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Local Firemen to Promote Cherry for State Position

Ballinger firemen are lining up their delegation to attend the State Firemen's Association at Harlingen on June 13, 14 and 15. At least fifteen people will be there the entire time to conduct a campaign in the interest of Chief Chester Cherry for the office of fourth vice-president of the state organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Cherry and Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Posey will leave here on June 11 for the convention. Others will be there for the opening session on June 13. The personnel of the local delegation is not definitely decided yet but Miss Gwendolyn Morgan, sponsor, will be present; Malcolm Morgan will be a voting delegate; K. V. Northington, Jr., will attend and play a baritone solo on the opening program. O. K. Morgan and daughter, Miss Gladys Lee Morgan, a past sponsor of the local department, will be in the delegation and Chester Cape, assistant city fire marshal, will attend. A number of other members of the department will make the trip to work in the interest of their chief for the important office which will eventually promote him to the presidency of the association.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Motley, now of Junction, will join the Ballinger firemen at Harlingen and Mr. Motley will make the nomination speech for Chief Cherry. It was Mr. Motley who nominated Frank Williams, of Winters, for the office several years ago and he was successful. Later he nominated L. Cohen, deceased, then fire chief at Ballinger, for the office and he was elected. A third time he offered the name of Kelly Dalton, Coleman chief, for the post and he was elected.

Chief Cherry is opposed in the race this year by Fire Marshal Clyde Ash, of Bishop, and firemen in that section of the state are making an active campaign in his behalf. Local firemen have already lined up firemen in many towns and cities to help in the support of Cherry and will leave nothing undone to make votes at the convention.

Each company in a department is entitled to a vote, the chief can cast one ballot and the fire marshal or his representative gets one vote. This gives the Ballinger department four votes which will be cast by Messrs. Cherry, Posey, Morgan and Cape.

Banners are being painted and will be placed in the lobby of the Plaza Hotel at Harlingen and another in the convention hall. In addition the Ballinger delegation will take small coat lapel markers with Chief Cherry's picture on them and will hand out a large amount of advertising material.

Chief Cherry is one of the oldest firemen in the state from point of service, has always attended the conventions, and has served for a number of years as a director in the state firemen's school at A. & M. College. He was one of the organizers of the Hill Country Firemen's Association and is known by his first name among practically every fireman in the state.

Misses Georgia Singletary and Verda Belle Allen, of Abilene, visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Agnew and Bobbie spent the week-end at Waco, visiting Mrs. Agnew's parents.

State Superintendent Woods To Address Graduates Here

Practically all common district schools in the county will cooperate in the county-wide seventh grade graduation exercises to be held here Sunday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. The combination baccalaureate service and graduation program, to be held at the Ballinger Baptist Church, will be attended by pupils and parents of many communities in the county. The principal address will be made by State Superintendent L. A. Woods.

Mrs. L. Schermerhorn will be at the organ console for the processional when more than 100 graduates march to the reserved section in the auditorium. Before the processional they will assemble in the church basement to be arranged in the line of march.

Ballinger Guards Will Participate In Big 'Field Day'

Captain Ross Murchison and Lieutenant James Parrish will leave here with about 35 members of company C, 142nd infantry, at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon for Coleman to attend the annual field day for the regiment. They will be joined at Coleman Sunday morning by ten or twelve other local guardsmen who cannot get away from their work Saturday. A school bus will be used to transport the guardsmen.

Between 600 and 700 members of the Texas national guard will assemble at Coleman for the field day. A crowd of 5,000 to 10,000 civilians is expected to watch the maneuvers.

Included in the demonstrations for Saturday afternoon are problems involving the use of 37-mm. guns, trench mortars, rifles, heavy artillery, anti-aircraft and artillery pieces from Ellington Field, Houston. Artillery batteries from Abilene and cavalry troops from Mineral Wells are to join in the field tactics.

Formal guard mount will be held in the afternoon after which a parade will be staged. Mess call will be heard at 7 o'clock. At night a dance for officers and their wives will be sponsored by Coleman groups.

The program for Sunday will start with reveille at 6:30 a. m. and mess at 6:45 a. m. Field inspection will be held and church call sounded with Major Fox, regimental chaplain, in charge of the service.

In the afternoon a full program of military problems will be studied, demonstrating units in attack and defense, and the dis-

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Local Sewing Room Finishes Numerous Garments for Needy

A new sanitary drinking fountain has been installed by the county in the Ballinger sewing room. All of the employees are proud of the new fixture, connected up last week.

Graduation costumes for eleven Ballinger high school seniors were finished, fitted and delivered last week. The four trouser suits completed for boys were pressed by WrightWay Cleaners. The seven dresses for the girls include all the required accessories.

On May 11 the sewing room checked in 985 garments to the commodity room, to be distributed in the county to those in need of clothing. These were made during the past two weeks and include practically all the kinds of garments usually made in the sewing room.

Recently more than 300 pairs of work gloves have been made and distributed to WPA laborers on projects in this county. The type of gloves being made in the sewing room compares favorably with those on sale by stores and various sizes are included in every lot.

Royal Princesses Busy With Affairs of State



Princesses who love with Rita Johnson transfer his affections to a maid working in her Walter Connolly, as Miss Connolly's father, a apoplectic father, to keep Tone away daughter but the youth a chauffeur and gains a In that guise he the maid who promptly ove with him.

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County and City are Well Represented at Convention

Runnels county was well represented at the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention in Abilene Tuesday. In the parade showing county cooperation in the soil and water conservation program, no county in the state made a better showing, if as good as Runnels.

Five Ballinger firms had a beautifully decorated float built and it was the most distinctive car in the entire six-mile-long parade. Accompanying it were the Ballinger Bearcat Band and the Winters Blizzard Band. The float, built at the cost of \$50, showed the part Runnels county has played in soil conservation particularly during the past 25 years. Over the top was a long arrow bearing the words, "25 years of soil conservation for these," and the arrow pointed to four children seated on the rear of the float. The children were David and Betty Lou Batts, Jack Brunson and Lynette Hoelscher.

The Ballinger delegation in about 35 cars left here at 12:30 Tuesday afternoon and assembled at the Hilton Hotel in Abilene at 2 o'clock for a warm-up concert in the hotel lobby. The Ballingerites took their place in the parade, leading the district 9 division, and received the applause of the thousands along the streets.

The local delegation arrived at Abilene in the rain and it was 4 p. m. before the clouds broke away and the sun came out. The parade was delayed until 5 p. m. to allow water to run off the streets. The marchers began passing the reviewing stand at 5:15 and continued until 6:30 p. m. Approximately 40 bands led county and district delegations.

Following the parade the Ballinger delegation and musicians had supper at the Hilton Hotel and returned home.

The Colorado River was running and bank full Wednesday afternoon and Elm Creek was at flood stage, the highest this year. Some hail damage has been reported in the county but covered only small areas.

TEXAS MAGAZINE TO PRINT STORY OF BALLINGER SOON

Tom A. Keene, editor of "The Parade of Texas Cities and Counties" in Naylor's Epic-Century, all-Texas magazine published at San Antonio, spent the week here, compiling information on Ballinger. A complete write-up of the history of the city and main points of interest in the vicinity, fully illustrated, will appear in the magazine in the near future.

BALLINGERITES ATTEND A. & M. 'HOME-COMING'

Mrs. R. T. Trail, Mrs. H. J. Zappe, Mrs. Neil McAlpine, Mrs. Horace Sessions and Mrs. Pearl Gustavus spent the week-end at College Station, attending the "home-coming" for fathers and mothers at Texas A. & M. College.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Mills and little Miss Dava June Bell left Wednesday for Austin to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. McLain, of Denton, were guests of relatives and friends here the past week-end.

Fair Rains Cover Most of County; Some Spots Dry

Rains which fell in Runnels county and most of Texas the past week ranging from a few drops at some points to as much as eight inches in others. The heaviest precipitation in this vicinity was at Talpa Monday night when the gauge measured two inches.

Ballinger received .82 of an inch Monday night, a small amount Tuesday, .25 Wednesday morning and .40 Wednesday afternoon. Hatchel reported more than an inch for the week; half an inch covered a small section around Norton Monday and left spots here that vicinity still dry; Leaday had one inch Monday and showers the rest of the week; and most of Concho county received fair rains, the first three days of the week.

Heaviest rains in this region were reported north of Abilene, where 4 inches fell Monday, 2 inches Tuesday and additional showers Tuesday night and Wednesday to make 8 inches for the drouth-breaking period.

Parts of Runnels county have plenty of moisture for the present while a few communities still need more for planting.

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OF DOGS IN THE OTHER

PAT WOOD HOME IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

The Pat Wood residence, just outside the city limits on Eighth Street, was completely destroyed with its contents last Friday night, the Ballinger fire company answering the alarm but could not be of any assistance because it is several blocks to the nearest fire hydrant.

Owing to the fact that the property was outside the corporate limits no check was made on the loss or the origin of the fire.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood were occupying the residence, only recently having acquired the place by purchase and had made numerous improvements.

Dr. and Mrs. Horace Gustavus, of Houston, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lynn.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jobe, of Odessa, spent the week-end here, visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Forgy and other relatives.

Special Venire of 125 Men Called for Murder Trials

English Teacher Elected by Board; V. A. Promised

The board of trustees of the Ballinger independent school district met Wednesday afternoon and elected Miss Carma Thomas, of Oklahoma City, head of the English department of the high school for next year. Miss Thomas has a master's degree from the University of Texas, thirteen years' teaching experience and is a member of Kappa Delta Phi.

She will begin her duties here in September, having already accepted the position.

Miss Frances Taylor, teacher of home economics the past term, has tendered her resignation to the board. She has accepted a position in the Divide (Nolan county) school at a \$700 increase in salary. The Divide school is a state aid institution and has vocational home economics, the state paying part of the cost of the instruction.

A letter received this week from Supt. Nat Williams instructed that students be registered for vocational agriculture at the end of this term. Supt. Williams was in Austin the past week-end and wrote that prospects were favorable for the Ballinger school to secure this course at once and an application has been filed for vocational home economics which may be approved before the next term begins in September.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wear, of Ft. Worth, are here for a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Wear and to attend the graduation of their grandson, Powell Wear.

INSURANCE COMPANIES PAY MANY HAIL DAMAGE CLAIMS; ROOFING JOBS UNDERWAY

Inspectors and adjustors for various insurance companies have been in Ballinger a number of times during the past three weeks adjusting claims on property damaged by hail that fell here on the evening of April 27. All local agencies report some claims paid, the majority of the cases being damaged shingle roofs and soiled wallpaper.

Many roofing repair jobs are underway or will be underway in a few days. Few, if any window panes were shattered, and the damage to fruit and pecan trees is thought to have been offset by the benefits derived from rain which accompanied the frozen pellets, the precipitation varying in different parts of the Ballinger territory from 1.94 inches at the home of E. M. Eubank, government weather recorder, to an estimated four inches at other points near here.

DOYLE BERRY ACCEPTED IN U. S. MARINE CORPS

Doyle Berry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest E. Berry, 500 Fourth Street, has been accepted for service in the United States marine corps and was sent to the marine corps base, San Diego, California, for training and duty. First Sergeant Faulk, of the marine corps office, Dallas, announced today.

Young Berry, who formerly attended the Ballinger high school, intends to specialize in engineering following his training period.

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Corn Del Maiz Cream Style 10¢

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ODELL BROWN, Pastor.
First Christian Church (Broadway and Murrell) Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church Sunday, May 14, 1939: 9:45 a. m., Sunday school, 6:00 p. m., senior young people Wednesday: 7:00 p. m., prayer meeting.

Ballinger Baptist Church (400 Eighth Street) Sunday, May 14, 1939: Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Sermon, 11 a. m., by the pastor.

Baptist Training Union, 7 p. m., 8 p. m., baccalaureate service. Monday: Woman's Missionary Society, 4 p. m. Tuesday: Deacons' and pastors' meeting, 8 p. m. Wednesday: Mid-week all church night, 8 p. m. Welcome to our church. CLARENCE A. MORTON, Pastor.

Ladies' Bible class, 4 p. m. Wednesday: Bible classes, 8 p. m. "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city." Prov. 16:32. CLARENCE BRYANT, Minister.

Grace Baptist Church (400-404 1/2 Street) Texas No. 2 Can 6¢

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Whole Sour PICKLES Quart 15¢

Great Northern BEANS Cello Pack 2 lbs. 9¢

Shoe String POTATOES 3 Cans 25¢

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Plymouth Mustard qt. 9¢

Exquisite Packed in Heavy Syrup APRICOTS No. 2½ Can 15¢



FAIR HOSTESS



Miss Rosemary Best, University of Illinois Junior, whose home is in Edinburg, Ill., was the first girl chosen from a group of 10 coeds from the Big Ten colleges who will serve as hostesses at the New York World's fair this summer.

BALLINGER SCHOOL NEWS

Preview of Senior Play
In assembly Monday, a preview of the senior play, "Arizona Cowboy," was presented to the student body. An informal introduction was given by Director Subiett, Boots Krempin, as Paul Quillian, introduced the other characters of the cast. Each character gave a line or speech typical of his part in the play.

John D. Archer Speaks

John Dale Archer, Ballinger contestant in the "My Home Town" contest at Abilene Friday, gave the original speech he has written before assembly. John's speech was very good. It set forth a number of the merits of Ballinger such as its beauty, cleanliness, and industry.

Cue and Curtain Officers Elected

In the cue and curtain club meeting Wednesday, officers for next year were elected. These were L. J. Byers, president; Joe Coleman, vice-president; Eugene Suthphen, secretary-treasurer; Jeanne Endacott, historian; and Mary Simpson, reporter. It was decided that next year's membership should be more limited and that there should be try-outs for membership. These try-outs may be in whatever field the prospective member wishes to work. Divisions for work are such as acting, make-up, staging, lighting and costuming.

Senior Class Meets

The senior class met last Wednesday to discuss final business. The schedule for the closing of school was discussed and the names of those who planned to attend the alumni banquet were taken.

"Arizona Cowboy" Set Completed

Previous to the presentation of "Arizona Cowboy," the senior play, Monday, the set designed by Director Subiett was completed. A tree in the round was the most remarkable of the props constructed. Plans to use scenery painted by John A. Nicholson for the first production were abandoned and caeti, buttes, and mountains were painted by Cordelia Lynn. "The Purple Dog Hotel" was constructed by one of the best workers at staging, Ted Truly. The stage crew is also proud of a cave scene used in the in the last act.

Senior Who's Who

Harville, Erma—A girl with the most remarkable brown hair—the remarkable thing being that it always curls. Belongs to the cue and curtain club and has been a band member five years. Seems to like to ride—in a car, preferably when she's driving. Is really an awfully likeable little girl. "Little" because she isn't exactly tall.

Teague, Evelyn—A good natured blond known as "Tubba" (even at banquets). Belongs to the Spanish club. Is an ex-pepper. Has dress designing as a hobby. When other people doodle, Tubba designs dresses. If signs mean anything, Tubba will turn out to be what she wants to be—a designer of sorts. However, before she makes any move toward reaching her goal, she plans "to sleep five years." Had no remarks to make except "Ho-hum."

and fish about as much as any-thing he can think of. Belongs to the 4-H club. Isn't very definite as to future plans, but is sure of one thing—that he wants to be a farmer. We're sure of one thing too—that if he's a farmer, he'll be a very, very good one.

Wellhausen, Sam—Or "Sambo"—although he looks like anything but a dorky, being tall, blond, and energetic—has a very springy walk unless he's being Hezekiah Bugg, in which role he shines. Is a Bearcat among other things—including being a member of the Spanish club. Is a nice, likeable, good looking guy. Most remarkable accomplishment: having burned a wig and moustache on him without losing more than an inch or two of his beautiful curls.

Webb, Mary Jo—(By Powell Wear)—A runt who manages because she can always remember she's taller than Norma Gene. Dabbles at music and reads or writes as hobbies. A cue and curtain club member. Soph class president, and secretary-treasurer past two years. Has entered ready writers' contest past hundred years or so and won second in the regional this year. Is the Birdie girl—the yours truly of this column and is indifferent as to career.

Where's That Birdie?
Alvin, do you really think there's any use in going to fires after they are out?

Meet old "Bonfire Bugg" Wellhausen—or Sam.

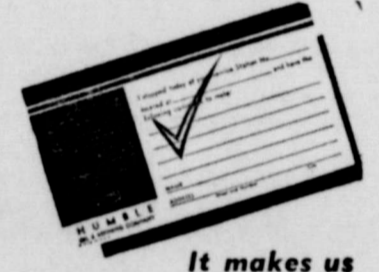
Dust, Ducks, Dubs, Debs—they're all the same to Ted.

Anybody'd think that people (seniors) would stay away from school when turned out.

There's nobody quite like Mary Edith when it comes to burning out lights.

Lyle, can't you control your girlish giggles?
Looks like people would learn not to write what they think. Taint safe.

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Franciska Gaal and Tone In 'The Girl Downstairs'

Gay, whimsical comedy forms the background for the romantic story of "The Girl Downstairs," starring Franciska Gaal and Franchot Tone, which is the offering at the Ritz Theatre in mid-night preview Saturday night and regular presentations Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, May 21, 22 and 23.

After two previous American films—"The Buccaneer" and "Paris Honey"—the versatile Miss Gaal is given an entertainment medium of the type in which she excels.

As a star of the European stage and screen Franciska Gaal appeared in a succession of hits

that ranged from Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" to European versions of such American successes as "Good News," but it was in these happy, light tongue-in-cheek romances that she made her greatest impressions.

The supporting cast in "The Girl Downstairs" includes Walter Connolly, Reginald Gardiner, Rita Johnson, Reginald Owen and Franklin Pangborn. The picture was directed by Norman Taurog, whose most recent hit was "Boys Town."

"The Girl Downstairs" is placed in Switzerland with the colorful background of the Nationale Theatre and the Cafe Metropole.

FAWN DANCER



Faith Bacon, fawn dancer and number one competitor of Sally Rand, picked up a fawn, a crowd of spectators and a policeman as she strolled through New York's Park Avenue recently. She was taken into police custody—but the publicity gag worked.

The story is a gay narrative of love and mirthful adventures shared by a smart young man-about-town and a beautiful scullery maid.

Franchot Tone appears as the cosmopolitan architect who falls lightly in love with Rita Johnson only to transfer his affections to the scullery maid working in her home. Walter Connolly, as Miss Johnson's apoplectic father, endeavors to keep Tone away from his daughter but the youth poses as a chauffeur and gains admission. In that guise he encounters the maid who promptly falls in love with him.

She gathers her savings together and buys him a taxicab, with more than half a mind on their future. The cavalier discovers that his affections have definitely turned to the girl below stairs, which brings on a series of ludicrous complications.

Miss Gaal sings one song, "When You're in Love," written especially for her by Bob Wright and Chet Forrest.

OLFEN SCHOOL TO CLOSE WITH SPECIAL EXERCISES TOMORROW EVENING

The Olfen school will have its closing exercises tomorrow (Friday) evening, and tonight a play, "Sunny of Sunnyside," is to be presented by the various grades.

Specialties will include vocal selections and a short sketch by the primary grade, and a reading by Miss Evelyn Halfmann.

The exercises and play take place in the new Olfen Hall.

There will be eight to finish the ninth grade and will receive certificates tomorrow evening.

Eleven will finish the seventh grade, and will be given certificates at the county-wide graduating exercises to be held at the Ballinger Baptist Church Sunday afternoon.

Trustees of the Olfen school are Alois Gerngross, president; Theo Halfmann, secretary; and J. J. Fuchs.

High Grades Made By Honor Students Of '39 Senior Class

Honor students in the senior class of the Ballinger high school were announced this week, first place going to Ralph James Erwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Erwin. He made an even average of 95 for the year. Second place and first for girls went to Miss Ann Kiechle, whose yearly average is 93.62.

Second place for boys was won by Marvin Liso, who has a grade of 91, and second place for girls went to Miss Mary Jo Webb on an average grade of 92.87½. The highest ranking business student was Miss Marcelle Reneau whose annual average is 90.5.

Heretofore honor students were selected on a four-year average basis but a recent ruling of the state department of education calls for only the grade made in the senior year.

The two highest ranking students will be presented at the closing program of commencement week tomorrow evening. Both will receive scholarships good at a number of colleges and universities. State schools only give scholarships to the highest ranking student and these will go to young Erwin.

Miss Reneau will receive certificates which are good at a number of business colleges.

Principal Jack McKay announced Wednesday that there would be 92 graduates from the junior high school this year. Honors for girls go to Rosemary Hargett and for boys to Duane Jenkins, both of whom made the same annual average of 93.8.

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BAND PRESENTS GOOD PROGRAM SUNDAY; TEN WILL GRADUATE

A large audience heard the Ballinger Bearcat Band in its annual concert, a part of commencement, at the high school auditorium Sunday afternoon. The seventy-five musicians presented a very pleasing concert under the direction of Gurthal Gilligan and at the conclusion of the program the audience remained seated and applauded until another number was played.

Solos by Ralph James Erwin and Jack Handy McGregor were features of the program as well as the number rendered by the cornet trio, composed of John A. Killough, Alexander McGregor and Jack Conaway.

The highspot of the program was the rendition of "The Three Bears" in which Carlos Burnette read the story with musical interruptions.

Ten members will be lost by graduation this spring and these were presented during the program Sunday afternoon. The band will remain intact during the summer and is to receive regular daily instruction and rehearsals. Concerts will be presented during the vacation period, announcement of the schedule to be made later.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gaby, of the Blanton community, returned Tuesday evening from East Texas, where they had been visiting friends and relatives in Overton, Kilgore and Lufkin. Miss Aubie McDowell accompanied them to Overton, from there she will return to Atlanta.

ESCORT BUREAU



Joseph Bernhard, chairman of the American Legion convention registration committee, signs Connie Howell, famous singer, up for a "date" with Louis L. McCormick, Louisiana commander, during the 1939 national Legion convention in Chicago September 25 through 28. It's all a surprise to McCormick, who is unaware of proceedings.

Anna May Wong Racket-Buster In New Film

An all-powerful gambling racket, which defies the government's efforts to stamp it out, is smashed single-handed by an ingenious Oriental beauty in Paramount's new crime thriller, "King of Chinatown," to be shown at the Palace Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, May 21-22-23. Anna May Wong, America's favorite Chinese actress, returns to the screen to portray the Eastern charmer, whose power over men succeeds where the law has failed.

Akim Tamiroff, arrogant and law-defying racket chief, first gets involved with Miss Wong as a result of his wounds in a gun-battle with his turncoat underlings.

Winning a strange power over Tamiroff as she nurses him back to health, Miss Wong determines to break up the gang by letting the power-mad criminals kill each other in their struggle for supremacy. When the henchmen demand that she let Tamiroff die, she realizes she is on the right track and enters into secret negotiations with the police instead.

In a thrilling climax, she not only traps the gangsters but unexpectedly achieves her ambition to secure an ambulance corps for the relief of war-stricken China.

Notice to Creditors of the Estate of H. F. Jenkins, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the Estate of H. F. Jenkins, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 2nd day of May, 1939, by the county court of Runnels County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are M. C. GREGOR, McLennan County, Texas.

J. C. KELTNER, Executor of the Will of the Estate of H. F. Jenkins, Deceased. 18-25-1-8

Louisiana State University field workers instruct farm housewives how to make rugs with string and a needle fashioned from the handle of a discarded toothbrush.

Cagney as 'Oklahoma Kid' In Cavalcade of Old West

An action-packed drama of America's great westward surge, "The Oklahoma Kid," with James Cagney as the title character, is scheduled at the Texas Theatre beginning Saturday night in mid-night preview and continuing Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, May 21-22-23. A stirring cavalcade of the opening of the great Southwest. It is one of the year's largest productions, and numbers over 3,000 people in its huge outdoor scenes, besides the featured cast which includes Humphrey Bogart, Rosemary Lane, and many other noted players.

Though he wears the hat, buckskin jacket and high-heeled boots of the frontier gun-fighter of the nineteenth century, though he carries a brace of old Colt six-shooters on his hips instead of a modern automatic in a shoulder holster, though he discloses that he is a real hell-for-leather horseman, Cagney is fundamentally the same sort of fellow as thrilled audiences in such memorable productions as "Angels With Dirty Faces," "G-Men" and "Public Enemy."

Other members of the cast besides Cagney and Bogart and Miss Lane, include Donald Crisp, Harvey Stephens, Hugh Sothern, Charles Middleton, Edward Pawley, Ward Bond, Lew Harvey, John Miljan and Trevor Bardette.

BALLINGERITES ATTEND FUNERAL OF FRIEND

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Moody and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moody went to San Angelo Saturday to attend the funeral of Fred Wilson, who died there Thursday.

A famous violin maker, Mr. Wilson came to San Angelo for his wife's health a number of years ago. She died in 1927 and he continued to make home there. Before coming to San Angelo Mr. Wilson also held chairs in some of the best orchestras in the country.

Decedent is well known in Ballinger, having tuned pianos here on numerous occasions and played in local orchestras.

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Women's, Society and Club News

Annual Alumni Banquet at Central Hotel

The Ballinger High School Alumni Association held its annual banquet last Friday evening in the main dining room of the Central Hotel with the 1939 class members as honor guests.

Vari-colored garden blooms with pansies predominating were used for table and room decorations. Certificates of membership were placed on the 39 class. Seated at the speaker's table besides those on the program were former presidents, Mrs. Alex McGregor and Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw, and Mr. John A. Weeks, Mrs. Hattie Graves of Hatchel and W. H. Schleyer of San Angelo, members of the classes of 1890 and 1892.

Mrs. Aurelia Webb, retiring president, presented Malcolm McGregor as toastmaster, who was assisted by Mrs. A. McGregor, Mrs. Earnshaw, Mrs. E. W. Stansley and Mrs. Tommie Hall, in seating guests according to classes. After the 39 members were introduced Elliot Kemp spoke the invocation. Following Mrs. Webb's formal welcome, Mrs. Jack Nixon, Jr., accompanied by John I. Guion, sang "In My Garden" by Idabelle Freestone. Dr. B. O. Wood, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of San Angelo, and a well-known after-dinner speaker, mixed humor with seriousness in presenting his theme in which the key words were honesty, thrift and work.

The official American Legion orchestra, under the direction of K. V. Northington, Jr., and composed of the following members, Quentin White, Wilburn Moreland, Pat Lawrence, Clara Beth Lynn, Eldon Moody, Bobby Northington, John A. Killough, Wellington Pearce and Billy O'Neill, was heard in several selections.

Officers elected were: president, Harry Lynn; vice-president, Miss Wyois Greer; secretary, Charles Thorp; treasurer, Miss Eugenia Baskin; and directors, Mmes. W. E. Midgley, Harry Lynn, Ona Penn, E. W. Stansley, Misses Mary Edith Herring, Fay Clark, Messrs. M. McGregor, J. L. Moreland, Jr., Guion, Johnny Barnett, Billy Jack Connelly and Duard Sheffy. The nominating committee was Mrs. Delbert Vancil, John A. Weeks and Miss Lorene Moreland.

Out-of-town guests present were:

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Shakespeare Club Installs Officers

The Shakespeare Club held its last meeting of the season in its room at the Carnegie Library last Thursday afternoon. The officers for 1939 and '40 were installed formally by Mrs. F. C. Miller; president, Mrs. R. T. Williams; vice-president, Mrs. Edgar Boelsche; recording secretary, Mrs. J. B. Striplin; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Tom Agnew; treasurer, Mrs. Fred Kiechle; critic, Mrs. J. M. Skinner; parliamentarian, Mrs. B. C. Kirk; historian, Mrs. E. C. Baskin; federation counselor, Mrs. Lela McAdams; and Junior Woman's Club sponsor, Mrs. Miller. Mrs. Williams appointed her committees, as follows: executive, Mmes. Boelsche, C. R. Stephens and Agnew; program, Mmes. Horace Murphy, Leonard Stallings and Edwin Schuhard; social, Mmes. J. C. Sturges, Jr., P. A. Cobden and Robert Bruce; music, Mmes. H. C. Lyon, Sim Cottle and Clarence Morton; press, Mmes. O. T. Toney and Loyd Herring; art, Mmes. George Clements, Baskin, and Miss Florence Westbrook; education, Mmes. J. G. Douglass, W. B. Woody and Skinner; house, Mmes. C. P. Shepherd, Toney and Kiechle; civic, Mmes. Kirk, A. B. Stobaugh and T. J. McCaughan.

Mrs. Boelsche gave her report from the recent Sixth District Federated Clubs convention in San Angelo, and Mrs. Sturges conducted a parliamentary drill. Mrs. Jack Rudd was elected to membership on the second vacancy, Mrs. Ford Taylor to have the first.

Collinses Are Hosts at Ranch

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Collins, Jr., entertained their supper club last Friday evening at their ranch home.

For the delectable picnic supper, guests were taken to a pretty pecan grove on the Colorado River. All appointments were in a Mexican motif.

For games, rooms were decorated with late spring blossoms. Mrs. J. C. Sturges, Jr., and Felton Wright were winners of contract awards.

Included were: Dr. and Mrs. Oren Chandler, Messrs. and Mmes. Wright, Sturges, P. A. Cobden, J. O. Tuckey and George Stowe.

Mrs. R. W. Balke is honoree. Mrs. R. W. Balke, who is leaving Ballinger to live in Santa Anna, was complimented by the Sew and Chat Club last Thursday afternoon when Mrs. Stanley Price was hostess to members and a few added friends in her home on Eighth Street.

Following an hour spent in handwork, a surprise shower of gifts was presented Mrs. Balke.

It's Fair Back Field



This quartet of backs will be among those competing when the most perfect back is selected in an international contest at the California World's Fair on May 29. The contest is being sponsored by the San Francisco Unit of the Affiliated Chiropactors of California and will climax Chiropactors' Day at the Fair. The girls are (left to right) Kaye Laurens, Patricia McMillan, Bettina Norgberg and Georgina Wells.

A salad plate with cookies and a fruit drink was served by Mrs. Price to: Mmes. Balke, Malcolm Morgan, Frank Bynum, Clyde Gabbert, Henry Moody, W. R. Murphy, Jr., J. E. Allbright, Hallie Gibson and Myles Nixon.

Mrs. Max Wilson is Hostess to Sewing Clubs

The farm home of Mrs. Max Wilson was the scene of a gala all-day affair given last Thursday for members of two Thursday sewing clubs.

Hours spent in quilting were interrupted by the serving of a delicious fried chicken buffet luncheon at the noon hour.

Included were: Mmes. Royal Bishop, G. P. Teague, F. C. Dickey, R. E. White, L. B. Rudder, O. C. Sykes, S. M. Jonas, Guy Lively, Edwin Schuhard, E. S. Cox, Hugh Parrish, Hubert Parrish, Ruth Bankston, J. E. Dankworth, Tom Caudie, J. G. Douglass and W. J. Morrison.

Wiener Roast for Girl Scouts

The Algeria Troop of Girl Scouts with Mrs. Bruce Creasy, captain, enjoyed a wiener roast at the Hut in City Park last Friday afternoon following hours of play after school.

Present were: Katharine Clappitt, Patsy and Mary Ellen Patrick, Mary Lou Routh, Billie Louise Blair, Sheila Moreland, Ann Creasy, Betty Jean Harper, Dorothy Jones, Margaret Routh, Earlene Webb, Martha Sharpe, Betty Jo Baxter and Mary Ann Morgan.

Dessert Luncheon in Earnshaw Home

Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw extended a pretty social courtesy last Friday when she included a group of friends at dessert luncheon in her Wilke Terrace home.

Living rooms were given a lovely floral adornment and four-some tables were arranged in the game room for the dessert course and games of contract. Mrs. Earnshaw was assisted in serving by her mother, Mrs. John Weeks, and Mmes. Claude Stone, Tom Agnew, J. B. Striplin and E. W. Stansley. Mrs. Thomas B. Hill received the bingo trophy. Others included: Mmes. Paul Trimmer, A. C. Glover, M. S. Patrick, Bailey Mack, Alex Saunders, Jack Holt, Ted Jones, Hill Hampton, Jack Rudd, Oren Chandler, Bynum Britton, George J. Stengel, Dan Castles, Leonard Stallings, Ford Taylor, Tommie Hall, D. W. Hooper, Ralph Payette, Edgar Boelsche and Troy Simpson.

Dinner for Gloria McGregor

Gloria McGregor, a member of the '39 high school graduating class, was guest of honor last week at a dinner given by her mother, Mrs. Malcolm McGregor, in her home on Broadway.

Columbines formed the unusually attractive centerpiece for the table, where girl-graduate dolls marked places.

Included were friends of the honoree, who with two exceptions, have been in the same "gang" since kindergarten days: Cordelia Lynn, Janie Flynt, Evelyn Teague, Eulalia Nicholson, Frances Fryar, Betty Jane Lawrence and Virginia Anderson.

New Circle for First Christian W. M. S. Organized

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Christian Church was recently reorganized into two circles. One of these groups met last Monday in an all-day meeting with Mrs. Charles Bailey in her home on Harris Avenue. Rooms were decorated with low bowls of roses and petunias. At the noon hour a no-hostess covered dish luncheon was enjoyed. Officers elected were: chairman, Mrs. Bailey; vice-chairman, Miss

Florence Westbrook; and secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Marvin Clark. Others present were: Mmes. M. A. Foy, Jack Rudd, H. T. Forson, Ted Jones, J. E. Allbright, and Miss Lula McElroy.

Miss Frances Fryar Gives Luncheon for Senior Group

Miss Frances Fryar was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Albert Fryar, last Saturday when she entertained with a luncheon for a group of senior girls, who are her closest friends.

Mixed garden flowers decked rooms and centered the lace-laid dining room table where girl graduates marked places. The menu was served in three courses to: Misses Janie Flynt, Gloria McGregor, Eulalia Nicholson, Betty Lawrence, Cordelia Lynn, Virginia Anderson and Evelyn Teague.

Betty Lawrence is Honoree

Miss Betty Jane Lawrence was

complimented by her mother, Mrs. F. A. Lawrence, with a supper and theatre party Wednesday evening.

The class colors of blue and white were featured in floral decoration of the Lawrence home on Hamilton Avenue. Girl graduate silhouettes were individual gifts.

Present were: Betty Lawrence, Frances Fryar, Evelyn Teague, Eulalia Nicholson, Virginia Anderson, Janie Flynt, Cordelia Lynn and Gloria McGregor.

Ballinger Man to Marry Kerrville Girl

Mrs. Charles C. Butt, of Kerrville, has announced the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Margaret Ruth, to John Robert Lusk, Jr., of Corpus Christi.

The wedding is to be solemnized at high noon Sunday, May 28, at the First Presbyterian Church in Kerrville. The ceremony will be

simple with Miss Mary Ellen Butts, and Corkill Motley of Ballinger, the only attendants.

Mr. Lusk is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lusk, of Ballinger.

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LOCAL MEN STUDY FOOT CORRECTIONS

Otis L. Scott and Raymond Reams were in Brownwood the first part of the week to receive post-graduate instruction on foot corrections from Dr. Ernest Weltmar, of the Weltmar Institute, Missouri. Scott and Reams are both graduates of the institute on scientific massage and have taught several classes on that subject here.

Lennon Blackmon spent Sunday in Abilene, visiting his mother.

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- Otis Krempin
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- Marion Pullin
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- Joe Simmons

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- Erlon Goetz
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- Arline Boothe
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- Rosa Gene Bankston
- Inez Clack
- Addie Ruth Cox
- Alice Chapman
- Tonita Causey
- Mildred Doherty
- Billy Joe Embry
- Anita Evans
- Virginia Fowler
- Imogene Foreman
- Janie Flynt
- Lillian Hamilton
- Margaret Howard
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- Willie Frances Jackson
- Gladys Kieppas
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COLLEGE STATION, May 17.—With bright prospects for a plentiful supply of eggs and poultry in Texas, these foods are coming in for extra attention as regular additions to the diet.

Eggs are particularly valued for in some of the minerals and vitamins the body needs. Jennie Camp, home food production specialist of the Texas A. & M. College extension service, points out:

vitamin content is concentrated in the yolk, this part is especially valuable. That is why it is one of the first foods added to the baby's milk diet.

Eggs are articularly valued for their iron, vitamin A and for their protein, which is in a readily available form. They are also rich in phosphorus and are a good source of calcium. Besides vitamin A, eggs are an excellent source of vitamins G and E, and the yolks are one of the relatively few good natural sources of vitamin D.

Nutrition workers consider eggs one of the better foods to help promote growth in children. The Texas Food Standard, prepared by extension service nutritionists, specifies an egg a day for children, and adults also need to eat a minimum of four or five every week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Forman and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Forman spent Sunday in Coleman, visiting relatives.

Hardin-Simmons Cowgirl Band To Present Concert Here



The Cowgirl Band at Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, colorful in its purple and gold uniforms, is directed by Herbert M. Preston, head of the H-SU violin department in the university's fine arts school. Soloists with the band, a sister organization to, but distinct from, the celebrated H-SU Cowboy Band, include Marijohn Melson, accordionist; Edwina Walker, whistler; Marjorie Moore, trombonist; Jane Meekinen, pianist; Jean Vandervoort, roper. Inset shows Director Preston.

The Ballinger Junior Woman's Club is preparing for a concert to be presented here next Tuesday evening, May 23, by the Hardin-Simmons University Cowgirl Band under the direction of Herbert Preston.

This is one of the most colorful musical organizations in West Texas and this season has been drawing large audiences at out-of-town engagements. University officials for several years had been striving to organize an all-girl

band which would do credit to the school and be good enough for engagements anywhere. This year that ambition was realized and the band has been in great demand.

The program here will be presented in the high school auditorium, commencing at 8 p. m., and the small admissions of 10 cents for students and 25 cents for adults will be charged. The local club will share in the proceeds and Ballinger citizens will have their first opportunity to hear the all-girl band.

With the band are three soloists and special entertainers: Miss Jean Vandervoort, of Sweetwater, trick roper; Miss Edwina Walker, Sweetwater, whistler and vocalist; and Miss Marijohn Melson, Sanger, accordionist and blues singer.

Committees will conduct a ticket sale this week in an effort to fill the auditorium for the concert. Mr. Preston is well known in Ballinger, having been reared here and since leaving has appeared in numerous musical programs in this city.

HATCHEL PLAY DATE CHANGED TO MAY 23; LAUGHS PROMISED

The play being sponsored by the Hatchel Parent-Teacher Association which was advertised originally for May 26, will be presented Tuesday evening, May 23. Members of the cast decided that they could be ready and that larger attendance could be had next Tuesday evening so the sponsors announced the new date and began advertising.

The interesting drama is "The Path Across the Hill" and in the strong cast are ten performers. Two have black-face roles that will provoke plenty of laughs. Admission prices are 10 and 15 cents and the play will be staged

REBUILDING AWNING AT BEHRINGER STORE

Workmen were busy rebuilding the awning at the Sam Behringer Grocery Tuesday. The old fixture was rotted to such an extent that it was deemed advisable to replace it at once. The store owns the building and let the contract on a day basis.

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Correct handling begins with the production of milk, which should be clean and free from objectionable flavors, he says. Clean, sterilized utensils are always essential.

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Maddox recommends that the different lots of cream be mixed from two to four hours before churning so that the temperature

and ripening will be uniform. Use of a thermometer will help insure butter after 30 to 40 minutes of churning, and firm—not hard—butter granules. The best temperature is between 50 and 60 degrees in summer and 55 to 68 degrees in winter, and the churning should be stopped when the granules are the size of grains of wheat.

The granular butter should be washed twice with water of about the same temperature as the buttermilk. The buttermilk, which produces off-flavors very rapidly, can be washed out, but not worked out. An ounce of butter salt is added for each pound of butter, and if this is dampened, it will be more evenly distributed.

EXPERIMENTS BEING MADE ON SUGAR BEETS IN TEXAS

LUBBOCK, May 17.—The second sugar beet experiment on Texas Technological College farm includes planting 3.55 acres, three for production and more than half-acre for scientific varietal tests, according to Dr. Arthur W. Young, head professor of plant industry. Nine most productive varieties are being tested for suitability to climate.

Harvest from last year's plot of 2.1 acres showed a yield of 65,966

pounds of sugar beets grossing \$192.49. Doctor Young said. Total cost of production was \$170.46, leaving a net profit of \$10.49 per acre.

Seed beds were prepared in April and sugar beets planted in rows May 30, about 20 inches apart. Thinning took place July 8 and during April and August two applications of fertilizer were plowed into the soil. The plot was irrigated eight times—approximately 3 acre inches at each application.

Beets were sent off for analysis of sugar content after harvest November 18. Returns showed a sugar content of 16.25 per cent, a value of \$4 per ton if delivered to a sugar company, and an average weight of 2.34 pounds each. In general the plants were free from disease and insect trouble, although a number of the beets had developed a crown gall of varying intensity. Previous crops grown on the site of the experiment were cotton in 1935; grain sorghums in 1936; cotton in 1937.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Schnable spent the week-end in Shawnee, Oklahoma, visiting Mr. Schnable's parents.

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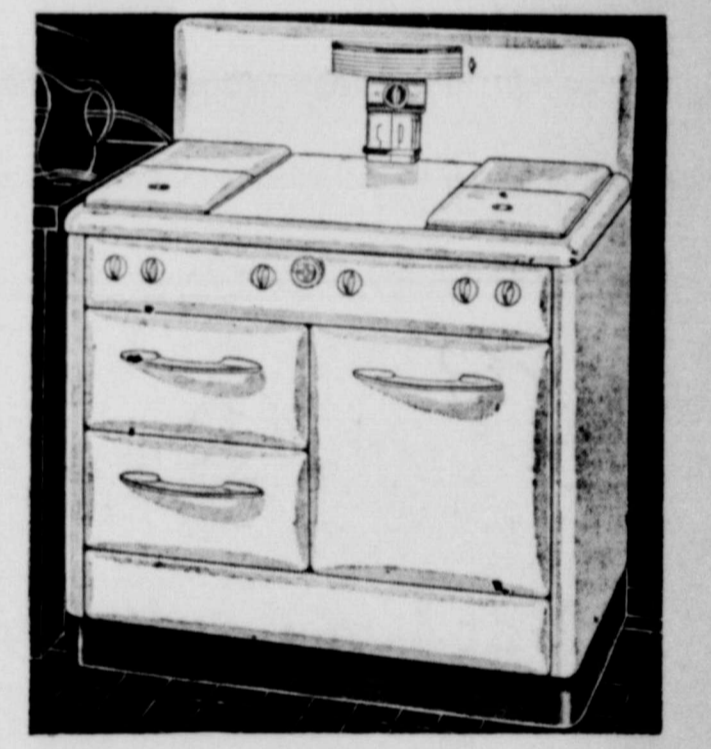
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Women's, Society and Club News

Morning Coffee for Janie Flynt
Miss Janie Flynt, a member of the 1939 high school graduation class, was honored at a morning coffee given today (Thursday) by her mother, Mrs. J. P. Flynt, in their home on Sixth Street.

Guests were welcomed into flower decked rooms by Mrs. Flynt and Janie. Mrs. Joe Flynt invited them into the dining room where Miss Cordelia Lynn, senior class president, poured coffee from the lace-laid table centered with an arrangement of blue and white blossoms. Corsages of these same blossoms were favors.

Miss Hattie Mae Dunlap was at the piano for incidental music. Others included were: Norma Gene Bankston, Mary Jo Webb, Betty Lawrence, Frances Fryar, Gloria McGregor, Evelyn Teague, Betty Heavenhill, Eulalia Nicholson, Ruby Nance, Ann Klechle, Etheldene Rudder, Erma Harville and Mrs. Gail Dunn.

Cheathams Are Hosts
Dr. and Mrs. Charles Cheatham were hosts Tuesday evening to a contract club in their home on Eighth Street.

A pretty floral decoration was given to living rooms where Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rudd received high couple game award. An ice course was served with pansy corsages as favors.

Included were: Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Bailey, Messrs. and Mmes. Jack Holt, Robert Bruce, Alex McGregor, Tommie Hall, Ross Murchison, Hill Hampton, Arthur Giesecke, George Kirk, W. B. Woody, Miss Griffie Atkins and Paul Gibbs.

Mrs. Caudie Hosts to Book Club
Mrs. Tom Caudie entertained Current Book Club members Tues-

day afternoon in her Wilke Terrace home decorated with columbines and snapdragons.

New books were shown and discussed. Miss Pauline Morley read poems from her original selections, "White Petals Falling" and "Amiga Mia." Mrs. Clinton Glover was welcomed as a new member.

A dessert plate with pansies as favors was served.

Included were: Mmes. J. D. Eoff, Jack Nixon, Sr., O. R. Lasater, Alex Saunders, John Barton, J. E. Dankworth, W. J. Morrison, A. B. Legate, Ted Jones, Layne Moreland, O. R. O'Neill, W. E. Moss, Glover, and Miss Morley.

Mother's Day Dinner for Mrs. Odom
Mrs. G. G. Odom was guest of honor at an informal Mother's Day family dinner given by her daughter, Mrs. J. F. Currie, in her beautiful home on Ninth Street.

The centerpiece for the table laid in imported Italian linen was unusually lovely. Sweet peas in pink and white were arranged in a water fountain bowl of crystal and mirrors.

Present besides Mrs. Odom and Mrs. Currie were: Mrs. W. E. Armstrong of Austin, Mrs. Lula O. Dalley of Winters, Mr. and Mrs. Conda Wylie, and Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shepherd.

Ballinger Artists Appear in Winters
Mrs. Arthur Giesecke, pianist; Miss Carmen Demmer, violinist; and Mrs. J. A. Schnable, soprano, were heard in a musical program presented for a Winters federated club on Thursday afternoon of last week at the Winters Country Club. Mrs. J. G. Douglass was also a guest at the affair.

Club in Britton Home
Club members and substitutes for absentees were guests of Mrs. Bynum Britton in her home on Eleventh Street Wednesday afternoon.

Pink roses, pink and blue larkspur and queen anne's lace gave floral attractiveness to rooms where a dessert course was served with coffee preceding games.

Mrs. Joe Eubank won high score trophy and Mrs. O. L. Huddleston the low.

Included were: Mmes. R. J. Hawk, James Parrish, Joe Beck, Jr., W. B. May, Tommie Hall, Huddleston, G. A. Swann, Eubank, P. A. Mixson and Clinton Glover.

Eighth Street Society Studies Spanish and Latin America
Mrs. Rufus Allen was leader for the program on Spanish and Latin America given for the Woman's Missionary Society of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church Monday afternoon at the church on Eighth Street.

Mexican sombreroes were covers for the program folders. Mrs. Paul Petty made general talks on the missionary accomplishments in the Spanish speaking and Latin American countries and Miss Eva Lilly gave a study of the mission schools. Other topics were "Topic in Dial" by Mrs. Dewey Campbell and Mrs. W. A. Taylor, and "Dominican Broadcast Serves Unique Purpose," by Mrs. H. H. Halley. Miss Lillian McMillan gave the devotional and Miss Maggie Lilly read the names in the Year-book of Prayer.

During the social hour Mrs. J. Stubblefield, Miss Mae Stubblefield and Mrs. U. S. Daniel, hostesses, served a plate of angel cake and punch with corsages of sweet peas to: Mmes. E. V. Bateman, J. W. Black, E. S. Malone, Rufus Allen, Paul Petty, J. R. Holloway, Campbell, W. A. Taylor, J. H. Wilke, Joe Ostertag, Mary Spreen, Misses Eva and Maggie Lilly and Ada Allen.

An especially interesting feature was a group of Mexican songs sung by Gregoria Salazar and Juanita Torres.

Mrs. Striplin Hosts to Triple-Four
Only the three regular tables were in play Wednesday when Mrs. J. B. Striplin entertained Mrs. J. B. Striplin entertained Triple-Four Club members and substitutes for absentees. A profusion of blossoms and lovely potted hydrangeas gave room decoration and small silver vases

of sweet peas in the pastels centered tables where a delicious dessert luncheon was served preceding games in which Mrs. Ross Murchison received high score award.

Others included: Mmes. Edgar Boelsche, Harry Lynn, L. R. Tigner, K. V. Northington, R. W. Earnshaw, Troy Simpson, Tom Agnew, Alex McGregor, E. W. Stasney, Claude Stone, J. A. Schnable, R. T. Williams, John Weeks, E. C. Baskin, A. J. Thorp and George J. Stengel.

Sunday School Class Entertained
To honor members of her junior Sunday school class and their mothers, Mrs. W. L. McAdams entertained in her home in South Ballinger last Saturday afternoon.

The rooms were decorated with mixed spring flowers. Chinese checkers and various other games were played after which stories were told by Mrs. W. E. Midgley and Betty Morrison.

Assisted by Mrs. Midgley and Miss Theima Midgley, the hostess served ice cream and cookies to the following mothers and members: Mrs. Glenn Morrison and Betty, Janie Sue and Patty; Mrs. Clinton Glover and Joan; Mrs. Simpson and Doris Marie; Mrs. Fred Parker and Ferial; Mrs. O. R. O'Neill and Mary Evelyn; and Joyce Boswell, Bobbye Tunnell and Clifton Reneau.

RETAIL MERCHANTS' ASSN. WILL OPEN HERE JUNE 1

J. E. Paxton, formerly of Abilene, has moved here and is opening a Retail Merchants Association. He has opened the office in the rear of the Security State Bank building and will be ready to render service about June 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Paxton are at home at 809 Eighth Street.

The credit organization will be operated with local merchants taking membership in the association and receiving service on local credit questions.

J. M. Goodman, of San Antonio, spent the first part of the week in the home of his sister, Mrs. H. W. Doherty.

Mrs. J. J. Burney, of Sherwood, visited the past week-end in the home of her sister, Mrs. Lee Moreland.

Mrs. Will Stuart, of Houston, is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. W. E. Meaders.

Piggly Wiggly Will Improve Interior And Front of Store

The Ballinger Piggly Wiggly will be closed Saturday night for a complete remodeling and the work will be speeded up to permit reopening of the store Friday of next week. A large crew will be employed day and night in the improvements to be made in the local grocery which will make it one of the most modern food stores in this part of Texas.

Plans call for increasing the space in the front. A dividing partition will be moved back to permit more room for displays and space for customers to shop. A new floor will be laid.

The market will be moved to the rear center of the building and made more modern and convenient for the service to be rendered. A new type fish counter will be installed and a stock of fish, oysters and shrimp carried in season.

A new fruit and vegetable department will be built and large vaults will be included in the improvements to allow carrying a larger assortment of fresh vegetables and fruits at all times.

The store will also have a new front with better show windows and displays. A vegetable window will be included in the remodeling where delicious garden products will be stocked.

For the convenience of the customers a larger checking counter will be installed so that lines can form in three directions with cashiers and registers on each side. This will speed up service in rush hours and save customers much time.

A modern ladies' rest room will be built for the convenience of customers.

A large number of other changes will be made in the general arrangement which will make food displays more attractive and shopping in the store easier.

The management of this store stated that Ballinger and the trade territory deserves the best service it can render and it was their intention to give patrons a store which would be a credit to any city.

Gilligan Will Meet New Band Members And Their Parents

Gurthal Gilligan, director of the Ballinger Bearcat Band, is getting ready to start summer classes for beginners and will have a meeting at the band hall Monday evening at 7:30 for those interested and their parents.

Mr. Gilligan wants to start a large number at the same time and already has a group that has signified intentions of beginning musical studies.

Demonstrations of instruments will be given Monday evening and explanation of the purchasing plan will be made to the parents. The school can buy instruments at greatly reduced prices and for those who desire, terms on a monthly payment plan can be obtained.

Schedules will be announced for summer band work for both old members and beginners. There will be no vacation for the musicians and classes will be continued during the vacation period with the band playing summer concerts at regular intervals.

Every child who attends the Ballinger schools and who wants to become a member of the band is urged to be at the hall Monday evening with his parents. Those signing up and buying instruments then will be able to start lessons in about two weeks.

A number of regular bandmen will graduate this spring and will not be with the organization after the latter part of August. Mr. Gilligan hopes to have beginners ready to take their uniforms and places in the regular group during the football season next fall.

The young people's class of the Eighth Street Church of Christ went to Winters Sunday afternoon and presented a program for the young people's class of the Church of Christ there.

Sam Hilburn, of Wichita Falls, and Rex Nixon, students of John Tarleton College, Stephenville, spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nixon, Sr.

County Health Nurse Finishes T. B. Tests In Winters Schools

Miss Sarah Harwell, county health nurse, finished checking tuberculosis tests in the Winters schools Tuesday and of the 268 tests made only 7 positive cases were found.

All of the positive cases were found among the 252 white children tested. No cases were found to be positive among the sixteen negroes.

The number of high school students tested was 114, elementary, 62; primary, 70.

Expenses for the tests were borne almost equally between the tested students and the Rannels county tuberculosis association.

All of the children who were able to do so paid ten cents each for the tuberculin used. The amount paid by the students totaled \$9.40. The tuberculosis association paid the remainder, \$9.60. Local physicians aided in the examinations and donated their services, the nurse stated.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Duke and daughter, Malindia, of El Paso, spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Armstrong.

Rev. and Mrs. Clarence A. Morrison spent the week-end in Gatesville, visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stengel spent Mother's Day at Menard, visiting relatives.

Mrs. L. R. Tigner, Mrs. Harry Lynn and Mrs. R. E. Truly spent Sunday and Monday in Dallas, visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. A. B. Legate spent the week-end in Killeen, visiting friends.

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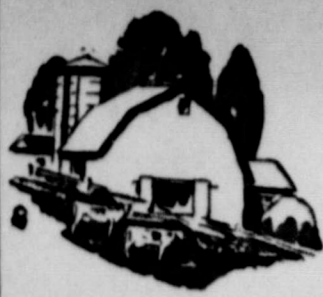
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RURAL NEWS

BARNETT

The Barnett boys' 4-H club entertained with an ice cream supper at its monthly meeting last Thursday night. After all business was taken care of the club boys and Mr. Barton entertained with several stunts and games in which prizes were awarded. The first game which was played by 8 boys consisted of popping balloons. The first boy to pop his balloon was J. C. Wessel, and the last one was Chester Burks. Prizes were two rubber knives. The next game was played by six boys who each ate half a lemon on April first without a frown, and Sanford Burks won first prize, a dime. In the last game four boys, blindfolded, fed each other popcorn with spoons. The first two through were Alton Bryan and Chester Burks, who were awarded a nickel apiece. After the entertainment by the club delicious ice cream and cake was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Tyree and son spent the week-end with Mrs. Tyree's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips, of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Camp and family and Grandmother Maxwell visited Mr. and Mrs. L. E. H. Barnett and family, of Hagan, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Norman and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Burrell, of Miles. Mrs. Pat Tyree spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. C. E. Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Howell and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Red Branham and family, of Miles, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Howell and family, of South Ballinger, and Mr. and Mrs. Alva Newman spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tyree and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Manske and family, of Kristoff, and Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Landers, of Ballinger, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Landers.

Mr. and Mrs. Burtus Jones and son visited Mrs. W. P. Jones Sunday.

Will Tyree was brought home Saturday from the hospital, where he had been for the past five weeks. He is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kerby and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. F. White, of Ovalo.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Davidson and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Davidson, of Eagle Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Duke and daughter spent Sunday at the city park in Ballinger, where the Dukes had a family meeting for Mother's Day to honor their

mother, Mrs. W. L. Duke. Walter Cook had the misfortune to stick a piece of steel in his leg last Thursday, and will not be able to work for several days yet.

Everyone was glad to see the rain, but here's hoping we get a big one soon.

EAGLE BRANCH

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Davidson had as guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. England Henson, of the valley; Charlie Davidson and family, of Barnett; and Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Henson and young daughter, Imojean.

Miss Viola Grissom, of Crews, spent Saturday night with Miss Lorena Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kurtz and children and Mrs. Albert Kurtz and children spent Sunday with Mmes. Raymond and Albert Kurtz's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dieke, of Cochran.

Visitors in the J. H. Kurtz home Sunday were Albert Kurtz, Mrs. Monroe Kurtz and children, of Winters; Marvin Kurtz and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Her-ring, of the Glen Cove community; and Travis Cummings and family, of Winters.

BENOIT

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Martin and family spent Saturday night and Sunday in Brownwood, visiting Mr. and Mrs. James P. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Ashton and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ashton Sunday.

Miss Fay Hill returned to Hobbs, New Mexico, Friday after a visit with relatives here.

Mrs. O. C. Cox, Mrs. Aubrey Ashton, Miss Addie Ruth Cox and Billy Ashton visited Mrs. A. N. Hoffman Monday.

Miss Norma Jean Hoffman spent Monday night with Miss Addie Ruth Cox.

Those attending church at Talpa Sunday included: Mr. and Mrs. Claud Brookshier and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox and Addie Ruth, W. T. Hill, B. J. Condra, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Clayton, Mrs. Cora Clayton and Miss Mary Ruth Hill.

Miss Doris Sue Hill attended church in Ballinger Sunday.

Miss Grace Waldon visited Miss Jean Helwig Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill, and Misses Doris Sue, Iene and Mary Ruth Hill visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Waldie, of San Angelo, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gibson visited Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill Sunday evening.

Avis Ray Lane, of Miles, spent the week-end with relatives here. Miss Eula Mae Foreman spent Tuesday night with her grandmother, Mrs. Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Elam visited Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Prior Martin and children, of Brownwood, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gibson the past week-end. Leota Odem visited Mrs. Milton

Mrs. Charlie Ashton and Miss Gibson Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Bud Murphy and Mrs. Henry Moody visited Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson Sunday.

SPRING HILL

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Piel and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Ganzer, of Rowena, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Russell and children, of Abilene; Jim Harris and children; Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Patton and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Flaglie visited in the T. E. McKenzie home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Henkhaus and children spent Sunday with Mrs. J. J. Henkhaus and Elsie.

Mrs. Earl Wheelless and Billy left Tuesday evening for McCamey to visit Mrs. Wheelless' parents. Earl Wheelless left Tuesday evening for St. Louis.

Miss Lila Hale, of Menard, visited the school here Wednesday.

Closing exercises were held at the school house Wednesday evening. The program consisted of plays, songs and several numbers by the rhythm band. A number of visitors were present.

(Received Too Late for Publication Last Week)

Closing exercises will be held at the school house Wednesday evening, April 17, at 7:45. The pupils will report to the school house Thursday morning at 9:00 to receive their report cards.

A number of people from this community attended the funeral of Joe Hampton Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Luther Hampton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Ingle, live in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. George and Miss Lula McElroy visited in the McElroy home here Sunday.

Mrs. L. K. Parr spent Sunday with Mrs. John Dean.

Among those who called in the George Dean home Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Blair, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Atnapp and Mr. and Mrs. Horace Atnapp.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Piel and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Esonbeck, of Eola. Jerome Zak, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zak, was carried to a hospital in San Angelo Wednesday afternoon. He is expected to be brought home this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Huecheson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Gilbreath and Mack Jones visited in the T. E. McKenzie home Saturday evening.

Warfield Dewees has returned from Altus, Oklahoma, where he visited relatives.

BASS BEGIN BITING IN CLUB LAKE HERE

Hill Hampton again set the pace for bass fishermen with the first big catch of the season from the Ballinger Country Club lake Wednesday afternoon. His biggest weighed six and one-fourth pounds and there were several others in the catch that were well above keeping size.

Water in the lake is just getting clear enough for fishing. Several nice catfish were taken from the lake this week and a number of anglers have reported fine strings of crappie, some weighing around a pound and a half.

PAUL TRIMMIE, JR., TO APPEAR HERE WITH COWGIRL BAND

Paul Trimmie, Jr., son of Judge and Mrs. Paul Trimmie, will appear here Tuesday evening with the Hardin-Simmons Cowgirl Band at the high school auditorium. Young Trimmie, who is a violin student under Herbert Preston at the university, will be heard in a group of solo numbers Tuesday evening.

This concert is under the sponsorship of the Ballinger Junior Woman's Club.

LARGE AUDIENCE HEARS CHORAL CLUB PROGRAM

The first floor and balcony of the Ballinger senior high school auditorium were packed Wednesday evening for the program presented by the choral clubs of the senior and junior high schools.

Both groups gave splendid performances and a number of combinations were presented during the evening.

Closing the program, Miss Mary Talbot, director of the junior club, presented the entire group of 185 voices in two selections which were exceptionally well done.

Dr. Alfred Zedlitz, of Fort Worth, spent the week-end in the home of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Zedlitz.

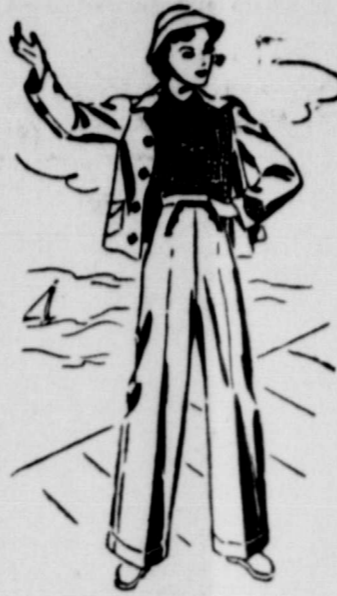
R. Gottshalk, of the North Norton community, who attended to business here today, stated that he had received between 4 and 5 inches of rain recently.

While on a trip in East Texas the past week-end O. K. Jacob had the misfortune to have a truck hit his automobile on the side, considerably damaging the car. Fortunately Mr. Jacob escaped injury and returned home in the car.



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- 40-inch washable rayon checks, Cotton Week yard **49c**
- 40-inch printed washable silks, Cotton Week yard **49c**
- 40-inch printed washable silk, Cotton Week yard **59c**
- 79c and \$1 printed linens, Cotton Week yard **49c**

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- 40-inch lawns, Cotton Week, yard **25c**
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Ledger subscribers are requested to notify the publisher of any change in their addresses promptly. Under the new postal laws newspapers and periodicals must pay postage due for notices of any change in addresses furnished by the postoffice.

Next week officially ushers in the vacation period. Schools are closed for the term and pupils and teachers are released for the summer. For three months more than 5,000 children will be without employment and many are looking for something to do.

A few times every year Ballingerites realize the need of a big auditorium. The baccalaureate service Sunday night attracted a larger audience than could be accommodated in the largest church in Ballinger and a number of people were turned away.

Ballinger and Runnels county made a splendid showing at the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Tuesday with a big delegation. The group was headed in the parade by the Ballinger Band of 70 members in their black and red uniforms.

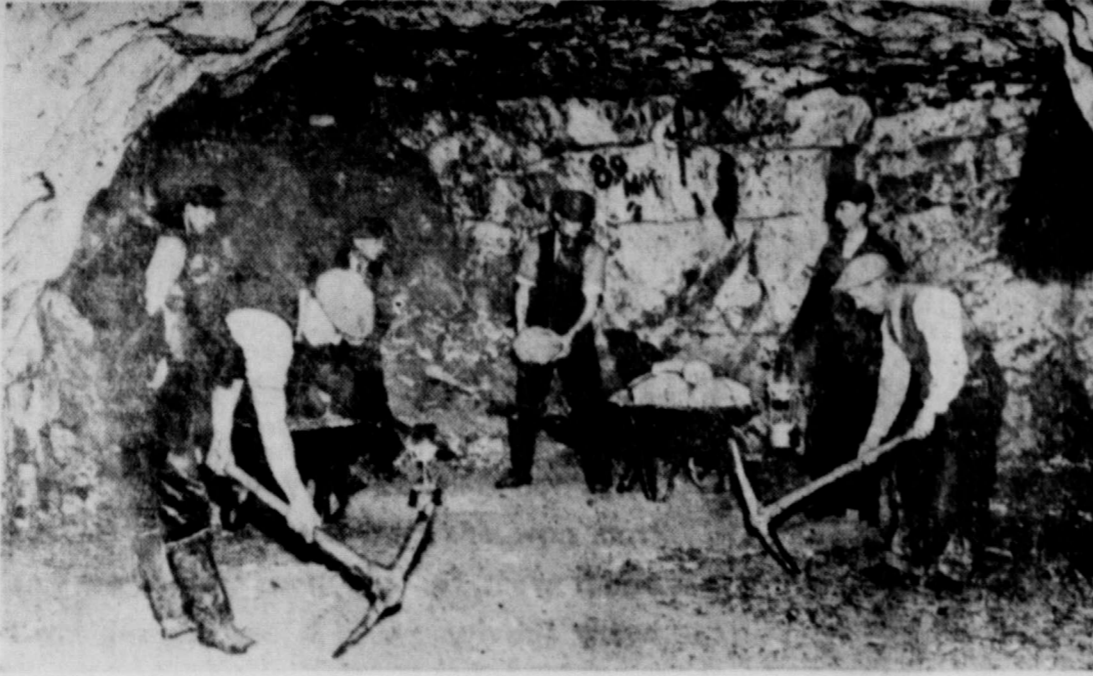
Many Ballinger citizens are becoming interested in forming a garden club. Other towns in this section are gaining much from these organizations and each year many new gardens are opened for public inspection.

The first commercial use made of rubber was for erasing pencil marks.

Sandy: "That fellow MacTavish has betrayed the Scotch." Andy: "In what way?" Sandy: "Re perspires freely."

Read the ads—save money.

Ancient Caves May Serve as Air Raid Shelters



Under the town of Chislehurst, Kent, England, stretch 22 miles of caves hewn out of chalk by the early Britons when they sought protection from the Roman invaders. The caves are now being converted into air-raid precaution shelters, fitted with all modern devices for protection. Four to five thousand people can be accommodated in the 2,000-year-old caves.

WEST TEXAS NOTES



The McCulloch county commissioners' court last week refunded \$69,611 to the county's road and bridge fund following sale of bonds issued for that purpose.

The Albany high school's one-act play was rated second place in the state meet at Austin. This entry was a "dark horse" in the regional meet at Abilene several weeks ago.

Higginbotham Bros. & Co. have let a contract for a modern funeral home at Comanche. The new brick building will be a two-story structure, up-to-date in every respect.

Erath county farmers and ranchmen will receive approximately \$70,000 in AAA payments this year. This represents an average of about \$60 for every person signing a contract in the 1938 range program.

A social security office will be set up at Menard in the near future to look after claims in that section. In addition to adjusting claims for unemployed, the office will serve as an employment agency and endeavor to find positions for those out of work.

Contracts have been let on the Webb farms near Fort Stockton for two deep wells. Operators of the farms hope to find water for irrigation in the Leon Valley but also plan the wells as tests for oil.

For the third successive year Melvin F. F. A. boys won first place in the district contest, held this year at Big Lake Saturday, May 6. This will permit the Melvin team to go to Huntsville.

for the state contest the latter part of June. The Miles chapter won second place and will also be represented at the state meeting.

Coke county farmers are in a position to earn approximately \$126,000 in AAA payments if they participate to the fullest extent in the 1939 farm program.

The trade development committee of the Sweetwater Board of City Development is planning a series of special Saturday events to attract large throngs to the city during the vacation period.

The First National Bank of Rotan has purchased all the assets and business of the Roby State Bank and assumed all liabilities to depositors of the latter institution.

The membership of the Brady Methodist church accepted plans for a new parsonage last week and instructed the building committee to let the contract and conclude other details.

Diplomas will be issued to 23 seniors of the Eden high school at commencement exercises Friday evening. Dr. N. A. Moore, of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, will deliver the principal address.

The board of trustees of the Junction schools announced the past week-end that Amon Johnson, former coach of the Winters Blizzards, had been elected head football coach. Johnson will launch the training period at Junction in September with part of the team that won the regional championship last year.

The Winters city council has announced plans for a city-wide clean-up campaign which will be underway all this week. Efforts are being made to eliminate every ugly spot in the town.

Brownwood will be host city for the 1940 meeting of the Oil Belt Safety Council. Many citizens of this section attended the 1939 convention recently held at Abilene.

Coleman organizations will cooperate in every way possible in the military field day to be held there next week-end. Food will be provided for the national guardsmen in the camp and several hundred will show results of their training under Major Karl Wallace, of Fort Worth.

Actress: "No, I'm afraid I can't marry you." Actor: "Aw, come on. Just for a few days."

Mary: "Dearest, I'm so afraid you'll change." John: "Darling, you'll never find any change about me."

Hints for the Farm

Use of cotton bags for 12 per cent of the 1937 fertilizer sales accounted for 19,000 bales of cotton.

A carload of sugar put up in cotton bags accounts for the production of 4 1/2 acres of average cotton land and gives work to 83 people. In 1938, America used 120,000 carloads of sugar.

If each of the 503,000 farm families in Texas could have a new, 50 pound home-made cotton mattress—and most families need several new mattresses—it would mean the consumption of 50,000 bales of cotton in this state alone.

Cotton bagging as a package for cotton bales introduced last year when it was used on 17,000 bales in Texas, is superior to jute and sisal bagging from the standpoint of durability and is much preferred by spinners.

Use of cotton bagging, cotton rope for ties, and cotton patches would not only use up around 200,000 bales of cotton annually, but would reduce the gross weight of a bale of cotton by 20 pounds and would thus effect a saving of several million dollars a year in freight and other handling charges.

These and similar examples were quoted in a letter sent to county agricultural and home demonstration agents and signed jointly by F. E. Lichte, cotton gin specialist, Mrs. Bernice Claytor, home improvement specialist and Dora R. Barnes, clothing specialist, all of the Texas A. & M. College extension service.

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Located farther south than any other observatory in this country, its site adds a section of the sky not heretofore visible, numbering thousands of stars which never come within range of northern plants.

A second factor contributing to its range is the offset mounting of the instrument, a new feature among large plants. The telescope can be leveled almost at the horizon and can span the entire sky except for a circle around the South Pole with a radius of 30 degrees.

In accuracy, too, the McDonald telescope leads the field. Its 82-inch mirror having been ground and polished to one-millionth of an inch of perfection.

Only one telescope in the world surpasses the McDonald in size, the 100-inch Hooker instrument at Mount Wilson Observatory of the Carnegie Institution, near Pasadena, California.

Other ranking reflecting instruments are the 74-inch mirror at David Dunlap Observatory, University of Toronto, Canada; the 72-inch at the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory at Victoria, British Columbia; the 69-inch at Perkins Observatory of the Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, and the 61-inch at Harvard Observatory, Oak Ridge, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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TEXAS TECH EXPERIMENTING WITH NEW VEGETABLE OILS

LUBBOCK, May 17.—Seeds for vegetable oils, safflower, perilla, chia, and castor beans are being planted by the Texas Technological College plant industry department in experimental plots, to determine if they may be grown on the South Plains. Lintless cottonseed is also being tested.

Two pounds of perilla, a seed from Japan, and two pounds of chia from Mexico were received recently from a paint and varnish group, said Dr. A. W. Young, department head. Oil from these seeds is used in manufacture of paints, varnish and lacquer.

Forty-five selections of castor beans will be planted, using both dry and irrigated lands, to permit a wide variety of tests for both types of farming. Castor bean oil is now being substituted for tung oil, Young explained.

Seven varieties of safflower are also being tested. The plant has the appearance of a thistle and its oil is widely used in paints. Last year the college tried out safflower with a few seeds; the present planting will yield a good test.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Bailey and children visited Mrs. Bailey's parents at Novice Sunday.

Clovis Brown, of El Paso, spent the week-end here, visiting relatives and friends.

Advertisement for SSS Spring Tonic, featuring a bottle of the product and text: 'again in 1939 let SSS be YOUR Spring Tonic'.

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Advertisement for Firestone Tires, Tubes and Batteries, featuring the Firestone logo and text: 'Firestone Tires, Tubes and Batteries GREENWOOD Service Station'.

Large advertisement for The Farmers & Merchants State Bank, featuring the text: 'STRENGTH STABILITY SECURITY The Farmers & Merchants State Bank'.

Advertisement for The Ledger Want Ads, featuring the text: 'Don't be a PERPETUAL SMALL FRY... READ THE WANT ADS! THE LEDGER WANT ADS'.

Seniors Score Hit With Annual Play; Scenery Excellent

A large audience witnessed the senior class play, "Arizona Cowboy," at the Ballinger high school auditorium Monday evening. The cast of ten players turned in a smooth performance which pleased the "cash customers" and sent them away with the feeling that they had received a good evening's entertainment.

The characters were well costumed and their make-up was excellent. Special scenery built by Director Ernest Sublett added greatly to the presentation as did the lighting effects and other details.

While all players having speaking parts did themselves proud, Miss Norma Gene Bankston especially carried the audience with her on every line. She spoke so the entire house could hear every word, her actions were good, and she drew many laughs as well as applause. Miss Eulalia Nicholson in a character role also displayed talent in the handling of a difficult part and numerous lines. Her make-up was good and she spoke her lines like a seasoned trouper. Lyle Curry, as a Chinaboy, drew his share of audience appreciation and provided his full quota of the fun. Sam Wellhausen, as an old 89'er, was one of the best comedy bits in the show. Powell Wear, Miss Betty Lawrence and Fred McKay did the "heavy" work in the strong Western story and proved to be real villains. Miss Janie Flynn, the lead, was all that a Western girl should be and attractive enough to cause the handsome sheriff, Carlos Burnette, to fall in love with her. Otis Krempin, playing opposite Miss Bankston in a straight role, revealed experience gained in the cue and curtain club. Miss Cordelia Lynn, as an Indian girl, and Sam Hutcheson, her father, played two far-from-easy roles in a pleasing manner. Hugh Parrish, Dillard Adair and Luther Morris, as cowboys, completed the cast.

Music by Pete Erwin and his singing saxes filled all intermissions and entertained before the first curtain.

Baptists Converge On Oklahoma City For Annual Meeting

Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor of the Ballinger Baptist Church, left the first part of the week for Oklahoma City to attend the annual sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention. Fred Walter King, A. F. Brock and A. M. King left Wednesday morning and expected to be there in time for the opening session at 2 p. m. Fred Walter King and Mr. Brock are the official messengers for the Ballinger church.

Sessions will continue from Wednesday through Sunday and will be attended by approximately 10,000 representatives of churches of this denomination.

Rev. Morton went to Oklahoma City early to attend some of the pre-convention meetings which included the Southwide pastors' conference Tuesday. Other meetings held before the opening of the convention were those of the Women's Missionary Union and several other groups representing women's work in the church.

Among visitors from outside the territory of the convention are Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, London, secretary of the Baptist World Alliance; Dr. Arthur J. Hudson, Cleveland, Ohio, president of the Northern Baptist Convention; Dr. L. K. Williams, Chicago, president of the National Baptist Convention; Dr. Francis C. Stifler, New York, editorial secretary, American Bible Society.

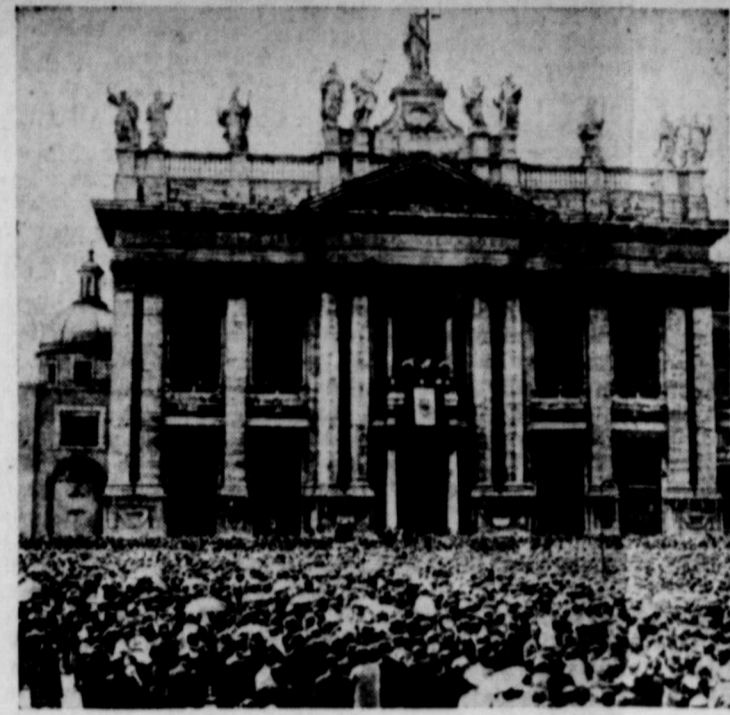
Mrs. W. E. Armstrong, of Austin; and C. A. Dalley, of Winters, spent Sunday here, visiting Mrs. G. G. Odum, Mrs. J. F. Currie and other relatives.

Frank Reese, of Houston; and Mr. and Mrs. Burton Reese, of Stephenville, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Reese. Mrs. J. A. Reese accompanied Frank to Houston Sunday for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Flagg, of Dallas, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Posey.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moss spent the week-end at Killeen, visiting Mrs. Moss' mother.

Where Pope Pius XII Will Mount Throne



Assumption of St. Peter's throne by Pope Pius XII will be completed Thursday, May 18, with ceremonies in which the pontiff will formally take possession of the Cathedral of St. John Lateran, above, his see as bishop of Rome. The procession from Vatican to the Roman cathedral will be the first of its kind in 93 years, since that time having been voluntary "prisoners" inside the Vatican walls. This imprisonment was ended by the Lateran concordat of 1929.

1939 Baccalaureate Service Attracts Huge Congregation

Brigadier William George Gilks, who is to deliver the commencement address to the senior class of the Ballinger high school, will be tendered two special honors while in the city. Members of the local American Legion post will meet the train at 6:30 a. m. and escort the visitor to the Central Hotel for breakfast and an informal meeting with the former service men of this area. No set program will be presented at this meeting other than to give local Legionnaires an opportunity to meet the state chaplain and Salvation Army head.

At noon the Legion post and the Rotary and Lions clubs will hold a joint meeting to which a large number of guests have been invited. At this meeting Brigadier Gilks will be introduced and is to speak briefly on international affairs. He is one of the best informed men in the Southwest on this subject and is always in demand for programs.

At the luncheon the American Legion post will present the distinguished visitor with a gift. A feature of the noon program will be music by the American Legion orchestra. Since the orchestra was adopted by the Pat Williams post a new set of drums has been purchased, new music stands built and by tomorrow the "outfit" will be in junior American Legion uniforms. An order was placed last week for shirts, caps and ties and they will arrive this week.

Brigadier Gilks will speak to the graduating class at the high school auditorium at 8:15 tomorrow evening.

Gets Dividends Out Of Mouse Farming

Californian Sells 20,000 Rodents in Year.

MODESTO, CALIF.—Most people try to get rid of the mice around their homes, but not Frank Cook, Modesto district rancher. Cook actually encourages them, then sells them and lives on the profits.

Cook first became interested in "mouse farming" when he noticed the large number of the tiny rodents used in scientific research. He decided to capitalize on the demand and go in for large-scale raising of white mice.

That was in 1934. Today he owns rather an unusual mouse farm, which nets him a good return.

During the first few years of his venture Cook was able to sell about 20,000 mice. Now, he says, the demand has grown. Last year he sold 20,000, and he predicts he will top that record in 1939. Research laboratories are his chief market.

Cook becomes irked when people tell him his work is easy—that all he has to do is turn the mice loose and "let 'em multiply."

He denies there is anything easy about the work, pointing out that infinite care must be taken to keep his charges in good health. Diet and housing are the greatest problems.

At first Cook made the roof of his farm building of straw, but recently changed to a new method. Now he has two roofs, with about two feet of straw between them for insulation.

Because the mice are extremely susceptible to changes in temperature, Cook now is considering seriously installing an air-conditioning system—a comfort which his own home does not have.

Miss Bitsie Lynn spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lynn. Miss Lynn is a student of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene.

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Home Visiting Next Scheduled Work For County Nurse

All school children in Runnels county have had inspections by the county health nurse and all summer round-ups scheduled for children who will enter school the first time next September have been held. Miss Sarah Harwell, county health nurse, stated this week that all student examinations had been completed including tuberculosis skin testing in the Winters schools.

For several weeks the county nurse will devote her time to follow-up visits in which she will encourage parents to have defects revealed by the inspections corrected. Follow-up work will also be done on any positive cases disclosed in the skin tests.

Part of the summer will be devoted to maternity visits in homes of the county. Community health groups turn in names of expectant mothers to the county nurse and she offers every assistance possible.

Miss Harwell said she had been aided by a number of women in the local housekeeping aid project and their work had been entirely satisfactory.

A class is to be organized this week in the housekeeping aid project home which Miss Harwell will teach "Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick." This course is approved by the American Red Cross and has already been taught to a number of women in the county. The course will fit in perfectly with the other subjects being taught in the local project and make clients better qualified to work in homes where help is needed.

A new device for bombing planes is an automatic sighter that figures out the speed of the plane and its altitude in relation for the target in order that a bomb may be dropped at the exact second to score a hit.

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Ballinger Scouts Assigned to Camp Week of June 4

Ballinger Boy Scouts have been assigned to Camp Louis Farr for the first week scheduled in the summer encampment series, commencing June 4. Local leaders have been notified of the plans and will start at once to get as many as possible lined up for the week in this beautiful camp.

Troops assigned to the first week of the three-week period include those in the Permian Basin, Ballinger, and the ranch districts. The second encampment will begin on June 11 and the third on June 18.

Scouts will receive special training on camping and cooking this summer. Each troop will have an adult leader and in addition the area staff will be present to direct the general programs. The area staff is composed of a camp director, two assistant camp directors, a waterfront director, a camp doctor, a camp cook, two commissary officials and those in charge of recreational activities.

Ballinger leaders will arrange for transportation for members of both troops 29 and 30, taking them to camp and bringing them home a week later. Scouts who wish to attend are asked to be ready to sign for the encampment at an early date.

The training of eagles for hunting is much like that of other birds used in falconry. Approximately one month is necessary as a preliminary schooling before the bird is ready to try its luck on living game.

The average license registration fee for motorists in the United States is \$15, nearly one-half as costly as the annual gasoline bill for the average motorist.

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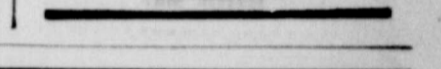


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BLANTON WORKERS' CLUB

Members of the Blanton Workers' Club met Tuesday, May 9, in the home of Mrs. A. W. Malone, with twenty-four members and five visitors present.

The day was spent quilting for the hostess and other fancy needle work. The club decided to shower Mrs. James Reese, a recent bride of the community.

Visitors present were: Mmes. Sam Malone, Aurelia Webb and W. W. Chastain, of Ballinger; Tounget, of Abilene; and Miss Aubrie McDowell, of Atlanta, Texas.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. D. L. Brevard, on May 23.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Oczkowiec, of Amarillo, are guests this week of Mrs. Emma Dees McAden and other relatives.

Mrs. Clint Moore, of Amarillo, is here for a visit with old friends, having resided here some twenty years ago.

Misses Frances and Ruth Smith spent the past week-end in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Smith. They had as house guest, Miss Fern Burcham, of Fort Stockton. All are students of Abilene Christian College.

Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Jacob spent the week-end in Lufkin, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Jacob and family. Mr. Jacob returned home Tuesday and Mrs. Jacob stopped in Temple to visit about two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones Parrish, of Nacogdoches, returned home Tuesday after a visit with relatives and friends here.

NORTON SCHOOL NEWS

By Elizabeth Clifton

Rev. Landreth to be Principal Speaker at Commencement

Rev. E. D. Landreth, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Ballinger, will deliver the main address at the commencement exercises Friday evening. The program will be held in the high school auditorium at 8 o'clock. The program is as follows:

Professional—Mrs. L. E. Robertson In*ocation—Rev. D. D. Shaw Vocal Duet—Misses Williams and Stewart

Welcome to Seventh Grade—Billie Ruth Duke, representative of the eighth grade

Piano Solo—Mrs. Earl Cope Farewell to the Seniors—Doris Stuckey, representative of the tenth grade

Address—Rev. E. D. Landreth Presentation of Diplomas—Supt. Conger Benediction—Rev. Hubert Crain Recessional—Mrs. L. E. Robertson

Large Class in History of School to Graduate

When Friday evening, May 19, arrives, twenty-one seniors will receive their diplomas. There were twenty-one in this class when it finished grammar school. Though not all the members are the same twenty-one, most of them are.

This year's class chose as its motto "Out of the Harbor into Deep Channels." Its colors are blue and silver; its flower, the rose. Members of the graduation class are:

Jack Compton, president Ray Berrey, vice-president Ada Patton, secretary Marguerite Allen, Oneta Faye Bal- lew, Juliet Bulsterbaum, Elizabeth Clifton, Joan Conger, Wanda Pickling, Uvon Ford, Ella Mae Jennings, Jim T. Jones, Jr., Odell Moreland, Charlie B. McDonald, Faye McKown, Phyllis Roper, Joyce Roper, Imogene Taylor, Maggie Mae Watkins, Ray Berrey, James Caswell, James Sanders.

These Doggoned Seniors

Odell Moreland has gone to school here all of his life. He is a tall, dignified boy and is slow of speech. He is well liked by the whole class. Is lots of fun, and very courteous with it.

Ada Patton has gone to school here for eight years. She has been secretary of this class for the past two years. She is an attractive little brunette with a lovely alto voice. She is quite a speller—has teamed with Marguerite Allen to make the county meet team the past three years.

Joyce Roper is "Sidy's" little sister. She is one of the youngest girls in our class. A very sweet girl with soft brown eyes. Has declaimed and played tennis. Chief job has been to chaperon Sandy for three years. Phyllis Roper, who is Sidy, has gone to school here ten years. (So has Joyce.) She, too, has brown eyes, but they are bright and mischievous, while Joyce's are soft and tender. Sidy plays the piano, baseball and tennis. Was drum girl in the pep squad one year and assistant leader two years. Is an excellent "extempo" speaker and declaimer. Imogene Taylor has gone to school here eleven years. Is the only one in the class with that record. Has a dual personality: can be charmingly sweet, or saucily sophisticated. Is well liked by all. Says just what she thinks. Is better known as "Gene."

James Sanders (little old "James III," "James Lunthead" and best known as "Sandy") has been in school here three and one-half years. Is the baby boy of the class. Can ask questions at a very swift rate. Is loved and "picked on" by everybody. Best described as "just old Sandy."

Maggie Mae Watkins has gone here four and a half years. Has pretty blue eyes and brown hair—and a very pink blush. Is tall and slender and very quiet. Has played volley ball two years. Favorite subject is bookkeeping—I don't think. Is the last of "These Doggoned Seniors."

Sh-h! But— Here's what the seniors want to do: Marguerite—nurse or dietitian Oneta Faye—go to Hardin-Simmons U. Juliet—"don't know" J. Ray—"aw, I don't know—WPA!" James C.—clodhopper Elizabeth—an opera star or a lawyer Joan—interior decorator Wanda—go to San Angelo college Uvon—\$300 farmer Slat—fly catcher Jim—anything but a farmer Charlie—electrical engineer Faye—\$300 farmer's wife Moreland—civil engineer Ada—musician Joyce—lawyer's wife Sandy—lawyer Sidy—journalist Gene—doctor

Maggie—bookkeeper.

Good-bye, good luck to The Ledger and its readers. It's been a pleasant association we've had the past three years.

MILES GIANTS COMING HERE FOR GAME NEXT SUNDAY

The Miles Giants will be here Sunday afternoon for a game with the Ballinger baseball team. The game will be played at Fair Park beginning at 3 o'clock and ladies will be admitted free.

The Ballinger club is being strengthened and a fast team will meet the Giants. All fans are urged to see the locals in action and support them for a regular schedule during the summer.

DOSS & JENNINGS ROBBED; GIRL SCOUT HOUSE ENTERED

A glass was removed from the back door of the Doss & Jennings building Tuesday night and a small sum of money taken from the cash register by the burglars. Nothing else was missed. Cash left in the till was estimated to be between \$5 and \$8.

A window was pried open in the Girl Scout cottage in city park the past week-end and some damage done by writing on the walls. A closer watch will be maintained on this property to prevent vandalism, officers said.

WITH THE SICK

Sam Baker is seriously ill in the Halley & Love Sanitarium and is not resting very well this afternoon. He has been receiving treatment for the past week.

Elmer Halfmann was operated on this afternoon at the local hospital and was reported to be resting fairly well, following the surgery.

Miss Rosa Hills is recuperating nicely for a major operation last week.

Marvin Lee Beaver was operated upon at the Halley & Love Sanitarium last Saturday and is recuperating.

J. L. Ward was dismissed from the hospital Monday after receiving treatment for more than a week.

Mrs. Wilbur Waide, of Paint Rock, was dismissed from the Halley & Love Sanitarium Monday and returned to her home. She had been receiving treatment for ten days.

Mrs. J. A. Ferguson and daughter, Loraine, and Mrs. Larry Smith, of Childress, arrived yesterday to spend several days in the home of their sister, Mrs. H. W. Doherty.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Underwood and son returned to Beville Sunday after visiting in the home of Mrs. Underwood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Avey.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Wilson, of Carmel, California, are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Pearce. Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Pearce are cousins.

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Lindley Delivers Baccalaureate For 80 Seniors

The Ballinger Baptist Church was well filled Sunday evening for the baccalaureate service for the 1939 high school senior class. The service was scheduled to commence at 8:15 and before 8 o'clock the house was packed with people to hear the sermon by Dr. D. R. Lindley, pastor of the Central Christian Church of San Antonio.

Miss Mary Talbot played the processional for the high school choral club and the class as they took their places in the auditorium, the seniors wearing new black caps and gowns. The entire church was decorated in the class colors of blue and white.

The choral club sang "When Through the Night" and ten members of the graduating class rendered "Teach Me to Pray." Rev. E. D. Landreth, pastor of the First Methodist Church, offered the invocation.

Acting Superintendent George E. Stowe presided over the program and introduced the principal speaker. He also made announcements of the other programs in connection with commencement to be held the remainder of the week and closing with the graduation exercises tomorrow (Friday) evening.

Dr. Lindley told the class members that they had reached the point in life where recognition was due them for their school work and pointed out that they were ready to take their places in a disturbed world overburdened with issues that demand correct answers. He urged the graduates to so live that the problems which have caused the world to tremble for ages might be answered when the showdown comes. He made definite reference to the dictators of Europe who seem willing to

grind millions under their heels in order to satisfy their inferiority complexes.

Pointing to the right anchors for living he enumerated three that would help build men and women capable of answering the world's questions. First, he urged each to tie to the fact of the goodness of God, which he said would be a security against any goose-stepping dictator in the world. Second, he urged anchoring of a faith in the redeeming power of Jesus Christ; and third; to anchor to their own personality, and to keep that personality from becoming cheap by not letting it become spoiled.

Rev. Dwight A. Sharpe, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, spoke the benediction.

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A band concert will be played beginning at 6 o'clock, and the local company will return home about 8 p. m.

Card of Thanks We wish to thank all of our friends for their kindness and help during the illness and death of our father. The beautiful flowers were greatly appreciated. Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Johnson Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cavanaugh Mr. and Mrs. John Hendricks, Abilene, Texas. 1t

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