for shoppers. His success here has been partly responsible for his promotion which will give him supervision of all the Piggly Stores in this area.

And so you were playing poker for money?" said the western judge to the prisoner at the bar.

"No, sir, we were playing for chips."

"Well, it's all the same. You got your chips cashed for money at the end of the game, I suppose."

"No, sir."

"Why, how was that?"

"At the end of the game I did not have any chips."

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### PRODUCTION OF DAIRY COWS IS ON INCREASE

COLLEGE STATION, March 1.—The 1938 average production of cows in the Texas Dairy Herd Improvement Associations was 22 pounds above that of 1937, reports from the USDA bureau of dairy industry show.

The average production of the 2,789 cows on test in 12 Texas associations was 6,086 pounds of milk and 290 pounds of butterfat, G. G. Gibson, assistant dairyman of the Texas A. & M. College extension service, who has charge of the work in this state, said.

"Compared with the average production of all cows in Texas—320-pound butterfat average of all our association average looks good," Gibson commented. "When we compare the record with the 320 pound butterfat average of all cows in associations in the United States, we realize that we still have room for improvement."

The Central Plains associations, with an average of 346 pounds of butterfat, topped Texas associations.

The average feed cost of the 2,789 cows was \$55 per cow and the cow returned an average income of \$103 above feed cost.

Dairy herd improvement associations are organized by dairymen, with the help of county agricultural agents on a cooperative basis. A tester is employed who keeps records on the individual cows and makes feeding, breeding and culling recommendations. Cost is prorated according to the number of cows on test.

### WALLACE CHASTAINS RETURN TO ST. LOUIS

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Chastain and son spent the week-end here, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Chastain. They left Monday for St. Louis where Mr. Chastain has accepted a position with an uncle and where he will be in charge of a large group of stores. He formerly was employed in St. Louis by the same company and returns with a decided promotion. For several months he had been a salesman for the H. J. Heinz Company at Dallas.

"Who is that lovely girl?" exclaimed a lawyer to his friend.

"Miss Glass," replied the learned counsel.

"Glass," reiterated the facetious judge. "I should often be intoxicated could I place such a glass to my lips."

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TRUCKING interests demand legislative authority to increase the existing truck load limit on Texas highways, arrogantly ignoring the fact that highway hazards to life and limb grow greater year by year.

On the highways of Texas in 1937, the last year for which authentic figures are available, 670 persons . . . men, women and children . . . lost their lives in accidents in which trucks were involved . . . and 3,360 others were injured . . . many of them permanently disabled.

In the past six years . . . 1932 to 1937, inclusive . . . the number of persons killed annually in truck accidents increased from 241 to 670 . . . and those injured from 887 to 3,360. These indisputable figures . . . taken from actual accounts of truck accidents published in Texas newspapers . . . show that in the six-year period 2,936 persons lost their lives and 15,183 were injured in truck crashes on the highways of our state. The number killed is greater than the population of Odessa, Gatesville, Lampasas, La Grange, Raymondville or a score of other thriving Texas cities . . . while the number killed and injured exceeds the population of Sherman, Marshall, Corsicana or Paris, all ranking business centers of the state.

Analysis of official records of accidents in which trucks were involved reveals a further vital fact . . . that the heaviest and largest trucks, as a class, operating over Texas highways in 1937, showed a death rate of four and one-half times that of all trucks, large and small, and almost seven times that for all motor vehicles, including trucks.

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The statutes now in effect have governed truck operations on Texas highways since 1931 and the ever-growing toll of truck accidents, injuries and deaths, reflects only the increasing ingenuity of the operators of overloaded trucks in evading or openly defying the laws created to control them in the interest of public safety. Large trucks use your highways only by your permission expressed through your legislature.

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# Women's, Society and Club News

## Know-Your-Neighbor Club in Endacott Home

Mrs. J. H. Endacott entertained Know-Your-Neighbor Sewing Club members last Thursday afternoon in her home on Eighth Street.

Small silk American flags were favors on the refreshment plate of angelcake topped with whipped cream and coffee, served by the hostess assisted by her daughter, Jeanne, following a pleasant hour spent in sewing and talking.

Included were: Mmes. Malcolm Morgan, Cal Adair, Grace Thomas, Layne Moreland, Rothal O'Kelly, Bill Clark, Joe Flynt, John Barton, and Jack Nixon, Sr.

## Mrs. Weeks Hostess to Forty-Two Club

Mrs. John Weeks was hostess to her forty-two club and a few added friends Saturday afternoon in her home on Eighth Street.

Beautiful spring blossoms decked rooms where the St. Patrick's Day theme was employed in the party details. Silk shamrocks and pipes adorned game accessories and favors were Irish fortunes with prizes. A plate of ham loaf with raisin sauce, hot biscuits, green salad molded as shamrocks, sandtarts and coffee was served preceding games by Mrs. Weeks assisted by Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw.

Guests included were: Mmes. John Currie, Warren Lynn, E. Shepperd, E. C. Baskin, E. L. Hagan, Ed O'Kelly, H. C. Lyon, R. W. Bruce, J. G. Douglass, C. P. Shepherd, Drew Dickson, B. C.

Kirk, L. Schermerhorn, Chester Cherry and Hamp Byler.

## Dinner for Debonair Debs

Mrs. Aurelia Webb was assisted by her daughter, Mary Jo, Friday evening when Debonair Debs were guests at a prettily appointed dinner. Dates were included for informal after-dinner entertainment.

Lovely geranium clusters in a low bowl on a round reflector centered the dining room table where dainty cards marked places for eight. The menu was served in three courses to: Mary Jo Webb, Ann Morton, Ruby Nance, Tommye Mansell, Winnie Merle Adair, Norma Gene Bankston and Mary Simpson. Boys included were: Orland Middleton, Pinky Byers, Bill Sykes, Alvin Bell, Murrell Landreth, Corbett Davis, and Douglass Cox.

## Mrs. Sam Malone, Jr., Entertains Club

Mrs. Sam Malone, Jr. gave an attractive party last Thursday afternoon for the Thursday Contract Club.

St. Patrick's Day emblems and the green and white colors were stressed in all game and table appointments and in the plate of green jello rings filled with chicken salad, tipsy pudding, wafers and coffee.

Miss Teddy Wardlaw won high score award in games with Misses Louise Batts, Dorothy Lynn, Merna Sue Clark; Mmes. John

## MISS TELEVISION



Miss Peggy Knapp, Jackson Heights, New York, was named Miss Television in a beauty contest held in Palm Beach recently. Judges selected their winner from televised reproduction.

Hollingsworth, Jack Scales, Tom Guin, Herbert Sledge and Paul Kirk.

## George Kirks Are Hosts

Mr. and Mrs. George Kirk were hosts Friday evening to their contract club in their home on Pou Avenue. Added friends were included to play substitute hands.

The green color note was suggested in game tallies and score pads and in prize wrappings. A two-course supper was served buffet style from the prettily appointed dining room table preceding games.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rudd received high couple prize for club members and Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Mack for guests. Others included were: Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Bailey, Dr. and Mrs. Oren Chandler, Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Cheatham, Messrs. and Mmes. Alex McGregor, Arthur Giesecke, W. B. Woody, Robert Bruce, Ross Murchison, Robert Lowry, Herman Giesecke, Jr., Paul Kirk, Malcolm McGregor, and Miss Virginia Holman.

## American Wit and Humor Studied by Shakespeare Club

The Shakespeare Club had the first of a series of programs on "American Wit and Humor" last Thursday afternoon at its meeting in the club room on Eighth Street.

During the business session Mrs. Edgar Boelsche gave a report of the Fort Concho federated clubs meeting in San Angelo, Saturday, February 18. It was voted to make a donation to the American Foundation for the Blind.

Quotations from "Poor Pa" by Claud Callan were given in answer to roll call. Mrs. Lela McAdams was leader and read a paper on "Mark Twain, Dean of American Humorists." Mrs. H. C. Lyon read "The Wren's Nest" by Joel Chandler Harris, and Mrs. J. C. Sturges, Jr., read Mrs. W. B. Woody's paper on "Uncle Remus' Philosophy."

## J. D. Formans Hosts at Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Forman were hosts at dinner last Friday evening in their home on Sixth Street.

Three leaf clovers were scattered over a large oval reflector on which a low crystal bowl of white carnations and fern was placed. Tall green tapers burned in single crystal holders on the lace-laid table and buffet. St. Patrick's Day symbols were featured on place cards and the green color note was reflected in the four-course menu. Potted plants decorated other living rooms.

Guests were: Rev. and Mrs. E. D. Landreth, Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Forman.

## Methodist Circles Meet in Homes

Mrs. W. E. Midgley, Mrs. John Loveless and Miss Thelma Midgley were hostesses Monday afternoon in the Midgley home on Eighth Street to members of the Ettie Gressett Circle of the Methodist Woman's Missionary Society.

Mrs. E. C. Baskin introduced the new mission study, "The Church Takes Root in India," by Basil Matthews, and Mrs. Midgley gave the first lesson. A plate of chicken salad on potato roses, olives, wafers, sandtarts and coffee was served to: Mmes. Tom Agnew, C. P. Shepherd, J. B. Striplin, Baskin, T. M. Marsh, C. H. Midgley, O. R. O'Neill, J. M. Skinner, R. A. Dickinson, Ed O'Kelly and Miss Nellie Mae Midgley.

Sallie Odom members were entertained by Mrs. F. D. Landreth in her home on Tenth Street. Mrs. E. C. Tinsley presented the study assisted by Mrs. Landreth. Favors for the refreshment plate of salad, cookies and coffee were silk shamrocks and Irish pipes. Mrs. Price Middleton

resigned as chairman and Mrs. Henry Moody was elected. Present were: Mmes. H. G. Agnew, Odie Reneau, Jack Scales, Ray Tisdale, Fred Middleton, Wilson Middleton, W. R. Clark, Jr., Henry Moody, Tinsley, Bynum Britton and Jack Hampton.

Etta Burrows members were guests of Mrs. Jack Nixon, Sr., and Mrs. Tom Caudle in the Nixon home on Fifth Street.

Mrs. Wilbur Redwine discussed the preface to the new study and conducted a round table discussion on India. Mrs. Gerald Black gave the first chapter, "Rhythm of Village Life."

A sugar plum tree of white and green and the lace-laid dining room table and green candles on the buffet suggested the St. Patrick's Day motif stressed in the salad plate served with individual cakes iced in green and coffee to: Mmes. Redwine, W. F. Mason, Ford Taylor, Sam Behringer, Joe Morrison, Black, Troy Simpson, J. G. Douglass, Cecil Jones and Cal Adair.

## Officers for 1940 World Day of Prayer Chosen

Mrs. F. C. Miller was chosen chairman, and Mrs. O. T. Toney, secretary-treasurer, of the 1940 World Day of Prayer program.

Mrs. J. G. Douglass is retiring chairman and Mrs. Charles Bailey, secretary-treasurer.

About 75 women heard the program on "Let Us Put Our Love into Deeds—and Make It Real" given at the First Christian

Church last Friday afternoon under the direction of Mrs. Douglass.

Other society items on next page

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- Bar N Stripes, prints **69c**
- Per yard
- Bar N Stripe, plain solid colors **59c**
- Per yard
- 39 inch printed Dorsey crepes, printed all new shades **69c**
- Per yard
- 39 inch Velva crepe, printed, all new spring shades **59c**
- Per yard
- Evergrand crepe by Duplan Silk Corp., 39 inches wide, a beautiful sheer fabric, Fuchsia, navy, black, Capri blue **\$1.00**
- Per yard
- 39 inch Homespun Hop Sacking, new spring colors **\$1.59**
- Per yard
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**BALLINGER SCHOOL NEWS**  
By Mary Jo Webb

**Choral Club Sings in Assembly**  
Friday, February 24, the girls' choral club sang several selections in assembly.

Previously, Tommy Mansell entertained with several piano selections.

The choral club, directed by Mrs. McGregor and accompanied by Clara Beth Lynn and Creola Henderson sang several selections including "Come to the Fair," "Marge in an Apron Blue," and "Barcarolle." A double sextet sang "To a Wild Rose," and their second selection was followed by a comedy in which the boys' choral club aided. Gilbert Lolka sang the verse to "I Must See Annie Tonight." The girls' club sang the chorus. L. J. Byers, dressed in purple, appeared on the stage as "Annie." Afterward, the student body joined the choral clubs in singing popular songs.

**Cue and Curtain Club**  
The Cue and Curtain Club met Wednesday. A round-table discussion was held. Criticisms of the Shakespearean scenes and a discussion of stage terms was led by Mr. Sublett. Afterward, Virginia Anderson, L. J. Byers and Betty Heavenhill read a play which may be used as the Cue and Curtain

vehicle for the one-act play contest.

**Senior Who's Who**

**Beard, George**—A tall blue-eyed fellow who seems reporter-shy. Has gone to school here the last four years. Lives five miles north of town. Belongs to the Spanish club. Has entered the spelling contest, and wants to be a painter and designer.

**Duke, Bobby Joe**—A nice dark guy who lives four miles south of town. Has gone to school here all four high school years. Is a 4-H club member, belonged to the choral club last year, has played county meet baseball, and likes farming. He may keep on being a farmer in the future.

**Esmond, Marlon**—A nice looking fellow who comes from Hatchel. Has gone to school here the past three years. Belongs to the Spanish club. Has played baseball and came out for football. Says he wants to study petroleum engineering after graduation.

**Embry, Billy Joe**—The blond girl, you know. Is a member of the Cue and Curtain and Spanish clubs. Belongs to the band, was a peeper two years (bugler '37). Was captain of our county meet baseball team one year and has entered tennis this year.

**Evans, Anita**—Seventeen years old August 15. Belongs to the Spanish club, was a drummer in

**American Turf Champ Gets Rub-Down**



Seabiscuit, American turf champion, is Charles S. Howard's chief hope for the \$100,000 Santa Anita Handicap in March. The Biscuit was handicap favorite in 1937, but finished behind Rosemont. A favorite again last year, he finished behind Stagehand. His greatest triumph was a three-length victory over War Admiral at Pimlico.

the pep squad. Says she "reckons she'll go to college and then get married (she hopes everybody thinks)." **Boothe, Imogene**—A pretty seventeen-year-old girl from Blanton. She has gone to school here three years. Belonged to the Spanish club last year. Was pitcher for our baseball team one year. Plans to be a nurse. Says she will probably train in San Angelo.

**Junior Boys' Tennis Finals**  
Quenton White will represent Ballinger high school in junior boys' tennis singles. He defeated Jimmie Dickey in the finals.

**Junior Girls' Tennis Doubles**  
Alice Psenick and Maurine Duncan won the school junior girls' tennis doubles and will go to county meet. Other girls' matches have not been played.

**Where's That Birdie?**  
Question of the month: Who's Lulu? Lillian Allen, where did you get that gun? Come, Kathryn, did you or didn't you get married Thursday? Who's in the doghouse now? You guess. Jack Handy, be very careful to sit on the right side of the table. Are some of the Bearcats sorry their hair didn't grow back like Sam's? All the boys fell for Annie-in-the-purple dress, Pinky. Was she related to you? Marquis (Samson) is only waiting until test day to shake the building down. Sonnie, it might be even more amusing to peroxide your hair. Tsk, tsk, who were those boys that "nearly fought" Sunday?

**Occasionally it becomes necessary to lambast one's self. Therefore I heave a brick at this well-known scribe, and ask that someone kindly loan her a memory or don't let her have a play book. Ira Lee, I think Mr. Mac looks much more undernourished than you do, so why not at least leave him part of his lunch? Billie, I know a certain young fellow whose first name begins with H that is sorta inclined to want to like you. Kathryn is an odd meanie, but does she care? No! Nelda, I believe someone took some snap-shots, didn't they? So boxing isn't to be an official sport, eh? Well, that's too bad, isn't it Cowan's and Clifton's?**

**Describing a Nuisance**  
Read this just as far as you can. "Dear Mr. Railroad Boss: "Is it absolutely necessary, in the discharge of his duty day and night, that the engineer of your yard engine make it ding and dong and fizz and spit and clang and bang and buzz and hiss and bellow and wail and pant and rant and yowl and howl and grate and grind and puff and bump and clink and clank and chug and moan and hoot and toot and crash and grunt and groan and whistle and wheeze and squawk and blow and jar and jerk and rasp and jingle and twang and clack and rumble and jangle and ring and clatter and yelp and croak and hum and snarl and puff and growl and thump and boom and clash and jolt and jostle and shake and screech and snort and throp and crink and quiver and grumble and roar and rattle and yell and smoke and smell and shriek like hell? "Tell me, Mr. Boss, it is absolutely necessary?"

**Grover Jackson, of Stephenville, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. V. Northington Sunday. Mr. Jackson formerly resided here.**

**Mr. and Mrs. Bill Witter, of Junction, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Witter, of near Ballinger, over the week-end.**

**Be wise—advertise.**

**82 Seniors Scheduled To Graduate in May**

The 1939 senior class of the Ballinger high school is getting ready for graduation in May and present prospects indicate that 80 will receive diplomas at that time. Senior committees were looking at invitations, rings and pins this week and will place orders for these items soon.

A cast will be selected soon to present the annual senior play as one of the programs during commencement week. Ernest R. Sublett is in charge of the production and will drill the students in their parts.

Social affairs will start several weeks before commencement and continue until the end of the term on May 20.

New caps and gowns ordered will be used by the seniors at the baccalaureate service and the graduation exercises.

The 1939 class is about as large as any to graduate in recent years but not nearly as large as the 1937 class when 87 received diplomas. School and church officials are seeking speakers for baccalaureate and graduation programs and these will be announced soon.

Following is a list of students in the 1939 class and who are expected to receive diplomas in May:

- Boys**  
Adair, Dillard  
Beard, George  
Braden, James  
Barnett, Johnny  
Boothe, Jay  
Burnette, Carlos  
Childers, Sterling  
Curry, Lyle  
Duke, Bobby Joe  
Erwin, Ralph James  
Esmond, Marlon  
Ferguson, Hanford  
Flanagan, Marquis  
Hoffman, Garlyn  
Hutcheson, Thomas  
Krempin, Otis  
Lisso, Marvin  
McKay, Fred  
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Mapes, Milton  
Morris, Luther  
Parrish, Thomas Hugh  
Pulin, Marion  
Simecek, Alvin  
Sears, Mitchell  
Simmons, Joe  
Strebek, Harold  
Wood, Luther  
Wellhausen, Sam  
Wear, Powell  
Warrick, Ivan  
Webb, Charles  
Moulter, Roman  
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- Girls**  
Anderson, Virginia  
Boothe, Arline  
Bankston, Norma Gene  
Brown, Rosa Gene  
Clark, Inez  
Cox, Addie Ruth  
Chapman, Alice  
Causey, Tonita  
Doherty, Mildred  
Embry, Billy Joe  
Evans, Anita  
Fowler, Virginia  
Foreman, Imogene  
Flynt, Janie  
Hamilton, Lillian  
Howard, Margaret  
Hanz, Theodora  
Hudson, Thelma  
Herring, Mary Edith  
Jackson, Willie Frances  
Kiepas, Gladys  
Kiechie, Ann  
Lawrence, Betty Jane  
Lynn, Cordelia  
McGregor, Gloria  
McFarland, Mary Lee  
McFarland, Johnnie Ruth  
Nicholson, Eulalia  
Nance, Ruby  
Patterson, Vivian  
Rudder, Etheldene  
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Teague, Evelyn  
Thomas, Laverne  
Wiesepape, Esther  
Webb, Mary Jo  
Warrick, Ila  
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**PRICE ADJUSTMENT WILL BRING FARMERS \$30,000,000**

COLLEGE STATION, March 1.—Price adjustment, or "parity" payment rates, announced recently by the AAA, make it possible for Texas cotton, wheat and rice producers who stay within their 1939 acreage allotments to get more than \$30,000,000.

The rates are: Cotton, 1.6 cents a pound; wheat, 11 cents a bushel; and rice, 12 cents a hundredweight, or 19 cents a barrel.

Price adjustment payments, which are in addition to "conservation" payments at rates previously announced, are made on the 1939 normal yield of each producer's acreage allotment, for cotton, wheat or rice.

**TEXAS POULTRY RAISERS MAY ATTEND CONGRESS**

COLLEGE STATION, March 1.—Less than five months from now, poultrymen from Texas and the entire country will have a chance to attend the first World's Poultry Congress to be held in the United States.

The congress is scheduled for Cleveland, Ohio, from July 28 to August 7. George P. McCarthy, poultryman of the Texas A. & M. College extension service, said that there are two divisions, the congress of meetings, and the exposition of exhibits.

The congress phase, he said, is planned to interest and benefit persons in any branch of the industry, including consumers. Outstanding home economists, dietitians, doctors, food consultants, housewives and producers will be speakers. A series of demonstrations will be given in transparent kitchens.

Some 180 papers will be presented by scientists and educators from 25 countries, exhibit space has been reserved for 44 states, including Texas, and from 16 to 20 counties will have displays; in the live bird show some 8,000 birds will be shown, and more than 5,000 persons are voluntarily giving their time in arrangement for the congress.

A \$2 shirt may contain as little as 10 cents worth of cotton; a \$5 bathing suit, 15 cents worth of wool and a package of cigarettes, less than half a cent worth of tobacco.

Mrs. J. W. Wiginton spent Friday in Coleman, visiting a daughter, Mrs. Robnett Martin.



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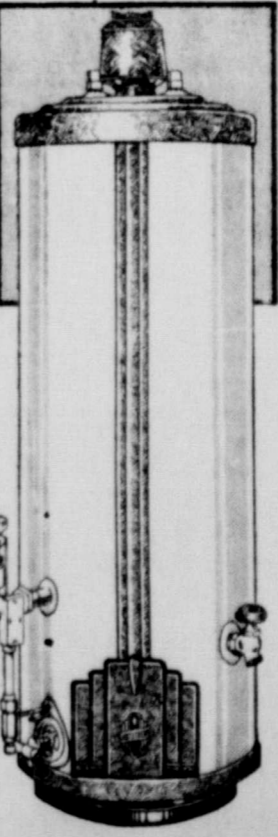
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# RURAL NEWS

**RED BANK**  
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wade and daughters returned Monday from a few days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hamrick, of Sydney, Texas.  
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jost, of Offen, visited with her mother, Mrs. Joe Schwertner, and family, Thursday.  
Misses Billy Jo Boatright, Velma

and Elthine Baca; Henry Boatright, Louis and Jerry Baca visited in the F. W. Makowsky home at Klattenhoff Friday evening.  
Mr. and Mrs. Zack Toungett and children attended the singing at Brookshier Sunday afternoon.  
Carolyn Latzel spent Wednesday night with Ruth and Raymah Lois Wade.  
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Keeling and family, of Ray, were guests in the W. Y. Boatright home Sunday.

Julius Neuman was in San Angelo Saturday afternoon.  
Luther and W. Y. Boatright left by car Wednesday morning for a visit at Harper, Texas.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zak and children, of Spring Hill, visited Mrs. Joe Schwertner Sunday.  
Several in this community have been bothered with sore eyes. However, almost everyone is well.  
Misses Billy Jo and Mozelle Boatright and Elthine Baca attended the singing at Brookshier Sunday afternoon.

**BETHEL**  
Mr. and Mrs. Claude Simmons were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Crockett, of Hatched.  
Services held by Rev. Coleman, of Rowena, at the Baptist church Sunday were enjoyed by a large crowd.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Adams, of Pecos county, are visiting this week with relatives.  
Mr. Adams' school at Buena Vista has closed for a time on account of an epidemic of measles among the pupils.  
Guests in the M. W. McShan home Sunday were the following: Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Webb and son, Charles, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Gassiot and children, Mr. and Mrs. David Duke and daughter, Mary Ruth, and Bill Davenport.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Adams and children, Jim Shelburne, Misses Annie and Sallie Shelburne, Mr. and Mrs. Hedrick Shelburne and children and Rev. Coleman were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs.

## Will Broadcast Program Sunday



L. B. Baca and his orchestra, of Rowena, will broadcast a program of old time music, Sunday, March 5 from 1:00 to 1:30 over station KGKI San Angelo. Members of the orchestra as shown above are reading left to right: Kenneth Feist, bass; Henry Ripie, piano-guitar; Gilbert Loika, violin; bottom row, Wm. Gleich, Jr., trombone; John Chvojka, trumpet; L. B. Baca, trumpet and sax; Jimmie Shiller, sax; Cleo Roy Baca, drums.

Kemper Shelburne.  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Woods and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Doherty were Sunday guests in the R. J. Woods home.  
Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Woods, and Miss Mildred Woods were in San Angelo Tuesday.  
The Maverick and Bethel boys and girls' baseball teams played at Bethel Tuesday, Bethel winning both games. The grammar girls' volley ball teams also played with Bethel victorious.  
The Hatched girls' baseball team played the Bethel girls Wednesday, the Bethel team winning.  
The Bethel P-T A. will meet this Friday evening, March 3, in the high school auditorium. An excellent program is planned with try-outs in all entries of inter-scholastic work. All parents are urged to attend.

**SPRING HILL**  
Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Aycock and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Allison Sunday afternoon.  
Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Parrish and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hampton and children visited Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Ingle Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Henkhaus had as their guests Sunday, Mrs. J. J. Henkhaus and Elsie.  
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Piel and family visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Piel Sunday afternoon.  
Mr. and Mrs. David Piel visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Piel Sunday.  
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Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Greenwell spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Dean and family.

**NORTON**  
Mrs. Ruth Turner was hostess to the Baptist Dorcas Class Wednesday afternoon in her home. Mrs. Roy Roper conducted the business session.  
The Intermediate G. A. met with Mrs. D. D. Shaw Monday afternoon. New officers were elected, and Mrs. Shaw will be the new sponsor.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Priddy and son, Bobby, visited relatives at

Coleman Sunday.  
Mrs. Hattie Lloyd is spending the week with her son, J. L. Lloyd, and family, of Bradshaw.  
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Mrs. W. E. Elkins and little daughter, Thea, are visiting relatives at Fort Worth.

**HERRING**  
My, but we had a regular West Texas sandstorm Monday of this week. We are still needing rain. Several in our community are hauling stock water.  
Mrs. W. L. Alcorn entertained Elton Joe on his fourth birthday Tuesday afternoon with a party. Those present were: Marvie Joe and Roland K. Kerby, Neva Ann Brevard, Velma and Nona Ruth Brooker, Lorena Peek, Mr. Day of Santa Anna, Mrs. Marion Kerby, Naomi and Lexie Brevard, Mrs. Herbert Peek, Mrs. W. L. White, Mrs. J. Rosford and Dorothy, Fruit, hot chocolate and cookies were served by the hostess.  
Mrs. Katherine Rike, of Austin, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Henderson.  
Miss Lexie Brevard is visiting her sister, Mrs. Marion Kerby, this week.  
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Miss Arlene Schwartz spent Saturday night with Dorothy Rosford.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. L. White returned home last Wednesday from New Mexico. Mr. White arrived only a few hours before his mother passed away. He has our sympathy.  
Miss Billie Jean White spent Thursday night with Miss Winona Faubion and visited the Crews school Friday of last week.  
Next Saturday night and Sunday are our regular preaching dates. Let every one who can go

and hear Bro. Nixon—he is a fine preacher.  
Mr. and Mrs. Welby Fuller and Lyndon Rosford were dinner guests of the Marion Kerby family Sunday.

## BENOIT

Among those attending church in Talpa Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Neal Clayton and Wanda, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Clayton, W. T. Hill, and Miss Addie Ruth Cox, all of Benoit; Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Elma, of Miles; and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Neely, of Bradshaw.  
Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ashton were visitors in the Milton Gibson home Sunday afternoon.  
Misses Lucille and Lynette Stokes visited in the Andy Spreen home Sunday.  
Guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Neely, of Bradshaw; Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Elam, of Miles; Brother and Sister Turney, of Talpa; and Misses Doris Sue Hill and Wanda Clayton.  
Steve and Billy Ashton visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ashton during the week-end.  
Alvin Spreen spent Sunday night and Monday night with Fred Spreen.  
Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Ashton visited Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ashton, of Ballinger, Sunday evening.  
Ralph Spreen visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lange, the first of this week.  
Charles Lee Shepherd, of Brownwood, visited Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Moseley and Zelma last week-end. Albert Spreen transacted business at Fort Worth Monday.  
Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox visited in the Edgar Martin home Sunday afternoon.  
Mr. and Mrs. Locket and Cleo visited Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brookshier and family Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Dow Hancock spent Tuesday in Coleman.

Arlen and Nellvine; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Vaughn and children, Navilla, Minnie Beth, Amos, William and Lavada; Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Stark and children, Lois Marie and Ruby Ann; Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Caudle, Mr. Duckworth, Mrs. Wright, Miss Orenta Skelton and Troy Allen.

## Texas Program for Junior Woman's Club

Texas current events were given in answer to roll call by 26 members of the Junior Woman's Club who met in the Shakespeare Club room Wednesday afternoon.  
Miss Lola Clayton directed the program on Texas. Miss Elizabeth Hoffman's topic was "Texas Resources"; Miss Cleo Lane's "New Texas Industries"; and Miss Myra Tankersley's "New Texas Farm Products." "Texas, Our Texas" was sung in unison.  
Mrs. C. R. Stephens, Shakespeare Club sponsor, was a visitor. During the business session several constitutional changes were made. The office of critic was made elective and a historian was added to the list of officers. Associate membership fees were increased.

## CREWS SCHOOL NEWS

At the community club meeting last Thursday night there was a good program and everyone seemed to enjoy the numbers. There was a "railroad" spelling match with the freshmen and seniors spelling against the sophomores and juniors. Prizes were awarded to the freshman-senior group.  
The boys went to district meet at San Angelo, where they were defeated by the Lakeview team.  
The basketball girls are now playing volley ball. They entered a tournament at Lawn on February 24 and 25, and were beaten by the Bradshaw entry.  
Crews high school students presented a play last Tuesday night, February 14, entitled "The Crazy Mixup." It was done very well. The students seemed to enjoy staging the production very much. The next play to be offered here is "The Absent-Minded Professor." This comedy is expected to draw a large crowd. It is the most humorous play that has been staged at Crews this year.  
The baseball and tennis teams went to Content last Thursday. The baseball team won, but the tennis team was defeated.

## SOCIETY

Mrs. C. M. Vaughn Celebrates 68th Birthday  
Sunday, February 26, friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Vaughn to celebrate her birthday. Following the returning of thanks, all joined in singing "Happy Birthday." The honoree received many useful gifts.  
Present were: Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Esmond and children, Marlon and Blaine; Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Dodd and children, Estelle, Maurine, Orville and Wynell; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Vaughn and children.

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The Howard cargo carrier plane, nearing completion in a Chicago factory, is believed to be the first basic freighter design developed in this country.

Hints for the Farm - Furnished by the Extension Service A. & M. College

Treating seed Irish-potatoes for scab costs only 5 to 10 cents a sack, but it may be the factor that will determine whether or not a farmer makes a success with his potatoes...

being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, at the courthouse door of said county...

C. R. ROBERSON, Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas. By Winona Jones, Office Deputy.

RUNNELS COUNTY 4-H CLUB BOYS RAISING GOOD HOGS

COLLEGE STATION, March 1.—The Texas Swine Breeders' Association's annual award for excellence in swine demonstration in 1938 will go to 4-H pig clubs of Coryell, Lubbock and Bosque counties...

litters are being fed from self feeders and mineral boxes have been provided. As in the case of Coryell county, home grown feed and pastures were provided in most cases.

There were only 12 boys in the Bosque county pig club, but what they lacked in numbers they made up in quality.

Johnny Helms again made an outstanding record when he started out with a litter weighing 450 pounds and brought up to 2,378 pounds when it was sold.

Regenbrecht said soundness of the county plan, number of boys completing their demonstrations, total pounds of live hogs produced, percentage of boys owning registered sows...

Other high ranking counties included Farmer, Crosby, Wise, Dallas, Hill, Ellis, Van Zandt, Henderson, Red River, El Paso, Seurry, Martin, Falls, Chambers, Shelby, Cherokee, Bexar, Lavaca and Wharton.

BLANTON 4-H BOYS' CLUB

At the regular February meeting of the Blanton 4-H boys' club County Agent John A. Barton was present to assist the members in organizing and getting demonstrations started for the year.

The club was divided into two groups which will compete against each other on their records for the year.

Officers elected are: Malone Gallant, local leader; James Fowler, president; J. Ray Reese, vice-president; Clyde Reese, secretary; Calvin Reese, reporter.

The next meeting will be held on March 2, beginning at 3 p. m., at the Blanton school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Schnable spent the week-end in Abilene, visiting relatives and friends.

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

Prospects for building in Ballinger are looking up since a number of applications for FHA loans have been filed with good chances for approval.

Ballingerites are evincing more interest in local politics and two important elections next month should attract considerable numbers of those qualified to vote.

Runnels county boys set an example of what can be done in commercial feeding of livestock when they shipped 97 head of lambs to Fort Worth last week and topped the market for the year with a 50-cent bonus.

Miles council members have been informed by the state fire insurance commission that a 15 per cent credit will be allowed on insurance there for 1939.

Dr. W. B. Halley and Dr. Charles F. Bailey have moved their equipment and furniture from the second story of the Security State Bank building to offices on the ground floor with an entrance on Seventh Street.



West Texas News

A report by the relief office at Menard discloses more people depending on this source for help than a year ago.

Trustees of the Coleman independent school district last week elected C. H. Hufford superintendent for the 23rd year.

The community center building recently completed by the NYA in Ranger Memorial Park at Santa Anna was dedicated Monday.

Judge O. L. Parish closed the spring term of 119th district court at Paint Rock last week without hearing a case.

Extension service agents and vocational agriculture teachers in Comanche county are urging farmers to raise more fruit to take the place of crops lost because of government reduction regulations.

The Fort Stockton Lions Club has launched plans for its annual water circus and has set tentative dates for June.

Hereafter the store will be known as the Carl H. Feist Grocery.

high school vocational agriculture students the past week-end with their fathers as guests had 100 per cent attendance.

The first colt show to be held at Brady this week has created another fine department for the annual livestock show.

C. W. Lehmburg, Brown county farm agent, has announced that six fat calves shown in the Brown county livestock show have been selected to be exhibited at Fort Worth.

Members of the Eden Business Men's Club attended stock shows and auctions at Millersview and Eola last week and purchased the top lambs in each show.

Elmo V. Cook, Eastland county farm agent, reported last week that a total of 940 acres of land was terraced in the county during January.

The Winters high school will graduate a class of fifty-three in May. This announcement was made last week by Supt. E. D. Stringer.

Coke county school officials have announced the dates for the county interscholastic league meet to be held at Bronte, as March 18 and March 23 and 24.

Rev. Earl Hoggard, pastor of the Robert Lee Methodist church for the past two and a half years, has announced that he will leave to become pastor of the First Methodist Church at Wichita Falls.

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HUGE LENS NOT INSTALLED

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is eliminated by the cooperative plan under which astronomers pool their resources, each new instrument being used as a supplement the existing apparatus.

Dr. Otto Struve, the McDonald Observatory director, is also director of the Yerkes Observatory at Williams Bay, Wisconsin.

After the university board of regents accept the Texas observatory from the contractors, Warner and Swasey Company, Cleveland, it will be used primarily as a laboratory for delving into one of the newer phases of astronomy—astrophysics.

One of the first celestial hunts to be conducted, Dr. Struve has announced, will be an attempt to find more about the mysterious "white dwarfs" of the universe.

The wealth of scientific information which will be made available to humanity through the use of the 82-inch telescope is practically unlimited," Dr. Struve said.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank L. Turner, of Abilene, were here Monday, transacting business and visiting friends.

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TWO YOUTHS NAMED FOR NATIONAL 4-H ENCAMPMENT

COLLEGE STATION, March 1.—Willie Lee Ulich, of the Lyons 4-H club, Burleson county, and Joe Doyle, Shallowater, Lubbock county, will represent Texas 4-H club boys at the National 4-H Club Encampment in Washington, June 14-21, according to an announcement made by L. L. Johnston, state boys' club agent of the Texas A. & M. College extension service.

Ulich, 18, has been in 4-H club work for five years, and has specialized in crops, poultry, and swine production. His 1938 sales returns include \$220 from corn, \$385 from swine, \$40 from dairying, \$290 from cotton, \$32 from sale of beef calf, and \$549 from poultry.

He was a member of two Burleson county teams that won state contests at Texas A. & M. College cotton classing in 1936 and plant propagation in 1937, has served as president of his 4-H club, the Burleson county-wide 4-H club, and the Burleson County Registered Hog Association.

Doyle, 17, a freshman at Texas Tech, spent eight years in club work. His demonstrations brought him a sales return of \$3,252. He specialized in crops, including cotton, poultry, swine, and beef calf feeding.

He has been president of his 4-H club, is a Gold Star winner, and the excellence of his work has brought him trips to Texas A. & M., the Centennial, and Chicago.

Both boys have rendered signal service to their communities in various lines and ability for leadership was one factor considered in their selection, Johnson said.

IMPROVED COTTON WILL BRING MUCH BETTER PRICE

COLLEGE STATION, March 1.—The 1-32 inch increase in the staple length of Texas cotton in 1938 over that of 1937 meant better cotton than \$3,000,000 to farmers, according to H. H. Williamson, director of the Texas A. & M. College extension service.

The 1-32 inch over-all increase in staple brought an additional 20 points in price, or \$1 per bale, he explained.

The 22,589 farmers in the 213 one-variety cotton communities, with less than 7 per cent of the 1938 Texas cotton acreage, cut more than a third of the \$3,000,000 melon for themselves when their quality cotton brought in an extra \$1,139,211.

With the 632,897 acres in organized one-variety cotton blocks bringing in almost \$2 an acre extra through increased staple length and care in harvesting and ginning, the director estimated that Texas cotton farmers would have received an additional \$16,040,206 from the 1938 crop had all of the 9,153,000 acres planted to cotton been similarly handled.

"In other words Texas farmers missed a sixteen million dollar bet in 1938," Williamson said.

Increased price for their quality cotton was only one of the benefits members of one-variety cotton associations reaped during the past year, he pointed out. For one thing, county agricultural agents reported that varieties used in the blocks yielded an average of 37 pounds of lint per acre above the state average of 164 pounds.

BALLINGER BOY DEPARTS FOR 52 WEEKS IN CANADA

The Johnny Fiddler Orchestra, of which Fred Wellhausen of Ballinger, is a member, has been booked for a 52 weeks tour of Canada by a New York theatrical producer who heard the orchestra two weeks ago in San Antonio when they appeared there with a Major Bowes unit of the Majestic Theatre.

Fred has been with this orchestra for sometime and has been on a tour for several months, giving stage performances. The new contract given the orchestra provides travel in a special car and \$73 per week for the 52 weeks in Canada and three weeks in New York.

Mrs. Wellhausen spent the past week-end in San Antonio with her son. Fred was rehearsing there and staying with a sister, Mrs. Avis Miller.

All the boys in the unit are from San Antonio with the exception of Fred and one other. They departed this week to begin their engagement.

It's Nice Work, but Can He Do It?



It's a big job for a little fellow, but Sonia, Labrador Eskimo pup owned by Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Seale of Wonalancet, N. H., nevertheless attempts to pull Nancy Horst, seven-year-old Greenwich, Conn., girl, when she visited a sportsman's show in New York recently.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF EXPRESS SERVICE TO BE CELEBRATED

March 4, 1939, has been designated "Express Day" at the San Francisco Golden Gate International Exposition, it was announced today by L. A. Hamilton, agent of the Railway Express Agency in Ballinger.

The event will mark the 100th anniversary of the birth of express service in the United States. A pageant, "A Century of Service," will be staged in one of the big amphitheatres of the fair grounds on "Treasure Island," reviewing spectacular epochs in the development of express transportation.

The centennial, according to Mr. Hamilton, marks the date in March, 1839, when the "original expressman" William F. Harnden, started the first package express between Boston and New York, carrying only a carpet-bag. He was followed by other pioneers, notably Henry Wells, William Fargo, and Alvin Adams, who brought the express to the West during the gold rush era and played a large role in the development of the country.

The express stages provided primitive but much needed transportation for passengers, express and mail, before railroads came. The overland stage lines and the pony express, which the pioneer expressmen sponsored, connected west and east and ushered in an era of great commercial expansion and railroad construction. The express forged ahead and virtually blanketed the country, winning a constantly increasing volume of business and adding to the variety of its services, including the collection and delivery of shipments, moving on the passenger trains of all American railroads.

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MALNUTRITION OF TEXAS CHILDREN ON INCREASE

AUSTIN, March 1.—The past half-decade has seen malnutrition become a matter of concern to public health officials, physicians and teachers of Texas. It is estimated that 50 per cent of the school children in the state are malnourished to some degree. And in view of unemployment and adverse economic conditions among certain groups of the population malnutrition is being greatly intensified," states Dr. George W. Cox, state health officer.

"Strictly speaking, malnutrition is not a disease but rather a condition due to poorly or faulty nourishment. The child is usually thin, though he may be fat or flabby. He is often pale, with dark hollows under the eyes, lacks muscular tone, round shoulders and in the more advanced stages, malnutrition produces a child with a narrow and flat chest, protruding abdomen and without spirit or mental vigor.

Specific causes of malnutrition are insufficient or unsuitable diet, wrong food habits, insufficient sleep, chronic fatigue, lack of exercise, disease, physical defects and an element of heredity.

"Malnutrition in itself justifies concern. However, the results of malnutrition present the biggest problem and involve stunted growth, anaemia, nervous irritability and diminished energy. Its most serious consequence, moreover, is increased susceptibility to disease and lack of resistance to it. Too, the relation between malnutrition and tuberculosis is conclusively and pathetically established. In short, malnutrition is an abnormal condition which if it is permitted to continue in many cases, results in serious illness and possible death," Dr. Cox further stated.

"Increased malnutrition is facing not only Texas, but the nation at large. A well balanced program of meals is the best weapon to use against it. Parents must realize the importance of an intelligently applied dietary. Committee can ill-afford to underestimate this vital and elemental factor in their welfare activities.

"It is not too strong a statement to make that malnutrition among our youth, especially among the families of the unemployed and the low economic stratas, represents a powerful enemy against the nation's future welfare. Intelligent action is needed to successfully combat it."

WHITE-FOOTED MOUSE DISCOVERED IN TEXAS

COLLEGE STATION, March 1.—A white-footed mouse, new to science, has been discovered as a result of work of the Texas cooperative wildlife research unit of A. & M. College in Walker county in East Texas. The discovery of a species new to science is one of the by-products of the field work of the division of wildlife research of the experiment station and of the research unit.

The new species, called the short-tailed Peromyscus, was discovered by Dr. W. B. Davis, professor of wild game. Material collected by Dr. Walter P. Taylor, leader of the Texas cooperative wildlife research unit, and his associates, during the summer of 1936 led to the discovery.

In course of time these activities may be expected to add materially to knowledge of the interesting birds, mammals and other vertebrate creatures in the state. The new species was described in one of the occasional papers of the museum of zoology, Louisiana State University Press, February 1, 1939.

REV. MORTON TO CONDUCT REVIVAL AT BURKBURNETT

Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor of the Ballinger Baptist Church, will leave Monday for Burkburnett where he is to conduct a two weeks' revival. He accepted the invitation to go there some time ago and elaborate plans have been made for the special evangelistic campaign.

During Rev. Morton's absence from Ballinger the local work will be in charge of Gale Dunn, educational director, and the pulpit is to be filled at Sunday services by prominent Baptist ministers of this section.

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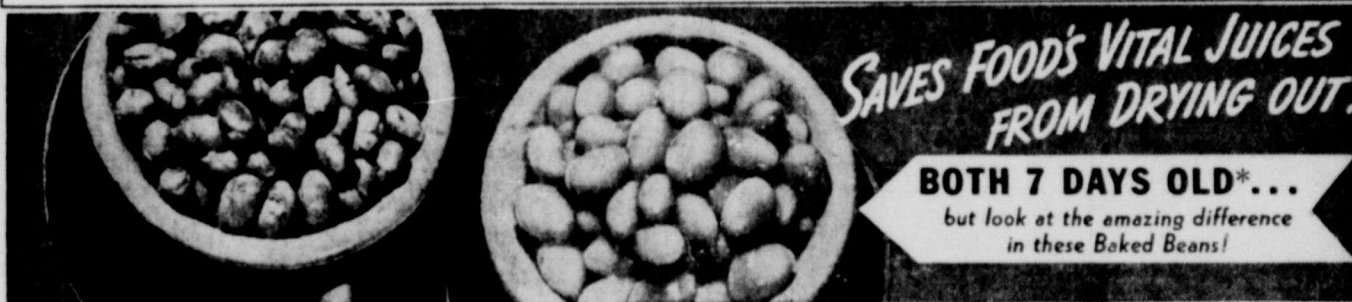


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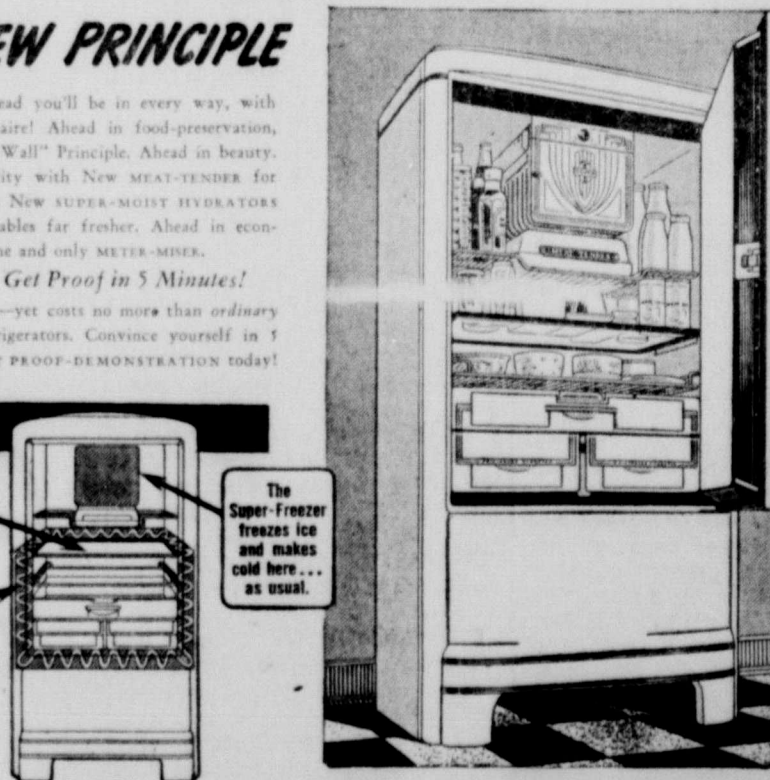
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