



Women's, Society and Club News

Adairs Are Hosts to Methodist Choir

To honor cadets of Class 44 K at Bruce Field, who are new members of the First Methodist Church choir, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Adair entertained about 50 at a surprise after-rehearsal affair on Thursday evening of last week in the back garden of their home on Tenth Street.

A pretty arrangement of varicolored mixed flowers centered the refreshment table where Mrs. W. E. Shipp assisted Mrs. Adair in serving assorted cookies with ice cream.

Mrs. Roberts is Hostess to Ace of Clubs

Mrs. B. C. Roberts, Jr., was hostess to Ace of Clubs members last Friday afternoon in her home in Wilke Terrace.

Mixed garden flowers decorated rooms where high club score prize went to Mrs. Edward Sommer and high guest to Mrs. D. O. Henson, a former club member and house guest of Mrs. Roberts. Bings went to Mrs. E. L. King and Mrs. E. C. Apta.

A salad plate was served with iced tea. Others were Misses W. O. Ivey, Alton Underwood, and Robert Gee.

District Federation of Music Clubs Luncheon Attended by Ballinger Women

Mrs. Horace Murphy, parliamentarian of the Sixth District Federation of Music Clubs and a member of its executive board, attended the board meeting Wednesday morning in the English room of the Hotel Cadus. Mrs. Sheridan Newman of Brady, district president, presided.

At noon, Mrs. Joseph F. Perkins of Eastland, state president, was speaker at a luncheon to which officers and chairmen of local units were invited. Others attending from Ballinger were: Mrs. C. R. Stephens, district chairman of religious music, and Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh, president of the Ballinger Music Club.

A program honoring service men and women was held in the afternoon with Mrs. L. B. Horton in charge.

Miss Holman is Hostess to the First Presbyterian Business Woman's Circle

Mrs. LaDu Craig presided for the regular monthly business and program meeting of the First Presbyterian Business Woman's Circle Monday evening, for which Miss Virginia Holman

was hostess in the attractive basement den at her home on Eighth Street.

After the opening prayer by Mrs. J. M. Pyburn and reports by Mrs. John Purifoy, secretary, Mrs. C. R. Stephens directed the Bible study from second Corinthians "Christians are Saved to Serve."

Miss Holman was assisted by her mother, Mrs. George Holman, in serving cookies with frosted punch. Others present were: Misses Fred Vetterlein, a new member, Elma Mann, Misses Winnie Trull, Louise Batta, and Maggie Underwood.

First Baptist Church Gives Garden Party for Cadets

Saturday evening from eight to ten-thirty o'clock, the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams was the scene of a beautiful garden party given in honor of the cadets of Bruce Field. The bright green lawn, surrounded by lovely trees, with shrubs and evergreen hedges, blooming roses and gladioli made a beautiful background for the girls in their formal of many lovely and varied shades of color.

As the guests arrived they were greeted by Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moody, Misses Lee Maples, James Wear, Carl Black, O. T. Toney, Malcolm Morgan, E. F. Lawless, Clarence A. Morton, John Castor, J. H. Endacott, E. C. Grindstaff, C. D. Richards and Roy Worley.

The guest book was presided over by Miss Ann Morton, who graduated from Baylor University this June.

Incidental piano music by Miss Hattie Mae Dunlap was heard all over the lawn by means of a public address system.

Judge Grindstaff, master of ceremonies, greeted the cadets, in the absence of the pastor, and extended welcome to them by saying, "Every part of the U. S. prides itself in its own local color and tradition: New England in her Bunker Hill, Middle Atlantic States in Jamestown; the Midwest in the development of trade and industry, the Northwest in her conquest of the last great frontiers, the Southwest in her Mexican lore and Spanish missions; the South in her great cotton fields, plantations, with the negro singing his spiritual. In her society, the Lord and Lady—much of which we say has 'Gone with the Wind,' but it is our purpose to blow a few gentle Southern breezes your way. Welcome to Texas."

The program given as follows was planned and directed by Miss Louise Hash, First Baptist Church educational director.

Mr. Duke Jimerson, instructor at Bruce Field, led the group in a sing-song of popular and patriotic songs, including "The Army Air Corps Song."

Miss Betty Jean Harper, cartoonist, drew in colors an outline of the map of Texas with a cowboy standing to the left with a lariat in his hand writing out the words, "Welcome Cadets." During which time the group sang, "The Eyes of Texas," "Home on the Range," and little seven-year-old James Underwood, dressed as a cowboy, sang "When the Bloom is on the Sage."

J. H. Parrish Jr. then rendered trombone solos, "Castles in the Air" and "Beautiful Dreamer," accompanied on the piano by Mrs. O. G. Joiner.

With a background of tall baskets of daisies and white gladioli and ferns, creating an atmosphere of a charming garden, Mrs. Janie Barnett, dressed in a black loop skirt and sheer white blouse sang "In an Old Fashioned Garden," with Duke Jimerson joining in the chorus. For an encore they dramatized the song, "O Woman." Miss Mary Lou Ridings sang "I'm Sweet Sixteen" and for an encore, "I'll See You in My Dreams."

Miss Hash, from the Speech faculty of Baylor University, read "The Elopement" and "Who is That Blonde?"

Judge Grindstaff conducted a "Dr. Quiz" program, using the Cadets on questions about Texas. The judge assured the Cadets that their rating of fliers would be no better than their knowledge of Texas information for he was informing their commanding officer of their rating.

After a popular song by Duke Jimerson, he led the group in singing "The Star Spangled Banner," while Miss Betty Jean Harper, with spotlight on canvas, drew in bright colors an airplane with the American flag floating over it. This was a most impressive feature.

The guests were invited to lace covered tables on the lawn where frosted punch was served from outglass punch bowls set in mounds of pastel sweet peas. Cookies were passed from silver trays.

Those present were: Aviation Cadets Robert D. Asher, Colorado; Young H. Allen, North Carolina; L. Buel Butler, Louisiana; Albert G. Cramey, Maryland; Jeff Cantrell, Oklahoma; Charles Crumm, Michigan; Stephen P. Cavahee, New Jersey; John J. Coleman, Virginia; Francis J. Ash, West

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the Stitch-in-time sew club on Thursday afternoon of last week in her home on Ninth Street for the monthly Bible study.

After a lesson from Matthew, the hostess was assisted by her daughter, Helen, in serving a plate of sandwiches and cake with minted ice tea to: Mmes.

Othell McCarstin, Paul Burk, J. V. Smith, O. L. Neely, Mickey Vorbeck, and O. F. Forbus.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Shepperd spent the past week-end at Waco, visiting their daughter, Mrs. George Graves, and family.

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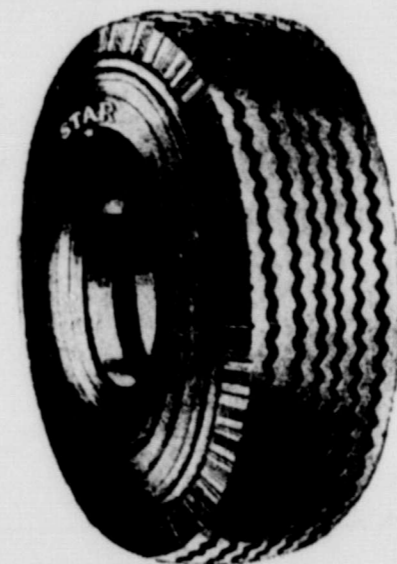
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Runnels county farmers did not stop work Sunday and in practically every section of the county combines are being operated day and night in an effort to get the small grain harvested. Estimates Monday morning were that about 75 per cent of the oats had been combined but that only a small percentage of the wheat had been cut. Nearly all small grain is ripe and combine crews are covering the fields as fast as possible. The yield is better than predicted and especially is this true of wheat. Large quantities of oats are being loaded and shipped from Ballinger this week.

Runnels county leaders are into the 5th war loan drive this week and are making every effort to close the books on this campaign as soon as possible. Purchases are not being made as fast as expected but it is believed when the rush harvest season lets up a little bond buying will really get underway. The bond drive was brought to the attention of the public in a special rally Saturday and again on Sunday when speakers appeared in church services all over the county. The cost of the war is mounting fast as men and machines are hurled against the Nazi hordes and against Japanese strongholds in waters near their

home islands. Those who have excuses why they cannot buy war bonds are asked to write them down and send them to some man battling the enemy for his approval.

An officer from a nearby army camp in Ballinger Saturday asked where were the military police. He was quickly informed that there were none stationed in Ballinger and furthermore there was no need for any. Bruce Field cadets behave as gentlemen and have since the first contingent came here in 1942. M. P.s have never been needed here and local civil officers say there is never any trouble from service men. The visiting officer smiled and said it was a report he was glad to hear. Ballingerites praise the conduct of the entire military personnel of Bruce Field and employees of the Harman Training Center and look forward each week-end when this group comes to town. Churches are filled Sunday by men from the flying field and other phases of the civic life of the city are enriched by their presence.

Ballinger Country Club Stockholders To Meet Tuesday

Tom Caudle, president of the Ballinger Country Club, stated today that the annual stockholders' meeting would be held Tuesday evening, June 20, in the club house. The meeting will begin at 8:30.

Mr. Caudle stressed that a full quorum must be present to transact business and that many of the stockholders are away in the service and will be unable to attend. For this reason he asks that all those at home keep the date open so they may attend.

Business will include annual reports from committees, election of two directors, plans for the Fourth of July party and possibly other items. Following the stockholders' meeting the board of directors will meet to elect officers for the next year and make committee appointments so the new groups can be on duty by July 4.

A report on the club lake water received the past week disclosed all contamination cleared and the lake was reopened for swimming the past week-end. A well on the club land was condemned for drinking purposes.

Mrs. Eldon Ely and children have returned to their home at Sweetwater after a visit here with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Schnable.



These are dead of the First Cavalry Division at Los Negros, in the Admiralty Group. Note soldier in the foreground carefully placing his handkerchief over the face of a dead buddy and the grim expressions on the faces of the other fighting men. Back them up in their fight by buying War Bonds.

WEST TEXAS NOTES



Sweetwater club women recently launched a drive to sell enough war bonds to buy a bomber and were successful in their efforts. A B-25, Mitchell, has been built and named GFWC Sweetwater. The ship has already been sent to a combat zone and is believed to be dropping bombs on the enemy.

The Stephenville Lions Club has elected officers for the ensuing year and reports by committees show many activities during the past year. The club features a student loan fund, and recently \$1,200 was added to the account. Blood donations for the Red Cross also have been promoted.

The 5th war loan drive at Brady opened Monday night with a big jamboree on the city square. A military band was on hand from Camp Bowie and the remainder of the program was made up of local talent. In the present campaign \$635,000 in war bonds is the quota.

Coleman county farmers are reporting the biggest small grain crop in several years. Combines and reapers are being operated overtime to harvest the large acreage, mostly oats and wheat, and yields are above expectations. It will require several weeks to harvest all the small grain in the county.

Infantry Day is being celebrated at Camp Bowie today and many civilians are witnessing the events. Invitations were extended to the public and officers at the camp planned an extravagant program for the day. An exhibit of infantry weapons, showing the latest fighting equipment used overseas is one of the features.

A "thousand dollar club" is being organized at Winters in connection with the 5th war loan campaign and a large list of members is expected to be secured within the next few weeks. The

movement proved popular from the beginning, a number of business men joining, some buying far in excess of the required \$1,000 bond.

The Rev. C. K. Roberts, formerly of Mason, has accepted a call to the First Baptist Church of Paint Rock and was present for both services last Sunday. The Paint Rock board issued the call several weeks ago and Rev. Roberts will move to Paint Rock at once.

Rainfall records at Rising Star reveal about double the amount the past spring as in 1943. Crops in the area are doing well except fruit and other truck blasted by the late freeze. During May the rainfall totaled 6.25 inches as compared with 3.79 for the same month in 1943.

Comanche Boy Scouts will conduct a scrap paper drive on June 16 and 17. In the two days the boys hope to collect and ship all waste paper in the city. The Scouts are cooperating with the county salvage committee in the campaign.

The mayor of Menard has designated June 12-17 as Clean-Up Week and has called on all organizations and individuals in the city to assist in the campaign. During the same period the war bond committee will try to clean up on the county's 5th war loan quota of \$255,000.

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CITY COLLECTIONS IN PAST MONTH REPORTED GOOD; WATER CONSUMPTION LOW

Municipal collection from all sources in May totaled \$4,196.85. A breakdown of the money taken in follows: delinquent taxes, \$627.96; penalty and interest, \$194.80; water, \$2,191.39; plumbing, \$14.00; sanitary service, \$157.75; fines, \$13.60; dog taxes, \$4; and transfer of funds, 993.35.

Water consumption in May averaged 337,000 gallons a day, which was low because of the rains which fell during the month. Water required heavy treatment because the rises brought much silt into Elm Creek.

Other city work accomplished during the month was more or less of a routine nature. Good progress was made on street blading and in opening drainage ditches all over the city. Reports indicate heavy use of the city park and work there has been limited to upkeep and the care of grass and shrubs.

Mrs. S. H. Underwood came in June 1 from Sanderson to attend the funeral of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Alto Lee. She returned to her home Monday after remaining here for a visit.

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School Lunch Room Has Cash Balance Of \$3,269 for Year

The Ballinger school lunch room began operations last September with a total balance of \$408.01 and closed out the year last month with a balance of \$3,269.94, showing a neat profit.

During the past school year the lunch room served 56,997 meals at an average cost of 2709 cents per meal. Total cost of operation for the nine months was \$15,986.92.

Receipts during the year were \$11,773.13 from the sale of meals and \$5,432.41 from F.D.A. subsidy reimbursements. This with the cash balance of \$408.01 made the total for the year \$17,613.55.

The lunch room holds government war bonds totaling \$1,110.00 (purchase price) and has cash in the bank totaling \$1,626.65. The F.D.A. subsidy of \$533.31 is due the lunch room at this time.

During the year hundreds of pupils were given their noon meal in the lunch room. These children paid 20 cents a meal for their hot lunches. Funds of the lunch room were used to pay the cost with a 9-cent subsidy from governmental sources.

The lunch room will begin operation next fall with a sizeable cash balance and during the summer many food items will be canned and put in storage.

A number of teachers received all three meals at the lunch room during the year. This was operated as a separate project and paid its way with a 40 cent charge for each meal. The school also operated a lunch room for the negro pupils which broke even for the nine months.

Not only did the lunch room serve the strict needs of the students and teachers but many banquets and other meetings were held there as separate projects. The large dining hall will accommodate about 250 and during the year the football banquet, a Lions Club special night, and a number of school affairs were held there. Items of most expense were groceries, \$7,590.47; labor, \$4,580.86; and milk, \$2,427.72.

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SPECIAL SERVICES TO BE HELD BY FIRST PRESBYTERIANS; WILL CONTINUE ONE WEEK

Rev. Gary Hoffius, pastor, has announced a one week's special services which will begin Sunday morning at the First Presbyterian Church. Rev. Hoffius is in Kerrville this week but intends to return to Ballinger tonight to get ready for the services which begin Sunday and will continue through Sunday, June 25.

Dr. Robert S. Gribble, acting president of the Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Austin, will be the speaker for this series of meetings. Dr. Gribble is one of the most prominent theologians of the Southwest and also is a capable speaker. His messages will be timely and interesting and the general public is invited to attend as often as possible.

Rev. Hoffius states that Sunday services will begin at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. During the week the meeting hour is 8:30 p. m.

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Combines Run Day and Night To Harvest Small Grain Crop

Combines are being operated in Runnels county day and night in an effort to harvest the small grain crop as quickly as possible. Local grain dealers estimate that approximately 75 per cent of the oats have been cut and that the remainder will be combined within the next few days. Wheat and barley is ready in most sections of the county and some is already cut.

Small grain shipments were heavy here this week, about 60 carloads leaving, and the possibility is that 100 cars will be loaded in this area.

Bill Moore, covering a large part of the county, is handling shipments as fast as possible and stated the first of the week that he thought Runnels county would rank high in production among West Texas counties. The yield is spotted, however, some farmers reporting extra good crops and others making from 12 to 20 bushels of oats per acre.

Through the efforts of County Agent John A. Barton, and other agencies a number of combines have been brought into the county and with fair weather for another week most of the small grain will be harvested.

Typewriter ribbons at The Ledger office.

39 Local Teachers Accept Contracts; 9 Vacancies Exist

The Ballinger school board has reelected all teachers on last year's faculty and to date has received a large number of acceptances, but a few have rejected their contracts while others accepted and have since resigned.

Supt. Nat Williams this week reported the following acceptances and rejections of contracts as well as teachers needed to complete the faculty for next year:

Senior High School
ACCEPTED
Fred H. Miller, principal
Katherine Freeman, speech and English

Marryatt Smith, mathematics and Latin
Mrs. Mary Nette Perry, home-making

Alta Belle Bilbo, commercial
Lea Matteson, science
Ruby D. Thornton, English
J. M. Williams, vocational agriculture

Mrs. F. T. Wright, librarian
F. T. Wright, boys' physical education (junior and senior high)
Ann Kiechle, history
O. G. Joiner, band (junior and senior high)

Vera Taylor, girls' physical education (junior and senior high)
RESIGNED

Mrs. Levy Lee, mathematics and aeronautics
Eugenia Baskin, Spanish and English

Mrs. Maxine Page, music
Junior High School
ACCEPTED

R. H. Garner, principal
Louise LeMond, English
Vhelma Parrish, history and civics

Mrs. Eula Mae Johnson, English and mathematics
Mrs. Nat Williams, science and mathematics

Joy Jean Eaton, music
Mrs. Hallie Parker, history and geography

Mrs. Nina Heavenhill, librarian
RESIGNED
Lillian Knowles, mathematics
Mrs. John Hart, reading and writing

Elementary School
ACCEPTED

Mrs. W. A. Bridwell, principal and first grade
Pauline Morley, first grade

Mrs. Naomi Keithley, first grade
Mrs. O. G. Joiner, first grade
Carmen Demmer, second grade

Dorothy Crawford, second grade
Grace Lacey, third grade
Juanita Huddleston, third grade

Mrs. Ernest Caskey, fourth grade
Mrs. R. V. Pinson, fourth grade

Myrtle Ruth Hale, fifth grade
Lola Eubank, fifth grade
Cleo Lane, sixth grade

Curtis Gregory, sixth grade
Gladys Green, sixth grade
Latin-American School

ACCEPTED
Mrs. E. C. Grindstaff, principal
RESIGNED

Mrs. Jack Rudd, second and third grades
Mrs. W. O. Wallace, first grade

Negro School
ACCEPTED
H. J. Betts, principal
Mrs. Mae Barnes, primary

RESIGNED
Christine Roberts, homemaking and English.

Mr. Williams stated that a typing and shorthand teacher was needed to succeed Miss Hilda Blankinship, who resigned last year and whose term was completed by Mrs. Fred McClanahan.

Volunteer Group To Work on Farms Being Formed Here

J. N. Key is now working with the county agent's office and has been busy this week signing up cotton chopping crews for work in this county. John A. Barton, county agent, advised that farmers needing hoe hands to contact his office which may be able to help in this crisis.

Mr. Barton stated that a victory farm volunteer corps is being formed here of non-farm boys. These boys will be supervised by an older person and will go daily to fields where workers are needed, especially for hoeing and chopping cotton.

The following named boys have signed up for the volunteer corps: Diz Caskey, Elmer Curry, Jr., Bobby Moody, Robert Earl Morgan, Carl Black, Jr., O. R. Long, Buddy Wright, Joe Baker, Key Hoffman, J. Frank Nance, Edward Kevil, Winfred Read, Bill Heavenhill and Robert Walker.

The boys are willing to go to the fields to help farmers, but difficulty has been encountered in obtaining a supervisor and transportation for the boys to and from the fields. Funds are available to the county agent to pay a supervisor, and anyone interested is asked to apply to Mr. Barton.

Mrs. L. A. Walshack and children, Charles and Dorothy, of Houston, and Mrs. E. L. Leddy, of Corpus Christi, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Burk last week.

Navy's Timetable



Final test on Scorsby machine used by the U. S. navy as "invasion gyro-compass." The young woman in the photo takes reading under simulated sea conditions.

Mrs. J. B. Arterburn left Wednesday morning for San Antonio, where she will visit her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Massey, and they will go on a fishing expedition to Lake Buchanan.

Ledger want ads pay.

Committees Will Organize County Council for Labor

A committeeman from each of eighteen communities in the southern part of Runnels county will meet in the district court room of the court house here Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

The first part of the meeting will be a joint session of representatives of the home demonstration clubs and the labor advisory committee. Following a picture show, the women will hold a separate session with the county home demonstration agent, Miss Orzie Folkes, and the men will meet to organize and consider labor problems for the summer and fall.

Members of the labor advisory group include: Claude Thompson, Bethel; Joe Halfmann, Ofen; Paul Storm, Kristoff; Carl McAden, Dry Ridge; Albert Schwertner, Red Bank; Ed Behrend, Greenwood; Frank Gully, Rowena; Morris Wheelless, Spring Hill; Willie Stephens, Ballinger; H. A. Williams, Hagan; Roy Tyree, Barnett; Roy L. Roper, Norton; Renza Lee, Maverick; M. L. Nixon,

Brookshier; C. W. Curry, Miles; J. B. Estes, Hatchel; A. J. Pullin, Benoit; and representing Ballinger are Dr. J. G. Douglass, J. M. Pyburn and J. M. Williams.

A similar committee is being formed in the northern portion of the county. An executive committee of three from each group will be elected to act on all matters that pertain to the county as a whole.

AMERICAN LEGION POST TO MEET NEXT JUNE 27

Post Commander Ollie Floyd said Wednesday that the regular meeting of the Pat Williams post, American Legion, had been postponed one week in order that members would not have so many conflicts on that night.

At the next meeting officers will be elected for another year and numerous other matters of business brought before the post.

Delegations from Winters and San Angelo will attend this meeting. All members are urged to take notice of the meeting date, June 27, and make plans to be present.

Loreta Park has returned from Dallas, where she visited her mother and sister for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Davis have returned to Bremerton, Washington, after a visit with relatives here. Mr. Davis is employed in the Bremerton navy yards as an electrician.

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e Charming etched flower print georgette of washable Enka rayon. In pink, blue haze, or beige. 14-44.

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Van Heusen Sport Shirts—light-weight air-cooled fabrics, fine for Summer. He'll particularly like the new California Lono. Its exclusive two-way collar makes it a regular shirt when worn with a tie, a real sport shirt when worn open. Whites, colors, patterns from tiny checks to plaids.

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John A. Barton is Named Best Agent in District 7

John A. Barton, county agent, was accorded a special honor the past week-end when he was nominated by district 7 of the Texas extension service as the outstanding county agent in the district.

There are twelve districts in Texas and each will nominate an outstanding agent from which ten will be chosen for distinguished awards in the nation. Barton was nominated from this district at a meeting of county agricultural and home demonstration agents at Brownwood last week.

Mr. Barton came to Runnels county after serving for twelve years as extension service agent in Comanche county and last March completed his eighth year in this county. During all this time he has not promoted any feature of the work to excess but has carried on a well-balanced program which has got results.

Soil conservation has been one

of the most constant programs conducted from his office. A survey when he arrived disclosed 80,000 acres of terraced land and he has increased this to 110,000, a gain of 30,000 acres.

He has sponsored improved seed and especially in the planting of better wheat. This program has been countywide and practically every community has benefited from this work.

The agent has given much time and effort to root rot in maize which a few years ago threatened one of the principal crops in this county. Through experiment station help and his own efforts this disease in maize has about been corrected.

Mr. Barton was county agent when the AAA was established and during the period of its "headaches" he and his staff were responsible for the program in the county. He directed this work for

four years in the early days when it was the hardest.

Boys' 4-H club work has not been neglected and he has been among the first to promote some phases of the work that have been approved by extension service works all over the state. He was one of the first to foster the use of surplus feed to fatten livestock on a commercial basis, and inaugurated a one-day livestock show following which animals were shipped to market and all the boys participating were taken along to sell their stock. Boys also have been instrumental in the planting of Acala cotton in this county to comply with government requests for staple and grade most needed.

Special attention has been given insect control and the agent has sponsored poison obtained from the government to help farmers eradicate insects that threatened crops.

In livestock improvement he has been on the job during his eight years stay, and dairying especially has been improved. He started a one-day dairy show with experts on hand to judge cows and discuss production and the handling of cows in dairies of any size. He also fostered the sheep classification show which has done much to improve flocks in this section.

In recent months Mr. Barton has been interested in labor problems and at this time is striving in every way possible to assist farmers in taking care of their crops by providing additional labor.

He has found time for other interests and is a member of the Ballinger Rotary Club, the Ballinger Board of Community Development and other local organizations. In all his work he has had the active support of these groups.

County officials, responsible for maintaining the extension service program in this county, are delighted with the special honor accorded the Runnels county agent, and said they believed it was a wise choice when he was nominated by district 7.

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TUNE IN! WALTER PIDGSON in "The Star and the Story," Sunday evenings, C. B. S. Network.

All-American War Production, 'Attack,' Booked at the Texas

As a special added attraction next Wednesday and Thursday, June 21, 22, the Texas Theatre is to show "Attack," a six-reel production made by the war department on the scene of the battle for New Britain. This is declared to be the first time an American audience is brought face to face with a complete and all-real, all-American beachhead storming operation from beginning to end.

"Attack" shows the Arawe beach attack on December 15 and the drive on to Cape Gloucester on December 25. It is the first complete all-American operation to be brought to American screens, showing everything from troopship landings to front line fury in the savage war against the Japs. To quote a previewer's report, it is indeed thrilling and undoubtedly will bring home to the American public the war their boys are fighting for them, in unmistakable fashion. It has a terrific punch ending that will send audiences out telling everyone they see not to miss this picture.

Walter Jones, David Middleton and Bobby Parr have gone to San Angelo to take a summer course in the high school. The course will require eight weeks' work.

San Angelo Group Presents Program For Rotary Club

A group of San Angelo business men were in Ballinger Tuesday to attend and present a program to the Ballinger Rotary Club. Porter Henderson, incoming president of the San Angelo club, was in charge of the program and presented the numbers. Mr. Henderson at one time resided in Ballinger and expressed his appreciation of local friends.

George Kerley was heard in a group of songs, his first number being "The Old Refrain," and for an encore "Sweet Song of Long Ago." Frank Masterson was at the piano for the accompaniment.

The speaker was Frank Barney, who brought a message on war bonds and the purpose of such measures in financing part of the war expense. He stated that meeting a quota was only part of the objective. He added that our fighting men took objectives but that was not the only purpose—they intended to hold them. He declared the purpose of holding war bonds was to help curb destructive inflation.

Inflation is one of the battles citizens of this country have to fight, Barney asserted, and that the buying of bonds to hold was one way of taking deposits out of banks and not leaving it as a buying power against the dwindling stocks in this country.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB COUNCIL WILL MEET HERE SATURDAY AFTERNOON AT 3

Announcement has been made that the June meeting of the Runnels county home demonstration council will be held here Saturday afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock. The meeting is to be held at the court house, in the office of Miss Ozzie Folkes, county home demonstration agent.

A new club has been organized by women of the Rowena community and delegation from there is expected at the council meeting. An invitation is extended to anyone interested in home demonstration club work to attend and especially women in any community interested in forming a club.

Mayor C. P. Shepherd underwent his final operation at the Shannon Hospital, San Angelo, Tuesday and will return home in about ten days to stay. His condition is satisfactory.

SINGING TO BE HELD AT GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY

There will be a singing at the Grace Baptist Church next Sunday afternoon at 2:30. All singers are urged to take part and those who wish to hear the program also are invited.

W. A. Tolson, of Princeton, New Jersey, was here Saturday for a short visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stone. Mr. Tolson, a brother of Mrs. Stone, is a television engineer with the RCA Victor Co., of New Jersey. It was his first visit to his old home at Mertzon in twelve years.

NORTH NORTON HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The North Norton home demonstration club met on Thursday of last week in the home of Mrs. Kirby Robinson for a program on sugarless cooking given in the form of a round-table discussion. Ways of making money for the club treasury were also brought up for consideration. A demonstration on the making of waste paper baskets was given by Mrs. Robinson.

The next regular meeting will be held on June 22 in the home of Mrs. Loyd Grant, and Miss Ozzie Folkes, county home demonstration agent, will have charge of the program.

At the meeting last week all members reported on the number of pineapples put up and expressed appreciation for the method of purchase through the club council at a very moderate price. The shipment arrived in Ballinger last week and was distributed from that point to all who had placed orders.

A meeting of the club also was held the last of May at which good reports were made and quilts were pieced.

Gelatin Employed To Starch Rayon In Demonstration

Miss Ozzie Folkes, county home demonstration agent, conducted a demonstration last week for the Dale home demonstration club on renewing limp rayons by employing gelatin as starch.

She explained to the club members that starching rayons is not usually successful if ordinary starch is used, but said gelatin would do wonders for blouses and dresses that heretofore have not looked so well after laundering. Miss Folkes told the club that the

Gelatin Employed To Starch Rayon In Demonstration

amount of gelatin depends upon the degree of stiffness desired and said for a blouse would require one level teaspoonful and of course more for a dress.

Directions for using follow: Soak the gelatin a few minutes in a little cold water, then dissolve with boiling water. Pour the solution in bowl large enough to hold the article and add enough cold water to be comfortable for the hands. After the article is washed and rinsed, dip it in the gelatin solution and squeeze it gently, then roll in a thick towel until it is dry enough to iron. Finally, remember that ironing rayon requires slow heat.

A war-time budget should include war bonds and stamps.

TEXAS BALLINGER ANNOUNCES.

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Wednesday and Thursday
JUNE 21 AND 22
REGULAR PRICES

Goldwyn Epic, 'The North Star' Tells Heroic Story of War Front

The heroism of a Russian town as the Nazi armies drive across it forms the dramatic theme of "The North Star." Samuel Goldwyn's new RKO Radio release to be shown at the Ritz Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, June 18, 19, 20.

The first picture to reveal to Americans what the Nazi invasion was really like, this impressive offering deals with the people of North Star village, near the Rou-

manian border, before and after the blitz.

A group of young people are starting out on a walking tour to Kiev when the first wave of stukas comes over, bombs them and goes on to wreak destruction in the village. The youngsters soon find themselves entrusted with the task of getting a load of arms to their guerilla comrades, avoiding the German patrols and supply forces.

How they accomplish that task, and the thrilling climax when the Russian forces sweep down on the invaders and avenge the torture of their wives and children, afford many memorable scenes, while a tender romance is woven into the plot.

Anne Baxter and a brilliant newcomer, Farley Granger, have the romantic leads in the picture, with Dana Andrews, Walter Brennan, Walter Huston, Erich von Stroheim, Jane Withers and Ann Harding in important featured roles.

For tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday the Ritz feature attraction is "Billy, the Kid," technicolor production starring Robert Taylor and featuring Brian Donley, Ian Hunter, Mary Howard and Lon Chaney, Jr.

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SAMUEL GOLDWYN'S
THE NORTH STAR

LONE STAR GAS COMPANY AIDS IN WAR BOND DRIVE

The Lone Star Gas Co. has advised its local and district manager, J. A. Schnable, that an appropriation had been set aside for Runnels county in the 5th war loan drive. According to the memorandum received Saturday, the company allotted \$3,000 to Ballinger, \$1,000 to Winters, and \$2,000 to the county, making a total of \$6,000 for which Runnels county will get credit. Other allocations will be made from the San Angelo office to Miles and Rowena.

Mr. Schnable also received allocations for Taipa, Valera, Lawn and Tuscola.

R. L. Maddox, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Maddox, Jr., and children, of Mexia, were here the past week-end for a visit with relatives and friends. They returned home the first of this week.

Typewriter ribbons at The Ledger office.

'Buffalo Bill'



Scene from "Buffalo Bill" at Texas Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Joel McCrea, O'Hara, Darnell Star in Mighty 'Buffalo Bill'

Riding out of the West always loved and thrilled to, from out of the action-swept and romantic stage-coach and covered wagon days, America's greatest legendary figure comes to the Texas Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, June 18, 19, 20, in 20th Century-Fox's spectacular technicolor production, "Buffalo Bill."

Starring Joel McCrea, Maureen O'Hara and Linda Darnell, and given a production such as only the makers of the unforgettablely thrilling "Jesse James" and "Western Union" could provide, "Buffalo Bill" towers above these as one of the mightiest adventure films the screen has ever known.

For years, the colorful, thrilling story of "Buffalo Bill" Cody's life has challenged filmdom. Today, invested with timeless legend, countless thrills, exciting romance, a great cast and magnificent production, and a story as incomparable as the frontiersman hero himself, "Buffalo Bill" is on the screen with bigness, scope and brilliance that puts it high among the must pictures.

Thomas Mitchell as the newspaper man who made Buffalo Bill a national figure; Edgar Buchanan as Sgt. Chips; and Anthony Quinn as Yellow Hand, give outstanding performances as do Moroni Olsen, Frank Fenton, Matt Briggs, Frank Orth and George Lessey.

in which Claire Trevor and Albert Dekker have the leading roles. In addition are several short subjects will be shown.

Newspapers are valuable as historic documents, and Producer Harry Sherman is proving it. Instead of following a regular movie script on the studio set of "The Woman of the Town" the actors did their chores before the cameras by following excerpts from the Dodge City Globe's 1876 editions.

The Globe had a detailed account of the shooting of Dora Hand, a mysterious and fascinating dance hall girl of the period, in the May 6, 1876, edition and "Pop" Sherman, noted for his quest for historical authenticity in his films, had his co-stars, Claire Trevor (as Dora Hand) and Albert Dekker (as Marshal "Bat" Masterson) act out the shooting scene according to the actual reported details.

Republic put the pep and vitality of Jane Withers, the spirit of Jimmy Lydon, the experience of Frank Craven, the pedantic comedy of Franklin Pangborn, and the fine singing of Fortunio Bonanova, all together, mixed it well, named it "My Best Gal," and turned out one of the most delightful concoctions of Americana that's come out of filmland in a long time.

Jane Withers in her first adult role, proves that producers have not been wrong in keeping her in front of a camera for the past ten years.

Maynard is Hero Of Western Film; Sten War Nurse

Kermit Maynard, the dare-devil action star who glorified the Canadian Northwest Mounted Police in his current series of James Oliver Curwood spectacular melodramas of the Northwest, emerges as a new personality in Curwood's "Song of the Trail," one of the two feature-length films at the Palace Theatre next Saturday and Sunday, June 17, 18. The other feature is "Three Russian Girls," starring Anna Sten.

In "Song of the Trail" Maynard tops anything he has heretofore accomplished in the way of intense drama, man-to-man combat and breakneck thrills.

Evelyn Brent has the principal feminine role and others in the cast include George Hayes, Fuzzy Knight, Wheeler Oakman, Roger Williams, Antoinette Lees, Charles McMurphy, Lee Shumway, Horace Murphy and Ray Gallagher.

Practically every important star in Hollywood, including Garbo, wanted the leading role of Natasha in "Three Russian Girls," but in the end Russian-born Anna Sten won out. In it she plays the leader of a group of Red Cross volunteer nurses who go right into the front lines under fire to aid the wounded soldiers.

These nurses not only administer mercy, but fight as well to defend the wounded soldiers for whom they are caring. Anna Sten feels that "Natasha" is one of the most outstanding characters she has played on the screen.

Mary Beth Hughes Sings in New Film Romance at Texas, 'Men on Her Mind'

Besides her pleasing personality, acting ability and reputation as one of the most gorgeously beautiful blondes in the studios, Mary Beth Hughes is gifted with a fine voice. She proves this impressively in the PIC romance, "Men on Her Mind," in which she is starred. The film is the mid-week offering at the Texas Theatre next week, to be screened Wednesday and Thursday, June 21, 22.

Lee Zahler and Pat O'Dea wrote the song, "Heaven on Earth," which she sings in such a fetching manner that it looks as if it will land in the list of season's hits. Zahler, the musical director, not only wrote the music but conducts the orchestra in the radio broadcast sequence in which Miss Hughes does the number.

Other original numbers are "Once Around the Clock" and "I Predict." The star sings these, as well as "Ave Maria" and Schubert's "Serenade."

Featured players in addition to the star include: Edward Norris,

Ted North, Alan Edwards, Claire Rochelle, Luis Alberni, Kay Linaker, Lyle Latell, Isabel LeMal, Claire McDowell, Eva Hamill and Lane Chandler.

Mrs. Maxine Page, teacher of public school music in the Ballinger high school the past term, has resigned from the local faculty and will teach in her home town of Eldorado next year.

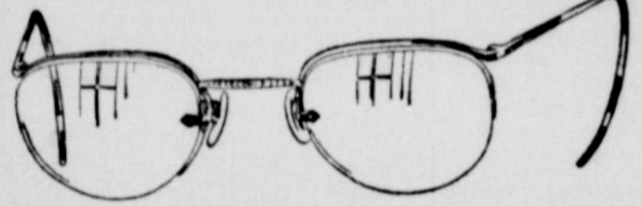
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PALACE THEATRE TO SHOW ALL-NEGRO FILM ON 19TH

On June 19, for colored people only, the Palace Theatre will show "The Negro Soldier" a factual



film; also "Moon Over Harlem," with an all-colored cast; and "St. Louis Blues."

Brig-Gen. Benjamin O. Davis proudly reviews the negro soldiers under his command in "The Negro Soldier." Produced by the war department, under the supervision of Col. Frank Capra, the 40-minute picture tells the story of the American negro and his role in America's fight for its way of life down through history.

BALLINGERITES ATTEND STATE FIREMEN'S MEETING

Chief and Mrs. Chester Cherry and Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Morgan and daughter, Miss Gwen Morgan, left Sunday for Waco to attend the annual meeting of the Texas Firemen's Association. They were to be there most of the week and intended to return to Ballinger tonight.

Chief Cherry, president of the state organization in 1943, is serving on a number of important committees to report during the convention.

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