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Applications Received For War Ration Book 3

Runnels countians began receiving application cards to be filled out for war ration book No. 3 this week. The cards appeared in the mails Monday morning and postmasters said they would be sent every family group and individual during the week.

One application will be made for each group of persons who are related by blood, marriage or adoption and who regularly live at the same address. Persons temporarily away from home for a period of 60 days or less, such as students, travelers, hospital patients, etc., must be included in the family application. Persons living at the same address, but not related by blood, marriage or adoption, must file separate application. If additional applications are needed, persons can get them at their post office.

A person may be included in only one application for war book No. 3.

The following may not apply or be included in any application for war book No. 3: persons in the armed services, whether or not eating in organized messes, including army, navy, marine corps, coast guard, and all women's auxiliaries and inmates of institutions of involuntary confinement, such as prisons or asylums.

Applicants are urged to print plainly all names on the card and especially the name and mailing address of the person to whom the book is to be mailed. All books will be mailed to addresses given on the cards by July 23, 1943. Books will not be forwarded to new addresses and those who are not sure what their addresses will be between July 15 and 21 should not make application now. Such applications will be accepted later.

Each person eligible for war ration book No. 3 will be listed on the application card and it is necessary that these names be printed plainly so that clerical help will have no trouble reading them. The birthday of each individual asking for the new book must be shown on the card.

In order to give time for issuing these books, citizens receiving the application cards should fill them out as soon as possible and mail them.

\$7,686 is Received For Local Schools From Government

The Ballinger school board yesterday received a telegram from Congressman O. C. Fisher stating, "President today approved allocation of \$7,686 for Ballinger school project." This final approval will make available the above amount for maintenance and operation costs of the 1942-43 term.

The first application, filed in March, asked for \$9,459.46, and on April 5 the Fort Worth office oked the application for the \$7,686 finally granted by the federal government. The first application was sought to provide revenue to meet additional costs of school maintenance and operation because of the location of a defense plant in this district.

Supt. Nat Williams stated today that the additional funds would permit the board to pay all teachers a 15 per cent bonus on their salaries for the year and to bring every teacher's pay up to \$1,200 per annum. Some of the teachers have already left here for their homes but will be advised of this action within a few days. The bonus is being paid in order to offset the increase in living costs and to bring local salaries up to near that of other towns in this area and also help in keeping teachers on the faculty another year.

Miss Laura Mae Moeller is at home from Austin, where she has been in nurse's training for the past ten months, and will visit relatives in the Offen community.

Wet or Dry

VOTE THE STRAIGHT ENTERTAINMENT TICKET—By Seeing Jack Benny, Priscilla Lane and Rochester in the Side-Splitting Comedy "MEANEST MAN IN THE WORLD"—Texas Theatre Midnite Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday.

Poppy Sale Will Be Held Saturday For Disabled Vets

The American Legion Auxiliary will conduct a poppy sale in Ballinger all day Saturday. All units in Texas have been asked to stage these pre-Memorial Day sales to aid veterans of the present World War who are returning home to enter hospitals or be discharged on account of physical disabilities.

The call for the sale was urgent and many hospitals, including the one at Legion near Kerrville, are already crowded with young men of World War II who have been wounded or have broken in health and been hospitalized.

The poppies will be sold by a group of Ballinger girls and will cost 10 cents. Proceeds of the sale will be used in Texas for general relief of soldiers of the present war and every person is urged to wear a poppy in their honor on Memorial Day, and at the same time assist those in need financially.

The Auxiliary will establish a booth at some convenient place in the business district and girls will operate from there, calling on everybody to buy and wear a poppy.

Ballinger Students To Attend College; Some Start Sunday

A large number of Ballinger high school seniors have asked for transcripts for college entrance and some intend to begin their advanced education at once, others will attend summer schools, and some will not begin college work until in the fall.

Three boys, Claude R. Stone, Richard Hembree and James Striplin, will leave Sunday to enter A. & M. College, reporting Monday morning.

Another group will enter the University of Texas, part of them reporting for the session beginning July 7, while others will start in September. Those signifying intentions of attend the university include: Clyde Harville, Bob Wright, Kelly Chapman, Lanham Flynt, John Killough, John Miller, and Donald Mullins.

Billy O'Neill plans to enter Texas Technological College, Lubbock, for summer work.

Marjorie McGregor, Ann Creasy, and Catherine Clappitt will attend Texas State College for Women at Denton.

Yvonne Waldrop will attend the San Angelo junior college and plans to enter soon.

Eloise Keel and Peggy Green have made application for entrance to the Hendricks Memorial Hospital school of nursing at Abilene.

A number of others plan to attend institutions of higher learning in the fall but have made no room reservations nor given details of their courses.

LEDGER WILL POST RETURNS FROM COUNTY BEER ELECTION

Arrangements have been made with the county authorities and The Ledger will post returns from the county-wide beer election Saturday night. Election managers have been asked to call either the office of the county judge or The Ledger, but all calls will be taken on telephone No. 27 and tabulations by boxes will be posted on the window of this newspaper office.

This service will be continued until the result of the referendum is determined.

Mrs. L. R. Henslee, of Winters, is here for a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Caskey.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Holliday, of Dallas, were here Sunday for a visit in the home of Mrs. Mattie Holliday, who has been ill for some time.

George Mader, who had been at his old home at Garner for several weeks following an operation at Fort Worth, has returned to Ballinger and is at his chair in the Ideal Barber Shop.

Leaders in New and Important Roles



Shown at left is Lieut. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, new commander of the U. S. forces in the European theater, successor to Lieut. Gen. Frank Andrews, who was killed in a plane crash in Iceland. Center: Leon Henderson, former price administrator, who has returned to Washington as editor-in-chief of Research Organization Service Business. Right: Maj. Gen. Omar Bradley, who has replaced Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton as commander of the American 2nd Corps in Tunisia. General Bradley is an infantry expert, and assumed command when infantry could serve best in the Tunisian theater of war.

83 Seniors Get Diplomas In Graduation Program

The Ballinger schools were officially closed for the year Tuesday evening with graduation of eighty-three seniors, forty-two boys and forty-one girls.

The Tuesday night crowd was the largest to attend any of the commencement programs and Dr. D. M. Wiggins, president of the School of Mines, El Paso, delivered a practical address to the class which challenged them to keep their feet on the ground during this world conflict and to come out normally and be ready to take their places in a changing world. He emphasized that after the war many people must return to an ordinary way of living and compared his point to a football game, saying there must be many playing in the line where the glory is not so great and that they could not all be backfield men as was true in this war period.

Dr. Wiggins picked up the thoughts brought out in four brief talks by seniors and expanded on their themes.

The four seniors who made short talks were well received. These themes were developed during the school year and included: "The Roots of Democracy," by Mary Lynn; "War is a Spur," by Lanham Flynt; "Passage to the Future," by James Striplin; and "Education for Victory," by Betty Jean Harper.

The speaker of the evening was introduced by Judge E. C. Grindstaff, awards were made to honor students by Principal Bob Lindsey, Jr., and diplomas were presented by Superintendent Nat Williams.

Other numbers on the program included the processional by Miss Marjorie McGregor, the invocation by Rev. W. A. Erwin, the high school girls' trio singing "The Lord's Prayer," a cornet solo by John Killough, and the singing of the national anthem led by R. E. White.

Baccalaureate
The high school gymnasium auditorium was practically filled Sunday night for the first program of the 1943 commencement of the Ballinger schools. The class of the senior high school listened to Don Morris, president of Abilene Christian College, in the annual sermon and participated in the first program.

Miss Kay Evans was at the piano for the processional and seniors in caps and gowns entered and occupied places in the center section of the auditorium in front of the speaker's stand. The congregation joined in the singing of a hymn and Rev. J. C. Johnson offered the invocation.

The high school girls' glee club under the direction of Miss Evans, sang "O, Pray for Peace," and Mrs. C. L. Kincaid played a violin number, "Souvenir." Mrs. Arthur Giesecke was accompanist for Mrs. Kincaid.

Supt. Nat Williams introduced the speaker for this occasion as a man heading an outstanding West Texas institution whose work was dedicated to religious education along with other courses in a college that has sent forth many outstanding graduates.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Metcalfe and little daughter, Mary Helen, of San Angelo, and Miss Norma Harris, of Bethel, visited in the C. D. Harris home Tuesday and Wednesday.

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Memorial Rites Will Be Held at Evergreen Sunday Evening, 8:15

The Pat Williams Post of the American Legion will sponsor memorial services at Evergreen Cemetery Sunday evening, starting at 8:15. Ballinger churches have been invited to dismiss their evening services and cooperate in this program and most of them have already announced willingness to do so.

Members of the local post felt that this year more than ever, a memorial service should be held and they urge all citizens of Ballinger and vicinity to attend.

The rites will be held in the grove in Evergreen, beside the fountain, and will be concluded during twilight.

Rev. W. E. Shipp, a veteran of the first World War, will be the speaker for this occasion, and Rev. Clarence A. Morton, another World War I veteran, will act as master of ceremonies and offer the invocation.

Other program numbers are being arranged. Taps will be sounded at the end of the service as U. S. flags are placed on the graves of veterans of all wars buried in the cemetery.

The 1943 memorial program will emphasize the war in which this country is engaged today.

Sam Malone will report Saturday at Amarillo, where he will continue flight training. He completed primary and secondary training at Abilene, taking the first course at McMurtry College and the second at Hardin-Simmons University.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lowry and A. McGregg went to Texas A. & M. College Friday to attend the graduation ceremonies and see their sons, Robert Lowry, Alexander and Jack Bandy McGregg, who are reporting to the army. The three boys were not given any time off after graduation and had to report to the army Monday.

Mrs. Aiden Thorp left Sunday for Corpus Christi, where she will begin active work in the WAVES at the naval aviation school, one of the largest in the world. She was at home for a few days' visit after being transferred from Detroit to Corpus Christi.

Volunteers through the local draft board for military service reported this week included John Fletcher England, Jr., and James Harris Conlee, who have been accepted as aviation cadets and put on the reserve list subject to call. Also Henry Delbert Henkel has been accepted by the marine corps.

Bernice Camp, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Camp of Ballinger route 2, recently received his wings and commission as second lieutenant at the La Junta, Colorado, army air base. He will be stationed there for future training. Lt. Camp received the first phases of his training in California and before enlistment in the army air forces was employed by the AAA at Ballinger for three years and at Amherst for two.

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Ten Modern Apartments Started Here This Week

2 Ballinger Youths Missing in Action; Third Wingate Boy

Mr. and Mrs. Hamp Byler, of Ballinger, received a telegram from the war department Tuesday night advising them that their son, Technical Sergeant George Wagner Byler, was missing in action. The message said the parents would be notified of any additional information as soon as possible and stated that he had been missing since May 19.

Byler was mobilized with the Ballinger unit of the national guard in the fall of 1941. He went from here to Camp Bowie, where he served until the first of 1942, an date that time was selected in a group of twenty-two and sent to Fort Dix, New Jersey for special training. After finishing this course he was sent to England and for some time served in a general headquarters in London.

Several months ago he became a ball-turret gunner on a Flying Fortress and had been making raids over Germany and France for several months. Only recently he was awarded the air medal and the oak leaf cluster for gallantry in action.

According to newspaper accounts a group of unescorted fortresses made a daylight raid on Kiel on May 19 and encountered heavy anti-aircraft fire both from the ground and naval units. After completing the bombing raid the U. S. aircraft were engaged in a two-hour fight with Nazi planes and six of the American planes failed to return. It is presumed that Byler was on that flight as that was the only action over Germany reported in press dispatches on that date.

Mrs. Emma Speer, of Ballinger, received a message from the war department Saturday evening, informing her that her son, Lieut. Edwin Speer, was missing in action. The lieutenant was a bombardier on a Flying Fortress and had been stationed in England for some time, leaving the United States about last Thanksgiving Day. A letter received from him, written on December 7, 1942, said he had landed.

The telegram received Saturday stated that Lieut. Speer had been missing since May 17. He would have been 23 years old June 29.

The young man attended the Ballinger schools while in the primary grades and later attended the Winters high school. After graduation he was a student of Texas Technological College, Lubbock. He received his wings and commission as a bombardier at Midland in 1942.

Mrs. Speer heard from her son last when she received a cablegram on Mother's Day. In this message he stated that he was well, liked the country fine, and "would be home before you know it."

The exact mission of the "forts" on May 17 is not known here as no newspaper accounts have been located. Mrs. Speer was told in the message from the war department that additional information would be sent as soon as available.

Mrs. E. E. Whitfield, of Wingate, has been advised that her son, Sergeant Ernest A. Redwine, Jr., gunner on a Flying Fortress, died May 17 from wounds sustained in a raid over Germany. Death occurred in England, where he was treated following return from the foray.

Sgt. Redwine was wounded the day before his death and reports disclosed that the largest group of

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A contract has been let here and work started Monday morning on a ten-apartment project on the second floor of the Currie Produce Co. building on Seventh Street. Wix Currie, owner of the building, has leased the second floor to the government and the Home Owners' Loan Corporation is in charge of the improvements which will cost between \$15,000 and \$16,000.

E. Shepperd, local agent for the HOLC, is in charge of the work and stated that ten modern apartments, all unfurnished would be completed by July 1 and be occupied at that time. The apartments will be three and four rooms each and will have bath-rooms with showers, built-in kitchen cabinets, sinks and other features and will be rented through the local HOLC agent.

The plan under which the improvements are being made was announced here two months ago. Owners who have property that can be improved and additional housing units included, may lease their property to the government for a period of seven years and the government will make the necessary improvements.

Jess McDonald has the contract for the apartment project and work was started Monday morning. All materials are available to the government and no time will be lost in getting them ready. All apartments will be rented unfurnished and the rate of rental has not been determined to date.

The project being inside a building already constructed is expected to proceed without loss of time because of bad weather and all ten units should be available by July 1. Mr. Shepperd will have charge of the rentals for the HOLC.

Save-Share Club Plan To be Explained Here At Meeting for Public

Presidents of clubs and all other organizations in Runnels county and as many others as are interested are invited to attend a meeting in the district court room of the court house at 8:30 p. m. June 4. Purpose of the meeting is to consider forming Save-and-Share-for-Victory Clubs in this county. These groups are to be composed of all citizens, city and rural, and Miss Myra Tankersley, county home demonstration agent, will teach courses in food preservation and give demonstrations in canning of fruit, vegetables and meats, and the drying, brining and krauting of other products.

These lectures and demonstrations will be given in all communities, if the clubs are formed, and Miss Tankersley will give aid to all engaged in the program.

One feature of the work will be to set up an information center in each community where records are to be kept on all surplus foods and other centers in the county will be advised so that sales can be made and all garden and truck saved.

Miss Tankersley said the meeting next Wednesday is primarily to determine whether these clubs will be formed. She hopes that the meeting will be large attended and representative of every part of the county.

These units are sponsored by the A. & M. College extension service as a special wartime measure designed to help all people in all counties with the problems of taking care of food in the various localities and preparing for days ahead when shortages may become more acute than at present.

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Women's Society and Club News

First Baptist Church is Scene of Cadet Wedding

In a lovely wedding ceremony solemnized in the First Baptist Church Saturday evening, Miss Dorothy Irene Bishop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Bishop of Hudson, Michigan, became the bride of Aviation Cadet Leo Donald Jennings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Jennings of Monroe, Michigan, but formerly of Hudson, Michigan, with the Rev. Clarence A. Morton, church pastor, reading the single ring service, which was witnessed by a large group of friends.

Tall baskets of white gladioli and white five-branched floor candelabra holding white candles were placed against an embankment of ferns and other greenery to form the altar decoration while a large formal arrangement of white daisies was placed on the organ.

Aviation Cadet Bayard Auchincloss 43J was at the organ console and played Mozart's "Magic Flute" as candles were lighted by the ushers, Aviation Cadets Martin E. Van Geison of Hastings, Mich., and James Walser of Ponca City, Okla., both 43I classmates of the bridegroom. He also accompanied Mrs. Morton, who sang the pre-nuptial solo, "Because," by d'Hardelot. He used the traditional Lohengrin procession and the Mendelssohn recessional.

Miss Nina Groom of Abilene was

maid of honor. She wore a dress of pink crepe and her small white hat was veiled in black. Her corsage was fashioned of rosebuds in a deeper rose tone. Aviation Cadet John Mainhood of Coleman, Michigan, attended the bridegroom.

The bride wore a two-piece frock of aqua crepe with small, veiled hat of the same shade, trimmed in pink. Other accessories were in luggage tan and she carried an arm bouquet of white gladioli tied in wide satin ribbons.

Mrs. Jennings is a graduate of the Addison, Michigan high school and of Cleary Business College in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Cadet Jennings attended International Business College at Ft. Wayne, Indiana, following his graduation from the Hudson High School. He is a member of class 43I at Bruce Field which has just finished primary training.

Both the mother of the bride and the groom were present for the ceremony.

Immediately following the service, an informal reception was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Morgan on Sixth Street. Perennial sweet peas in the pastel room and all-white flowers were used in the dining room.

Four tall white princess tapers in crystal holders centered the lace-laid dining table where the

crystal punch bowl, surrounded with daisies and lace fern was placed at one end and the tiered wedding cake, topped with miniature bride and groom, was placed at the other. Mrs. Elmer Shepper cut the cake and Mrs. E. F. Lawless ladled punch. Mrs. Ernest Moody and Gwen Morgan assisted.

Others besides members of the bridal party were: Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Talbot, Mrs. John Castor, Misses Ann Morton and Norma Gene Bankston.

Jennings-Bishop Rehearsal Supper in Lawless Home

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Lawless were hosts at an informal rehearsal supper for the Bishop-Jennings wedding party Friday evening in the Lawless home on Broadway.

Included were: Miss Dorothy Irene Bishop, Mrs. Charles T. Bishop, Mrs. Jay Jennings, Miss Nina Groom, Aviation Cadets Leo Jennings, Carl Dulaney of Richmond, Va., Martin Van Geison, Jimmy Walser, John Mainhood, and Bayard Auchincloss, and the Rev. and Mrs. Clarence A. Morton.

Dance for Cue and Curtain Club

Another enjoyable close-of-school social affair was the formal Cue and Curtain Club supper dance given Friday evening at the Ballinger Country Club under the direction of Miss Emily Dell Beard, sponsor.

After the delicious fried chicken supper was served on the large screened porch, dancing to the music of a radio-record player gave diversion. Punch was served.

Others were Messrs. and Mmes. Nat Williams, J. B. Striplin, Misses Hilah Blankenship and Tillye Settle; Dorothy Bruce, Charlotte Miller, Marie King, Ann Creasy, Jean Young, Dorothy Miller, June Wright, Ellen Jo Early, Imogene Scarber, Gwen Morgan, Eula Mae Payne, Myron Mankin, Yvonne Waldrop, Pauline Witter, Natlynn Williams, Virginia Bell, Virginia Denny; Bob Wright, Lanham Flynt, Donald Williams, James Striplin, Claude R. Stone, Leon King, Bobby Parr, Herbie Fulcher, J. H. Parrish, Jr., David Batta, Harold Richards, Jimmy Dankworth, Buster Gabbert, Rodger Jones, and David Droll.

Jimmy Endacott Honors Christine Lindsey

Jimmy Endacott was assisted by his mother, Mrs. J. H. Endacott, last Friday afternoon when he gave a party for Christine Lindsey, who is leaving with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lindsey, Jr. for Roby to live.

Mrs. John Bonnell directed games and contests. An individual gift was presented the honoree and favors were small going-away bags with "Christine" on one side and "Roby" on the other.

Mrs. Austin Harper and Mrs. Lindsey assisted in serving punch with cookies from the lace-laid dining table which was centered with daisies. Children included: Martha Ann James, Barbara Harwell, Patty Morrison, Janet Rae McShan, Darlene Haller, Eva Jo

Flynt and Peggy Ann Floyd; Gene Hirschtelt, Duane Baxter, James Persons, Jimmy Davenport, Bobby Lynn Sutphen, Jackie Fulcher, Jimmy Erwin, Snookie Herring, and Jimmy Lee Vaughn.

43J Honors 43I

Aviation Cadets of 43J at Bruce Field were hosts at a formal graduation dance at the Army and Navy Club Friday evening to honor Class 43I as it completed its primary training.

Dancing was to the music of the Bruce Field Orchestra featuring the trumpet player, Bobby Butler. Carnation corsages were favors. Punch was served.

On Friday in the late afternoon cadets, their wives, and dates were guests at a picnic given by Fred Harman on the Hays ranch on the Colorado River.

Mrs. Reynolds is Club Hostess

Mrs. Virgil Reynolds was hostess to her contract club last Friday, entertaining with a luncheon at the Central Hotel followed by games in her home on Third Street.

Arrangements of multi-colored blooms in varied floral species centered the luncheon table and decorated rooms of her home. Mrs. G. E. Nicholson received high guest score prize and Mrs. K. K. Hoffman high for club members.

Others were: Mmes. Buster Parrish, Fred Harman, E. L. Ingram, Robert Urban, Willard Holt, and Roy Worley.

Methodist W. S. C. S. Honors Mrs. Viola Allison

Mrs. Viola Allison, who is leaving soon for Denton to make her home was paid a pretty compliment Monday afternoon when the three circles of the Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service met together in social and Bible study in the church parlors on Tenth Street with Mmes. Cecil Jones, Jack Nixon, Sr., J. T. Brandon, R. A. Dickinson, T. M. Marsh, A. B. Legate, and T. P. Brown hostesses.

Beautiful roses and madonna lilies decorated the Doss Bible Class room where Mrs. J. M. Skinner was at the piano for the unison hymn singing. Mrs. Joe Furman gave the lesson "The True Riches" from "Will a Man Rob God" by Ralph S. Cushman.

Mrs. Legate presented a gift of linen to Mrs. Allison as an expression of love and appreciation from the group.

Sherbet was served with cookies. Others present were: Mmes. W. E. Middleton, M. E. McClenney, E. C. Tinsley, C. D. Harris, John Lovelless, W. E. Midgley, Troy Simpson, R. A. Williamson, W. R. Clark, Sr., A. T. Campbell, Sam Behringer, A.

J. Borders, J. L. Davis, J. G. Douglass, W. O. Middleton, M. B. Webb, Fred Middleton, W. W. Chastain, J. W. Guynes, A. M. Miller of Lubbock, L. B. Hiner of Ft. Worth, and H. Ravelette; Mary Jo Foreman, Carolyn McClenney, and John Middleton.

Miss Truly Complimented by J. O. Y. Class

The First Baptist J. O. Y. Class included the Ruth Class and a few other guests Monday evening when members were hostesses in the home of their teacher, Mrs. Clarence Morton, on Broadway, with a seated tea. Miss Mary Elizabeth Truly, who is leaving this week to return to her missionary work in Nigeria, Africa, was named guest of honor.

A profusion of gladioli, lilies, and daisies, was used about the entire reception suite, where Mrs. Carl Freeman extended welcome and presented Mrs. Morton, Miss Truly and her mother, Mrs. R. E. Truly, and Mrs. Jones Parrish, J. O. Y. president.

Mrs. Theo Isbell directed guests into the dining room, where Mrs. Elliott Kemp and Mrs. Harold Routh presided by turns, at the punch bowl. Daisies and lilies were arranged with lace fern in the crystal tray base of the punch which was placed at one end of the lace-laid table. A large bouquet of white gladioli was at the opposite end while tall white tapers in two-branched crystal prism holders formed the centerpiece.

Others assisting in serving and receiving were: Mmes. Arthur Crockett, Park Kemp, Doyle Condra, Claude Mansell, Jack Roseborough, and Joe Lee Cooper. Miss Tommye Mansell was at the piano for incidental music.

Others were: Mmes. L. R. Tigner, Harry Lynn, Paul Kirk, Joe Beck, Jr., Dick Ayres, Malcolm Morgan, Stanley Price, Albert Morgan, E. F. Lawless, L. B. Pearce, Mark Davis, Fred Monchief, Bill Duncan, Otis Jacob, Ralph Burris, Charles Hambrick, and Miss Gladys Kemp.

LT. RUSSELL KNOTT SPEAKS AT MILLERSVIEW SCHOOL

Lt. Russell Knott, commandant of cadets at Bruce Field, was the speaker last week for the graduating class of the Millersview school. A large class graduated at Millersview, one of the largest consolidated districts in Concho county.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Whiddon and children, Flora Bell and T. W. Jr., have returned to their home at Mt. View, California, after a visit with relatives and friends here.

Tomato Fruit Worm May Do Much Harm If Left Unchecked

COLLEGE STATION, May 26.—Now that tomatoes are, or soon will be setting fruit, growers should prepare to fight the tomato fruit worm, says Paul Gregg, of the A. & M. College extension service staff.

Tomatoes are the most economical and best all-round source of vitamin C. In addition, they are a valuable cash crop to Texas farmers. Tomato-growing in Texas follows the sun from the Rio Grande Valley in mid-winter through the gardens and fields of East and North Texas in the spring and early summer.

Gregg, who is assistant extension entomologist, says that millers are active now in these areas. They fly from one tomato patch to another, laying their eggs in

the terminal part of the tomato plants. The eggs will hatch in three to five days and the young worms start feeding on the immature fruit. They cut holes in the tomatoes, and go inside and feed. A single worm will damage or destroy three to five tomatoes.

An early application of poison is extremely important to check damage by the pest. If the worms get into the tomatoes poison will not reach them. For the best results, start control treatment soon after the fruit is set, or about the time the tomatoes are the size of a marble. Dust the plants thoroughly with calcium or lead arsenate one part, and hydrated lime one part, or with a mixture of one part cryolite and two parts sulphur. Dust at five to seven day intervals until about three weeks before the tomato ripen.

Unlike citrus, which is a source of vitamin C, tomatoes do not lose the strength of the vitamin in heating or canning. Don't let worms cut production.



PLANNING ISN'T NEW

THE way a lot of people are talking these days, you'd think planning is something new.

But anybody who's ever run a farm or a factory knows that if you don't plan, you can't get the most out of what you have to work with.

To plan properly, the farmer has to know about crops, soils, seasons, tools, and stock; and the man operating a factory has to know about machines, markets, science, and engineering.

Yet for all this specialized knowledge which each of these activities requires, the managers of both farm and factory have much in common in their planning. They have the same problems—to mention a few—of employment and taxes, of costs and a fair profit, of setting aside reserves for a "rainy day."

And they have the same objective in their planning—to do everything they can for their country today, and, tomorrow, to make a fair living through greater service to their fellow Americans. General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

7 Decades on the Gulf Lines



May 28, 1943 marks the 70th Anniversary of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway

On May 28, 1873 the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company was chartered under the laws of Texas. It was conceived and financed by Galveston citizens to provide direct rail service between the Gulf of Mexico and the interior of Texas.

Construction
From Galveston the "G. C. & S. F." built to Brenham—Belton—Lampasas and Brownwood. Branches extended to Fort Worth and Houston. Completion of purchased lines gave entry to Dallas, Navasota, Montgomery and Conroe.

Linking with the Santa Fe System
By 1884 the "G. C. & S. F." had grown to the point of building into Oklahoma—Kansas and the middle west. At this same time the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway was expanding its middle west and trans-continentals lines and building south to Texas.

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The Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway today operates 1,905 miles of rail lines serving Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana.

General Offices are located at Galveston and maintenance shops are located at Cleburne, Temple, Galveston, Bellville, Brownwood and Salsbee.

With the great southwest territory becoming one of the biggest war working, food producing, Army training sections of our nation... Santa Fe is setting transportation records unequalled in our history by providing service to give Uncle Sam what this territory produces for VICTORY!

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While he's fighting "over there," Uncle Sam is making every effort to care for his family... by mailing them monthly allotment checks! You may expect your checks in the mail between the 1st and 10th of each calendar month, during the war and for 6 months after! Watch for them!

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One reason for the excellence of the American artillery pieces is the recoil mechanism. Here's a special recoil oil is used, refined to rigid specifications.

Oil from the many fields of Texas plays other vital roles in the efficient operation of our heavy arms: greases and lubricants, paints, rust preventives, solvents and last but by no means least the toluene in the explosive shell itself.

These and an almost endless list of petroleum products are being processed for war for industry and for agriculture by the same Humble refineries which have always supplied your car and truck with Esso Extra and Humble gasolines, Esso, 997 and Velvet Motor Oils. Meanwhile, the Company's research staff works around the clock to develop adequately and well the needs of today; to anticipate the needs of tomorrow.

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13,000 Texans United in the War Effort



HUMBLE Humble fuels, lubricants and greases have been field-tested and used by successful farmers for years. There is a Humble product for every farm need. Look to your Humble Bulk Agent for advice on your fuel and lubrication problems.

Sugar for Canning Allowed on Stamps 15, 16 in Book No. 1

Canning sugar was made available to everyone this week on stamps 15 and 16 in war ration book No. 1. Each stamp is good for 5 pounds of sugar for canning purposes and became valid on May 24. This action of OPA will take much work off local boards who have been issuing special purchase permits until Monday of this week.

Food Rationing

SUGAR—Stamp No. 12 in book No. 1 good for five pounds from March 16 until midnight May 31, 1943. Stamp No. 13 valid for five pounds from June 1 until midnight August 15.

CANNING SUGAR—Stamps 15 and 16 in ration book one valid for 5 pounds of sugar each through October 31, 1943. Those needing additional sugar for canning may apply to local rationing boards.

COFFEE—Stamp No. 23 in book No. 1 (for those 14 or older on the date the book was issued) good for 1 pound from April 26 until midnight, May 30. Stamp No. 24 valid for 1 pound of coffee beginning May 31, expires on June 30.

SHOES—Stamp No. 17 in book No. 1 good for one pair of shoes through June 15. Stamp No. 18 becomes valid June 16 for one pair of shoes.

MEATS, EDIBLE FATS AND OILS, (including butter), **CHEESE**, **CANNED FISH**—Each holder of book 2 allowed 16 points per week. Red stamps E, F, G, and H expire May 31. Red stamps J, K, L, M, and N expire June 30 and become valid as follows: J, May 23; K, May 30; L, June 6; M, June 13; and N, June 20.

PROCESSED FOODS—Blue G, H and J stamps (48 points) valid from April 24 through June 7. Blue K, L and M stamps (48 points) valid from May 24 through July 7.

Mileage Rationing

GASOLINE—Value of each coupon in A, B and C books is four gallons. Eight A-6 coupons become valid May 22 and expire midnight July 21.

TIRE INSPECTION—All "A" holders must have second official tire inspections by September 30, 1943. Subsequent inspections for "A" book holders will be once every six months. "B" book holders

must have second official tire inspection by May 31, 1943. Next official tire inspection for "T" book holders must be made within 60 days of last inspection or within 5,000 miles, whichever occurs first.

TIRES—If official tire inspector recommends a tire replacement, apply to local ration board for the tire ration certificate. Tires will be rationed to all on the basis of tire inspections and county quotas available with most essential mileage to come first. Recaps can now be secured without rationing certificates.

Other Rationing

Eligible purchasers needing new automobiles, bicycles, typewriters, rubber footwear and other commodities (except farm machinery and pressure cookers) on which sales might be restricted should see their local ration board. Persons interested in securing farm machinery and pressure cookers should see their county USDA war board.

BACKGROUND OF WAR THEME FOR PROGRAM AT ROTARY MEETING

Members of the Ballinger Rotary Club heard Allen Davis Tuesday in a discussion of the background of the present war. Mr. Davis took as the basis for his talk an article recently appearing in Life magazine on "geopolitics" as taught in Germany since soon after the first World War.

C. E. Maedgen, district Boy Scout commissioner, was present and awarded the club a charter for the troop which is sponsored by the local Rotary group.

The club accepted an invitation from R. A. (Dick) Wagner to present a program in San Angelo on the second Friday in June. W. O. Wallace was named chairman for the program on that occasion and a number of local Rotarians will attend the meeting.

Miss Margaret Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones, was recently elected president of the student body of the nurses' school at Parkland Hospital, Dallas. Miss Jones was selected from the group of two hundred and fifty students and holds the highest office in the school. She will return to Ballinger in August for a three weeks' vacation before entering her senior year at Parkland in September.

Bonds or bondage? Buy U. S. war bonds.

U-Boat's Officer Addresses Mates



After the 33 survivors of a German submarine were landed at an Atlantic port they were given a hearty meal. Here the executive officer of the sub repeats in German instructions given him by U. S. navy officers as the crew ate. The sub was sunk by depth charges and gunfire from the coast guard cutter Icarus.

Cadet Class 43-I Leaves Ballinger For Basic Fields

It was graduation time at Bruce Field this week and class 43-I completed its primary training and left Monday for basic fields. A large percentage of the class left Ballinger Monday night on the 10:35 Santa Fe train, going to Perrin Field, Sherman, to continue their training and another group was sent to Goodfellow Field, San Angelo.

Members of class 43-I completed their flying hours last week, a few having time left until the very last because of rain which stopped flights several days last week.

The new group arrived this week and will compose class 43-K for approximately nine weeks' training here. A fleet of large buses brought the men here from pre-flight center at San Antonio and they were assigned to barracks. This group will probably get its first introduction to Ballinger this week-end when they have passes for Saturday night and Sunday.

Class 43-J members became the upper-classmen Monday and will soon finish their primary training here and be ready to graduate.

In advanced schools all over the nation graduation ceremonies for flyers were held Monday, at which time men received their silver wings and commissions.

Auction Barns Sales On Tuesdays Draw Throngs of Buyers

There was a large crowd of buyers at the Runnels County Auction Barns here Tuesday to attend the livestock auction. Bidding was brisk and all animals in the pens were sold during the afternoon, bringing top prices.

These sales are held here each Tuesday afternoon and during recent months many sales have been made at excellent prices.

Fat calves brought up to 14 cents per pound Tuesday afternoon of this week. Stocker cows and calves went as high as \$112, top hogs \$13.50 per hundred, packer sows up to \$12.75 per hundred, bucks as high as \$25 each, aged ewes \$3.90 per head, and fat muttons out of the wool up to \$9.50.

The management of the auction barns is keeping a large number of people interested in bringing their stuff to the sale weekly and buyers are always on hand to compete in the bidding. An invitation is extended to bring any kind of animals to these sales and they will be handled for the patrons. Buyers from anywhere are urged to attend.

The local barns are rendering valuable service to producers of this area as shown by the large crowds present each week.

Supplies for Beer Election Distributed To Boxes in County

Runnels county people will go to the polls Saturday to vote on the question of legalizing the sale of beer in this county. All election supplies have been received here and absentee balloting was started the first of last week. These supplies were being distributed to the twenty-nine voting boxes of the county and polls will be open regular hours in all communities next Saturday.

Reports will be tabulated here Saturday night and all election managers are asked to call in their returns as soon as the count is complete.

Regular election managers and judges, appointed by the commissioners' court, will have charge of the election in each of the voting precincts of the county.

Runnels county has been dry since 1935 when a ruling of the attorney general was received here causing a number of precincts to stop sales because the county was classed as dry and would have to return to the legal sales of beer by a county vote. Beer was sold in the south end of the county in 1934 and part of 1935.

Notice to Debtors and Creditors

No. 1877
Estate of L. B. Stubbs, Deceased.
In County Court of Runnels County, Texas—Probate Docket State of Texas

County of Runnels:
To those indebted to or holding claims against the Estate of L. B. Stubbs, deceased:

The undersigned having been duly appointed Administratrix of the Estate of L. B. Stubbs, deceased, late of Runnels County, Texas, by E. C. Grindstaff, Judge of the County Court of Runnels County, Texas, on the 13th day of April, A. D. 1943, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to her within the time prescribed by law at her residence, Route No. 1, Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, where she receives her mail, this 15th day of May A. D. 1943.

MRS. L. B. STUBBS,
Administratrix of the Estate of L. B. Stubbs, Deceased. 20-4t

Ledger Want Ads Bring Results.

SAVE YOUR RUBBER

CALL A

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The YELLOW CAB COMPANY is operating in Ballinger with good equipment, reasonable prices and fast, courteous service.

USE A TAXI FOR CONVENIENCE AND TO SAVE TIME.

J. Frank Smith

Local Manager

LET'S HAVE LEGAL BEER IN RUNNELS COUNTY

BECAUSE:

1. There is no such thing as a dry county. It is a question of legal or illegal sale of beer . . . whether the county will get needed taxes for roads, schools, hospitals, and the like—or if bootleggers or other counties get the money.

We may take the example of Tom Green County, which receives many dollars from nearby counties. Let's keep this money in our home county to help build roads instead of cowtrails and mudholes . . . to help maintain our schools . . . to help build hospitals, etc.

The alcohol industry pays a billion and a half dollars a year in taxes, or \$25.00 for every man and woman in this country. Let the U. S. Government get the profit instead of the bootleggers.

2. Let us stand behind our great President and the Secretaries of the Army and Navy in giving our

soldiers and sailors one of the rights they are fighting for.

3. Beer takes less vital materials than soft drinks.
4. There is a saving of tires and gas by having beer in your home county and town.
5. The young people should be taught MODERATION rather than letting them be a drunkard behind the door.

LET'S PROTECT THE CHILDREN . . . The bootlegger never questions any one's age so long as he or she has the price to pay.

6. If national prohibition had prevailed at the outbreak of the war, our distilleries could not now be making the alcohol for synthetic tires, and other vital war and civilian needs. We may well be thankful for our "wet places."

Let people in this county have the right that people in other counties have

Vote For Beer Saturday, May 29

The clear thinking and fairminded people of Runnels County

Jack Benny, Priscilla Lane Star In 'Meanest Man in the World'

Jack Benny, that amiable comedian, is amiable no more.

In "The Meanest Man in the World," which opens at the Texas Theatre Saturday midnight in preview, the nation's No. 1 gagman, it is being whispered, is a scourge to kiddies and a veritable ogre to old ladies. But moviegoers will quickly sense that this revolutionary change in character is calculated solely as a change for the better—better laughs, louder laughs and more of them. "The Meanest Man in the World," also will be shown locally on Sunday,

Monday and Tuesday, May 30, 31, and June 1.

Moonlight and roses! Jack Benny, the past master at romance, in love with Priscilla Lane, and she with him. Then, outrageous misfortune! Priscilla's prudish pop, it develops, has someone else in mind for her, a man more successful than Benny and more unscrupulous, too.

Leaving behind him no practice whatsoever, Benny and his faithful man, Rochester, remove the law office to New York. A man of the world, Rochester convinces his naive chief that in this world kindness and success just don't mix. Gotta get tough, he declares. Benny sees the light and strives to become "The Meanest Man in the World." With Rochester egging him on, he embarks on a wave of "meanness" calculated to make moviegoers guffaw! All told, it would seem that Jack Benny, as "The Meanest Man in the World," means to set new marks for high hilarity and chucklesome fun.

DOUBLE FEATURE

At Your Family Theatre

GANG WAR!..

Ruthless gangsters fight for control of big city's food supply.

An Expose of a Shameless Racket!



Plus—

TOPS IN ACTION... With Red Barry as the

"Sundown Kid"

Also— Chapter 14 "SECRET CODE" And Cartoon

Palace

FRI. SAT. SUN.

YOUR DENTAL I. Q.

Q: What is the cause of Trench Mouth and can it be cured?

—J. O. T.

A: Formerly, Trench Mouth (Vincent's Infection) was thought to have been caused by two germs living together for their mutual advantage. The names of these organisms are fusiform bacillus (fusiform basillus) and Vincent's spirochete (Vincent's spirillum). Recently researchers have come to believe that perhaps two additional micro-organisms are concerned with the disease. Trench Mouth is an infectious disease affecting chiefly the gums, though it may involve the lips, tongue and lining of the mouth. Young adults are most susceptible to this infection and it may occur in children. The acute type of Trench Mouth cannot be confused with any other mouth disease as there is a marked redness and sloughing of the gum tissues, pain, characteristic bad breath, temperature and prostration. Sub-acute or chronic cases of Trench Mouth are less easily recognized because the symptoms are less marked. However, in chronic cases as in acute cases, the gums



Sometimes, because of excessive wear, disease, abuse or neglect, some middle-aged people are forced to lose their teeth. This greatly affects their appearance by causing them to look prematurely aged. Lost natural teeth should be replaced with artificial teeth in order to maintain the natural facial expression and appearance, permit mastication and preserve normal speech.

will be tender and sore when the teeth are brushed. Trench Mouth can be cured providing the patient cooperates effectively with the dentist in its treatment.

Send questions with self-addressed, stamped envelope, to American Dental Association, 212 East Superior street, Chicago, Ill.

District American Legion Convention Is Well Attended

A delegation of Legionnaires and Auxiliary members attended the spring convention of the 21st district in Brownwood Saturday and Sunday. The meeting was well attended and both groups held rather serious programs dealing with the war and the part that can be played by veterans of the first World War who are not eligible for combat service in this war.

The convention program had been streamlined because of the large number of soldiers in Brownwood and in order not to conflict in any way with the entertainment programs for those groups.

All visitors were given a ride through Camp Bowie Saturday afternoon and were shown the entire camp and equipment.

Sunday morning special services were held at the First Methodist Church, with Dr. Leslie Boone, a World War veteran delivering the message. A luncheon followed the religious service at Hotel Brownwood for both men and women attending the convention.

At the business session for the Legionnaires in the afternoon a large number of resolutions were passed, most of them dealing with rehabilitation. One resolution asked that congress take immediate steps to place WAACs on the same basis as WAVES, SPARs and all service men in regard to veterans' benefits. At present, the WAACs being an auxiliary unit of the army are only entitled to \$100 on burial expense and flag for the casket. WAVES and SPARs, being reserves in the navy and coast guard, are entitled to all that the service men are and no action in their behalf was necessary.

A stinging resolution was passed in regard to strikes and any other delay in wartime work, asking that a law be passed making it sabotage and subject to severe punishment. This resolution brought on the only discussion of the session and ended in a severe amendment being added to the original resolution to make it stronger.

Verne Blodgett, of Kerrville, was elected district commander; O. C. Sykes, of Ballinger, assistant district commander. Brady extended an invitation for the next convention and received a unanimous vote.

Attending from Ballinger were Messrs. and Mrs. O. C. Sykes, Ollie Floyd, Troy Simpson, Leon Thomas; Messrs. C. D. Richards, Leonard Henniger; and Miss Grifflie Atkins.

Extension Service Will Give War Help To People in Cities

COLLEGE STATION, May 26.—Demands for assistance in food preservation in towns and cities are so great that the Texas A. & M. College extension service is temporarily placing special food conservation agents in a dozen or more Texas towns during the next few weeks.

Mildred Horton, extension service vice-director and state home demonstration agent, says county home demonstration agents in these localities already are taxed to help meet the requests of rural homemakers for help with canning, drying, and brining. Several of the special agents being selected formerly were county home demonstration agents and are familiar with scientific methods of food preservation recommended by the extension service. All will be given refresher work by Winifred Jones, specialist in food preservation.

By mid-May special food conservation agents had been appointed for San Antonio, Beaumont, Abilene, Tyler, Wichita Falls, Dallas and Corpus Christi. Other towns and cities where district extension agents are considering placement of workers include Houston, Fort Worth, El Paso, Austin, Lubbock, Waco, Amarillo, San Angelo, Big Spring, Temple, Paris, Bay City, and Edinburg.

Offering special assistance to town and city homemakers is not new, since this same help was given during the first World War. Miss Horton says. She explains that the services of the special agents will be available to groups of persons who desire demonstrations on food preservation. The agents will seek the cooperation and assistance of both lay and professional groups. Many town and suburban gardeners are producing foods which should be preserved for the less productive months, and others are purchasing fresh fruits and vegetables in quantities for canning, drying, and freezing.

R. W. Earnshaw went to Waco Tuesday to buy merchandise and attend to other business.

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DOUBLE SHOW DAYS

COOL As a Seaside Vacation

First Story of the Army Medical Corps! Thundering front-line drama of soldiers in white and army nurses who knew all about men... except why women fall in love with them!

JAMES ELLISON
JANE WYATT
KENT TAYLOR
in
"ARMY SURGEON"

23 of Hitler's Crack Division Stopped by these Guerrilla Heroes! Berlin offers a million dollars reward for the capture, dead or alive, of the courageous commander of the Chetniks... Gen. Mihailovitch! This is his story... ride with him as he fights so a nation may live!

"CHETNIKS!"
The Fighting Guerrillas!
—with—
PHILIP DORN
as Gen. Mihailovitch
and **ANNA STEN**

Adults: 25c-30c Kids: 11c
Navy U-Boat Warfare—In the News Puppets Cartoon
TEXAS
FRIDAY---SATURDAY

'Cabin in the Sky' Musical Has Ethel Waters, Rochester, Horne

In M-G-M's fast-moving prize-package of music, drama and laughter, "Cabin in the Sky," to be shown at the Ritz Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, May 30, 31 and June 1, Ethel Waters battles valiantly for the soul of Eddie (Rochester) Anderson.

Base don the Broadway musical fantasy, the film deals with the struggle between the forces of good and evil for the soul of Little Joe, played by Eddie Anderson. Lucifer, Jr., is played by Rex Ingram, well-known stage star, who enlists the aid of the beautiful temptress, Lena Horne, to achieve his end. The forces of good represented by Kenneth Spencer, noted concert singer, align themselves with Petunia, Little Joe's faithful and loving wife, depicted by Ethel Waters.

In spectacular musical sequences she sings the charming songs, "Happiness is Just a Thing Called Joe," "Cabin in the Sky," and "Taking a Chance on Love." Lena Horne, sensational songstress lately seen in "Panama Hattie," sings the ballad, "Honey in the Honeycomb," and does a comic duet with Rochester called "Consequences."

Bright musical moments are provided by the swing numbers of Duke Ellington and his band and the impressive harmonies of the Hall Johnson choir.

OLFEN SCHOOL NEWS

The closing exercises of the Olfen school will take place Friday night at 8:30 in the community hall. Mr. E. Caskey will award the diplomas and promotion certificates. Honorable E. C. Grindstaff will be the speaker for the occasion.

A clothing contest was held on May 23 at the Olfen school. A number of dresses, jackets and other wearing apparel were put up for competition. First place winner was Geneva Eggemeyer; second, Mary Ann Halfmann; and third, Eldoris Hoelscher. Miss Myra Tankersley acted as judge.

The exhibit of school work, consisting of notebooks, art work, rug weaving, clothing, woodwork, embroidery, etc., was well attended. The teachers and pupils were complimented on the excellent work that had been achieved during the year.

War Food Goals Will Be Reached if Labor, Seasons Favorable

COLLEGE STATION, May 26.—Given favorable seasons and extra labor for peak requirements, Texas farm families should be able to reach most of their war food goals. C. E. Bowles, specialist in organization and cooperative marketing for the A. & M. College extension service, makes this observation on the basis of a forecast recently released by the state agricultural statistician for the U. S. department of agriculture.

According to the forecast, the inventory of beef animals now on Texas farms and ranches is above last year's record. Cattle and calves marketed in 1942 were 29 per cent above sales in 1941. Likewise, sheep and lambs went to market in record numbers in 1942, but on January 1, 1943, Texas still had more sheep and lambs than in any previous year.

Indications are that the 1943 spring pig crop is 30 per cent above last spring's record crop. The 1942 pig crop was 58 per cent above the 10-year average. Continued comparable increases can not be expected. Mr. Bowles believes. The labor shortage is one factor, and in addition, farmers are now being squeezed between skyrocketing feed prices and ceiling prices on meat.

A record number of chickens on Texas farms is 17 per cent above a year ago and 44 per cent above the 10-year average. Hens are laying more eggs than in February, 1943, and the baby chicks hatched that month were 21 per cent above the average for the past five years. Bowles says the picture for milk is not so encouraging. While the number of cows milked on Texas farms increased 4 per cent during 1942, the production per cow declined enough to offset the increase in cow numbers.

In spite of reduced labor and a

shortage of machinery, Texas farmers are increasing their food and feed acreage by six per cent over 1942. The peanut acreage is 15 per cent greater and acreage of all sorghums 11 per cent above the previous year.

Card of Thanks
We wish to express our appreciation to our friends and neighbors for their expressions of sympathy during the recent sorrow through which we passed, the death of our loved one, Mrs. T. M. Osteen. We appreciate everything done for our comfort and especially for the beautiful floral offering.

T. M. Osteen and children
Mrs. L. F. Gressett and children. 27-11

Read the grocery ads and save.

RITZ THEATRE

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday Matinee 1:30 to 3:15 Saturday and Sunday Continuous Show
Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday
Admission 10c-25c-30c

The MUSICAL COMEDY SENSATION!
CABIN IN THE SKY
What a cast!
starring **ETHEL WATERS**
with **ROCHESTER** Anderson
and **LENA HORNE**

HARRY'S FOOD STORES

PRODUCE

TOMATOES Fresh Texas	2 Lbs. 25c
RED POTATOES New	4 Lbs. 25c
APPLES Fancy Delicious	Dozen 29c
TURNIPS and TOPS Home Grown	Bunch 10c
LIMES	Dozen 17c
BEETS Home Grown	2 Bunches 15c
LEMONS Sunkist 490s	Dozen 23c
PINK GRAPEFRUIT Texas	2 for 15c
ORANGES Large California	4 for 25c

Grocery Items		Market	
Pure Cane—Use No. 15 and 16 Stamp 5 lbs each		LAMB CHOPS Lb.	48c
SUGAR 10 Bag	63c	SEVEN STEAK Lb.	35c
FLOUR Everlite 24 -Lb. Sack	\$1.05	CHUCK ROAST Lb.	33c
PEAS Pure Maid No Points 2 Cans	15c	YEAST Fleischmann 2 For	5c
Pecan Valley CHILI BEANS 1 -Lb. Can	10c	LIVER CHEESE Lb.	33c
Evangeline PUMPKIN 2 No. 2 Cans	15c	BOLOGNA Large Lb.	28c
PRUNES California No. 2 Can	15c	COTTO SALAMA Lb.	33c
BEANS Pinto 3 Lbs.	23c	BULK LARD Lb.	19c
MILK Milnot 3 Large Cans	23c	SOAP P&G Bar	4c
HYLO Giant	55c		

TWO BIG SHOWS

Something Unusual for Your Sunday Entertainment



Funnier Than An Old Maid's Hope Chest! Jack as a starving lawyer starts out to make a name for himself... the hard way... and ends up by making Simon Legree look like a panty-waist when it comes to being a meanie!

You'll love it!
JACK BENNY
PRISCILLA LANE

THE MEANEST MAN IN THE WORLD



SECOND HIT SHOW
NOT A NEWS REEL!
But a full-length fighting feature... Actually photographed on the Russian front! See how Russian "guts" and American supplies are licking hell out of Adolf's "invincible" Nazis! We guarantee that you've seen nothing to equal it!

"MOSCOW STRIKES BACK"
Commentator—Edw. G. Robinson

TEXAS

MIDNITE SATURDAY
SUNDAY, MONDAY,
TUESDAY

"Ninety per cent of the offenders with which we have to deal in 'wet' areas are under the influence of alcoholic drink," says a State Highway Patrolman now stationed in Runnels County, but formerly a chief of police in a city where beer was legally sold.

LET'S KEEP BEER OUT OF RUNNELS COUNTY

WHO CAN VOTE

Those who have been in the state 12 months and the county 6 months and who either

- (a) Paid 1942 poll tax before February 1, 1943
- (b) Are over 60 years of age by January 1, 1943
- (c) Became 21 in 1942, provided they have exemption certificate or
- (d) Became 21 between February 1, 1943 and May 29, 1943 without exemption certificate.

Scratch Top Line

Sample Ballot

~~FOR legalizing the sale of beer that does not contain alcohol in excess of four (4%) per centum by weight.~~

AGAINST legalizing the sale of beer that does not contain alcohol in excess of four (4%) per centum by weight.

BECAUSE:

1. Money spent for beer should buy War Bonds.
2. The consumption of alcoholic beverages robs man of his potential power and National Defense demands the utmost from the Nation's manpower.
3. Runnels County now has a Primary Training School for United States Army Air Cadets. We should not encourage the drinking of alcoholic beverages by these fine young men or by those who are responsible for teaching them to fly.
4. Runnels County does not want to become the "Oasis" for nearby dry areas. The constant flow of customers from dry areas into wet areas, solely for alcoholic beverages, is detrimental to the religious, civic and moral welfare of the county where the drinks are sold. The experience of Nolan and Callahan counties in this respect should be adequate for teaching Runnels County.
5. If the adult population of the county vote to legalize the sale of beer, the young people of the county will interpret the act to mean approval of the practice of drinking alcoholic beverages. We should help the boys and girls of our county to avoid the temptation to drink rather than put it under their noses.
6. Runnels County people, by their votes on four previous occasions, have said, "Let's keep Runnels County dry." Why seek a change in a time of war and thereby increase the use of essential war materials and lower our reputation by encouraging the use of intoxicating beverages.

**Every Voter Who Favors Prohibition Should
Go to the Polls and Vote**

SATURDAY, MAY 29

The United Drys of Runnels County

RURAL NEWS

NORTON

Good rains have fallen over our community during the past week. The light grain crops are ripening fast and will soon be ready for harvest.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Douglas and children, Ronnie and Sue, left this week for Hamilton, where they will make their home during the summer months.

Miss Naomi Ash went to Brownwood recently to make arrangements to enter Howard Payne College for the summer term.

Mrs. Willie Mae Winn and children and Mrs. Roy Johnson, all of Alpine, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gulley and family.

Miss Rhea DaLee, of Denton, is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cope and family, and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ash and daughter, Johnnie, spent the past week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Palmer and family, of Goldthwaite.

Mrs. Ira B. West, who visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Setser, the past two months, returned Tuesday to Clovis, New Mexico, where she will take up her work in the memorial hospital.

CREWS

The fine rain last week was greatly appreciated by all.

The graduation exercises were well attended. Bro. Hallford delivered a splendid address to the seniors and those finishing the grammar grades.

The Fifth Sunday meeting of the Fairland Association will convene at the local Baptist church beginning Friday night and continuing over Sunday.

Mrs. Lloyd Fuller is said to be doing fairly well at last report. Mrs. Fuller underwent a major operation at the Winters hospital Thursday of the preceding week.

Mrs. Willie Norris, who was seriously ill the first of the week is reported better at this writing.

Miss Marguerite Mathis has returned home for the summer. She was elected as assistant in the Norton school, where she has taught the two previous terms.

Walter Pape, Jr., after receiving his college degree at Alpine, left immediately for Fort Bliss for instruction into the U. S. service.

Miss Moselle Pumphrey left Monday for Alpine for the summer term. Miss Pumphrey will receive her degree at the end of the summer session.

Duford Goode is reported ill at this writing.

Mrs. Lucille Thigpin, of Cole-

man, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Vaughn, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mathis and Miss Marguerite Mathis expect to attend commencement exercises at McMurry College Thursday of this week, where their son and brother, Melvin Mathis, will be awarded his degree.

Mr. and Mrs. Thea Lucas visited her father, Mr. Northcutt, in San Angelo, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Traylor and family, of Dale, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Traylor Sunday.

Walter Schwartz and son, W. H., attended a luncheon and program given in the Cactus Hotel at San Angelo Saturday for 4-H club boys, their fathers and county agents from eight counties. The boys had won pigs in an essay contest on the hog, cow, and hen project. W. H. and eleven other boys from Runnels county won prizes, and we are proud to report W. H. as the winner from Crews.

There has been quite a run made on the berry patches east of Crews. Perhaps there has never been such a desire to can fruit and vegetables among housewives as at the present time. All are eager to do everything we can to aid in the war effort, "be that all ever so little."

GUARD COMPANY WILL HAVE FEDERAL INSPECTION MONDAY BY CAMP BARKELEY OFFICER

Federal inspection of company E, Texas Defense Guard, will be held here Monday night at 8 o'clock, to be conducted by Col. Lying, infantry officer of Camp Barkeley.

Capt. K. V. Northington, company commander, said today that he was urging all members of the unit to attend the drill tomorrow (Friday) evening, which will be the last before the inspection. The drill Friday evening will start promptly at 8 o'clock.

Col. Lying will arrive Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock and is to inspect the supply and orderly rooms and records of the company before time for the inspection of troops at 8 p. m. Every member of the company is urged to be present Monday and help the unit make the best showing possible.

The purpose of the inspection by a regular army officer is to determine the condition of the state guard organization.

Roy Worley is at the Hondo flying school, doing special work. He had been an instructor in the ground division at the Harman Training Center for some time.

As Axis Troops Surrendered to Allies



Covered by a Sherman tank, German prisoners prepare to move on after surrendering themselves to Allied forces in North Africa. A short time later all organized enemy resistance had ceased in all sectors, and an estimated total of 150,000 German and Italian troops had been taken prisoner, together with their commander, Col. Gen. Juergen Von Arnim. Vast quantities of guns and war material of all kinds were captured.

Baptist Workers To Meet June 8; Program Ready

The Runnels Baptist Association will meet with the Valley View Church on June 8 in an all-day session. The church and the pastor at Valley View extend a cordial welcome to all churches in the association to send large delegations to the meeting.

The theme for the program is "Revive Thy Work," and the following program has been prepared:

10:00 a. m.—Song Service and devotional, Rev. J. H. Hunt

10:15 a. m.—"Why We Need a Revival," Rev. J. E. Eldridge

10:35 a. m.—"The Price to be Paid for a Revival," Rev. Roy Stuckey

10:55 a. m.—"The Change Wrought in a God-Sent Revival," Rev. A. G. Purvis

Announcements

11:15 a. m.—Sermon, Rev. W. T. Hamor

12:00—Lunch

1:30 p. m.—Board meeting

2:15 p. m.—Devotional, Rev. Bob Lambert

2:30 p. m.—"God's Call to His People in an Hour Like This," Rev. C. A. Morton

2:50 p. m.—Closing address

3:30 p. m.—Adjournment.

Mr. and Mrs. Felton T. Wright and children will leave this week-end for Houston, where Mr. Wright will be employed this summer by Brown & Root in the shipyards at that city.

Summer Vegetables In Hot Weather Will Keep Garden Going

COLLEGE STATION, May 26.—Conscientious victory gardeners, especially those living in areas having suitable moisture, plant and harvest throughout the growing season. But J. F. Rosborough, horticulturist for the A. & M. College extension service, cautions against planting any but heat resisting varieties in summer. English peas, head lettuce, mustard greens, bush beans and radishes are not suited to a hot weather garden.

After the white potatoes are dug plant blackeyed or cream peas in the same rows. Rosborough suggests. When early mustard greens go to seed, follow with okra, green pepper plants, or even Swiss chard. Incidentally, Swiss chard has more vitamin A than any of the other greens. Leaf lettuce, which is tolerant of warm weather, is an excellent successor to early radishes, but gardeners should be careful not to confuse the leaf variety with head lettuce. Grand Rapids or Black Seeded Simpson are recommended for good summer growth.

Eggplant does well in hot weather, with Florida Highbush or Purple Beauty well suited to Texas growing conditions. Allow three feet of space between plants, but watch out for potato bugs. When this pest gets a start on potatoes it will move to eggplants and eat them up in a few days. On the first appearance of the bugs dust the plants with calcium arsenate and they will give no further trouble. A second planting of sweet corn may be made now in order to provide roasting ears over a long period. When it is up 10 to 12 inches thin the stand to two feet apart. All hot weather vegetables need more room for moisture and plant food than the early ones.

The horticulturist warns against digging potatoes in the morning and allowing them to lie in the sun all day. Dig in the evening and place them in a cool, shady spot immediately to dry for a day or two. Then spread them out on poles or straw in a cool dark place where air circulates freely. Never have the potatoes more than two layers deep and, if there is room, a single layer is even better. Remove all bruised potatoes before storing them.

PROTECT FRUIT TREES FROM INSECT DAMAGE. ENTOMOLOGIST ADVISES

COLLEGE STATION, May 26.—There's no point in spraying a fruit tree to control weevils, or curculios, until the presence of the pest is known. According to Paul Gregg, assistant entomologist for the A. & M. College extension service, jarring the tree with a four-foot pole padded at the striking end will bring them down. Spread a canvass to catch them for identification.

The curculios come out of hibernation soon after the tree starts blooming. They lay eggs in the tiny fruit and worms hatch in about 10 days. Jarring, if done every two or three days starting soon after blooming begins, will control curculios if trees are few. Larger orchards should be sprayed when one insect is found in every three or four trees. If none fall from the first jarring, try again in six days. If found, see the county agricultural agent about a spraying schedule. Shallow disking or plowing during the summer will destroy many immature curculios.

The tiny scale insect, which clings to the bark and sucks the tree's juice, kills more fruit trees than any other pests, Gregg says. It is best controlled by thoroughly spraying trees in winter with either lime sulphur or oil emulsion after pruning. However, in case of heavy infestation in the spring or summer, summer oil emulsion or lime sulphur spray may be used with safety.

But this is only a part of the predators. White worms with brown heads tunnel under the bark of peach and plum trees two or three inches below the ground and eight or ten inches above. Shot hole borers, or bark beetles, drill little holes in the bark, and the lesser peach borer feeds underneath the bark of branches. Finally, the twig borer feeds underneath the bark on twigs.

Certain sprays will discourage activities of these pests, and full information on their control may be obtained from extension service bulletin, B-73, "Orchard Management," or from the county agricultural agent.

HOWARD PAYNE TRUSTEES DISCUSS POST-WAR PLANS

Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor of the First Baptist Church, attended a meeting of the board of trustees of Howard Payne College in Brownwood Wednesday. Rev. Morton is a trustee of Howard Payne, one of several colleges operated by the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

All members of the faculty were reelected and candidates for graduation approved. Welfare of the students and post-war plans for enlargement of the school were discussed. An enlargement program will be made possible through the gift of J. A. Walker, deceased, of some two million dollars.

Rev. Morton was accompanied by Mrs. Morton and Miss Margaret Ann Morton.

NEGRO FINED ON LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION CHARGE

Frank Tennon, local negro, was fined \$100 and costs in county court Friday on a charge of possession of intoxicants for the purpose of sale. It was the first charge against Tennon and the above fine and costs amounted to \$125.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ueckert and daughter, Fay, of Lubbock, were here last week for the little girl to have her tonsils removed. At last reports Fay was recuperating nicely. Billy Ueckert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ueckert, went home with his uncle and aunt for a visit, the group leaving Sunday.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION TO BE HELD AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

Children of St. Mary's Catholic Church will observe their first holy communion at the 9 o'clock mass Saturday morning, May 29.

The boys and girls, both American and Latin-American, led by the pastor, Rev. Edward B. Postert, O. M. I., will make the procession from the rectory to the church, singing "Come Holy Ghost." The cross-bearer will be Gilbert Almen-dariz; the servers at mass, Key Hoffman and Felix Saenz; the acolytes, Lange Hoffman, Adelina and Robert Lugo.

The three altars will be decorated with pink and red roses combined with fern and cathedral tapers in candelabras.

Following the mass, Father Postert will be host to the children at the rectory, entertaining with a breakfast, and assisted by members of the St. Mary's Altar Society.

Children making their first holy communion are: Francine and Virginia Ann Hoelscher, Pauline Mueller, Jay Schott, Jerry and Michael Egan, Billy Moomen, Glen Hoelscher, and Clarence Zak; Jessie Robles, Paul Minjares, Jimmy Moreno, Rudolph Alvarez.

Ben Medrino, John Ramos, Eloy Trevino, Henry Guevara, Margaret Gavan, Esperanza Reyes, Carolina Gonzales, Rosa Ramos, Florentina Martinez, Mary Cruz Medrino, Lorina Ramos.

Parents and friends are urged by the pastor to attend this beautiful ceremony.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wilson are the parents of a 9-pound girl, born Tuesday afternoon at the Halley & Love Sanitarium. The young lady has been named Dorothy Ellen. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wilson and Mrs. A. W. Sledge.

Ernest Moody is in Madison, Wisconsin, this week, doing research work in a war plant. He will return to Ballinger soon to resume his work at the Harman Training Center.

Mrs. A. Miller, of Lubbock, is here for a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Wear.

Men are dying for the Four Freedoms. The least we can do here at home is to buy War Bonds—10% for War Bonds, every pay day.

NOTICE

Cotton Producers

We still have on hand a limited amount of ACALA COTTON SEED, that are approved for government subsidy.

We have enjoyed a good delinting season this spring and wish to thank all our customers and friends for their business.

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IN SOCIETY

Garden Club to Meet

The Ballinger Civic-Garden Club will hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday afternoon, June 1, at 4:00 o'clock in City Hall auditorium.

Mrs. Frank Pearce will direct the program and Mrs. B. Frazier will conduct the Question Box. Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh will read a paper on "Getting the Most out of Your Summer Gardens;" and Mrs. Alex Saunders' topic will be "Care of Shrubs and Lawns During the Summer Months."

District W. S. C. S. Meeting at Santa Anna

Mrs. E. C. Tinsley, president of the First Methodist W. S. C. S., Mrs. Joe Forman, district spiritual life secretary, Mrs. J. W. Guynes and Mrs. J. G. Douglass attended the annual district meeting of the Brownwood District Women's Society of Christian Service in the Santa Anna Methodist Church Wednesday.

Mrs. W. A. Pace of Winters, district secretary, was presiding officer and Mrs. Forman brought the morning devotionals.

Two Entertain Instructors' Auxiliary

Mrs. Carl Bentsen and Mrs. Ray Livesay were hostesses to the Auxiliary to the Civilian Instructors' Club Tuesday afternoon in the down-town club rooms.

During the business period, with Mrs. Buster Parrish presiding, further plans were made for improvements to the club rooms and the entertainment chairman, Mrs. J. L. Hart, made a report.

In games of Triple-E, prizes were won by Mrs. Virgil Reynolds and Mrs. Bentsen. Frosted coca colas were served. Others present were: Mmes. John Lovelace, C. C. Stratton, C. J. Chenault, and Bybee.

Acc of Clubs in Henson Home

Mrs. D. O. Henson entertained Acc of Clubs members Wednesday afternoon in her home on Third Street.

Beautiful painted asters gave floral beauty to rooms where defense stamps were won by Mrs. I. J. McCook, Jr., for high score, Mrs. Virgil Reynolds for second high, and bingo awards went to Mrs. Jerry Church and Mrs. W. J. Hembre.

A salad course was served with iced tea. Others were: Mmes. B. C. Roberts, Edward Sommer, H. G. Agnew, and E. C. Bybee.

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Irby Reunion at Comanche

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Irby and small son, Wayne, attended a family reunion held at the home of Mr. Irby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Irby, 6 miles north of Comanche from Friday through Sunday last week.

Six sons and daughters and their families were present and two sons who are engaged in defense work could not attend.

On Saturday a picnic lunch was enjoyed out-of-doors and on Sunday a chicken dinner with all the trimmings was served. Diversion offered in games of forty-two and croquet, in rabbit hunting, horse-back riding and group singing.

Twenty-five were present including two great grandchildren.

Mrs. Morgan is Know Your Neighbors Hostess

Mrs. Malcolm Morgan was hostess to Know Your Neighbors Wednesday afternoon in her home on Sixth Street.

Perennial sweet peas in a low bowl centered the dining table and honeysuckle was combined with roses to decorate the living room where some did knitting on the new Red Cross quota and others did individual handwork.

A sandwich plate was served with a fruit drink. Included were: Mmes. E. F. Lawless, John Barton, LeRoy McAulay, Jack Nixon, Sr., Cal Adair, Dee Saylor, Ernest Moody, Bill Clark, Joe Flynt, Cecil Jones, Rothal O'Kelly, and J. H. Endacott.

SUMMER SCHOOL TO BE TAUGHT HERE PROVIDED ENOUGH WANT COURSES

Supt. Nat Williams announced this week that a summer school would be taught here if there were enough students interested in taking courses to justify the effort. A group of teachers will be at the high school Monday morning at 9:30 and all interested in taking summer courses are urged to be present to hear the plans.

The superintendent added that if classes were large enough, courses and schedules would be arranged and work would start soon.

TRAINED NURSES IN DEMAND SAYS DIRECTOR OF COLLEGE AT JOHN SEALY HOSPITAL

GALVESTON, May 26.—The increased demand for nurses on all fronts—at home and abroad—requires the largest possible training program throughout the United States, Miss Marjorie Bartholomew, director of the John Sealy College of Nursing of the University of Texas, has announced.

In designating June 24 as starting date for the next class of John Sealy nurses, Miss Bartholomew expressed the hope that student nurses would report in large numbers to colleges of nursing this year.

"High school and college graduates have an excellent opportunity in nursing today," she explained, "and there is a tremendous need for their services."

Allies Work Side by Side in No. Africa



Anti-aircraft gunners of three United Nations are seen working side by side as they protect an Allied-held North African port from Axis air attacks. In the foreground an American unit mans a Bofors gun, while just behind them is a French crew servicing their Oerlikon gun. In the far background is a British crew with another Bofors.

Ballinger Singers Present Program in Brownwood USO

The Ballinger high school girls' glee club, under the direction of Miss Kay Evans, and with Miss Luna Belle Beachum as accompanist, went to Brownwood Saturday night where they presented a program at one of the USO units operated under the sponsorship of the Y. M. C. A.

This club is under the supervision of Miss Mary Talbot, formerly a member of the local faculty and who last year was teacher of public school music here.

Appearing in the main auditorium at 8 o'clock the Ballinger group sang to a large crowd of soldiers and the applause indicated in a small way the men's appreciation of the fine choral work of the club. Miss Evans, in a group of solos, was recalled a number of times by the large audience.

The program was over at 9 o'clock and a party had arranged for the Ballinger group at which soldiers at Camp Bowie were selected to provide an escort for each girl.

A number of Ballinger people who were attending the American Legion convention at Brownwood, attended the program. Miss Talbot told the Ballinger group that she was being transferred from Brownwood but was not at liberty to announce where she was being sent.

The Ballinger girls made the trip to Brownwood by bus, returning Saturday night.

Mrs. Raymond Hash and family, and Mrs. Roland Boyd and family, both of Los Angeles, Calif., visited in the home of their mother, Mrs. Jess Watson, and with other relatives and friends here the past ten days.

Buy bonds every pay period.

Denny Transferred To Walker-Smith Co. Childress House

Ben Denny, for the past four years manager for Walker-Smith Co. at Ballinger, has been notified that he is to be transferred to the company's house at Childress and Mr. Denny and family will go there about June 6 or 7 to make their home.

No announcement has been received here as to who will succeed Mr. Denny as manager of the Ballinger house.

The Walker-Smith Co. house at Childress serves a large territory which includes part of Wichita Falls. It employs more salesmen than does the Ballinger house and the transfer is a decided promotion for Mr. Denny.

Mr. Denny and his family have filled many places of importance in Ballinger and will be missed. He has served for several years on the local school board, part of the time as president. He also is a member of the Ballinger Board of Community Development planning board and has served as a director. He is an official of the First Methodist Church, president of the Ballinger Country Club and has rendered service in other civic organizations.

Mrs. Denny has been active in the social and religious life of the city. A son, Ben Denny, Jr., was an honor graduate of the Ballinger high school and has been attending the University of Texas, where he has continued to make a good record. He came in Wednesday of this week and expects to be at home for thirty days before receiving a call to the navy. A daughter, Virginia Denny, was a member of the graduating class of the Ballinger high school which received diplomas Tuesday evening.

JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

Friday, the Victory Citizenship Club, made up of class 7-A in the junior high school, was entertained during its regular weekly meeting. James Mauldin, president, conducted the business session and Bobby Jo Smith and Hortense Alvarez assisted Miss Griffith, the sponsor, in serving the entire class cold drinks, candy and doughnuts. The entertainment was enjoyed by everyone and it is hoped that class 7-A of 1943-44 will take up where this year's class left off.

Fifty-one students of the seventh and eighth grades were awarded final writing certificates Friday by Mrs. Standridge, the language and arts teacher. Everyone's writing was improved a great deal in these classes.

Mrs. Standridge is going to Oklahoma to be with her husband and everyone feels that this will be a great loss, because she was everything a teacher should be.

Typewriter ribbons at The Ledger office.

A Challenge to America

We must sacrifice to win this war

We Should Remember

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F. D. R., Churchill, Plan Final Victory



With the trumpets of the great Allied victory in Tunisia still reverberating around the world, Winston Churchill, Great Britain's prime minister, and President Franklin D. Roosevelt, met once more in Washington to further plan the "unconditional surrender" mapped out for the enemy. This was the first meeting of the two leaders since the historic conference at Casablanca. Shown at left is the President, and, at right, Winston Churchill, with his inevitable black cigar.

Dairyman Declares Every Farmer Should Realize Value of Cow

AUSTIN, May 26.—Every farmer in Texas should be brought to realize the value of a good cow, M. E. McMurray, manager of the Texas Dairy Products Association, Ft. Worth, declared here recently.

McMurray addressed the Texas Statistical Council, meeting at the University of Texas, on "What is Taking Place Within the Dairy Industry."

He deplored the fact that a few years ago there were 125,000 farms in Texas without a single cow, and that Texas ranks 42nd among the 48 states in the production of milk.

Requirements of the government for milk and dairy products for the armed forces has thrown a heavy burden on the dairy industry, he pointed out, but so far every quota set up by the government has been met by the industry.

"In 1942 the industry produced 119,240,000,000 pounds of dairy products, a vast increase over 1941," he said. "In 1943 we are going to have to increase production over 1942, and if the war keeps on we don't know how much greater increases will still be necessary."

Already under consideration are plans to ration milk as well as manufactured dairy products, he said, probably confining milk consumption to infants, growing children, and hospitals among civilians.

McMurray expressed appreciation of his association and of the dairy industry generally for the statistical records collected and compiled by the university's bureau of business research, which he said were constantly used by the industry in planning and carrying out its operations.

Mrs. L. B. Hiner, of Ft. Worth, is here for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. M. E. McClenny.

Read the grocery ads and save.

We Will Not Forget

Memorial Day brings to mind deeds of valor of soldiers and sailors of by-gone years, which shaped the history of our nation. Their record is one of which we can always be proud. We honor their memory.

Again today, on far-flung battlefields, millions of our young men and women are defending our flag on land, on the sea and in the air. They are going to Berlin and back to Bataan. Methods of warfare may change, but patriotism and courage will ever be the bulwarks of freedom.

And so this Memorial Day is an occasion for double observance... a day on which we take inspiration from the past and reaffirm our confidence for the future. Great is the sacrifice and service of our fighting forces... and we will not forget.

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MEDINA COUNTY RATION BOARD SAVES BIG BERRY CROP BY QUICK ACTION

COLLEGE STATION, May 26.—Quick action on the part of the Medina county war price and rationing board and cooperative home demonstration club women recently saved the berry crop in the irrigated district of the county.

Recently when the berries were ripe and the Pearson and O. M. K. & T. home demonstration clubs sent a committee to the board asking for sugar to use in canning the fruit. At that time the board had received no regulations on the issue of sugar for berry canning. But members took matters in their own hands, allowing five pounds of sugar per person for canning, and restricting the

amount to 20 pounds of canning sugar per family.

Home demonstration club women were authorized to handle this phase of the rationing program.

Veima Hambleton, Medina county home demonstration agent, says sufficient sugar to can 5,517 quarts of berries was issued. This emergency ruling applied only in the irrigated district where many berries are grown and otherwise would have gone to waste.

Handling of the sugar rationing by the club women saved not only fruit, but tires, gasoline, oil and rubber, Miss Hambleton says, for the office of the rationing board is 35 miles from the county's irrigated district.

"Home demonstration stock got a big boost as a result of this service," the agent reported.

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The best plan for all concerned is to send the change of address in advance.

All families are receiving in the mails this week application cards for war ration book No. 3. Instructions for filing these cards are simple, but those making application for family units should read the instructions carefully, then fill in the data and mail the cards to the OPA office at Dallas. New books will be mailed to all eligible for them about the middle of July. Every person is urged to print his name plainly so it can be read with ease and this will save time for the regional office staff as well as making sure the new book will be properly issued.

Rains which fell in Runnels county the past week were sufficient for planting and starting crops but in some communities heavy downpours are needed to provide stock water, put streams to running and fill surface tanks. Precipitation on the Elm Creek watershed was sufficient to fill the city reservoir and run over the spillway several feet deep. This will remove and dilute the "hard" water and improve the municipal supply. The drops fell slow and no crop damage has been reported.

The Ballinger Board of Community Development is getting ready to lead the way in post-war planning in Ballinger. The entire citizenship is invited to offer suggestions which will be carefully studied and all the suggestions will help in providing a definite program to be launched at the end of the war to make this city and county better places in which to live. New individual construction and most municipal work

have been stopped because of the war but when the conflict ends and the nation begins changing back from war-time production there will be many items which every town and community will require. With preliminary work already cleared, some cities will be in line for quick action and will reap benefits for the long-sighted efforts. A better water supply, improved roads in the trade territory, resumption of the street paving program, an adequate sewer system to serve the entire city, and a number of other items have been proposed.

Work of Local Draft Board Complimented By State Inspector

Major John W. Lipscomb, policy supervisor for the selective service system, was in Ballinger Monday to inspect the local draft board office. Attached to state headquarters at Austin, Major Lipscomb made a very thorough inspection of all records and the system followed in the Runnels county office.

After concluding his inspection the officer praised the fine work done by the local board and clerks and stated that everything was in perfect order. The inspector visited the local office without previous notification and no preparation had been made for his arrival or the inspection.

In speaking of Chairman Paul Trimmer, who has been out of the office for some time due to illness, the major said he would like to meet him and inform him that he had two excellent workers on the board who were carrying on, and that the clerks in the office were very efficient.

Major Lipscomb congratulated all members of the board and the office staff on the splendid work being done. While the inspection was underway the board members postponed a meeting until after noon. Members of the board besides Mr. Trimmer are O. C. Sykes and Marshall Northington. Mrs. Stanley Price is chief clerk and in charge of records and paper work in the office.

EVERLASTING YEAST BREAD POPULARIZED BY MIDLAND COUNTY 4-H CLUB GIRLS

COLLEGE STATION, May 26.—Yeast bread made with everlasting yeast, the kind "grandmother used to make," is the current rage in Midland county. Alpha Lynn, the county home demonstration agent, says the vogue came about through sharing of girls' 4-H and women's home demonstration clubs.

The "starter" came from a club member, Mrs. M. D. Rutherford of the Greasewood community, who obtained her "starter" two years ago from a friend in Lubbock. Recently when Miss Lynn made rolls in a series of 4-H club meetings, each girl took home a "starter." Then the women heard about it, and soon all home demonstration club members got "starters" at their meetings. Now, Miss Lynn says, families in country and town are eating yeast rolls and bread made of everlasting yeast.

Guns That Speak With Full Authority



Shown at left is our new 240 mm. howitzer, the M-1, as described in the Field Artillery Journal. It is more mobile and more powerful, and even more accurate than its 1918 counterpart. It travels in two loads on high speed trailers. Less digging is required for its emplacement, and this is speeded by a clamshell bucket. Right: Naval gun crew shown during training in the operation of a three-inch anti-aircraft gun at the U. S. navy anti-aircraft gunnery training center in Point Montara, Calif. Guns fire at sleeve targets towed from planes over the water.

WEST TEXAS NOTES

The Rising Star Chamber of Commerce is making plans to open the city canning plant to take care of local demands. The canning season will soon start on early vegetables and fruit. Berries are already beginning to ripen and canning supplies are being sought to preserve food being raised in gardens and orchards of the area.

One of the smallest, but ranking high scholastically, is the class being graduated from the Robert Lee high school this year. Officials announced that 70 per cent of the senior class would be eligible for the honor roll at the end of the term, one of the best records ever made by a Robert Lee graduating class.

An election is to be held at Menard June 19 to consider enlarging the school district. If the issue carries six adjoining districts will be combined with the Menard district and add many scholastics as well as property. Horace Oliver, superintendent of the Menard schools, is closing a very successful year.

Two damage suits against the city of Coleman have been settled by a supreme court decision and the city will have to pay a total of \$3,804. Both cases have been pending for about three years and were tried in several lower courts. The suits were filed shortly after the death by accidental electrocution of J. W. Kenley, of Kerrville.

Four buildings to house WAACs are about completed at Camp Bowie, Brownwood, and will be occupied in a few days. A WAAC unit has been assigned to Camp Bowie for some time, being housed in hospital buildings until the new quarters were completed. The four buildings were constructed from material salvaged from thirteen CCC barracks formerly located in a number of West Texas camps.

Dick Davee, of Junction, has topped the record for the largest bass caught in the vicinity this season. The fish weighed 5 1/2 pounds and is the largest reported in a contest. All anglers have been asked to report their biggest fish and records will be kept.

McClulloch county women resumed making Red Cross surgical dressings last week when the center at Brady was opened to prepare a new quota. It was announced that the center would be open from 2 to 5 p. m. daily except Saturday. Mrs. W. K. Cobb is Red Cross production chairman at Brady.

The Erath county grand jury in session at Stephenville last week returned twelve indictments after three days' deliberations. The body did not adjourn, recessing to meet later during the current term of

district court. After inspecting all county property the grand jurors reported the jail, court house and other buildings well cared for and in good condition.

The navy cross has been awarded posthumously to Gust J. Swenning, of Melvin, killed in action aboard a battleship while fighting the Japs. The ship was struck by a torpedo and although shocked by the explosion Swenning dove into oily water in a compartment to close a watertight door, thereby saving other lives by giving the rest of the crew time to leave the vessel.

The Comanche berry canning plant opened this week for regular runs and will continue operations during the summer. The county's large berry crop is ripening and many pickers have been employed to gather the fruit. A large part of the crop will be handled by the packing and canning plant at Comanche.

A committee of the Sweetwater Chamber of Commerce is continuing work on a housing program to take care of the overcrowded condition in the city. The committee has been submitting data to a number of government agencies in an effort to secure help either directly from the government or by obtaining materials for local dealers.

Dr. W. A. Boney, Jr., poultry specialist, was in Paint Rock this week to assist chicken raisers in combatting common diseases. He has been in Concho county several weeks to give poultry producers information on how to take care of their 1943 flocks.

BALLINGERITE GETS TWO DEGREES IN ONE MONTH

Dr. John Pearce, who recently secured his doctor of medicine degree at Tulane University, New Orleans, will be among the 106 seniors to graduate at Hardin-Simmons University on May 31. Dr. Pearce took a pre-medical course at the Abilene school and since completed courses at Tulane and the work accepted by Hardin-Simmons, which entitles him to a bachelor of arts degree.

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Post-War Planning Theme of Meeting For B.C.D. Directors

Directors of the Ballinger Board of Community Development were in session Thursday night to hear committee reports and attend to new business.

Most important part of the meeting was a discussion of post-war planning and the need to start now to make plans for activities to be pushed at the end of the war. It was voted to name a special post-war planning committee and President O. L. Huddleston was instructed to take his time in making the appointments.

J. A. Killough, secretary-manager, reported on the meeting of commercial secretaries held recently at Midland in which post-war planning was the general theme. He stated that a number of West Texas towns have already hired engineers to make surveys of work needed and how to proceed in getting it done. He also pointed out that help probably would be offered by the government at the end of the war to cities in which plans have already been made and preliminary work done on projects.

E. E. King was elected to the directory board to take the place made vacant by Otis Jacob, who has entered armed service. It was voted to proceed with work on the Girl Scout house in city park. A new roof will be put on and interior work done.

John A. Barton reported on the new labor act for which the county agent's office will be

responsible. He pointed out the seriousness of the labor situation and outlined a number of plans that may be included in the program this summer and next fall.

H. O. Agnew, chairman of the membership and budget committee, reported on work already done which has netted about fifteen new members and boosted the budget about \$25 per month. Mr. Agnew and other committee members are striving to sign up all new citizens in the B. C. D. this year and to reenlist those who had been members but withdrew.

Reports were heard from the livestock committee on the recent dairy show and all other standing committees in the organization.



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Honor Students Are Announced; Top 5 Are Boys

Honor students of the Ballinger high school senior class were announced this week as John A. Killough, valedictorian, and Donald Mullins, salutatorian. Killough had an average of 96.68 for the year and Mullins' grade was 95.95. The next three high ranking boys were Johnny Miller, James Stripplin and Lanham Flynt. Miss Marjorie McGregor was top girl with a grade of 92.92.

The class is well divided between boys and girls, the number being about even the entire year. Most of the class made unusually good grades. Due to the war and other causes the seniors were serious in their studies and got all they could from their courses.

A large number of the boys in the senior class recently took V-12 examinations for the army, navy and marine corps. Some of these have been notified that they made passing grades but no definite call has been received by any of the youths to date.

A number of graduates will enter college at once. All boys going to A. & M. College have been advised to report within the next ten days and several others will begin with the regular summer sessions.

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You Can't Depend on Isolated Hydro-Electric Power, Eh, Mr. Goebbels?

Allied bombers this last week hit Herr Goebbels in one of his most vulnerable spots. Bombs—and mines—rained upon two of Hitler's biggest dams, knocking out hydro-electric plants which provided power for much of Nazi-land's wartime industry.

"Rail and Highway Bridges and Power Plants Swept Away and Whole Industrial Centers Wrecked" read the newspaper headline.

Of course, crafty Herr Goebbels wouldn't actually post the sign seen above: "This war industry closed for lack of electric power."

But that, in fact, had already

happened, even before the latest bombing raid on Nazi hydro plants. Power shortages have hampered German factories. With all their other substitutes, the Nazis haven't yet been able to invent an ersatz electricity!

West Texas—and all America—is more fortunate. There's no power shortage here! And we're not dependent on hydro-power... which, as the Germans have learned, is vulnerable to enemy airmen while at the same time constituting a man-made flood menace.

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nation's electricity) has been without ample power for all its needs! Here in West Texas we have an interconnected system of steam power plants, each independent of the other. Neither bombs nor drought nor floods in the vicinity of any single plant can "knock out" this system.

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While Goebbels posts his "Closed" signs, free American men and women—permitted to plan, invent and create in the democratic way—are building the weapons of war which hasten the day of Victory... posting another sort of sign: *Danger, Adolf—Americans at Work!*

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Shortage of Tires For All Civilians Stressed by Board

The Runnels county rationing board, continuing its warning to civilians in regard to the rubber situation and the need for caring for tires, issued the following statement this week:

"You have been hearing about the bountiful supply of new tires throughout the country in recent weeks. By fall you will be hearing a different story and even if your local board issues a tire certificate, you cannot get the tire.

"We are worried by the OPA office in Fort Worth that passenger car tire stocks in many small communities are nearly exhausted which forces certificate holders to seek tires in larger towns. Local boards will have to require the applicant to show where they can purchase a tire or tires before a certificate can be issued.

"Motorists who are overly optimistic about getting more tires, should investigate a little and at the same time be taking care of the tires they now have. We see people all over the coun-

try, speeding along the highways, slamming their brakes now and then, not thinking of saving their tires. When these tires are gone, they may have to walk. We also hear a lot about the synthetic rubber production, but we won't be seeing much of it until late in 1944. Let us urge every car driver to take better care of his tires and they will take care of your needs. Or had you rather walk?"

Allen Davis spent Monday in Midland, attending to business and visiting friends.

Mrs. Lon Mapes and Miss Anna B. Mapes left Tuesday for Del Rio to visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Newt Wardlaw.

Banks to Observe Holidays Next Week

Ballinger banks will not be open for business on Monday and Thursday of next week, observing Memorial Day on Monday and Jefferson Davis' Birthday on Thursday. Patrons are asked to take notice of these closing dates and attend to any necessary business with the banks on preceding days.

The Farmers & Merchants State Bank
The First National Bank

Miss Kiechle to Get Degree at T. C. U.



ANN KIECHLE

Miss Ann Kiechle, of Ballinger, will receive a bachelor of arts degree at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, on May 31. Miss Kiechle completed the course several weeks ago and has been teaching in the Ballinger schools the last semester.

She will return to Fort Worth to receive her degree at the regular class commencement exercises.

Poultry Pointers Given by A. & M. Chick Specialist

COLLEGE STATION, May 26.—Chicks which grow feathers fast is a good guide in selecting breeding stock to produce better broilers.

According to H. H. Weatherby, poultry husbandman for the A. & M. College extension service, chicks which grow feathers fast are the ones which reach market as broilers free of pinfeathers. Fast feathering birds may be identified by a simple check of the number and size of the wing feather quills of day-old chicks. One with a wing showing seven well developed primary and seven well developed secondary sheaths will feather out with wing and tail feathers long before the chick with shorter quills and only a few short secondaries.

Flesh being a primary factor in broilers, the meatier birds should be selected when the fast feathering chicks are four to six weeks old. At that age they have made their best gains and it is easier to differentiate between the fast and slow growing ones than when it is later.

Breeding stock may be selected from the meaty, fast-feathering chicks when they are six to twelve weeks of age. This is done by the simple rule of measuring the width of each chicken's breast between the producer's thumb and finger. Breast meat is the most valued part of a broiler, so it is important to choose breeders well provided with meat on that part of their bodies.

These steps in selection of breeding stock for broiler production applies to both male and female, although it is not necessary to choose the female as carefully.

CHURCH

First Presbyterian Church
Sunday: Services at the High School. 10:00 a. m. church school. Classes for all ages.

11 a. m. morning worship. Sermon subject, "God's Sort of Love."
6 p. m. evening worship. Sermon subject, "The Man in the Watchtower."

Munday:
4 p. m. Auxiliary birthday party at the home of Mrs. Estes Lynn.

The public is cordially invited to all worship services.
J. C. JOHNSON, Pastor

Eighth Street Church of Christ
Sunday:

9:45 a. m., Bible school.
10:45 a. m., preaching service.
11:45 a. m., communion service.

7:15 p. m., young people's meeting.
8:00 p. m., evening service.

Monday:
4:00 p. m., ladies' Bible class.

Wednesday:
8:00 p. m., prayer meeting service.

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy these services with us.
REX KYKER, Minister

First Baptist Church
(400 Eighth Street)
Sunday, May 30:

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Classes and departments for all ages. Judge E. C. Grindstaff, superintendent. Gradle Roll Day in Sunday school.

11 a. m., sermon by pastor. "The Heart of the Gospel"—First Corinthians.

Cadet Fellowship, 6 p. m., Mrs. Malcolm Morgan, church hostess. Baptist Training Union, 7:30 p. m., Theodore Whitehead, director.

8:15 p. m., Memorial Day services at Evergreen Cemetery.

ACTIVITIES OF THE WEEK:
Tuesday:
8:00 p. m., deacons' meeting.

Wednesday:
8:00 p. m., mid-week services, conducted by pastor.

The public is cordially invited to worship with us.
CLARENCE A. MORTON, Pastor

First Methodist Church
Sunday, May 30, 1943:
Church school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.
Memorial service at Evergreen Cemetery, 8:15 p. m.
Intermediate and Youth Fellowship, 7:00 p. m.
W. E. SHIPP, Pastor

First Christian Church
(Broadway and Murrell)
Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Worship, 11 a. m. and 6 p. m.
Come and join the fellowship.
J. T. SIMMONS, Minister

Foursquare Church
(104 North Twelfth Street)
"Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever."—Heb. 13:8.

Services:
Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.
11 a. m., services. Everybody welcome.

7:30 p. m., Junior Crusaders, Mrs. H. Holland in charge.

8:15 p. m., services, Rev. Lale E. Green.
Welcome.
REV. AND MRS. LALE E. GREEN, Pastors

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church,
U. S. A.
Sunday, May 30, 1943:

9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11:00 a. m., morning worship.
8:30 p. m., evening worship.
W. A. ERWIN, Pastor

Church of the Nazarene
(Ninth and Harris)
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.
N. Y. P. S., 7:15 p. m.
Evening worship, 8:15 p. m.
WAYNE SEARS, Pastor

Church of God
(Corner Sixth and Strong)
Sunday school and morning worship (combined service), 10:00 a. m.

Junior meeting, 8:00 p. m.
Young people's meeting, 8:00 p. m.

Evening evangelistic service, 8:30 p. m.
Wednesday evening prayer service, 8:30 p. m.
A cordial welcome to all.
GEORGE R. HARRINGTON, Pastor.

Church of Christ
(1100 Ninth Street)
Sunday:

Services, 11:00 a. m. and 8:15 p. m.

Wednesday, 8:30 p. m.
You are always welcome.
L. W. HAYHURST, Minister

Grace Baptist Church
(10th and Phillips)
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Raymond C. Wilson, Pastor
Jim Hash, S. S. Superintendent

WEEKLY SERVICES:
Sunday:

Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Sermon, 11 a. m.
Sermon, 8 p. m.

Wednesday:
Prayer meeting, 8 p. m.
A cordial invitation to all.

St. Mary's Catholic Church
(608 Sixth Street)
(Telephone 521)

Winter Schedule:
Mass first, third and fifth Sundays and Holidays of Obligation at 8:30 a. m. Second and fourth Sundays at 11:00 a. m.

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BALLINGER SENIORS GIVEN AWARDS AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor of the First Baptist Church, last Sunday morning presented the Danforth awards to John A. Killough and Miss Betty Jean Harper, honor school graduates from the Baptist church. The awards were presented as a part of the regular church service.

R. G. Erwin left Tuesday for Fort Worth to attend the State Bankers' Association convention.

R. E. Bruce left Sunday for Dallas to attend to business and went from there to Fort Worth Wednesday to attend the annual meeting of the State Bankers' Association.

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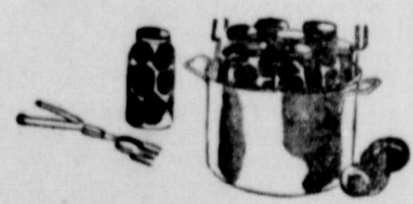
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LAWN MOWERS—Sharpened, repaired and adjusted. Chester Cape, 500 Thirteenth Street. 20-4t

TRADE—New (unused) Best 6 tube Philco car radio, Universal control, firewall speaker and aerial. 20-3t*

FOR RENT—Apartment Mrs. L. C. Alexander, 801 Eighth Street. 20-3t*

FOR SALE OR RENT—House in town and farm, 120 acres. See J. L. Williams, in front of football park. 20-3t*

WANTED—Piano in good condition, will pay cash. H. M. Martin at Martin's Studio. 27-1f

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FOR RENT—Bedroom, 709 Tenth Street. Phone 676. 29-1t

WANTED—Man with family to live on farm and do farm work. Will pay customary wages. T. R. Setser, Norton, Texas. 27-2t

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment, 701 Twelfth Street. Phone 353. 27-2t*

FOR SALE—One 5-room home with bath, well located on pavement. R. B. Mack. 11-*

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FOR SALE—Old type stand-up desk, 10 feet long. Weeks Drug Store. 27-1t

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DEATHS

Miss Sammie Padgett
Miss Sammie Padgett, member of a pioneer Runnels county family, died at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. T. Padgett, 208 Eleventh Street, Tuesday at 9:47 a. m. after illness of only 18 hours.

Decedent came to Runnels county as a child with her parents and resided here practically ever since with the exception of school terms when she was away from home. She was a graduate of the Ballinger high school and of the Southwest Texas State Teachers' College, San Marcos. For a number of years she taught in the Lubbock, Winters, Norton, Benoit and Ballinger schools. At one time she was employed by the Dallas Joint Stock Bank of Lubbock. Miss Padgett was a member of the First Methodist Church of Ballinger since childhood.

Survivors besides her mother include a brother, J. R. Padgett, Westaco; two sisters, Mrs. F. M. Maddox and Mrs. O. F. Sensabaugh, Lubbock; five nephews and two nieces.

Funeral services were held at the Agnew chapel Wednesday at 5 p. m., Rev. W. E. Shipp, pastor of the First Methodist Church, officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery.

Palbearers were J. A. Reese, Estes Lynn, Frank Pearce, all of Ballinger; Carl Jeanes, E. A. Jeanes and Paul Jeanes, of Coleman.

Agnew Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

George W. Allen

George W. Allen, 61, died at the Halley & Love Sanitarium Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock after several days' serious illness and failing health for the past year.

Decedent was born in Bell county but had been a resident of Ballinger for the past 32 years. His last active business was the operation of a shoe repair shop. Many years ago he was engaged in the taxicab business in Ballinger.

Survivors besides the wife include three daughters, Mrs. Jack Brookshier, South Ballinger; Mrs. Tom Jackson, Gainesville; Miss Verda Belle Allen, Abilene; and seven grandchildren. Other relatives surviving are three sisters, Mrs. M. A. Williams, Potosi; Mrs. Carmie Elkins, Waco; Mrs. Mac Smith, Paris; three brothers, Will Allen, Littlefield; John and Tom Allen, San Angelo.

Funeral services were held at the King-Holt chapel this afternoon at 4 o'clock, Rev. Clarence A. Morton officiating. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery.

Palbearers were Jim Duncan, Willie Stephens, E. M. Lynn, E. P. Talbot, R. E. White and Chester Aftersbach.

King-Holt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BRITISH STORE FOOD IN 8,000 SECRET CACHES

LONDON, May 26.—Lord Woolton, Britain's food minister, has found 8,000 secret places to store food. The finding of caches safe from enemy attack has been no small task. Not only were giant storehouses built but such shelters as castles, grandstands, golf clubs, caves, old mine workings and other caches near enough to centers of population to make them available, yet safe enough to afford protection for their contents, are used.

The ministry has to manage the movement of millions of tons of food, passing from ship to shore, from port to storage, and then to the reserves of dealers and manufacturers.

ANCIENT GEM DUG UP BY ENGLISH FARMER

LONDON, May 26.—Dug up by a plow, a jewel has just been pronounced a 2,000-year-old necklet by a jury in King's Lynn, England. Alfred Hare, foreman of a farm, saw something flash on the tines of a cultivator and retrieved the gem. He gave it to his employer, G. W. Wilson, who put it in the back of his car and forgot it. That was in April last year. It is an electrum torque or neck ornament, and weighs three pounds. The necklet's value is about \$800.

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10% of Employed In Nation Obtains Living from Cotton

AUSTIN, May 26.—Almost 10% of the nation's entire employed population owes its livelihood to the cotton industry—its production, processing and distribution—declares a University of Texas cotton expert.

Dr. A. B. Cox, director of the university's bureau of business research, estimates that approximately 5,000,000 persons are employed in agriculture or industry or commerce dealing with cotton.

Approximately 3,500,000 are employed in cotton production or in various kinds of cotton or cottonseed manufacture, with perhaps another 1,500,000 engaged in distribution of these products or in service and manufacturing industries dependent upon the cotton industry, he said.

He listed a few of these employment figures as follows: ginning—more than 80,000 workers; compressing and warehousing—16,000; merchandising of cotton to mills—10,000; manufacture of yarn and cloth from cotton—\$25,000; knitting of goods from cotton yarn—95,000; cotton dress goods industries—450,000; miscellaneous cotton goods industries—50,000; cottonseed crushing mills—19,000; processing of products from crushing mills—25,000; mattress factories—23,000; financing, insuring and transportation of cotton and its products—50,000.

"In modern economy, employment is peculiarly a function of production, and the nation which would provide employment and increase standards of living for its people must increase production by increasing profits with lower prices through lowering costs, improving qualities all along the line to expand markets," he declared.

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then driven to Ballinger for the evening service.

Mr. Morris talked on the subject of "Living with Others," and put special emphasis on the times in which this world is passing today. He urged members of the senior class in living with others to be friendly, to speak and show a friendship for all people as they passed along life's way. To be honest, saying this was a fundamental virtue which every man must have to live properly with others. To be unselfish, a most important factor in right living with others, and a personal requirement for good citizenship and to any kind of right living. To be moral, quoting from the Scriptures "to present your body a living sacrifice, wholly acceptable." And in conclusion the speaker urged members of the class to seek after and to put into practice a religious life.

He referred to the world rocked with war and the dangers of living with others and in final conclusion congratulated the class and prayed for them a life of peace.

The congregation joined in the singing of the national anthem, after which Rev. Johnson spoke the benediction and Miss Evans played the recessional as the class marched from the auditorium.

Junior High Graduation

Graduation for the senior class of the Ballinger junior high school was held Monday evening at the school gymnasium-auditorium, at which time one hundred and two pupils received diplomas for completion of the work.

Rev. Clarence A. Morton delivered the class address, talking on the subject of "Overcoming of Obstacles."

Honor students announced disclosed that Gloria Jenkins was high with an average grade of 96.67 and Bob Northington second high with a grade of 94.25.

The auditorium was practically filled for this program and the classes entered and occupied seats in the center section as Miss Luna Belle eachum played the processional. Rev. Wayne Sears gave the invocation.

Other numbers on the program included a violin duet by Martha Saunders and Howard Martin, two numbers by the Ballinger junior high school girls' chorus under the direction of Miss Beachum, and Mary Brian Woody as accompanist.

Principal C. L. Kincaid made awards to the honor students and Superintendent Nat Williams presented the diplomas.

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The H. R. Wiesepape family that Sgt. S. C. (Bozy) Harding, who for some time was employed by the Holt Motor Co., is now in the signal corps and is stationed at Drew Field, Florida. He stated that he was then on maneuvers and was thinking of his Ballinger friends.

Alvin Simecek, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Simecek, of the New Home community, graduated from Texas A. & M. College Monday and will enter an officers' candidate school to work for a commission in the army.

LeRoy Wiesepape, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Wiesepape, has completed all courses in aerial gunnery at the Harlingen army air field and was officially graduated last Saturday. He was to receive his full flight equipment this week and assignment to duty. His parents received a letter the first of the week telling of this final stages of training and his thrill at finally being ready for service assignment.

Billy Jack Connelly has gone to Luke Field, Ariz. for advanced training as an aviation cadet. He has received all his training in Arizona, having already completed primary and basic courses.

Walter Hudson, serving with the marine corps, is here this week on furlough from San Diego, California. He has completed the first phase of his training.

Samuel Clarence Routh, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Routh of Ballinger, has completed his training received a commission as second lieutenant in the medical administrative corps at the Camp Barkeley officer candidate school this week. Graduation at the

medical school is much like a college campus with one custom that each new officer give a dollar to the first enlisted man who salutes him, and loved ones are permitted to pin the officers' bars in place.

J. L. ("Pinky") Byers is a member of class 43-K at Bruce Field. Arriving here this week to begin primary flight training, he is the first Ballinger boy to be sent here since the field was established. "Pinky" is well known in Ballinger; only a few years ago he was a star performer on the Bearcat football team.

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unescorted "forts" ever to take to the air had raided the Emden naval base and industrial center the day before.

Sgt. Redwine had made home at Dallas in recent years with his grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Roberts. He entered the army force in 1942 and for the past nine months had been with the American expeditionary group in England. He had mailed home clippings telling of a number of American raids on the European continent, the family presuming them to be raids in which he had taken part. He received his military training at Sheppard Field, Texas, and at Salt Lake City, Utah.

HATCHEL YOUNG PEOPLE TO PRESENT RED CROSS BENEFIT PLAY ON JUNE 4

The young people of Hatchel will present a play, "Grandpa's Twin Sister," at the high school auditorium on the evening of Friday, June 4. The production has been carefully rehearsed and the performers hope a full house will greet them on this occasion. The proceeds will go to the Red Cross. Admission is 10 and 25 cents.

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