



Women's, Society and Club News

Luncheon for Delta Kappa Gamma
Mrs. Levy Lee, Miss Marryatt Smith, and Miss Christine Settle, who are Ballinger teacher members of the Alpha Beta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, attended the luncheon given for 50 members and guests Friday on the mezzanine floor of the Hotel Cactus in San Angelo.

Miss Mattie Lee Seymour presided for the meeting, which was a joint session of the San Angelo Chapter and Omega Chapter of Brownwood. Mrs. Lee led Delta Kappa Gamma songs. The patriotic tri-colors and symbols were featured in table floral decorations, in place cards, and program folders.

Mrs. Sammie K. Rankin, home teacher of the State Blind Commission in Austin, told of what Texas is doing for her blind. She traced some of the history of instruction for the blind, which dates back to Homer. The first school in the United States was established in Watertown, Mass.

more than 100 years ago, and in 1856 the Sixth Legislature of Texas made possible instruction for the blind in Texas by establishing the Texas State School for the Blind, named at first the Blind Asylum.

Shakespeare Club Meets
Mrs. T. J. McCaughan led the program for the Shakespeare Club last Thursday afternoon and discussed the "Ideal Woman." Mrs. McCaughan has resigned from membership but has continued to fulfill her yearbook assignments. Mrs. James W. Guynes talked of "The Home as a School of Service" and Mrs. Ernest Caskey brought the formal delegate's report from the recent Sixth District convention at Menard.

Mrs. Thomson gave a further report of the art exhibit for March 26, and Mrs. John Barton, finance chairman, gave the committee's plan for sale of chances on the hand-painted picture. Mrs. Clements urged an immediate and

sincere response to the Victory Book campaign.

Mrs. W. J. Hembree, a new member, and 19 others were present.

Methodist Circles Meet
Mrs. James W. Guynes was hostess to the Ettie Gressett circle of the W. S. C. S. Monday afternoon in her home at the Humble Booster Station. Lovely red bud and peach blossoms and potted primroses decked rooms where Mrs. Guy Middleton gave the Bible lesson "Mileposts on the Way of Love" from "Our Times," after the brief business session was conducted by the chairman, Mrs. Ewing Holt. A plate of sandwiches and cookies with a fruit drink was served. Others present were: Mmes. J. E. Jones, a visitor; J. L. Davis, J. B. Striplin, John Loveless, Ford Taylor, R. W. Earnshaw, John Barton, Ben Denny, J. G. Douglass, John A. Weeks, J. M. Skinner, Joe Forman, Troy Simpson; and Miss Alice Morgan.

Mmes. R. A. Dickinson and Viola Allison were hostesses to the Etta Burrows Circle in the Dickinson home on Eleventh Street. Fragrant lilacs were used about rooms where Mrs. C. P. Shepherd presided and Mrs. Tom Caudle presented the study. At the social hour, piecing on a Red Cross quilt was done and cake was served with punch. Others present were: Mmes. W. R. Clark, Sr., W. E. Midgley, W. W. Chastain, W. F. McKown, Ed Pape, A. B. Legate, and Miss Thelma Midgley.

Sally Odom members were guests of Mrs. W. O. Irby and Mrs. Elbert King in the home of the latter on Broad Avenue. The pretty floral decoration was of purple and white irises. Mrs. W. R. Clark, Jr., was presiding officer and the lesson presentation was made by Mrs. King. A dessert course was served. Others were: Mmes. Fred Middleton, Ross Causey, Louis Goddard, W. R. Middleton, E. C. Carter, and M. L. Bowden.

BALLINGER SCHOOL NEWS
By Billie Howell

F. F. A. Boys
The F. F. A. boys have been busy the last few weeks trimming and showing their livestock. Two weeks ago some of the boys showed their stock in the Abilene fat stock show and won nearly \$50. Last week the boys had their local show with the 4-H clubs. Those who won prizes were: Calves, dry lot, short fed, light: first, Jones Bell, \$6; second, Harold Halfmann, \$5; third, John Kennedy, \$4. Calves, dry lot, long fed: Glenn

Racing Against Time—And Tide



Time and tide wait for no man, we're told. So the Zebulon Pike, a new freighter, was launched at five in the morning because the next tide would be at 5 p. m. That would have meant a 12-hour delay in laying the keel for the next ship, and in this war, time is important. The launching was made at the California Shipbuilding yard, Los Angeles.

McFarland, first and second, \$5 and \$3. F. F. A. lambs, fine wool, individual: first, Emmanuel Halfmann, \$3; second, Wilbert Palmer, \$2.50; third, Hoyt Berry, \$2. 4-H and F. F. A. lambs, fine wool, individual: first, Emmanuel Halfmann, \$3; second, Lloyd Fuller, \$2.50; third, Ralph Gerngross, \$2.

Hogs, light weight, individual, first, Julius Holubec, \$3; second, Calvin Howell, \$2.50; third, James Fowler, \$2. Capons: first, Nolan Stovall, \$3; second, Roy Reese, \$2.50; third, James Fowler, \$2. Emmanuel Halfmann had the grand champion lamb; Dayton Hoffman, the grand champion calf; and Julius Holubec, the grand champion hog.

Junior Class Meeting
The junior class met Monday morning in a business meeting. The class decided to give the seniors a banquet if the seniors were willing to pay half of the plates. They appointed a decorating committee and a finance committee.

Senior Personalities
Jean Mapes has been going to B. H. S. for five years. But in those five years everyone has grown to know her as one of the

NORTON SCHOOL NEWS
By Georgia Faye Henry

Holiday
The teachers attended the association meeting at San Angelo Friday. There was a holiday in the school.

Visitors
The state inspector and county superintendent visited the school Monday, March 23. Comment on the school building and work done by the pupils was favorable as reported by Mr. Mullens.

Seniors Entertained
The seniors sponsored a wiener roast and attended a show afterwards in Ballinger. The seniors reported a good time.

Birdies
What's this rumor about canaries being love birds? Some of those pictures were natural—so how could you expect them to be good??? Spike, did you say you knew some girls from Ballinger?? Ahhhhhhh! Two seniors got a whippin'. It's too bad marbles have to interfere with eating ice cream. What? Ballinger boys flirting with Norton girls??? Seniors at that! So Genevieve's boy friend twosomes her? I wouldn't stand for that or would I? That's terrible for senior boys to have to be whipped! I hear drivers' licenses are now a necessity.

BETHEL HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

Bethel home demonstration club met on March 19 in the home of Mrs. Grady Richards for their spring social. Refreshments of cake and ice cream were served to 22 members and 2 visitors. Blue bonnets were revealed and new names were drawn. The business session was presided over by the chairman, Mrs. Claude Simmons. Roll call was answered by each member giving

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a report on her accomplishments for the month. This is a total of that report: 1,500 dozen eggs and 81 chickens sold, 114 containers of food canned, 43 garments, 24 bed linens, 1 mattress and 1 sweater made; 3 cabinets, 1 house interior painted, and 2 rooms papered, 12 pots of lye soap, and 1 quilt was made and donated to the Red Cross.

A lecture on first aid was given by Miss Lucille Botter, county health nurse, and enjoyed by all. Thurman Whitworth will receive cookies from the club at this time, and Troy Ransbarber's name was drawn for the next box.

The club will meet next with Mrs. Claude Thompson on April 2.

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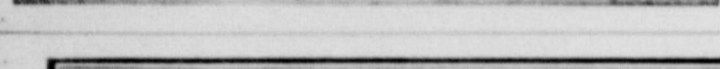


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Ayres, as Dr. Kildare, befriends Robert Sterling, young intern, and his sweetheart, played by Miss Rogers. He makes an impassioned plea for them before the hospital board, and the injured debutante, enamored of young Dr. Kildare, finally finds a way to solve their problems.

Alma Kruger, Walter Kingsford, Nell Craig, Marie Blake, George Reed, Frank Orth, Eddie Acuff, and a newcomer to the screen, Barry Nelson, discovered in a University of California play, fill important roles.

BALLINGER LIONS CLUB CONDEMNNS 40-HOUR WEEK

Members of the Ballinger Lions Club in their meeting Friday, condemned the 40-hour work week and urged no stoppage in production during the war in which the nation is engaged. A resolution was passed and telegraphic copies sent all members of congress from Texas.

The resolution passed by the Lions is as follows:

"We, the Lions Club of Ballinger, being composed of law-abiding American citizens and vitally interested in the welfare of our nation's safety and unity, request that you, as our representative, demand the repeal of the 40-hour week and exorbitant overtime salaries and place labor on the same footing with the boys in the army who are sacrificing their lives for you and us. Also, see to it that individuals occupying positions of importance and trust lay aside all personal prejudices and selfish interests."

Cecil Allen, formerly of Ballinger, and a relative of Wm. Hill, has been employed as cashier of the Junction National Bank and will go there to assume his new duties April 1.

Thousands of Workers Mix and Brew the Soup For Explosives in Munitions Plants of Canada

RED ammunition by the factories in the country it helps to protect, the big Canadian coastal defense gun raises a challenge over the Pacific. The tons of explosives now being turned out by Canadian munitions factories are sounding thunder on all the war fronts of the world. This year alone, their production of explosives will equal entire Canadian output during World War I.



Workers in the munitions plants in Quebec province are transported to and from work by special buses. These large plants are veritable cities; one plant covers an area of 5,500 acres and uses as much water as a city of 50,000 population.



(Above) Workers are busy filling depth charges with TNT. Known as ash cans, in plant parlance, these depth bombs are very effective in sinking submarines. (At right) Young women are packing cordite, known as macaroni to the workers, into specially prepared silk bags. Cordite is quick firing and is used as a propellant in heavy calibre shells.



No, these men are not bakers pouring butter into pie—It's TNT, one of the deadliest explosives known, being poured into shells.



Memorable 'Remember the Day' Stars Claudette Colbert, Payne I. O. O. F.-Rebekah Convention to be Held Here April 14

Preserving all the charm and artistic integrity of the stage production, 20th Century-Fox has taken the Broadway hit, "Remember the Day," and translated it into the stirring, dramatic film to be shown in midnight preview at the Texas Theatre Saturday, and on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, March 29, 30, 31.

The picture is a personal triumph for lovely Claudette Colbert, who proves once again that she is tops as a dramatic actress.

Spanning some of the most exciting years of our times, the story shows Claudette as the inspiration of two men, one destined to be called to the service to defend his ideals—the other to become a presidential nominee. To divulge the fascinating details of "Remember the Day" would be to spoil its entertainment value.

John Payne has the romantic lead, and he comes through with a sincere and moving performance in the role of the young lieutenant, Dan Hopkins.

Included in the supporting cast are John Shepperd, Ann Todd, Douglas Croft, Jane Seymour, Annie Revere and Frieda Inescort.

Story of Female Scarface and Western at Texas Friday and Saturday

Tim Holt in "Come on Danger," a western, and RKO Radio's "Lady Scarface" are the feature-length pictures at the Texas Theatre tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday. In addition are several short subjects.

A mysterious underworld character known to the police only as Slade, who eventually turns out to be a feminine gangster, is the central character in this current thrill-drama, "Lady Scarface."

Dennis O'Keefe and Frances Neal have the leads as a young police officer and a girl photographer, respectively. Judith Anderson plays the title role as the female Dillinger whose criminal activities baffle the police for many months.

Mildred Coles and Eric Blore have other principal roles in this exciting RKO Radio melodrama.

SCHOOL INSPECTIONS UNDERWAY IN COUNTY

Claude B. Mullins, deputy state superintendent, is here this week for a visit with all standardized schools in Runnels county. All high schools as well as standard elementary schools will be visited.

The tour of inspections was started Monday morning and County Superintendent Ernest Caskey will be with the state man each day this week in an effort to complete the work by Friday. A schedule of visits has been made up and teachers and trustees advised of the time the inspector will reach every school.

JOHN C. JOHNSON FINISHES BASIC COURSE IN FLYING

MOFFET FIELD, Calif., Mar. 25.—John C. Johnson, 22, of Ballinger—a private who wanted to become a pilot—came a step nearer his goal today when he completed basic flight training here.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Johnson, Ballinger, the former Texan was a private at Ft. Douglas, Utah, when he was accepted for enlisted pilot training last November. He reported for primary instruction at King City, Calif., graduating from there in January.

At Moffet, Johnson was given basic instruction and his class learned so readily that the graduation date was a full two weeks ahead of schedule.

The class of enlisted flyers, first of its kind to be trained at Moffet, now proceeds to advanced flying school—the final phase of training before becoming full-fledged pilots.

Enlisted flyers graduate with the rank of staff sergeant-pilot, reporting for active duty to one of the new squadrons of America's rapidly growing air force.

Miss Camille Behringer, teacher at Fluvanna, spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Behringer.

The Ballinger I. O. O. F. and Rebekah lodges will be hosts to the meeting of the Central West Texas groups on April 14. They were advised this week that Ballinger had been selected for the next meeting and work was begun this week to arrange a program which would attract a large crowd here for the one day.

T. M. Marsh will head the general committee for the Odd Fellows and a member of the Rebekah lodge will be appointed to direct the program for the women.

Mr. Marsh stated that all meetings probably would be held at the lodge hall over the City Drug Store and that details of the program were not complete enough at this time to make announcements. A number of officers from the Grand Lodge of Texas will be present and have parts on the program.

Intentions are to make the program open to the general public but later announcements will be made in regard to this. A joint committee of men and women will also secure entertainment numbers to be presented at the morning, afternoon and evening sessions of the convention.

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Uniforms Ordered For Enlisted Men In Defense Guard

The two units of the Texas Defense Guard in Runnels county, stationed at Ballinger, wish to express appreciation for the support given them by the commissioners' court of the county, the city of Ballinger, and Ballinger business men, who have made it possible for the volunteers to have all needed materials and equipment.

Financial support has made it possible to have manuals, office supplies, armory and supply rooms, drill grounds, and last but not least, complete uniforms for all enlisted men in each unit.

A drive for donations was made last week and enough funds raised to place an order for uniforms. This order has been sent away and within two weeks all men will be in uniform at drills and meetings.

The infantry units and the air corps unit of the defense guard are having regular monthly meetings and fine progress is being

made with drills and school work. Non-commissioned officers have completed a large part of their school work and are handling the company like veteran drill officers. Officers in both units have purchased their uniforms and as soon as those for enlisted men arrive the appearance of the guard units will be improved.

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SENATOR METCALFE WILL BE CANDIDATE FOR SECOND TERM

Senator Penrose B. Metcalfe of San Angelo, who has proved himself to be a champion of farm, school, social security, and national defense legislation during his term in the Texas State Senate, and four preceding terms in the House of Representatives at Austin, announced this week that he would be a candidate for a second term from the 25th district.

"I don't believe that any new State taxes should be levied, but the State must practice economy in everything except the war effort," Senator Metcalfe said, in announcing his candidacy. "Of course, the most important thing for all of us right now is to win the war. And as a member of the Texas Legislature, I believe I can say for all the citizens of this State, Texas can be counted on to do her part.

"I submit my candidacy for re-election to the Senate upon a record of having carried out faithfully and diligently those pledges made when I was elected. During the coming months I expect to make as active a campaign as conditions will permit, in order to confer with people over the district," the Senator said.

An officer in the United States Army Air Corps during the First World War, Senator Metcalfe has shown repeatedly by his official acts that he can be counted on to sponsor legislation needed to help win the war. Under his leadership as chairman of the Military Affairs Committee the Texas senate adopted legislation which has placed Texas on a war basis. Because the last legislative sessions met and solved every major problem confronting it, it has been unnecessary for the Governor to call any extra sessions during the emergency.

His record may be outlined briefly as follows:

1. Senator Metcalfe took the lead in obtaining legislation protecting the livestock industry as well as measures promoting the welfare of the farmers.

2. He was very active in the adoption of the legislation providing funds for Social Security program, allocating an increase of more than one hundred per cent over the previous amount for the old folks, and which set aside funds to meet the requirements for the needy blind and dependent children, and to match funds for Teacher Retirement.

3. Senator Metcalfe has shown

Parade Ground in Northern Ireland



There are now many U. S. troops stationed in Northern Ireland, several A.E.F.'s of considerable size having landed safely. This photo, taken somewhere in Northern Ireland, shows part of the U. S. troops on the parade ground as they were reviewed by Maj. Gen. Russell P. Harlie and his officers.

himself to be one of the best friends of the state's schools; he has served three years as a member of the Joint Legislative Committee supervising the administration of Rural School Aid Funds. He has also been for many years a member of conference committees for the State institutions of higher learning.

4. He is the author of the present law providing retirement benefits for firemen, and sponsored the measure in the senate setting up funds to meet it.

5. He sponsored legislation for the protection of the truck industry and was joint author of the load-limit-increase bill and author of the Commercial License Fee bill, which has been widely acclaimed as one of the model acts of the 47th legislature.

6. Senator Metcalfe sponsored to a successful conclusion the bill to permit free tuition in Texas institutions to a limited number of students from other American nations, a measure designed to foster better relations with our neighboring countries. Other meritorious measures, which the Senator sponsored and help enact,

were:
Extension of period of payments on school lands, so as to help the schools and the purchasers also and reduce speculation at the expense of legitimate buyers;

Authorization of supplemental census of schools in defense areas;

Extension for three years of the time under which the Upper Colorado River Authority will have to secure funds;

Creation of legal machinery for the payment of funds to the Central Colorado River Authority;

Authorization for the governor to appoint a special commissioner for the courts of civil appeals when a member is called into military service;

Local measures desired by practically all the counties of the district.

Being a member of thirteen standing and one special Senate committees and the Joint Legislative Committee, Senator Metcalfe has been influential in pushing needed and worthwhile legislation to a successful conclusion. He has taken an active part in debate on the floor of the senate, is recognized as one of the best informed men in the legislature on parliamentary procedure, and is chairman of the powerful Rules Committee.

Born on a Tom Green County ranch, he obtained his preparatory education in the San Angelo schools, going from there to Texas A. & M., where he was graduated in 1916. Following four years of college military training, he entered the Air Corps as a private in 1917, shortly after the declaration of war and worked his way up to a captaincy in that branch. (Political Advertisement) 26-11-

GOVERNOR STEVENSON WILL AID IN STATE'S NUTRITION PROGRAM

COLLEGE STATION, March 25.—Texas soon will be organized on a community basis for improved nutrition.

Governor Coke Stevenson, chairman of the national defense committee for Texas, has suggested that the state's 254 county defense coordinators and 617 municipal coordinators appoint chairmen of food and nutrition committees. In his letter to the coordinators Governor Stevenson said: "Many organizations, agencies, and individuals long have worked toward the objective of sound nutrition, but it is believed that much more can be done by focusing efforts through the county and municipal defense organizations. That is the reason, therefore, for the suggestion that you appoint a food and nutrition committee to direct community programs for better nutrition."

Earlier, Governor Stevenson had advised Dr. T. O. Walton, president of the Texas A. & M. College and coordinator of nutrition activities for the national defense committee for Texas, that the Texas state nutrition committee is recognized as the official state defense group working in the field of nutrition.

Assistance to local food and nutrition committees will be given through a sub-committee on community planning. State Chairman Mildred Horton, vice-director of the Texas A. & M. College extension service, said at a recent meeting of the Texas committee in Austin. Dr. Erel Eppright, of the Texas State College for Women, is chairman of that sub-committee.

At the Austin meeting, committee members and approximately 75 chairmen of county units of home economists heard Dr. Helen S. Mitchell, of Washington, D. C., principal nutritionist for the office of defense health and welfare services.

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Hats are flattering because they are frankly feminine—big brims and tiny straws—flower trimmed with veil. In colors for any Easter costume.

HIGGINBOTHAM'S

Ballinger, Blanton Win Track Events At County Meet

The last of the Runnels county interscholastic league meet was held here Wednesday afternoon with only three schools represented. Class B, high school juniors and class B ward school juniors participated in the events.

In the class B high school group Ballinger won over Wingate 46 to 11 and in the ward school group Blanton won over Wingate 28 to 21.

CLASS B, HIGH SCHOOL 50 Yard Dash
First, Burger, Ballinger; second, Frazier, Ballinger; third, Russell, Ballinger; fourth, Walker, Wingate

100 Yard Dash
First, Burger, Ballinger; second, Frazier, Ballinger; third, Coffman, Ballinger; fourth, Self, Wingate

440 Yard Relay
First, Ballinger
Pull Up
First, Self, Wingate; second, Mathis, Ballinger; third, Hirschfeld, Ballinger

High Jump
First, Burger, Ballinger; second, Walker, Wingate; third, Russell, Ballinger; fourth, Earnshaw, Ballinger

Broad Jump
First, Burger, Ballinger; second, Frazier, Ballinger; third, Earnshaw, Ballinger; fourth, Self, Wingate

CLASS B, WARD SCHOOLS 50 Yard Dash
First, King, Blanton; second, Wade, Blanton; third, Compton, Wingate; fourth, Hancock, Wingate

100 Yard Dash
First, King, Blanton; second, Compton, Wingate; third, Wade, Blanton; fourth, Foreman, Blanton

440 Yard Relay
First, Blanton
Broad Jump
First, Phillips, Wingate; second, Compton, Wingate; third, King, Blanton

High Jump
First, King, Blanton; second, Compton, Wingate; third, Wade, Blanton.

Here's New U. S. Marine 'Helmet'



The United States Marine Corps has adopted this new type of helmet. Designed and tested by the Army, the headpiece is made in two parts. Without the steel shell, it serves as a gas helmet. The rifle pictured here is the new semi-automatic Garand.

HOMEMAKERS URGED TO PAY ATTENTION TO ELIMINATION OF ACCIDENTS DURING WAR

COLLEGE STATION, March 25.—Recent increases in home accident deaths prompt Mrs. Bernice Claytor, extension service specialist in home improvement, to urge more accident prevention work in wartime. At a time when every citizen must contribute his maximum to the nation's victory effort, home accidents slow down production, rob the nation of essential manpower, and are costly in money and morale, she says.

Remedies for home accidents are more difficult to affect than remedies for industrial accidents, since there is no direct control over family life. Mrs. Claytor says that means the responsibility for accident prevention lies with every family. She says homemakers can make their homes safer by doing these things:

- Use care in waxing floors and placing rugs.
- Install handrails or other simple safety devices over bathtub.
- Light stairways.
- Keep matches and poison out of reach of children.
- Dispose of can-openers which

are dull or broken. Keep knives and other pointed instruments in their proper place and teach children to avoid them or to use them carefully.

See that clothing and curtains are hung where they cannot be ignited by an open flame.

Keep a short step-ladder handy, and avoid standing on chairs.

Promptly wipe up grease or water spilled on the floor. Don't allow kettles to boil over; for water will extinguish a gas burner. If you notice a gas leak, extinguish all flames, ventilate the room, and call your gas company.

"The biggest help is to take your time," the specialist says. "Hurrying results in many accidents."

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Cobden spent the past week-end with relatives and friends at Fort Worth and witnessing the Southwestern Exposition.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Wear and Mr. and Mrs. E. Shepperd were in Dallas this week, attending the annual American Gardens celebration.

Typewriter ribbons at Ledger office.

BROTHER OF MRS. ERWIN DIES AT ILLINOIS HOME

Mrs. R. G. Erwin received a message this afternoon announcing the death of her brother, H. L. Van Doren, at St. Elmo, Illinois. Death was sudden and thought to have been from a heart attack suffered earlier today.

Arrangements for the funeral are not perfected but rites probably will be held at St. Elmo some time Saturday. Mrs. Erwin will not be able to attend the funeral.

CANDIDATES REQUIRED TO SIGN AFFIDAVITS

Complying with a new state law, all candidates for office will be required to file a special affidavit with county clerks this year in regard to their attitude toward the government. The state will not provide the forms, but a copy was received here this week by County Clerk John B. Rayburn and he will make up a supply for those seeking office to sign.

Among other things set out in the affidavit the candidate will sign a blank including the following: "I do solemnly swear that I believe in and approve our present representative form of government, and if elected, I will support and defend our present representative form of government and will resist any effort or movement from any source which seeks to subvert or destroy the same or any part thereof, and I will port and defend the constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Texas."

Sumatra has a population estimated at between eight and nine million, of which 20,000 are Europeans and Eurasians.

Governor's Island in New York harbor was once a fashionable summer resort.

Scientists estimate there are 100 billion stars in the galaxy which includes the earth.

Sam Behringers
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Fresh
Tomatoes lb. 10c

No. 1 White
Potatoes 10 lbs. 29c

Magic Washing Powder
Small 10c
Large 25c

Post Toasties 11-oz. box 6c
Limit 3 boxes

Dates Pitted 2 lbs. 35c
Unpitted 2 lbs. 25c

Easter Candies
Large Assortment

HOWELL'S MARKET

RIB ROAST fancy lb. 18c

PORK CHOPS nice lean lb. 28c

Plenty Easter Hams

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Aid Now Available In Child Welfare Program in Texas

AUSTIN, Mar. 25.—Since Texas, in cooperation with the federal government, initiated a program last September for aid to destitute children, approximately 10,000 needy children have been placed on the rolls and 17,772 children in 7,540 families have applications pending. Applicants and recipients of aid reside predominantly in the larger cities.

When the death, continued illness, or absence of one or both parents leaves the family without any means of support or parental care, the aid to dependent children program provides monthly cash payments to the mother or other close relative with whom the children may live for the maintenance of the home. The 47th legislature appropriated the money to finance the program, with the federal government matching funds dollar for dollar.

The law sets certain requirements for the receipt of assistance by dependent children. First, it must be proved that need exists. A family is considered to be in need if it lacks sufficient resources to maintain itself. A child must have lived in the state for at least a year beforehand, or, if it is an infant less than a year old, the mother must have lived in the state a year before it was born. Although the federal social security act provides for matching funds in giving aid to children up to 16 years of age, or 18 if the child is still attending school, the Texas constitution excludes benefits to children who have already attained the age of 14 or over.

Applications for aid to dependent children may be made at the local office of the state department of public welfare. The same workers who administer aid to the needy blind and old age assistance also administer the children's program. Applicants must supply certain information about the family and its circumstances so that the welfare office can determine whether the children may receive aid.

When investigation shows that the family is in need, and how much assistance will be required, a monthly allowance is granted. The amount varies, depending on the need in each case. If the decision of the welfare office, either in fixing the amount or in refusing aid, seems unfair, the applicant may request a hearing before a representative of the state office and evidence given at this hearing will be passed on by the appeal board of the state welfare department.

"This program aims to give every dependent child in Texas the privilege of growing up in his own home," J. S. Murchison, executive director of the department said. "Home life is the highest and finest product of civilization. It is the great molding force of mind and character. Children should not be deprived of it because of poverty. Cash assistance, and other services of this kind, enables young boys and girls to develop until useful and reliable citizens by making possible the maintenance of normal family life. Because of this program, children who are dependent and in need, like their more fortunate playmates, may now receive care until they are old enough to contribute to their own support."

A. B. Fields, of the King-Holt Funeral Home, was confined to his home the first of the week because of a throat infection.

Clyde Holliday, of Houston, visited relatives in Ballinger and Runnels county the past week-end.

Battery Commander's Telescope



In the field United States Marine battery commanders observe the effect of artillery fire with instruments like this one. This officer is a member of the Tenth Marines.

WHEAT FARMERS GET READY FOR QUOTA VOTE ON MAY 2

COLLEGE STATION, March 25.—Nearly 100 million bushels more than last year, or the greatest supply on record, describes the present wheat situation, according to Charlie L. Thomas, state AAA committeeman and wheat grower of Pampa.

"We'll go to the polls, Saturday, May 2, to vote democratically and cooperatively on whether we want to continue marketing quotas, and that's more than other farmers in the world can do," he said. To be in effect, quotas must be approved by two-thirds of the farmers voting. Last year, in the first referendum, wheat farmers approved quotas by an 81 per cent majority.

"Our wheat market is limited. Quotas simply divide this market fairly among all of us," Thomas said.

Farmers who overplant their acreage allotments are asked to make the same adjustments in marketings as AAA cooperators make at seeding time.

Under AAA regulations, volunteer wheat may be substituted for seeded wheat, Thomas explained. To be in effect, however, total wheat acreage on a farm cannot exceed the wheat acreage allotment.

"Quotas will direct farm production into foods and feedstuffs needed in the food-for-victory program and will smooth the flow of wheat to market, preventing harvest tie-up of railroads which already are loaded to capacity with war materials," the AAA official said.

KILLING INSECT STOWAWAYS KEEPS BARRIERS UP AGAINST MANY PESTS FROM ABROAD

COLLEGE STATION, March 25.—The toughest problem in destroying insect stowaways in shipments of fruits, vegetables and other plant materials is to avoid injuring these foodstuffs. The process, called "de-insectizing," plus inspection and quarantine, while materials are en route, have helped to maintain effective barriers against many pests from abroad, and to limit the spread of species which now have a foothold in this country.

According to Cameron Siddall, entomologist of the A. & M. College extension service, research has developed such treatments as high temperature, low temperature, mechanical and chemical.

Extremes of temperature is a common method of killing the insects. Those harbored in fruits and vegetables which can "take it" may be destroyed instantly by extreme high temperatures; but less resistant materials must be given the heat treatment over a period of hours at lower temperature.

An example of mechanical treatment is the use of pressure of 2,000 pounds a square inch to destroy pink bollworms in cottonseed and baled lint. Cold storage and refrigerated transportation are both useful in the destruction of the Mediterranean and Mexican fruitflies, which cannot stand cold long in the larval stage.

In chemical treatments, solids, liquids, or gases are used directly on commodities, especially while

moving under quarantine regulations. The bureau of entomology and plant quarantine reports excellent results with nursery stock and potted plants treated with methyl bromide, and in fumigating carload lots of fruits and vegetables with the same compound.

REBEKAH LODGE HEARS CONVENTION REPORTS

The Rebekah Lodge of Ballinger heard reports of the state meeting last week, given by Mrs. Theima Gabbert. Members are urged to be present tonight at 8:30 when plans will be made for entertaining and arranging a program for the Central West Texas I. O. O. F. and Rebekah lodges here on April 14.

TRUSTEE ELECTION DATE IS SATURDAY, APRIL 4

No names have been filed for the office of trustee in the Ballinger independent school district. Names for places on the ballot will be accepted through Wednesday, after which tickets will be printed for the election to be held Saturday, April 4.

Trustees finishing their terms are Tom Agnew and Henry Doss. The election will be held at the school board office.

A. L. Spann is ill and confined to his home on Eighth Street.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Grady and son, Truman, and Mrs. Cicero Smith, all of Brownwood, were here the past week-end for a visit in the C. E. Maedgen home.

RURAL NEWS logo featuring a house and a car.

HERRING

There are quite a few in our community with bad colds. If we could get a good rain, it is believed everyone would feel better.

Miss Ida Mae Day, of Brownwood, and her father, W. L. Day, of Santa Anna, visited in the W. L. Alcorn home Thursday and Friday nights of last week.

Mr. Alcorn accompanied Miss Ida Mae Day to San Angelo Friday, where she attended the teachers' convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Baines and baby visited in the Linice Baines home at Lawn Sunday.

Mr. Gray and Charlie visited in the J. Rosford home Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Brevard and Lexia attended church at Crews Sunday and were dinner guests in the Noble Faubion home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Alcorn and Elton Joe, Foy Day, Norma Sue Fuller and Juanita Stephens were dinner guests in the Reuben Whitley home Sunday.

Maxine and Nadine Kirbo spent Saturday and Sunday night with Louise and Genita Stephens.

Bro. A. T. Nixon, our pastor, will preach for us Saturday night and Sunday morning. Everyone is invited and urged to attend. We welcome visitors.

We are sorry to report that August Powe was carried back to the Coleman hospital Monday. We hope he will soon be able to return home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Schwartz, Jr., and Peggy, of Drasco; Mrs. C. W. Schwartz, Sr., of Crews, visited in the J. Rosford home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gess Thurman attended to business in Coleman Monday.

J. B. McCord, of New York, is home on a furlough and came out to his ranch today (Tuesday).

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Lee have moved to the Pete Petree farm.

LAKE CHARLES, La., Mar. 25—

First Sergeant Carlos W. Burnette, of the air corps advanced flying school at Lake Charles was on January 26 married to Miss Edythe Pauline Schoutz of San Antonio. Mrs. Gene Jirious, of San Antonio, was bridesmaid and Staff Sergeant Harold Phillips, of Detroit, was best man at the quiet ceremony. The couple was married in the Kelly Field chapel by Chaplain Washburn, and was the first wedding to be performed in the newly completed chapel.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Schoutz, of Smithville, Texas, and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Burnette, of Ballinger.

After spending their honeymoon in San Antonio, Austin, Smithville, Houston, Galveston, Orange and Beaumont, Sergeant and Mrs. Burnette are making home at 430 Moss Street, Lake Charles, where Burnette is chief clerk in the secretary's office in headquarters at the flying school.

Miss Maurine Duncan, student of the San Angelo junior college, was at home for a visit with her parents over the week-end.

Miss Allene Rudder, of San Antonio, visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Rudder, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Branham, of Wilmett, were guests in our community Sunday. They report the recent birth of a little son to Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Branham, of Midland. Mrs. Branham is remembered here as Miss Cleo Elms.

Mrs. Nettie Lucas is making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Dewey Blackmon, and family, of this community.

Elwyn Madison, of Lometa; Mr. and Mrs. Milton Young, of Glen Cove; and Mrs. Tom Mathis, of San Saba, have all been visiting at the bedside of their father and father-in-law, A. W. Madison. Mrs. Mathis has remained for a while. Mr. and Mrs. Bibbs, of Refugio; and Mrs. Ethel Ennox, of Dallas, children of Mrs. Madison, have visited there also, and Mrs. Ennox remained as special nurse.

Troy Rainwater, of Corpus Christi, who was recently very ill, is reported able to be about his duties.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Irwin, of Kermit, spent a few hours here

Saturday before visiting his parents at Ballinger.

It is reported that the Shell Oil Co., of Houston, will begin drilling a test well for oil in a short time on the E. W. Rainwater farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Tippett and family, of Talpa, were guests of his mother and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cummins Sunday. Mrs. Tippett returned with them for a visit at Talpa.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Faubion and family, of Ballinger, were guests of their children here Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brevard, of the Herring community, were church guests here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee W. Tabor, of Talpa, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Naomi Hambricht was a week-end guest of her son, Marvin Hambricht, and family.

BALLINGER SOLDIER'S WEDDING ANNOUNCED

LAKE CHARLES, La., Mar. 25—

Loosens Up Thick Choking Phlegm of BRONCHIAL ASTHMA!

Spend 45c today at J. Y. Pearce Drug Store or any drug store for a bottle of Buckley's CANADIOL Mixture (triple acting). Pour yourself a teaspoonful, let it lie on your tongue a moment then swallow slowly. Feel its instant powerful effective action spread through throat, head and bronchial tubes. Start at once to loosen thick choking phlegm making breathing easier. No claim is made that Buckley's is a cure for Chronic Bronchitis or Asthma but suffers often find Buckley's CANADIOL Mixture (the largest selling cough medicine in all Canada) starts right in to quiet coughing spasms and loosen up that choking phlegm which seems to clog the tubes and makes breathing difficult. It helps many to get a better night's rest.

Advertisement for Modern Food Market featuring various food items and prices. Includes a 'YOU KNOW They're FRESH!' slogan and a list of products like radishes, carrots, lettuce, spinach, and various flours.

Advertisement for Morgan Wrecking Shop featuring 'Help Defense' and 'Bring Us Your SCRAP IRON'. Lists prices for scrap iron, bones, and junk tires.

Large advertisement for 'SPECIAL BARGAIN' from The Ballinger Ledger and The Texas Almanac. Offers a special price of \$1.50 for both inside Runnels County and \$2.00 for outside.

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The attendance at the patriotic mass meeting Friday night reflects the spirit of local people and all those of West Texas. In days when so much is needed and the time is so short in which to do it, people almost become panicky in striving to formulate a plan that will perform a miracle. Regardless of the plan, some plan must work and all the American boys in foreign lands and the thousands yet to go, must have all they need to meet a bigger force and still win. Politics must be forgotten, groups and factions must go, leaders must provide a plan to meet the need and every person who calls the United States home must work or fight to win this war and with the fewest possible lives sacrificed. This perfect unity must start in every community, little personal differences must be put in the background and all the people must become friends with one purpose as their goal. We must remember that it takes workers, privates, corporals, sergeants and commissioner officers to make up a fighting force in every branch of the service and a life in one place is worth no more than in another. Every uniform must be filled with an American.

There are still people who think that this country is in no danger of invasion or bombing and that the big civilian defense program is all bunk. Failure to be ready for any emergency is what the enemy wants. The training required as a fire watcher, home nurse, rescue worker, air raid warden, demolition crew member, is a fine way to increase your own patriotism and the courses will be educational to every person. A community that is ready can meet any emergency all working together. In no phase of war

work must we ever admit that we started too late.
 Another school year is nearing its end and within a few short weeks another graduating class will receive diplomas from the Ballinger schools and other schools of this section. Graduates finish the first lap in their education and face a new condition from those of recent years. The boys are nearing the age when their country may need them for months to come and maybe years. This is just another class that is called upon to sacrifice because of the war and their loss may mean their entire future.

ADVANTAGES OF VOLUNTARY ENLISTMENT IN ARMY CITED: RECRUITS TREATED ALIKE

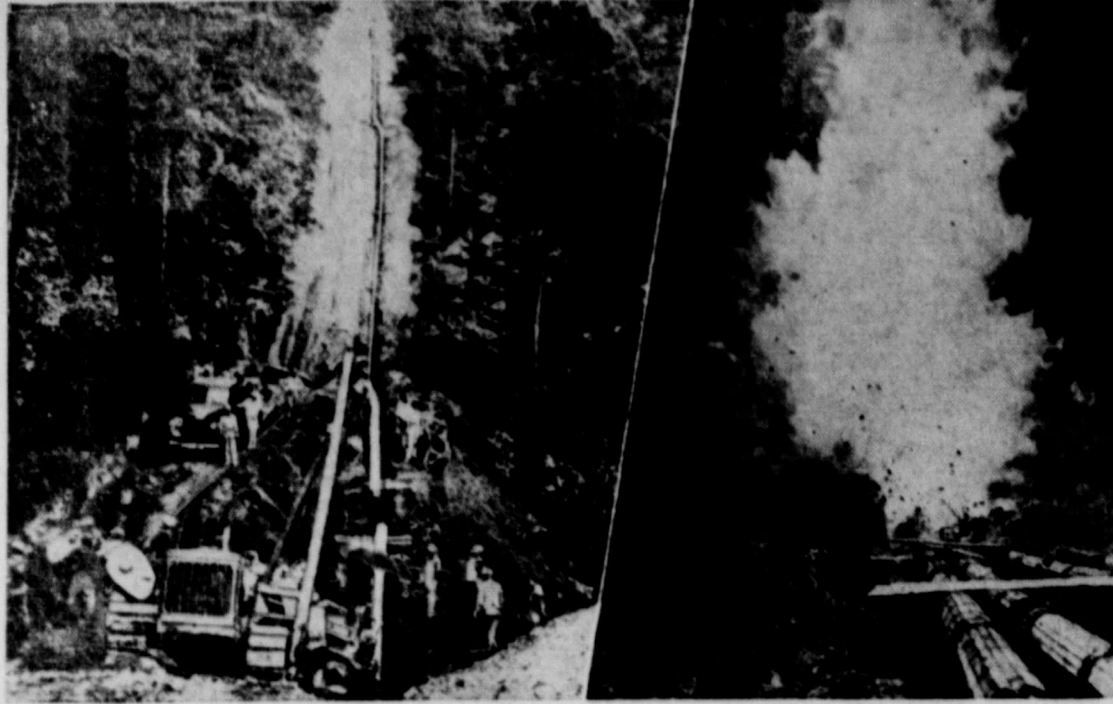
SAN ANTONIO, March 25.— Answering the question as to whether there is any advantage to a man who enlists voluntarily instead of waiting for a call under the provisions of selective service, Colonel Kinzie B. Edmunds, district army recruiting officer, San Antonio, stated that there is no difference in the treatment of the two classes after joining the colors and no distinction made between them.

"However," he said, "there may be a distinct gain to the volunteer in time. He has, so to speak, a head-start of several weeks or months. Naturally when the time comes to pick the leaders and specialists, with greater privileges and more pay, those whose training is more advanced, who have joined their units and gained the attention of the commanders making the selections, have an advantage over those who are comparatively unknown and are still in recruit squads in the training centers. This is particularly the case when the army is expanding, as it is now, and there are many vacancies to be filled.

"For men of 18 or 19, below the selective service age, the army now offers many opportunities to volunteers. The officer candidate schools are open to them if they are qualified to enter. The age for original commission has recently been lowered from 21 to 18. A man can now become a commissioned officer of several years' experience at an age when he formerly would have been eligible only for his first appointment. While promotion is now selective, seniority in experience and responsibility rather than age will always have a marked influence on selections. When the war is over and many return to civil life, the man who has held a responsible position in the army will have a great advantage in the quest for employment." Col. Edmunds added.

Claude Collins, of San Angelo, transacted business and visited friends here Monday.

Nothing Stops War Pipe Line Gang



When a petroleum pipe line is being built to supply war industries with the precious fluid, nothing stops the pipe line gang. Right: A rock ditch being blasted at a river crossing somewhere in the Carolinas. Left: A gang prepares to bend a 15-inch pipe in the mountain area of Alabama. Bending the pipe to conform with the terrain is tough work. The completed Plantation Pipe line, from Baton Rouge, La., to Bremen, Ga., and Greensboro, N. C., has some 1,200 miles of pipe.



WEST TEXAS NOTES

Wilso J. Kenley, et al. of Kerrville, was given a judgment for \$4,500 against the city of Coleman in district court at Coleman last week. Kenley asked for damages of \$20,000 following the death of his son there several years ago. The lad was electrocuted when he touched an electric wire that had fallen almost to the ground. The city's attorneys announced that the case would be appealed.

The Junction school board has announced the reelection of the superintendent and all principals for another year. R. D. Kothman was reelected superintendent and given a three-year contract. He has headed the Junction schools for the past four years and made a fine record, including much improvement and growth in the system.

Emil Rose, 30, formerly of Rowena, was killed last week in a truck crash near Sweetwater. Mrs. Rose was taken to a hospital, where physicians stated that she was in a critical condition. The truck overturned at a sharp curve on the Abilene-Sweetwater highway.

Private Clark McGee, 20, was wounded in the left leg at Camp Bowie last week when he called to men lurking in the shadow of a warehouse, demanding that they halt. The men returned the challenge with gunfire and made their escape. McGee was taken to a hospital where he was given a blood transfusion and was reported to be resting satisfactorily. He is a member of the 115th infantry, 31st division.

Farmers of the Rising Star community were in a mass meeting last week to hear a general discussion of the food for freedom plan. All farmers in that section will plan their 1942 crops to be of the most help possible in the campaign to provide essential foods for the nation during the emergency.

A large number of Miles people attended the state meeting of the I. O. O. F. and Rebekah lodges in San Antonio last week. The Miles lodges are both very active and are always well represented in state and district meetings.

David Guion Day was observed by the Beethoven Music Club of Paint Rock last week. The program presented a number of Guion's compositions. Miss Pearl Currie, president of the club, was elected delegate to the state convention, to be held at Belton on April 15.

Sweetwater citizens, through the Red Cross chapter, have provided a piano to be placed in the Red Cross center at Camp Barkeley.

and other entertainment. Director Clyde Smith stated that band members wished to have a live-wire organization and felt the need for summer entertainment for people of that section.

Citizens of Winters have been asked to pause in their work each Friday morning at 10 o'clock to pray for the boys in the armed forces of the nation. A church bell will be rung at 10 a. m. every Friday to remind of the time of prayer. A service is held each Friday in one of the churches, where prayers are spoken. These meetings have been well attended by women of the town.

A patriotic rally held at Comanche last week was attended by a crowd estimated at 7,000. The demonstration began at 2 p. m. and continued for three hours.

Abilene. A large number of West Texas Red Cross chapters are conducting a drive to provide entertainment and necessary equipment in the center for convalescing soldiers at Camp Barkeley. The piano was presented at a meeting held in the camp last week.

Soldiers from Camp Bowie were on hand, the 31st infantry and the 755th tank battalion having places at the head of the parade. Military bands and other features helped to make up the parade, which was several miles in length.

More than 200 acres of pasture grass were destroyed by fire near Melvin last week. A number of grass fires have been reported in the Melvin area recently and citizens of other communities have been quick to help in whipping them out. Loss of lambs and sheep in the latest fire was small.

The Menard Chamber of Commerce last week discussed the town's part in the war and will make that the theme of the program at the annual banquet this week-end. Dr. W. R. White will address the annual meeting, officers and directors will be elected, and other business transacted.

March 31 is the date set for a patriotic rally to be held at Stephenville for all Erath county. State Senator John Lee Smith, of Throckmorton, will be the principal speaker and a program which will attract many people is being arranged. Music and army equipment are being sought for the program and parade.

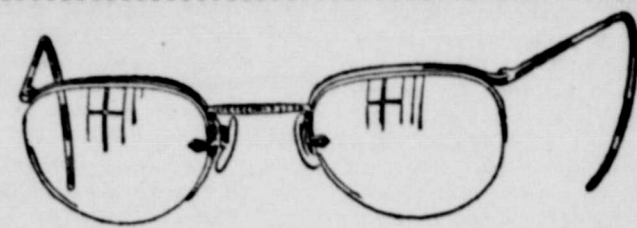
Curtis Field, basic flying school at Brady, observed its first anniversary last week. The school, one of the first civilian operated in this section of the state, began operations one year ago and many pilots have completed training in regular classes. Curtis Field is the only basic civilian operated school in the Southwest.

DRY GOODS STORES HERE OPEN TO 10 ON SATURDAYS

Ballinger dry goods stores will remain open each Saturday night until 10 o'clock instead of 9, as has been the custom for the past several weeks. With the days longer, the merchants decided it was necessary to keep open later on Saturdays in order to serve those who come to town in the late afternoons.

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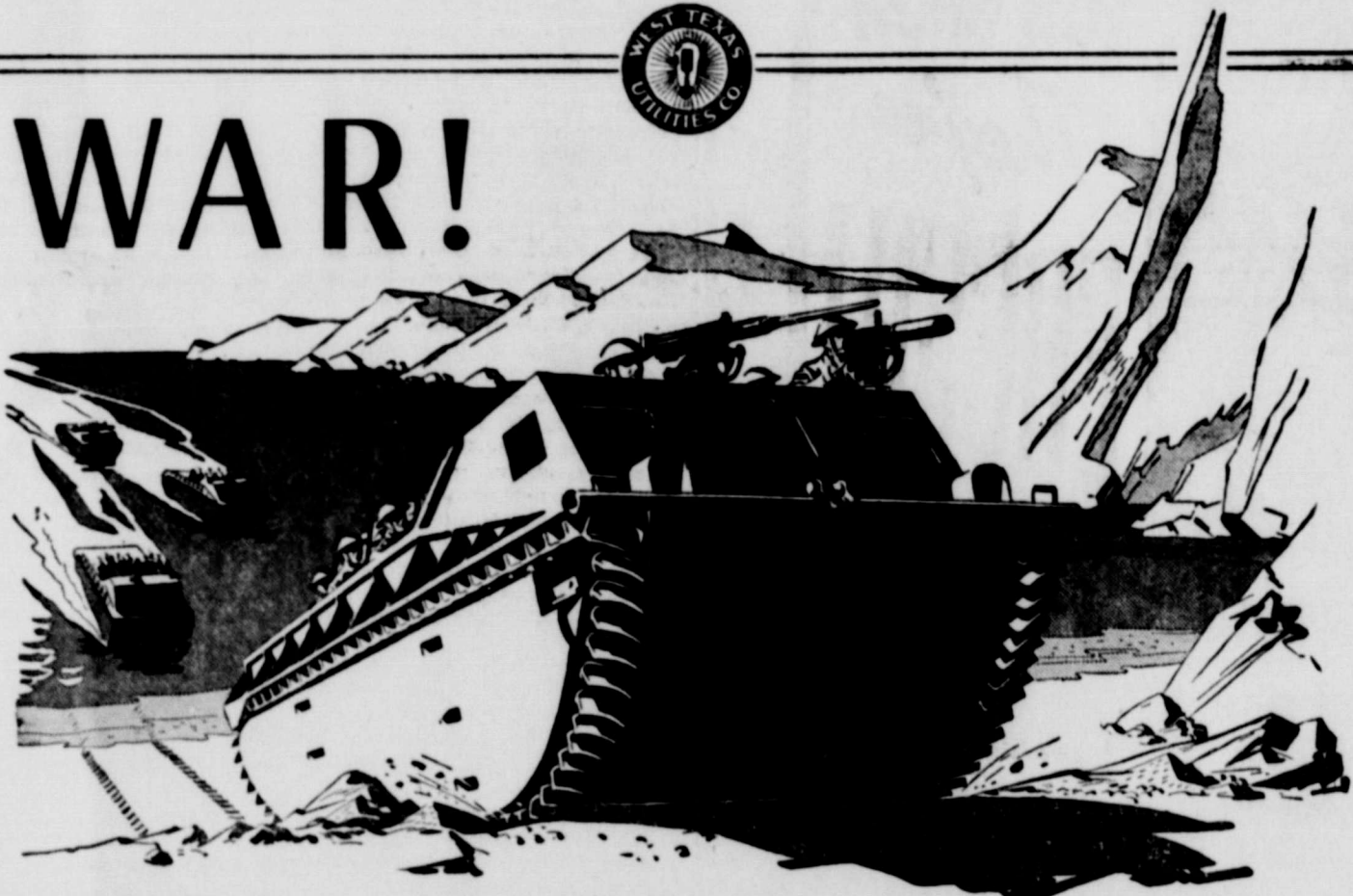
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Thus read the opening lines of an editorial in the official magazine of the United States Chamber of Commerce suggesting that the average citizen feels that the bureaucrats in Washington "are not taking the war seriously."
 The average man, it is said, "has become impervious to 'emergency.' He has been exposed for ten years to perpetual emotion. It is natural that he ask his leaders for something more

than words.... He needs examples, actions, in high places."

But, it continues, "As far as the citizen can see, not one of the 150-odd peace-time bureaus, commissions and authorities has made any sacrifice. Not one. Rather, not a one but has found the war an excuse for expanding its personnel and 'services.'"

The average man knows that wars are not won with words, piddling policies, or boondoggling. Wars are won with deeds, with production, and with the full cooperation of government, labor, industry, and of ALL the people.

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Farmers Are Urged To Plant Full Quota In Cotton Program

Claude R. Wickard, U. S. secretary of agriculture, is calling on the cotton farmers of the nation to plant their full allotment this year. Not only is the lint needed but the scarcity of vegetable oils is so great that a full cotton crop will do much to supply this demand.

In the past the United States has been greatly dependent upon imports of nearly three billion pounds of vegetable oil, mostly palm and coconut oils produced in far-off Sumatra, Java, Borneo, Ceylon and other regions now in the war zone. A bale of cotton in Texas usually yields about 150 pounds of cottonseed and the seed yields about 400 pounds of cottonseed meal, the greatest protein feedstuff in the South.

Previously the full cotton acreage quota has not been planted. In Runnels county the allotment has been around 110,000 acres but a number of farmers who are only interested in raising feed for livestock, do not use their individual allotments and so far there is no plan for these acres to be turned back and included in allotments of those who do raise cotton. As a result the actual acreage runs around 90,000 acres in this county.

At an average of 100 pounds of edible vegetable oil for each bale of cotton, Runnels county farmers can produce oil to keep one soldier supplied for a year on each acre of cotton harvested.

An appeal has been sent out to the 250,000 cotton farmers to use their full acreage quota, not only to provide the needed oil, but to furnish feed for dairy cows and other livestock in the food-for-freedom campaign.

Many agencies are joining in the plea for planting all the cotton allowed under the government

program this year to take care of the shortages caused by territories lost to the enemy in the war.

LITTLE BALLINGER GIRL LIKES LIVING IN FLORIDA

The following letter was received by Mr. and Mrs. Asa Cordill from their granddaughter, Betty Parrish, daughter of Lieut. and Mrs. James Parrish, who are now in Florida:

"Green Cove Springs, Florida
"Sunday, 15th

"Dear Grannies:

"We have been here in Florida for exactly one week and one day. I like it here. We are going to start to school Monday.

"St. Elmo is a big hotel. We are out on the left wing downstairs. St. Elmo has great big grounds with lots of big shady trees, which all have lots of long Spanish moss.

"I expect you will like to know about the word 'Green Cove Springs.' It is a great big green deep spring of sulphur water, on the cove of the St. John's River. Right by the springs is a big swimming pool of the sulphur water. It is 78 degrees all the time.

"The bridge across the St. John's River is 2.2 miles. Daddy drove us across it yesterday. There are long water lily floats in the water. Don't you know they will be pretty when they bloom?"

"We have gone out to officers' mess two times. They surely serve good meals. One time they had fried chicken and the other time they had fish.

"Everybody is fine and we all feel good. Every morning Jimmie and I get up and go to town and get groceries, as the town is only two blocks away. It is a nice quiet little town, with a good swimming pool.

"Mary E. Ann and a lot of other good friends live here.

"I hope you are all fine.

"Love,

"Betty"

Typewriter ribbons at Ledger office.

Plans for Home Nursing Course Underway Here

Miss Lucille Botter, county health nurse, reports that plans for classes in American Red Cross home nursing are almost complete. Instructors have volunteered for teaching the course in Ballinger, Winters, and Rowena. So far, no one has been located at Miles.

In Ballinger, Mrs. Oren Chandler and Mrs. Gurthal Gilligan have applied for authorization to teach. One class taught by the county health nurse will complete the course next week. This group is the Airfield Allies, and all members who are completing the course have volunteered to serve in case of a disaster.

The first class in the home nursing course at Winters met last Tuesday. Mrs. Raymond Lloyd, Mrs. Fred Young, and Mrs. Evelyn Mayor are the instructors there.

Mrs. J. B. Nail will instruct classes at Rowena.

All instructors must be graduate nurses who meet the requirements set by the American National Red Cross, and are not required to be enrolled Red Cross nurses. At a meeting of the Runnels county Red Cross chapter to be held in Ballinger next Tuesday, March 31, committees will be set up for organization of classes in first aid, home nursing, and nutrition. When these committees are formed, interested groups will be notified to register for the lectures.

Supt. Nat. Williams has consented to have the new home economics cottage available for a classroom. This offers a home-like environment in which to teach, and is ideal for the course.

Program of CCC Changed to Aid Nation at War

AUSTIN, March 25.—Among the government agencies born of the depression to be completely transformed by the war is the civilian conservation corps. Private employment and the army have been responsible for closing camp after camp in Texas until the state now has only four remaining camps. The whole purpose of the program has been changed from aiding needy families and conservation of natural resources to training for defense industries, was production, and conservation work which is directly related to national war strength.

The CCC has a policy of continuous selection, and Texas is

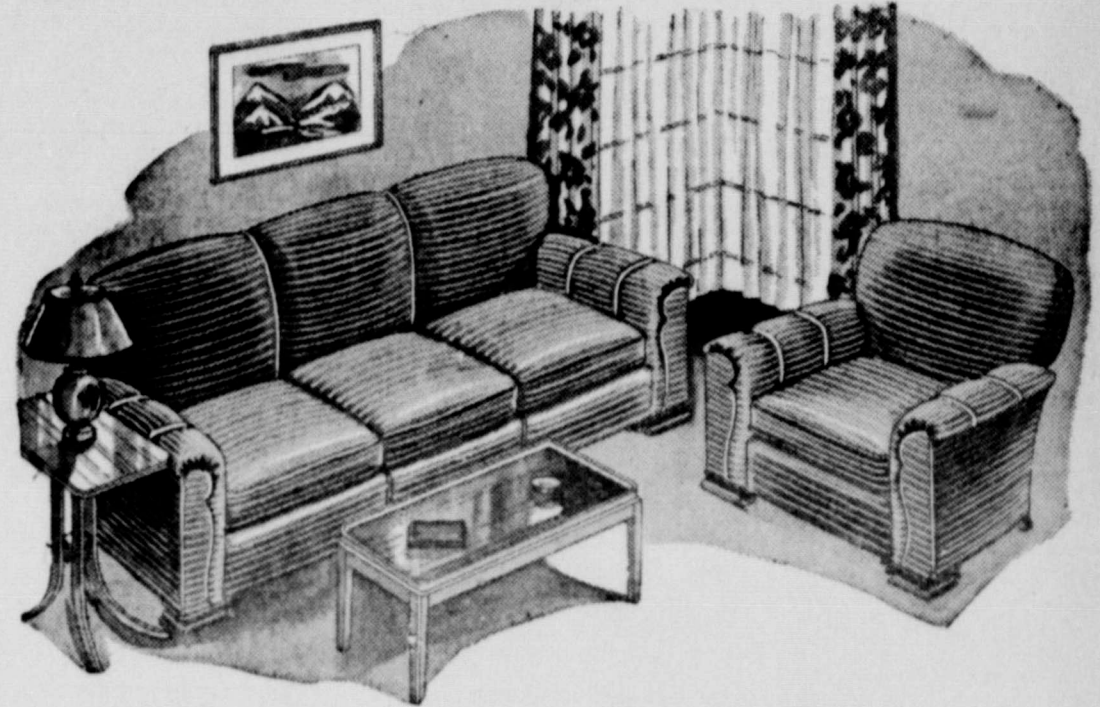
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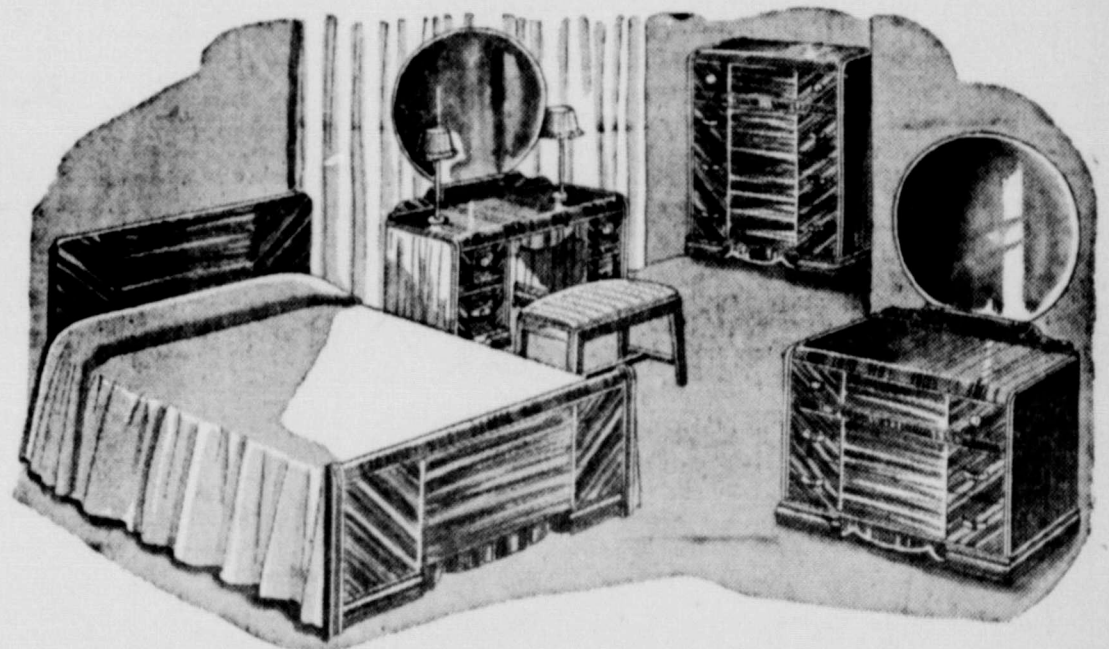
Brides who are starting their careers as "housemakers" should choose their furniture carefully and wisely—but not only for glorious beauty and home charm, but buy for service and long life—in times like the present, it pays to think of the future! "Long-life" suites—well built, smartly styled and modestly priced!



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Notice of Sale of Real Estate Under Order of Sale THE STATE OF TEXAS County of Runnels

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Runnels County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 17th day of November, 1941, for taxes and for foreclosure of tax liens on the hereinafter described land in favor of City of Ballinger, Ballinger Independent School District, County of Runnels and State of Texas against O. D. Dillingham in the case of City of Ballinger et al vs. O. D. Dillingham et al, No. 2344 on the tax suit docket in such court, I did on the 11th day of March, 1942, at 10 o'clock a. m. levy upon the above described tract and parcel of land located in Runnels County, Texas, to-wit: Lot No. One (1) in Block No. Seven (7) of the original town of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, the name by which said land is most generally known being the Banner Creamery; and on the 7th day of April, 1942, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 2 o'clock p. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, at the Courthouse door of said Runnels County, Texas, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction as the law directs the above described tract of land for cash.

Dated at Ballinger, Texas, this 11 day of March, 1942.
J. L. MORELAND,
Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas
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BROTHERS MEET AT MARINE CORPS TRAINING STATION

SAN DIEGO, Calif., March 25.—Although neither had known the immediate plans of the other, two brothers who had been living in different parts of the country met at the marine corps base here recently and learned they had enlisted in the marine corps the same day.

The brothers are Robert and Noland Waterman. Robert had been living in Charles City Iowa, and Noland had been making his home in Portland, Oregon. They met while undergoing recruit training here.

Mrs. L. L. Strobe returned the first of the week from a visit at Fort Worth with relatives and friends.

Ballinger Winner In Track Contests Of Class A Groups

The senior and junior class A field and track meet was held here Tuesday afternoon for Runnels county schools with Ballinger, Winters and Miles participating. In the senior division Ballinger won the meet with a total of 91.5 points, Winters was second with 41.5, and Miles third with 14. In the junior division Ballinger was first with 23, Winters second with 11, and Miles third with 4.

McFarland and Striplin, both of Ballinger, were individual high scorers with fifteen points each. Other events were as follows:

SENIOR DIVISION
Mile Relay
 Ballinger, first (Richards, Batts, Harville and Howell, time 3:50)
 Miles, second
 Winters, third

Mile Run
 First, Carwile, Winters, time 5:42

Second, Williams, Ballinger
 Third, Wilson, Ballinger
 Fourth, Burke, Ballinger

Discus
 First, Bredemeyer, Winters, distance 103 feet 6 inches
 Second, Albright, Winters
 Third, Wright, Ballinger
 Fourth, Batts, Ballinger

100 Yard Dash
 First, Harville, Ballinger, time 10.6 seconds
 Second, Buxkemper, Ballinger
 Third, McFarland, Ballinger
 Fourth, Kennedy, Miles

120 High Hurdles
 First, Striplin, Ballinger, time 19.1 seconds
 Wood of Winters and McFarland of Ballinger tied for second
 Fourth, Hembree, Ballinger

Pole Vault
 First, Bredemeyer, Winters, 8 feet 8 inches
 Second, Wood, Winters
 Third, Batts, Ballinger

200 Yard Low Hurdles
 First, Striplin, Ballinger, time 25.5 seconds
 Second, McFarland, Ballinger
 Third, Wood, Winters
 Fourth, Wright, Miles

440 Yard Dash
 First, Harville, Ballinger, time 56.4 seconds
 Second, Richards, Ballinger
 Third, Kennedy, Miles
 Fourth, Smithwick, Miles

Shot Put
 First, McFarland, Ballinger
 Second, Bredemeyer, Winters
 Third, Buxkemper, Ballinger
 Fourth, Harville, Ballinger

440 Yard Relay
 First, Ballinger (Batts, Wilson, Howell, Buxkemper, time 50 seconds)
 Second, Miles
 Third, Winters

880 Yard Run
 First, Ballinger, Ballinger, time 2 minutes, 18 seconds
 Second, Hester, Miles
 Third, Poe, Ballinger
 Fourth, Holliday, Winters

220 Yard Dash
 First, Harville, Ballinger, time 24.4 seconds
 Second, Buxkemper, Ballinger
 Third, Robbins, Winters
 Fourth, Gabbert, Ballinger

High Jump
 First, Bredemeyer, Winters, 5 feet 1 inch
 Second, Striplin, Ballinger
 Third, McFarland, Ballinger
 Fourth, Haupt, Winters

Broad Jump
 First, Buxkemper, Ballinger, 17 feet 8 1/2 inches
 Second, Bredemeyer, Winters
 Third, Striplin, Ballinger
 Fourth, Robbins, Winters

JUNIOR DIVISION
Broad Jump
 First, Nunley, Ballinger
 Second, Poe, Winters
 Third, Chapman, Ballinger

50 Yard Dash
 First, Buxkemper, Ballinger
 Second, Joschke Miles
 Third, Chapman, Ballinger
 Fourth, Rowland, Winters

100 Yard Dash
 First, Rowland, Winters
 Second, Buxkemper, Ballinger
 Third, Nunley, Ballinger
 Fourth, Joschke, Miles

440 Yard Relay
 First, Ballinger
 Second, Rowland, Winters
 Third, Poe, Winters
 Fourth, Buxkemper, Ballinger

"Strangest Man On Earth" Coming To Ritz Theatre

MAHENDRA, The Mystic, often termed "The Strangest Man on Earth," will open his engagement in this city at the Ritz Theatre for seven days starting March 29. If you have a question which may be puzzling you, now is the time to have it answered. For MAHENDRA has answered millions



of questions for people in every walk of life, during the 35 years that he has been appearing before the public.

You may ask questions about love affairs, marriage or divorce, changes, position, stocks or bonds, travel, raise of salary or promotion, inheritances, health, buying or selling of property, lost articles, in fact there is no limit to the type of questions which are asked him each and every day.

However be sure to remember that MAHENDRA is here to help you. He has no intention of ridiculing you in any way. If you are sincere he will answer you in a sincere manner. There are many so called mindreaders who have tried to imitate MAHENDRA and his uncanny performances, however, they have only failed in their attempts, as he cannot be imitated.

The moment you come face to face with this weird and uncanny man of mystery, you will at once realize that for the first time in your life you are facing the unknown and unfathomable. But as he unfolds your thoughts and the thoughts of others, you will know that beyond any question of a doubt, that he really does what he claims that he is really the wonder man of the age and that there are no others like him.

In order that everyone will have an equal chance to have their questions answered you may if you desire write your questions at home, sign your full name and number, bring it to the theatre in a sealed envelope. While it is true that MAHENDRA answers some who do not write a thing, you are more sure of getting your questions answered if you do write them. If you fail to bring them with you from home, you may also write them at the theatre.

MAHENDRA will also present many special features while in this city. There will be SPECIAL NIGHTS, so listen for announcements from the stage regarding them. He will predict the headlines of newspapers many days in advance, present on one night his celebrated EXPOSE OF GAMBLING, and on another night you may ask your questions without raising your hand. You may use a code instead. However, this is for one night in the week only, so listen for the announcement from the stage each night.

Even if you do not ask MAHENDRA a question, you will enjoy seeing and hearing his performance. He will call people by name, tell their age, date of birth, where they live, and many other interesting facts.

CIVIL SERVICE POSITIONS OPEN FOR TYPISTS AND STENOGRAPHERS, 18 TO 53

The United States civil service commission announces open competitive examination for the positions of junior stenographer at \$1,440 a year and junior typist at \$1,260 a year. The register resulting from this examination will be used in filling vacancies in these positions in various federal government agencies in the states of Louisiana and Texas.

The age limits for this examination are 18 to 53. Maximum age limit does not apply to persons granted military preference because of military or naval service.

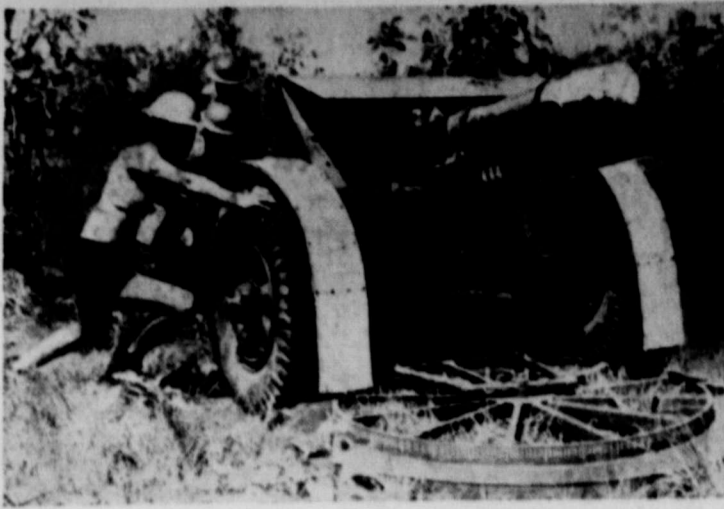
Competitors will be notified when and where to report for the written examination.

Application card form 4006 ABC may be filed with the manager, tenth U. S. civil service district, customhouse, New Orleans Louisiana, until further notice.

Further information and application forms may be secured from the manager, tenth U. S. civil service district, customhouse, New Orleans, or from any first or second class post office in the states of Louisiana and Texas.

For Allied victory—buy bonds.

Australians Prepare 'Welcome' for Japs



Australians, whose fighting men have fought in distant climes, know that the time has now come to defend their homeland. Air attacks on Darwin furnished all the proof needed to convince the "Aussies" of Jap intentions with regard to Australia. In this picture Anzac army men are setting up a field gun in a carefully camouflaged position near Darwin.

Petty stated that since it was apparent married men would soon be called he had been thinking of many things in the step from civilian life to the armed forces.

He outlined some of the things which would make better soldiers in the fox-holes of Bataan. These were chiefly a patriotic people back of them that would not permit anything but an all-out effort at home.

He concluded by begging that we not only win the war, but also win the peace that would follow. In this he stated that every person should be thinking of plans that would win that peace and make it permanent. The Allies won the other World War, said the speaker, but failed to win the peace.

DALLAS BUSINESS MEN COMING HERE APRIL 30

Dallas business men will visit Ballinger on April 20, arriving at 2:40 p. m. and staying here for fifty minutes to present a show of entertainment while they visit with store managers and customers. They will feature entertainment by the Early Birds, Cass County Kids, and Peg Moreland.

The group will wear red, white and blue uniforms and will parade from the Santa Fe station through main street and to the court house lawn where the entertainers will perform. A public address system will be set up for the downtown show and all local people are invited to attend.


Rotarians Donate 33 Books to Men In U. S. Services

Ballinger Rotarians were asked to bring one or more books to the luncheon here Tuesday noon and donate them to the Victory Book Campaign. At the close of the meal a total of thirty-three books had been collected, all practically


new and of fiction, technical and humor classifications. They will be shipped with others from here and will be distributed at the training centers to men in the armed services of the United States.

The victory campaign is an effort to obtain ten million books for camps where men are begging for good reading matter.

Paul Petty was the speaker for the Rotarians Tuesday and discussed things going through the mind of a prospective soldier. Mr.




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FAMILY REUNION HELD IN MARSH HOME SUNDAY

A family reunion was held Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Marsh, honoring Mrs. Sid Belt on her 75th birthday. Her children were present to join in the anniversary celebration and attend the family reunion.

Children present were: Mrs. Ethel Marsh and family, Ballinger; F. E. Balet and family, Seminole; Tom Belt and family, Ackerly; Mrs. Mattie Adams, Del Rio; Mrs. Williaprator, Oklahoma; Mrs. Corra Parrish, Altus, Okla.; Jimmy Belt and family, Ackerly; Buddie Belt and family, Ackerly. Three sisters of Mrs. Marsh are remaining here for a longer visit.

Mrs. John H. Keel, formerly of Ballinger and now of San Angelo, fell Sunday, breaking a hip and hand. She is in St. John's Hospital and her condition is reported as serious.

A patented lapel pin is on the market called "nosegay." In its design is a leakproof vial which diffuses perfume when worn.

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Roast Chuck, Cut from grain fed beef, Lb. 23c	Sausage PORK Lb. 22c
Bacon Decker's Iowa The Taste is so good, Lb. 33c	Steak SEVEN Cut from choice calves, Lb. 25c
Veal Loaf Fresh ground, to cereal, Lb. 15c	Cheese Brookfield, No. 1 full cream, Lb. 29c

Lake Improvements Completed by Club; Other Work Started

The lake committee of the Ballinger Country Club has been rushing improvements at the club in order to complete while the lake was dry and before rains placed the surface under water again.

Most of the improvement was made at the bath house and in the section around the pier used by swimmers. Here a portion of the lake has been covered with concrete to form a smooth floor for those who enter the lake from the bathhouse in shallow water and for the children just learning to swim.

Concrete piers have also been placed in the lake to which a large float will be anchored about 75 yards from the regular steel

pier and diving platform. This will permit a place for swimmers to use as an objective and provide a rest in the deep water. Cables will be run from the float to the bank and also to the diving platform and a number of ropes will be placed in the concreted section designating depths.

All moss in the lake seems to be dead and shore lines have been exposed all kinds of weather for nearly two months. Work has been completed until where a rain will not interfere and club members are anxious to see the lake full again.

Work was started this week on the golf course to get it ready for the spring rush. All greens will be topped with soil and sand and given a treatment of commercial fertilizer. Machinery for the keeping of the course has been repaired and is ready for use and within a short time all fairways will be in excellent condition.

Buy U. S. defense bonds and stamps every pay day.

Farmers Advised To Treat Grain Seed for Planting

Runnels county farmers each year are damaged thousands of dollars by smut in their sorghums, such as hegar, kaffir corn, red top cane, maize, etc., according to a statement made this week by County Agent John A. Barton, in commenting on how cheap and easy it was to control such disease.

The experiment station has brought forward another satisfactory method of treating by the use of ordinary dusting sulphur, as is used for cotton fleas in this county, the agent said.

This treatment calls for the use of 2 to 3 ounces of sulphur per bushel of grain and well mixed with the seed. It will not injure the germination of the seed in any way and effectually kills the smut spores on the outside of the seed which are carriers of the disease.

There are other methods, such as copper carbonate and improved Ceresan. In the use of the latter it should not be applied more than three days before planting, as used before then may injure the germination.

Mr. Barton stated that in the effort to reach the county goal for agriculture in 1942, farmers must produce grain feeds, and the seed treatment would aid materially in a greater yield of grain sorghums per acre.

First Bomb Shelter Luncheon in U. S.



A luncheon served on air line trays publicly opened the bomb shelter by a large rubber concern at Akron, Ohio. This is a shatterproof flexible structure of the type tested by the war department. It is made of strong congealed plates forming a gas and water-tight cylinder, and is large enough to accommodate 50 people.

W. A. per schedule.

Wednesday Night:
8 p. m., Sunday school meeting, mid-week service and choir. The public is invited to worship with us.
CLARENCE A. MORTON, Pastor

First Methodist Church
Church school, 9:45 a. m. Morning service, 11:00 a. m. Young people's meeting, 7:30 p. m. Evening service, 8:00 p. m. Beginning with the morning service there will be one week of service at the church at the evening hour only. Each afternoon there will be a service of prayer at the church in the Doss Bible Class room at 3:00 o'clock. This is for the entire membership of the church and not just the women. Let us make next week one of the greatest. Your presence and prayers and all that you have to contribute are necessary toward making it successful. Children will be received into membership of the church next Sunday (Palm Sunday). Parents who have children that have reached this age should be present and give your encouragement to the children.

We cordially invite you to be present with us in our services Sunday and all next week. The services each evening will be at 8:30.

ELMER C. CARTER, Pastor

First Presbyterian Church
Holy Week Services
Sunday:
9:30 a. m., Young People's League.

9:45 a. m., church school. Classes for all ages.
11 a. m., Palm Sunday worship. Sermon subject, "Triumph of Religion."
8 p. m., evening worship. Sermon subject, "Who He Is."
Monday:
8 p. m., sermon subject, "How He was Tempted."
Tuesday:
8 p. m., sermon subject, "How He Worked."
Wednesday:
8 p. m., sermon subject, "What and How He Taught."
Thursday:
8 p. m., sermon subject, "His Desire for Us."
Friday:
8 p. m., sermon subject, "How and Why He Died."
The public is cordially invited to worship with us in these Holy Week services. They will quite naturally reach their climax with the Easter Sunday worship and communion of the Lord's Supper.
J. C. JOHNSON, Pastor

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church
Sunday, March 29, 1942:
9:45 a. m., church school, Roy L. Hill, general superintendent.
11:00 a. m., morning worship.
8:00 p. m., evening worship.
Monday, 3:00 p. m.:
Women's Missionary Society will meet at the church.
W. A. ERWIN, Minister

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Masses on Sundays:
First, third and fifth Sundays at 8:00 a. m.
Second and fourth Sundays at 10:30 a. m.
Mass during the week, 7:00 a. m.
H. A. SEITERS, O. M. I. Pastor.

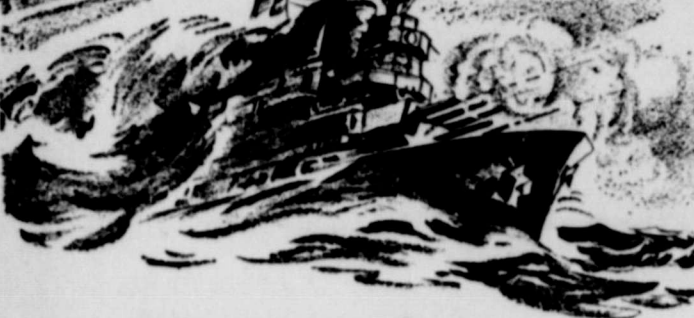
Church of God
(Corner Strong and Sixth)
WarTime:
Church school, 10:00 a. m. Morning worship, 11:00 a. m. Junior meeting, 6:45 p. m. Young People's service, 7:00 p. m.
Evangelistic service, 7:30 p. m. GEORGE R. HARRINGTON, Pastor

Eighth Street Church of Christ
Bible school every Sunday morning at 9:45 a. m.
Preaching every Sunday morning at 11 a. m.
Communion every Sunday morning at 11:45 a. m.
Young People's meeting every Sunday evening at 7:30 p. m.
Ladies' Bible Class every Monday at 4 p. m.
Wednesday night prayer meeting services at 8:15 p. m.
Everyone is invited to come and enjoy these services with us.
GRADY PRICER, Minister

Church of the Nazarene
Sunday, March 29, 1942:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11:00 a. m. N. Y. P. S., Hi-N. Y., and junior societies, 6:30 p. m. Evening worship, 8:30 p. m. You are always welcome at the Church of the Nazarene.
WAYNE L. SEARS, Pastor.

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J. T. SIMMONS, Minister

First Baptist Church
(400 Eighth Street)
Sunday, March 29:
Bright lights in a dark world are: the Word of God, the Power of Prayer and Christian Compassion for Suffering Humanity. We seek to be Lights in these trying days. You will find in our Sunday school Sunday at 9:45 the Word of God. Judge Grindstaff, superintendent.

11 a. m., worship. Sermon by pastor on "The Twelve Reasons Why Christ Had to Die."
7 p. m., Power of Prayer in the Baptist Training Union, with Theodore Whitehead, director.
8 p. m., compassion for suffering humanity with sermon by pastor on "Do You Have a Soul?"
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