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Thousands Throng City For Christmas Program

A crowd estimated at from 5,000 to 7,000 people attended the Christmas program and Santa Claus visit here Friday evening. It was the largest crowd to be in Ballinger in recent years and proved the popularity of the annual program which was not held during the war years and resumed this year at the request of local merchants.

The throng was on hand for the beginning of the band concert played by the Ballinger high school band. The platform and performers were on Eighth Street by the side of the E. M. Lynn & Co. Building and the space did not take care of the several thousand children who assembled there to get a glimpse of Santa Claus. A number of kiddies tried in vain to get close to the friendly old fellow and were sorely disappointed when their efforts failed. In the effort a number of small kiddies became lost from their parents. The Ballinger high school chorus, under the direction of Mrs. A. McGregor, presented the latter part of the program featuring vocal numbers and Christmas carols. Their numbers received a hearty applause from the large crowd.

At seven o'clock all Christmas lights were turned on and show windows were opened. Streets and sidewalks were jammed for more than an hour as the crowd attempted to see the windows and look for "treasure hunt" numbers placed in each one. Judges from San Angelo and Abilene started

inspecting the windows at seven o'clock and later in the evening winners in the closed and open classes were announced.

Judges experienced considerable difficulty in making the awards since a large number of windows in each class scored high grades. In the closed window classes the following awards were made:

Stone's, first.
Jack Gibbs, at Bettis & Sturges, second.
Curry-Hambriek Jewelers, third.
In the open class the awards went to:
Bell's Grocery and Market, first.
Phillips Floral Co., second.
Key Motor Co., third.

The windows will be left intact until Christmas and prizes will be kept in most of the windows, the numbers to be changed after a reasonable time. Shoppers are advised to keep looking in the windows for matching numbers.

The next Christmas event will be the judging of home and yard decorations on December 17. Several pieces of decorations have already appeared locally and all those signed up are to be ready by December 15 and remain up until the holidays end.

Committees in charge of the program Friday evening were delighted with the fine response from local merchants and also from the crowd that gathered here for the occasion.

The program was sponsored by the Ballinger Board of Community Development and special committees were named for each phase of the program.

Moore Attends Meeting Of Major-Minor Leagues

C. W. (Bill) Moore returned last week from Los Angeles, where he attended the annual meeting of major and minor baseball league executives. The meeting was attended by more than 2,000 baseball moguls and the newly formed Westex League was well represented.

Mr. Moore made arrangements whereby the local club can obtain players but did not enter into a contract pending further negotiations with a major league club. Several of the Westex clubs' representatives made arrangements for big league farms and will operate under this plan during the 1947 season.

To date seven clubs have definitely taken membership in the Westex league and Vernon fans have made application. This application is being delayed in the hope that a town in this locality can be signed up which will make the loop more compact and place another club near Ballinger and Brownwood. Efforts are still being made to get Coleman fans to take a franchise in the eight-club circuit.

The membership at present includes Odessa, Midland, Sweetwater, Big Spring, San Angelo, Brownwood and Ballinger. Officials of each of these clubs have paid their fees and put up money for one payroll.

Mr. Moore intends to go to Dallas soon to continue negotiations and expects to have a definite statement to make in the near future.

Soon after the first of next year it is planned to start work on the park, grandstand and lighting system for the Ballinger club in order to be ready when the spring training season begins.

Last week a number of players, managers and umpires were here seeking work in the newly formed league. Some are transfers from other leagues and want to enter the local circuit because of the short jumps between series of games.

Miss Griffee Atkins spent several days at Fort Worth and Nocona the past week.

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Spring Livestock Show Scheduled Here in February

Future Farmers of America and 4-H club boys of this area are grooming a large number of animals and capons for the spring livestock show and sale to be held here the last week in February, the exact date to be decided later.

H. B. Edmondson, Ballinger V-A instructor, and John A. Barton, county farm agent, met Monday to map plans and be ready to go before the Rannels County Livestock Association Tuesday to present the plans and ask for certain cooperation.

All details of the 1947 show have not been perfected but the Ballinger Board of Community Development livestock committee hopes that arrangements can be made to hold the show in one of the hangars at Bruce Field. This cannot be determined until final approval is given by the war assets administration for passing the remainder of the property to the city.

Indications Monday were that members of the two boys' organizations would show about 60 head of fat calves. These will be Herefords and Black Angus, the larger proportion to be Herefords. Most of the calves were selected early from the best herds in West Texas and have received every care during the past several months.

It was thought by the two leaders that about 120 head of fat lambs would be exhibited in the 1947 show. Approximately 60 hogs and about 30 capons also will be shown.

Not all the livestock will be offered for sale here, but about half the animals will be sold if the bidding is enough to interest the owners. The other animals will be held for the San Angelo and Fort Worth shows and will be sold after being exhibited for the last time.

F. F. A. and 4-H club leaders are well pleased with results of feeding projects this year and believe the spring show will be one of the best ever held here.

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Those present at the meeting authorized the purchasing of all necessary supplies for the annual March of Dimes to be conducted from January 15 to January 30, 1947. Mr. Scales made out an order for coin collectors and displays, show window cards, dime folders and a number of other items which will be required. He also stated that the Texas Theatre would stage its customary program in behalf of this cause.

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District G Utilities Xmas Party Slated Here December 20

All employees and their families of district G of the West Texas Utilities Co. will assemble here Friday, December 20, for their annual Christmas party. Final plans for the celebration were completed this week and invitations went to employees in all towns in the district to be present for the afternoon and early evening of the above date.

In the afternoon the employees will have a safety meeting and in the evening the families will meet at the school lunch room for a dinner and this will be followed by a Christmas program and the distribution of presents to all the children.

An annual affair, the party has been held here many years. The form of the program varies from year to year but the same general outline is to be followed this year as heretofore. Preparations are being made for approximately 60 children at the evening program.

Ballinger is headquarters for district G, which extends as far south as Junction.

Grand Jury Finds Two Indictments In 1-Day Session

The Rannels county grand jury for 119th district court was in session here Monday and after deliberating for one day was dismissed after returning two indictments.

James Welbon, negro boy, was indicted for forgery and a charge of swindling was returned in the second indictment but no arrest has been made in this case.

Those serving on the grand jury, which adjourned late Monday afternoon after investigating all cases submitted, were as follows:

V. E. Colburn
W. A. Ashton
Claude Brookshier
J. Milton Clayton
John Onkila
Sam Seay
A. T. Chapman
J. H. Parrish
Duncan Hensley
E. D. Barton
G. P. Gordon
Ludwig Schwertner

Crippled Children's Group Reorganized; Plan March of Dimes

The Rannels County Crippled Children's Association was reorganized at a meeting held Tuesday afternoon and plans made for holding the March of Dimes next month.

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Methodist Men Host Dinner for Football Players of Schools

Men of the First Methodist Church were hosts to about 70 football players from the senior and junior high schools at a venison supper Wednesday night in the church basement. The affair was attended by about 200 people.

Following the serving of the meal, President Marvin Davies introduced all guests and Coaches Wayman Wilson and J. E. Garrett presented the two football squads.

Troy Simpson was master of ceremonies for the program and presented the high school sextet under the direction of Mrs. Alex McGregor for a group of Christmas songs. Mary Brian Woody was at the piano for the accompaniments.

Rev. H. B. Loyd, pastor, spoke briefly, praising the players for their fine clean playing of the past season and compared the game of football with that of life. He reminded his hearers of the holy Christmas season and closed on that thought.

Gail Childers and Buddy Evans presented gifts from the players to the two senior high school coaches. Mr. Wilson and Dillard Adair. Beautiful hand-tooled ball-holds with Bearcat heads and their names embossed were the gifts.

Santa Claus then handed out presents from a tree.

HOSPITAL NOTES

F. Dahmann, of Rowena, was dismissed from the Bailey Clinic-Hospital Friday.

Mrs. Henry Doss was dismissed Wednesday after surgery last week.

Mrs. M. A. Foy, surgical patient, was dismissed Wednesday.

Mrs. W. M. Darnon and daughter were dismissed Friday.

Mrs. Etta Martin, seriously injured in a fall week before last, is resting fairly well.

Miss Mary Krc is improving after undergoing surgery.

Mrs. Olive Midgley was dismissed last Thursday after receiving treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Lee are the parents of a daughter, born last Thursday. Mother and baby, both doing nicely, were dismissed Saturday.

Bennie Stiefel, medical patient, was dismissed Friday.

R. C. Smith, surgical patient, is doing satisfactorily.

Mrs. N. L. Stevens was dismissed Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. O. H. Chandler are parents of a son, born last Saturday. Mrs. Chandler and baby are doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Teeters are parents of a daughter, born Sunday. Mother and baby, doing nicely, were dismissed Monday.

Mrs. May Betterton, admitted to the clinic Sunday for medical treatment, is doing satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Lee, of Maverick, are parents of a son, born Monday. Mother and baby, doing nicely, were dismissed Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Schuder, of Millersview, are parents of a son, born Monday. Mother and baby, doing nicely, were dismissed Wednesday.

Mrs. R. G. Lloyd, who was operated on Tuesday, is resting satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Stephenson, of Paint Rock, are parents of a son, born Tuesday. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Fowler are parents of a son, born Tuesday. Mrs. Fowler and baby were able to return to their home at Norton Wednesday.

Curtis Patton, of Norton, is a medical patient in the local clinic.

Rain is Perfect Christmas Gift For the County

Rannels county received the perfect Christmas present Tuesday afternoon and night when a general rain fell. Precipitation registered at various places ranged from 1.25 to 2 inches and farmers and ranchmen here Wednesday stated the moisture fell perfectly, practically all going into the ground.

The county as a whole was very dry and pastures and small grain fields were badly in need of moisture. Livestock has been run on small grain acreage several weeks and with growth stopped because of dry weather the grazing was getting short.

Showers fell practically all Tuesday evening and early Wednesday morning. The official reading at Ballinger was 1.23. Just north of town farmers reported 1.50 inches. Edgar Jayroe, of Novice Rt. 1, was here Wednesday and said about 1.75 fell at his place. At a few points in the county as much as 2 inches were reported but the showers there began earlier in the afternoon Tuesday.

B. C. D. Directors To Meet Monday; Will Act on Show

Directors of the Ballinger Board of Community Development will hold their regular December meeting Monday night. The November meeting was cancelled, all business for the month being handled by the executive committee, because so many of the directors were deer hunting.

Jack Rudd, secretary-manager, said a number of important items were to come up Monday night. Cooperation with the annual livestock show for 4-H and F. F. A. boys will be discussed and definite action taken. The show is but two months off and committees are to be named for the B. C. D. in connection with the show.

Reports on the Christmas program and other activities are to be made and several projects to come up in January and February will be discussed.

It is only a short time until eleven new directors will be named and plans made for holding the annual banquet and membership meeting. These items are due for discussion at the December meeting.

President W. J. Hembree and Mr. Rudd are urging that all the directors attend the meeting Monday night and state that the business will be expedited and the meeting adjourned on time.

Joe Forester, Wayman Wilson, Dillard Adair and J. E. Garrett were guests of the football officials association Monday night at a banquet in San Angelo.

Greetings in Ledger Next Week and No Ads on December 24

The Ledger's regular Christmas greeting edition will be published next week, December 19. Pages will be limited and with some last minute Christmas advertising the space will be taken quickly.

A greetings service has been purchased in mat form and those desiring to express appreciation for the past year's business and to wish their customers a merry Christmas are urged to call at the office and make selections or a solicitor will bring the service to you.

In order to conserve paper and make up for the extra consumption in earlier December issues, the Ledger to be published Tuesday, December 24, will contain only four pages, printing only picture show ads and classified ads.

Our supply house advised us this week that the newspaper paper quota will be cut an additional 20 per cent effective December 1. This reduction will run into 1947 and possibly all through the year or until stocks to replenish to take care of all newspapers.

The newspaper situation has been serious during 1946 and the Ledger has had to limit the number of pages practically every week. An additional slash of 20 per cent will hit even harder, but every effort will be made to continue a good newspaper and our advertisers will be taken care of in the best possible manner with these restrictions in effect.

Remember the set-up for the next two weeks of December: regular advertising and greetings next week and a four-page issue on December 24 with no display advertising.

City Ordinance Requires Rat-Proofing Buildings

Livestock Leaders Talk Spring Show And Insect Pests

The city commission has passed an ordinance requiring the rat proofing of all buildings in Ballinger. This step was taken after two visits from James H. Harris, of the U. S. public health service, typhus control unit, and from state health officials.

In a conference with city officials and the manager of the Ballinger Board of Community Development, Mr. Harris asserted that not only were rats responsible for the spread of typhus fever in this area but that many cases of bubonic plague had developed from this cause on the Pacific coast. The rat carries the flea that has the germ of the bubonic plague and this flea has been traced from the Pacific Coast into Texas and this region.

The U. S. public health service is asking that a number of cities pass ordinances requiring rat-proofing of all buildings to make sure that rats will be stamped out.

Through the cooperation of the state health department, providing poison and dusting powder, the city of Ballinger has conducted a number of rodent extermination drives with much success. It has seemed impossible to get rid of all the rats, however, and within a short time a number of local stores are infested again and new cases of typhus fever develop. State health authorities are still assisting in drives against rats and will continue until they disappear.

City health authorities and local physicians have been interested in an ordinance requiring that all business buildings be made rat proof and new buildings will have this feature when constructed.

No time limit has been set for this work. A government specialist will come here to study conditions and make suggestions on how the work is to be done and some local man will be trained as an inspector on rat proofing and will follow up with frequent inspections to see that the work is done.

Jack Rudd reported that at present there was \$1,833 in the livestock barn fund and that the value of the Ballinger auction barn was valued at \$1,000 and at present was being rented at \$25 a month.

In a round table discussion a number of matters were brought up, which would be of material benefit if carried out on a large scale in the county. One suggestion was that greater use of rotenone spraying would control grubs in the backs of cattle and decrease heel fly infestation in the spring. It was pointed out that spraying with DDT would decrease flies, lice and screw worms and increase beef and dairy products. It was the opinion of those present that more attention should be given to the control of Bangs disease. The board favored a livestock tour of the county in 1947 if weather is favorable and information was given that an ear tick is making its appearance in the county and it was said that measures should be taken to stop the spread.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Lynn left this morning for Oklahoma City for a visit with relatives and friends.

Boogie-Woogie Star At Age of Six!

Hep cats get into the groove—Frank "Sugarhill" Robinson is skimming the ivories with red hot boogie-woogie for his screen debut in "No Leave, No Love," laugh-packed musical romance coming to the Ritz Theatre Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, December 14, 15, 16, 17.

"Sugarhill" is the 6-year-old negro boy who started his musical career at the age of 18 months. The youngster taught himself by listening to recordings of some of the Basin Street sizzlers, along with Duke Ellington's unforgettable rhythms. Today his boogie-woogie is good enough to rate guest appearances with such experts as Frankie Carle and Lionel Hampton.

Talent scouts spotted him at a theatre contest and he was signed to an M-G-M contract. In "No Leave, No Love," which has Guy Lombardo's and Xavier Cugat's famed orchestras in its talent lineup, "Sugarhill" has Van Johnson and Pat Kirkwood swinging to his downbeat. It—

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County Home Demonstration Agent

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fruits which are in fairly good supply to give excellent dividends in quantity and in variety of flavor.

Here are some sweets that have been tested and tried and will provide variety in flavor, excellent volume and are easy on the sugar supply.

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Fruit Logs
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or make into balls and roll in powdered sugar.

Yuletide Nut Loaf

Put 1 1/2 cups molasses and 3/4 cup brown sugar into a saucepan and boil till mixture forms hard ball in cold water, or when it registers 260 degrees F., then add 1/4 cup of butter and continue to boil to 280 degrees F., or until brittle when tested in cold water. Now add a pinch of baking soda, 2 cups stoned and chopped dates, 1 tablespoon lemon extract, and 1 cup each of blanched almonds, walnut meats, hickory nut meats, one cup of Brazil nut meats and pecans broken in small pieces. Pour into buttered pan; leave in cool place for 12 hours. Turn out and cut in slices. Wrap slices in waxed paper. Stir candy all the time it is cooking.

Holiday Delight

Combine and cook to soft ball stage one and one-half cups of sugar, one half cup light corn syrup and three-fourths cup thin cream. Stir once or twice. Remove from heat and beat immediately for about eight minutes or until it thickens and becomes lighter in color. Add three-fourths teaspoon vanilla and one-fourth pound candied cherries; one-fourth pound candied pineapple; one-fourth pound Brazil nuts; one-fourth pound walnuts, and one-fourth pound pecan halves. Chop nuts coarsely. When all are added, mixture will be thick and sticky. Pack into well greased loaf pan, pressing it down into the corners with wet hands or spoon. Let stand in cool place for 24 hours. During this time it will become firm and almost white. Cut in cubes or oblong pieces. Wrap in waxed paper or cellophane. Pack in airtight container for shipping.

Makes two and one-fourth pounds and will stay soft for weeks.

Honey Chews

Half cup butter, 1 cup honey, 1 cup walnuts, half cup raisins. Mix all ingredients except raisins. Cook over slow fire about 50 minutes or until it forms a firm ball in cold water. Stir often. Remove from fire and add raisins. Let cool and cut in squares.

Date Roll

One lb. graham crackers, 1 lb. dates, 1 lb. marshmallows, 1 cup chopped nuts, 3/4 cup milk, 1 cup maraschino cherries. Run crackers, dates, marshmallows and cherries through food chopper. Add chopped nuts. Mix well, adding milk to moisten. Shape into a roll, wrap in waxed paper and chill twenty-four hours. Cut in slices and serve with whipped cream. Keeps in a cold place for some time. Twenty servings.

Fruit Cake

One pkg. of pitted dates, 1 cup pecan meats broken in fine pieces, 1 pkg. cocoanut, 1 can sweetened condensed milk. Mix all ingredients together well. Pour in a well greased 9-inch tin and bake in moderate oven 25 minutes or until slightly brown.

Memorial Plantings Should be of Variety, Landscaper Advises

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 4.—Communities planning memorial tree plantings may well bear in mind that a variety of trees should be planted as a protective measure against plant diseases, says Sadie Hatfield, landscape gardening specialist of the Texas A. & M. College extension service.

Names like "The Crepe Myrtle City" may sound romantic, says Miss Hatfield, but it is risky to put out solid plantings of only one kind of tree. At the same time, it is easy to permit one type of tree to predominate a memorial planting without making a solid planting of it. "Putting all your eggs in one basket," in connection with tree planting, is not a good idea, as folks in West Texas will testify in recalling the heavy ice storm a few years back that ruined the popular Chinese elms and did only slight damage to the less popular green ash.

Due to solid plantings that have been made in a number of cities in Texas, many of these places would look desolate for years if an uncontrollable disease should strike that particular type tree, Miss Hatfield points out. For instance, Chinese elms may be endangered by the Dutch elm disease, which is now killing trees in the eastern United States.

There are many shade trees that are well adapted to all of Texas, and from which a well-balanced planting may be made. Some of these are the black walnut, thornless honey locust, Chinese jujube, small leaf Chinese elm or parvifolia elm.

Among the hardy evergreens, the red cedar and ponderosa or western yellow pine will thrive on very little moisture and make excellent windbreaks. Austrian pine is nearly as hardy in areas of scant rainfall. Desert willow, tamarix or salt cedar, peach, plum and cherry are others that will do well in areas of slight rainfall as well as sections where abundant moisture falls. In general, says Miss Hatfield, it is safe to select a native or hardy plant that has

been tested for 25 years or more.

Christmas Decorated Homes, Yards to be Judged December 17

A number of Ballinger citizens have signed up in the home and yard decoration contest and have stated they will have their pieces ready for the judges to view by December 17.

Cash prizes of \$10, \$7.50, \$5, and two for \$2.50 will be paid for the best five pieces on display when the judges make their inspection tour of the city. The visit of the judges will be made after dark when all lighting effects can be seen to best advantage.

Members of the committee in charge of this phase of the Christmas program said it would be necessary for each entrant to sign one of the blanks at the



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office of the Ballinger Board of Community Development. This will give the committee and judges a schedule of places to visit and only those signed up for will be judged.

The Ballinger Civic-Garden Club, in charge of the contest, urges that everyone who can enter a decorative piece to make the city attractive during the Christmas season.

BALLINGERITES WITNESS COLEMAN-DELEON GAME

A large number of football fans from Ballinger attended the Coleman-DeLeon game at Coleman Friday night and watched the district 9-A champions, the Coleman Bluecats, continue their perfect record, blanking DeLeon 10 to 0.

It was ideal football weather and a crowd of approximately 5,000 persons watched the game.

By winning over DeLeon, champions of district 10A, the championship, meeting the Monday team, which defeated the Seymour team Friday afternoon, 20 to 0.

Dairy cows need three-fourths of an ounce of salt a day for each 1,000 pounds of liveweight, and one-third of an ounce for each 10 pounds of milk produced.

NAVY RECRUITERS TO BE HERE TWICE A MONTH

Navy recruiters from the San Angelo office have arranged a new schedule of visits to Ballinger. Hereafter they will be here on the second and fourth Mondays of each month and will be found at the local postoffice from 10 a. m. to noon.

Any person interested in discussing navy enlistment and benefits is invited to call on the recruiters and get the complete information.

COME TO THE BAZAAR

to be held at

C.O.D. Grocery December 14

by the

EASTSIDE HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

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IN SOCIETY

H. F. Lindemans and E. O. Langes Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversaries

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Lindeman and Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Lange celebrated their golden wedding anniversaries November 28th at the Blanton school house.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindeman, who have resided in Runnels county the past 44 years, were married December 17, 1896, and Mr. and Mrs. Lange were married November 26, 1896, and have lived here 40 years.

Dinner was served to the honored couples and three Lindeman children with their families, and five grandchildren; nine children of Mr. and Mrs. Lange and their families, and 17 grandchildren.

Others attending were: the families of Messrs. and Mmes. Julius Lange, Walter Lange, Herman Lange, Robert Lange, George Lange, Herman Stokes, Joe Ashton, all of Ballinger; Otto Spreen, Albert Spreen, of Talpa.

Messrs. and Mmes. E. C. Lindeman and Dorothy; and John Byers, of Ballinger; Ed Glass and sons, of Millersview.

Mrs. A. C. Herring, Messrs. and Mmes. Edgar Herring, J. Milton Clayton, Doyle Condra, Topsy Beavers, W. A. Ashton, A. N. Hoffman, Mr. Monroe Werner, Mr. Edwin Werner, Misses Clara and Olga Werner, all of Talpa.

Those attending from Winters were: Rev. and Mrs. C. N. Roth and daughter, Messrs. and Mmes. Boyd Grissom and sons, Marvin Kurtz and family, Raymond Kurtz, Monroe Kurtz, Julius Kurtz, Calvin Hoppe, Jake Presley, Wil-

mer Gerhart, Charlie Gerhart, and families. Those attending from Bartlett were: Messrs. and Mmes. Albert Landeman, Robert Spiegelhour, Doc Paritzig, E. Steglich, Robert Friedrich, E. M. Steglich, Mrs. W. L. Lange and A. H. Lange.

Attending from Ballinger were: Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Bailey, Messrs. and Mmes. Ed Lindeman, B. J. Condra and family, L. W. Henniger and family, and Mrs. Mary Spreen. Others were: Mrs. Dancer and Mrs. Rinda Duncan, of Talpa; Mr. M. A. Spiegelhour, of Victoria; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bartash, of Granger; and Mr. and Mrs. Kari Flick, of Corpus Christi.

Paschal-Bales Betrothal Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Wirt Bales, of Hatchel, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Anne Pearl, to William Paschal, of Ballinger. The marriage vows will be read on Monday, December 16, at seven p. m. by Marshall Davis, minister of the Hatchel Church of Christ.

The bride-elect is a senior at Ballinger High School. Mr. Paschal also attended the Ballinger High School before entering the navy. He received his discharge last spring after serving two years in the Pacific.

The couple will be at home in Ballinger following their wedding trip.

Malcolm Morgans Have Week-End Guests

Miss Gwen Morgan was accompanied home by Miss Kathryn Arnold, of Winchester, Virginia, the past week-end. The young ladies are roommates at Baylor University, Waco. Other visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Morgan were Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Lawless and daughter, Jean, of Abilene.

Miss Atkins Entertains Guests

Miss Bula Bess Bell, of Abilene, and Miss Imogene Waide, of Paint Rock, visited Miss Griffee Atkins over the week-end.

Miss Miller Named Duchess

Charlotte Miller has been chosen duchess to represent Ballinger at the San Angelo A. & M. Club's annual formal Christmas dance, which is to be held December 27 at Goodwin's Tavern. She and duchesses from nineteen other

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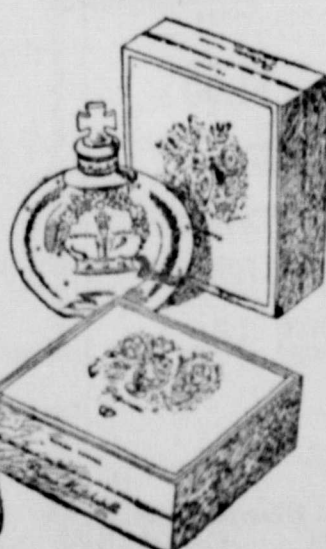
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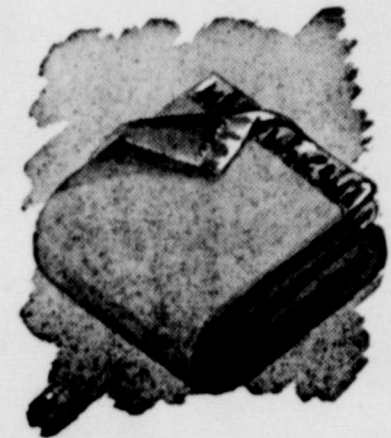
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West Texas towns will be presented at this time. She will be escorted by Bobby Sykes, of Ballinger, who is now attending A. & M. College.

Miss Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller of this city, is a freshman at Texas State Teachers' College, Denton, and is majoring in home economics.

The public is invited to come and see the beautiful West Texas girls, and dance to the music of the Angliand Orchestra from 9:00 p. m. to 1:00 a. m.

Christmas Programs Are Being Presented In Senior High School

Ballinger high school students are having a series of pre-Christmas programs this week and will be dismissed for the holidays next Wednesday at 3:45 p. m. until Monday morning, December 30.

At the chapel period Monday morning the sale of tuberculosis bengles was started with a

special program at which Supt. W. E. Ekins was the speaker. He told what had been accomplished by the Runnels County Tuberculosis Association and some of the goals for next year.

This morning at 10:30 one of the feature programs of the Southern Assemblies was presented at the high school auditorium and a number of the patrons attended. The Caledonian Quartet, Four Kitties, and their accompanist rendered a very pleasing program.

Friday night at the high school

auditorium the coronation ceremonies will be presented at which annual favorites are to be revealed. Tickets for the coronation will be 25 cents each and for the dance that follows at Bruce Field the admission will be 75 cents per couple. This is the feature of school work preceding the holidays. The high school chorus will sing a Christmas concert prior to the presentation.

Principal Joe Forrester stated that school would be continued until 3:45 Wednesday afternoon

and added that some had the impression that the holidays would start Wednesday morning, which was not the case.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw will leave next Monday for New York and Boston, to be gone until after the holidays. Mr. Earnshaw will attend a sales meeting in New York and later they will go on to Boston to visit relatives.

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Winter Care of Outdoor Plants

By Miss Ollie Chenoweth
County Home Demonstration Agent

Gladiolus bulbs, dahlia roots and other plants with dead tops may be taken up after the first heavy frost, or they may be left in the ground if the soil is well drained and the climate mild. If left in the ground put heavy mulch over them. Use dead leaves or other humus for this mulch. Plant hardy sweet peas for early blooms during November and December. For early spring blooms continue the planting of larkspur, calliopsis, cornflower, California poppies and cosmos. Bluebonnets may be transplanted while young. Move with a ball of soil about the roots.

Roses usually do well in soil on which grass has grown for at least five years. Using soil fumigant to kill nematodes and crown gall is advisable. Prepare soil for planting flowers as you would for a vegetable garden. Buy roses from reliable nurseries. Select only No. 1 or No. 1½. They are the least expensive in the long run.

Now is a good time to dig rose bushes which have been dying back. Examine for galls, root rot, and nematodes. Examine the soil for termites and obstacles to healthy growth. You may find the answer to dwarfing, lack of blooms and other problems which have puzzled you. Replant if healthy, if not burn them.

Plant strawberries about the roots of roses. They will shade the ground and benefit the rose plants. The Ranger is a popular variety. Mulch heavily with grass or straw. Remember how this plant got its name, STRAWberry.

Fall leaves are as good for mulching poinsettias, strawberries and roses as for other plants. Newly planted or recently pruned trees may need protection from sunscald. Trunks of peach, plum, apricot, redbud, pecan and others may be killed on one side by sudden exposure to full sun. To protect from sun, wrap the trunks loosely and neatly in burlap. Remove the burlap when the trees have formed branches long enough

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to partly shade the trunks. Usually, burlap may be removed at the end of the second or third year. This protection will prevent dead strips on the south and west sides of large limbs and trunks of trees recently set out or cut back.

Home-Made Cakes at Box Supper
December 13, Park Avenue
Baptist Church
Compliments Kash-Wa Grocery
J. V. Smith, Owner

Gifts for Veterans
Program Lagging;
To be Shipped Soon

The American Legion sponsored program, "Gifts for the Yanks Who Gave," is getting off to a disappointing start here. After two weeks of publicity and spon-

soring only a few presents have been turned in and very little cash received.

The program is a national movement and all citizens are asked to participate. Its beneficiaries are the thousands of service men and women still in hospitals because of wounds or disease sustained or contracted during the war. It is hoped that the grateful people of this nation will want to help in bringing a little Christmas happiness to the crowded hospitals all over the country by showering the patients with gifts.

Shipment will be made from Ballinger next week-end and anyone who wants a part in remembering those who served is asked to secure the gift, have it wrapped and turn it in at Woodroof's, Sykes', Stone's, Higginbotham's or Pearce Drug Store before Friday noon, December 20.

Any gift which could be used by a hospital patient, with special emphasis on smokes, shaving sets, robes, house slippers, etc., will be suitable.

Cash contributions received are as follows:
Mrs. W. W. Fowler, \$1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Giesecke, \$1.00

Red Cross Knitted Socks to be Shipped To Injured Veterans

Ballinger knitters are preparing to make a shipment of hospital socks to Red Cross headquarters this week. For some time a number of local knitters have been working on these socks, a special type with the heel left out to fit over casts and other special appliances on veterans' legs. These men, wounded in war, are still in hospitals all over the country.

The socks, of heavy blue yarn, are not made in pairs. In most cases only the one sock is needed. Mrs. E. C. Tinsley, knitting chairman, issued yarn several weeks ago and while the quota has not been completed a shipment will be made before Christmas because the socks are needed at this time

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- Billfolds
- Hats
- Overcoats
- Matched Work Clothes

For Her

- Wool Robes
- Chenille Robes
- Wash Silk Robes
- Suits
- Coats
- Dresses
- Scarfs
- Linen Sets
- Blankets
- Bedspreads
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SHERWIN-WILLIAMS PAINTS

The work will be finished after the holidays.

While the quota is for the county as a whole only Ballinger knitters accepted yarn and this has slowed down the work considerably.

Local Red Cross officials have

been advised that this will probably be the last yarn issued free to workers for use by servicemen and will bring to a close a program which lasted more than six years, beginning when the first refugee knitting was started in this country.

County's Farm Income Has Large Increase

More than doubling their annual gross income in comparison with 1940, as reported by the U. S. bureau of census, Rannels county farm families last year produced crops and livestock with the record value of more than \$6,325,000.

This huge increase in farm revenue has already created heavy demand for general farm improvements and for home remodeling, according to a study released by the Tile Council of America. With every industry anticipating greater business in the state than before the war, floor and wall tile manufacturers alone expect their sales here to triple in the next few years.

"Increased sales of industrial products mean in turn a new level of prosperity for every local businessman and worker," said D. P. Forst, chairman of the council's residential construction committee.

The study shows that many farm improvements were made even during the war. Since 1940,

for example, the number of farm homes reporting electric lights here has increased from 550 to 924. Heavy demand for such modernizing as installation of running water, tiling of bathrooms and improving kitchen layouts has already resulted, according to Forst.

Forst also pointed out that 330 more tractors than in 1940, according to a study released by the census bureau, and that the number of trucks on farms has likewise increased substantially. "These facts not only indicate the importance of the farm market but also make it one which no business man or manufacturer can afford to overlook," he said.

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The foregoing quantities are approximate, and are submitted only for the purpose of enabling prospective bidders to estimate the probable volume of the contract. Plans and Specifications can be secured at the office of K. V. Northington, City Secretary, Ballinger, Texas, or Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Consulting Engineers, Lubbock, Texas. A deposit of \$20.00 must accompany request for a set of Plans and Specifications which entire deposit will be returned to those submitting bona fide bids and \$10.00 of this deposit will be returned to others who have been furnished Plans and Specifications upon the return of such Plans and Specifications.



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Checks or Bid Bonds of unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them three (3) days after bids are opened except that the checks or bid bonds of the three (3) lowest bidders will not be returned until after the Contract has been executed and bond made which bond shall be not less than 100% of the amount of the Contract, and each bidder shall accompany his bid with a certificate from a surety company duly authorized to do business in this State, stating that such surety company will provide such bidder with a bond in such sum as is required and in accordance with the provisions of the said Specifications, conditioned for the faithful performance of the Contract. Such Contract shall be signed within ten (10) days from date of award. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

CITY OF BALLINGER
BALLINGER, TEXAS
By: Drury P. Hathaway,
Mayor
K. V. Northington,
City Secretary 27-2t

**Christmas Cantata
At Baptist Church
Next Sunday Night**

The choir of the First Baptist Church will present its annual Christmas program Sunday evening at 7:30 in the church auditorium. The church is to be decorated in the Christmas motif for this occasion and a large congregation is expected to hear the program.

A chorus of about 40 voices has been practicing several weeks on the cantata, "The World's Redeemer," by Fred B. Holton. Preliminaries will include the

organ prelude by Mrs. Charles Hambrick, the offertory by Mrs. Hambrick and Miss Tommye Mansell, organ and piano, and a group of carols by the junior choir.

The cantata program follows: "He Shall Reign Forever," choir; "Neath the Starry Heavens," (duet), Mrs. Carl Black and Mrs. S. E. Cloninger, with choir; "Arise and Shine," chorus; "From Lands Afar," men's chorus; "The Gates of Heaven Unbar," bass solo, Carl Black, Jr., and choir; "Glory to God in the Highest," Felton Underwood and choir; "The Song and the Star," Mrs. James E. Garrett and choir; "Christmas Memories," Mrs. Cloninger and Mrs. Black and

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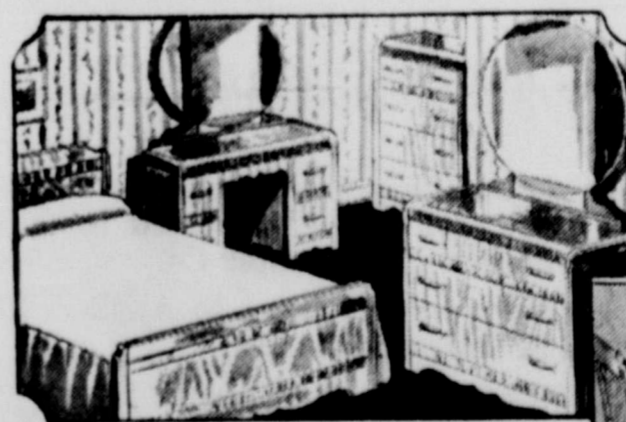
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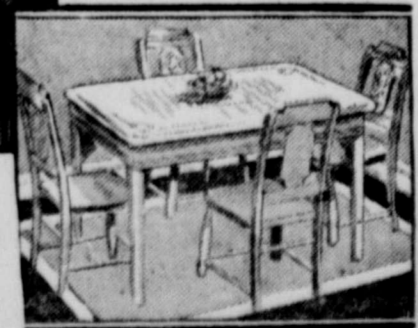
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RAPE TRIAL SCHEDULED HERE ON DECEMBER 10

A special venire of 75 men is being summoned to appear at the court house in Ballinger on Monday, December 30 to serve as jurors in the 19th district court. Luis Nombreno, charged with rape, is scheduled to be tried on that date.

DEATHS

Charles Patterson Lankford
Charles Patterson Lankford, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Lankford, of Abilene, was killed instantly in an airplane crash near Houston Sunday afternoon.

Young Lankford left Abilene with a C. A. Dillashaw for Houston shortly after noon Sunday and the pair had almost reached their destination when they developed engine trouble and attempted a landing. Lankford was killed instantly and Dillashaw sustained critical injuries and is in a Houston hospital in a serious condition.

Decedent is a grandson of two pioneer families of this city, the T. S. Lankfords and the D. J. Patersons. He was a student of Abilene Christian high school. He made home here part of the time and last year lived with Mr. and Mrs. Patterson here and attended the Ballinger high school.

Funeral services were held at the Newby-Davis chapel Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, a cousin, Rev. Walter C. Guin, of Odessa, officiating, assisted by Rev. E. B. Surface, of Abilene.

Survivors besides the parents and the maternal grandparents include a brother, Tommy, a sister, Patricia Lee; two uncles, Abe and W. O. Lankford, both of Abilene; ten aunts, Mrs. J. G. Tuckey and Mrs. C. J. Lynn, both of Ballinger; Mrs. E. F. Jay, Sweetwater; Mrs. R. W. DeMerville and Mrs. C. S. Guin, both of Abilene; Mrs. Luke Hobbs, Temple; Mrs. C. D. Thornly, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Odell Moore, Fort Worth; Mrs. Don and Mrs. C. P. Proctor, both of California.

Newby-Davis Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Anna Vavra

Mrs. Anna Vavra, 84, died at the family residence, four miles south of Rowena, Tuesday morning at 12:45 after illness of short duration, but she had been in

falling health for thirteen years. Decedent came to Rowena in 1906 with her husband and two children from Czechoslovakia. Her husband died in 1938. She was a member of the Catholic Church.

Survivors include one son, John Vavra, Rowena; a daughter, Mrs. Joe Bubenik, Rowena, and a sister, Mrs. Antonina Javurek, who still lives in Czechoslovakia. The body will lie in state at the Agnew chapel until time for the service which will be Friday morning at 9 o'clock at St. Joseph's Church, Rowena. Rosary was said at the Agnew chapel Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. W. F. Bosen was in charge of these rites. Interment will be made in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Rowena.

Agnew Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Betty Jean Stevens

Betty Jean Stevens, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Stevens, died at the Bailey Clinic-Hospital Friday.

Funeral services were held at the Newby-Davis chapel Saturday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, Rev. B. J. Martin officiating. Interment followed in the Runnels cemetery.

Survivors besides the parents include the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Kresta; and the paternal grandfather, A. Z. Stevens, Austin.

Newby-Davis Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

SOCIETY

Announcement Breakfast for Miss Dorothy Miller

Mrs. E. A. Miller was hostess at a breakfast Saturday morning in the Broadway home of Mrs. Jewel Cooper, to announce the engagement of her daughter, Dorothy, to Jimmy Dankworth.

Fall chrysanthemums in bronze and yellow were used to center the dining table. Bridal card folders, bearing the words, Dot and Jimmy, January 3, and nose-gays of small yellow mums marked places for guests.

Included were: Mrs. J. E. Dankworth, Mrs. J. J. Hauser, Mrs. Charles Webb, Misses Edith McAden, Billy June Walker, Doris Allen, Mary Ann Morgan, Grace Jo Bondurant, Tommye Mansell, Mary Ruth Duke, Eloise Dankworth, and Dorothy Forgye.

In-Honor Affair for Miss Mary Ruth Duke

A gift shower on Monday afternoon was the courtesy extended Miss Mary Ruth Duke, bride-elect of Eugene Lolka, by Meses. W. R. Gray, Mead McShan, Fred Mages and Claude Thompson in the rural home of Mrs. Gray.

Christmas decorations were used about party rooms. Santa Claus was a visitor and presented gifts which were on the lighted tree to the honoree.

Hostesses served a sandwich plate with cake and coffee. Others were: Meses. A. Hoffman, Ardel Richards, Claude Simmons, W. T. McShan, Ben Liverman, C. J. Harris, Carl Sutton, H. L. Cotton, Woodrow Wilson, R. J. Wood, Noel C. Butte, Grady Richards, Robert L. Wood, Andrew Block, R. D. Byrd, Milton Wood, R. B. Henry, Oswald Zuehke, A. Hennecke, J. C. Wilson, L. F. Lolka, C. A. Wilson, Paul Richardson, Frank Krc, Hedrick Shelburne, Charles Dankworth, Misses Wanda Zuehke, Dorothy Lee McShan and Eloise Dankworth.

Dinner for Mrs. Nell Hamilton
A farewell dinner was given Friday by Miss Mae Good in her home in honor of Mrs. Nell Hamilton, who is resigning from the Hospital, and for Miss Elizabeth Shuller, formerly of Goose Creek, who will begin nursing here the

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fifteenth.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hamilton, Miss Alice Smith, Mrs. William Lippe, Mr. and Mrs. Winford Lee, Miss Mildred Snow, and Miss Shiller.

First Methodist W. S. C. S. Has Installation Service

The First Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service held its last meeting for the ensuing year when members met in the church parlors Monday afternoon.

The church parlors were decorated with a profusion of chrysanthemums and poinsettias where Mrs. J. L. Davis was hostess and presiding officer after the Christmas devotional which was given by Mrs. A. O. Strother. The society voted to change the Etta Burrows circle's name to the Ida Campbell. The Brownwood district W. S. C. S. meeting will be entertained the latter part of January by the local society.

Mrs. Charles F. Bailey, in a very impressive service and using the theme, "World Brotherhood," installed new officers: president, Mrs. W. O. Irby; vice-president, Mrs. Marvin Davies; recording secretary, Miss Thelma Midgley; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Henry Moody; treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Clark; secretaries: spiritual life, Mrs. A. O. Strother; Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. Tom Caudie; missionary education, Mrs. H. B. Loyd; student work, Mrs. Jack Hampton; young women's and children's work, Mrs. M. E. McClenny; literature and publications, Mrs. E. C. Tinsley; circle chairmen: Ida Campbell, Mrs. H. G. Agnew; Ettie Gressett, Mrs. Flay Brevard; Sally Odum, Mrs. R. D. Midgley.

A bazaar was held in connection with the meeting. Mrs. Robert Bruce gave "The Black Madonna" by Margaret Applearth, and Mrs. Davies and Mrs. O. L. Hart sang "White Christmas" with Mrs. McClenny at the piano. Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw presented Mrs. Davis, the past president, a pin, a gift from the society.

Mrs. Davis was assisted by Mrs. Fred Middleton, Mrs. Loyd, Mrs. R. D. Midgley and Mrs. Hart when a dessert plate was served with coffee. Others present were: Meses. Ford Taylor, W. W. Chastain, Sam Behringer, C. D. Harris, R. A. Williamson, Troy Simpson, Abbie

Roberts, Cora Green and T. P. Brown.

Mrs. Ophelia Williams Bride of Holmer McOsker

Mrs. Ophelia Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Smith of Ballinger, became the bride of Holmer McOsker son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McOsker, of Hutchinson, Kansas, in a single ring ceremony December 2.

The bride attended Ballinger High School and Alamo City Business College of San Antonio. The groom was in the 140th Armored Division and was discharged in August, 1945. He is now employed by Sears Roebuck & Co. at Hutchinson, where they will make their home.

Presbyterian Auxiliary Honors Mrs. Wiesepape

The Eighth Street Presbyterian Auxiliary met in the church parlors Monday afternoon for their regular spiritual life program and regular business meeting.

Following the program, members were invited to the home of Mrs. B. H. Erwin where living rooms were decorated for the Christmas season, and a handkerchief shower was presented. Mrs. A. H. Wiesepape, who is leaving Ballinger with Mr. Wiesepape to make their home in San Antonio.

Mrs. Erwin, Mrs. Carroll Bell and Miss Maggie Lilly were hostesses and served cake with coffee. Plate favors were Christmas bouquets. Others present were: Meses. F. C. Miller, J. W. Black, A. W. Sledge, E. S. Malone, Paul Petty, H. T. Russell, J. D. Coulter, Kenneth Kevil, Rufus

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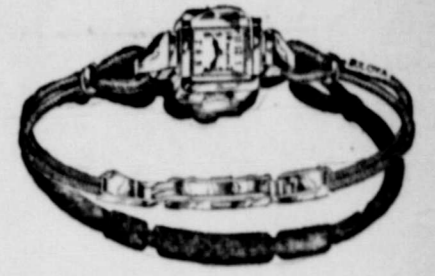
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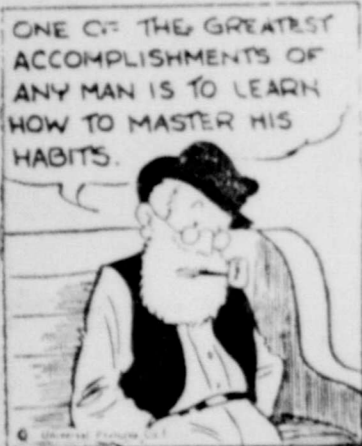
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BROWNWOOD ROTARIANS TO GIVE PROGRAM HERE
 Allen Davis, president of the Ballinger Rotary Club, said Tuesday that the local club's program next Tuesday would be presented by Brownwood Rotarians. Dr. John Snyder, president of the Brownwood club, will accompany a group here for the program and all

members of the Ballinger club are urged to be present.
 The annual Christmas program is to be held Tuesday, December 24.

Card of Thanks

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J. E. JONES RETURNS HOME FROM HOSPITAL

J. E. Jones is at his home, 205 Fifth Street, after spending most of the past 90 days in Shannon

Hospital, San Angelo. He was dismissed about a month ago but his condition necessitated his being admitted again. Several operations were necessary but his condition is now said to be favorable.

Rev. H. B. Loyd and Bill Moore went to Dallas Tuesday to bring back art-glass windows for the First Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sharpes, of Norton, received a letter from their son, S. Sgt. Bill Sharpes, stating he was now at the U. S. Military Academy, West Point, N. Y., where he will instruct in chemical warfare and learn about new weapons. He stated he liked his new location fine and sent greetings to all his friends back home.

BIRTHS

A daughter, named Joyce Wilene, was born in a San Angelo hospital last Friday morning to Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Routh of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Devan Reynolds, of Maverick, are the parents of a daughter, born Sunday, November 24, at the Brownwood Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 9 pounds 5 ounces upon arrival and has been named Catherine Ann.

BALLINGER MASONS WILL OBSERVE 60TH ANNIVERSARY

Ballinger Masonic Lodge, No. 643, will observe its 60th anniversary with a special program Tuesday night at the local hall. At the program past masters of the lodge will be honored and the history of the lodge reviewed.

Officers of the lodge are making a special effort for all members to be present on this occasion. The lodge hall will be opened at 7:30 and special groups have been named to look after the program features and the social to follow.

Moore Hosts to Methodist Board of Stewards

Mr. Bill Moore, chairman of the First Methodist Church board of stewards, and Mrs. Moore were hosts Monday evening to sixteen board members and their wives, entertaining with a venison supper in the church parlors.

Walter and Wilson Middleton were in charge of the arrangements and assisted in serving the two-course menu. Tables were centered with bouquets of fall flowers.

ARMY RECRUITERS TO BE HERE FIVE DAYS A WEEK

Special recruiters for the army will be in Ballinger every week Monday through Friday from 9:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. They will maintain an office with Sheriff J. L. Moreland at the court house and will be glad to talk over army opportunities with anyone interested and eligible.

Vernon Compton, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Compton, of Wingate, a junior student in agriculture at John Tarleton College, Stephenville, has been promoted to the rank of master sergeant in the R. O. T. C.

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There are just ten more shopping days until Christmas. So far this year Ballinger merchants have experienced good business but most of them report gift buying slower than usual and it is expected that the last minute rush will be greater than usual. Local stores are well prepared for last minute shoppers and even if additional merchandise does not arrive, due to the embargo, stocks are large enough to last through Christmas eve.

Citizens of Ballinger and other towns in this locality will not suffer directly from the coal strike as practically everybody here gets natural gas for cooking and heating and transportation serving the Southwest uses either oil or gasoline. Merchandise shortages are expected, however, caused by closing of factories and transportation slow-downs elsewhere. This condition will soon become acute

if present embargoes are continued. Stocks of merchandise in stock by local merchants are adequate but if the transportation restrictions are continued several months the picture will change.

Next year will bring the beginning of civic improvements in Ballinger which will mean much to all our citizens. For one thing the water problem will be solved. This has been the No. 1 need here and until an adequate water supply was assured there was little opportunity for growth, the obtaining of new industries, and the building of new homes. A sewerage system to serve all the people inside the city limits will also mean much, making possible sanitation that will improve public health conditions. More and more city paving, the prospects of new farm-to-market roads and other projects will be assets to Ballinger and this area.

For several years there has not been any organized plan here for assisting needy families at Christmas. During the war there was plenty of work for everyone and there was little need for this aid, but recent check-ups show the situation may be different this year. There are a few families who, because of illness or other adverse circumstances, will have very little for Christmas unless some concerted action is taken.

For many years Sunday school classes, clubs and other organizations and some individuals have "adopted a family," looking after their needs in this manner. If anything is to be done some group should take the lead and get the plan underway at once.

Screw-worm cases resulting from shearing cuts—always a thorn in the side of sheep and goat raisers—can be held to a minimum by dipping in DDT after shearing, judging from Morris's experiences.

meeting will be on January 8. NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Runnels County, Texas, will receive bids until 10:00 A. M. Monday December 16, 1946, for the purchase of a Diesel motor crawler type tractor, equipped with direct starting and lighting equipment, tractor must not develop less than 132 horsepower and weigh not less than 27,000 lbs. Bid must include freight from factory and delivery charges to any point in Runnels County. Bidder must accept as part payment Allis-Chalmers Model L Tractor now owned by Runnels County. If such tractor should be purchased same will be paid for in part by time warrants not to exceed \$9,000.00 in amount, and not to exceed an interest rate of 3%, final maturity date of said warrants shall be February 15.

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WEST TEXAS NOTES

Miss Billie Boswell, of Paint Rock, has raised a flock of 570 turkeys this year and is now selling the birds and expects to clear about \$2 each. Last year she raised and sold 173 turkeys at a profit of about \$4 per bird. The large flock this year has cost her approximately \$4,000 and she hopes to sell all by the end of the Christmas season.

Stephenville dealers are buying many peanuts this year and to last week had shipped approximately 50 carloads. It was estimated at that time that 75 per cent of the Erath county production was in and that the rest of the crop would be marketed within two weeks. Around \$180 a ton is being received by growers which is about \$12 more than the same grade brought last year. In addition to the 50 carloads already shipped, it was estimated that 1,000 tons were in storage at Stephenville.

Four San Saba young people, two of them former residents of Rising Star, were seriously hurt near Rising Star last week when the driver lost control of the car and crashed into a concrete culvert. They were en route to Rising Star from a football game at May when the accident occurred. The injured were taken to a Brownwood hospital.

Directors of the Brady July Jubilee, Inc. in session last week approved plans for the remaining construction on the entire exposition plant and stated that the finances had been guaranteed by a group of citizens. Cost of the new plant will be about \$75,000 and much of the work has already been done. The directors said everything would be ready for the 1947 program.

Menard county pecan growers held their annual show last Saturday, a large number exhibiting samples of their 1946 crop in various classes. Held at the American Legion park, the exhibits were judged by John Randolph, of San Angelo. Pete Monzingo, county agent, was in charge of the show. A movement was started at Brownwood last week to raise

funds and reorganize the Old Gray Mare Band. After the first World War the Old Gray Mare Band travelled from coast to coast publicizing the city and was one of the outstanding musical organizations in the country. The musicians have been rehearsing several weeks but must have money to purchase uniforms and badly-needed instruments. Practically all civic groups in Brownwood are assisting in the campaign.

The city of Comanche has approved a public works program for 1947 which comprises several projects. In the last announced by Mayor W. C. House are: the Leon River low head dam water project, four large sewer main extensions, four water main extensions for better fire protection, 50 blocks of paving and other street improvements, and the remarking of all streets with metal signs.

The go-ahead signal has been received on the Hord's Creek dam and water reservoir after several delays had put the project on the uncertain list. To be located 8.75 miles from Coleman, the lake will provide sufficient water for both domestic and irrigation purposes.

More than 300 people are expected to attend the banquet sponsored by the Sweetwater Rotary Club for grid warriors of the all-district JAA first and second teams this week. The banquet and program will be held in the Sweetwater gymnasium. The guest list will include fans, sports writers, and school heads from towns in the district. Principal speaker will be Jess Neely, a former grid great at Vanderbilt University, who has made a notable coaching record at Rice Institute, Houston.

The Miles Rebekah Lodge celebrated Thanksgiving with a turkey dinner at the lodge hall. Members included their husbands for the affair and following the meal a program was presented and this followed by games. Members of the Rowena Mothers Club assisted with school Christmas programs this week. They postponed their annual party because of a conflict with planned school activities. The club's next

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Of particular interest in connection with the new musical is the fact that it introduces to

American screen audiences the noted British star, Pat Kirkwood, who kept London laughing during the blitz. A third member of the stellar trio is Keenan Wynn, responsible for many of the laughs in "Easy to Wed."

As the marine hero who returns home from the battlefronts to find that his sweetheart married "the other guy," Johnson has one

of the best roles of his successful career. Wynn plays his bungling pal who gets involved in all kinds of romantic scrapes, with vivacious Miss Kirkwood cast as a radio star who consoles Johnson for his lost love. The role offers her ample opportunity to sing the type of songs which endeared her to the hearts of English audiences.

Two of America's top bands—Guy Lombardo's and Xavier Cugat—supply the music for the picture's array of song hits, among them, "All the Time," "Love on a Greyhound Bus" and "Isn't It Wonderful."

Edward Arnold heads the supporting cast, which also includes Marie Wilson, Leon Ames, Marina Koshetz, Selena Royle, Vince Barnett and Wilson Wood.

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Miss Freeman is seen as Anne Denning as Bill Dixon, the dashing American, and Miss Ankers as the snobbish Lady Carington. J. M. Kerrigan, Charles Evans, Terry Kilburn and Moyna Macgill also are featured.

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Love at first sight brings dramatic complications to RKO Radio's gripping new romantic drama, "Till the End of Time," starring Dorothy McGuire, Guy Madison, Robert Mitchum and Bill Williams.

Madison has the role of an honorably discharged marine who feels uncertain and unhappy when he faces civilian life. He needs a little time to get his bearings before settling down to anything, but his parents can't understand this. They not only have immediate plans for him, but they even have the girl picked out.

The moment he meets a lovely young war widow, played by Miss McGuire, he knows that he has found the right girl. Their romance has anything but plain sailing, and they have several serious clashes before they finally find happiness.

Mitchum and Williams, the latter an ex-pug who lost both legs, are two other discharged marines with rehabilitation problems of their own. They also make many mistakes before they are able to readjust themselves to civilian life.

"Till the End of Time" is told with sympathy and humor. This is the screen version of Niven Busch's best-selling novel, "They Dream of Home."

Musical Comedy and Melodrama Texas Offerings Tomorrow

Columbia's tuneful new comedy, "It's Great to be Young," and a murder melodrama, "Shadowed," also produced by Columbia, comprise the double-feature program at the Texas tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday. Several shorts are also included on the bill.

"It's Great to be Young" is a showcase for the studio's brightest young contract players and a talented group of newcomers. In the top bracket are Leslie Brooks, Jimmy Lloyd, Robert Stanton and Jeff Donnell, while the neophytes are Jack Williams, Pat Yankee, Jack Fina and Milton DeLugg and

his Swing Wing. "Shadowed" features Lloyd Corrigan, Anita Louise, Michael Duane and Robert Scott. The screenplay describes the terror stalking an innocent man when he is unwittingly implicated in a brutal killing.

Supporting Miss Stanwyck, Morgan and Greenstreet are the following favorites: S. K. Sakall, Reginald Gardiner, Frank Jenks, Joyce Compton and Robert Shayne. The story races along in merry style from start to finish, involving the leading characters in countless, gleeful adventures.

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Pre-Holiday Offerings at Palace Include 'Christmas in Connecticut,' 'Zane Grey Film'

Pre-holiday offerings at the Palace Theatre include "Shadows on the Range," starring Johnny Mack Brown, and "Step by Step," a thrilling drama starring Lawrence Tierney and Anne Jeffreys, tomorrow and Saturday, December 13 and 14; a Zane Grey adaptation, "Wanderer of the Wasteland," on Sunday and Monday, December 15 and 16; and "Christmas in Connecticut," with Barbara Stanwyck, Dennis Morgan and Sydney Greenstreet heading the cast, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, December 17, 18, 19.

Tierney portrays an ex-marine, and Miss Jeffreys a secretary who solve a baffling murder after a series of perilous adventures. The cast also includes Lowell Gilmore, George Cleveland and Myrna Dell.

A crescent-J cattle brand plays a vital part in RKO Radio's latest Zane Grey western, "Wanderer of the Wasteland." The brand is the only clue the hero has to the identity of his father's slayer. The title role is essayed by James Warren with Richard Martin and Audrey Long sharing the leading parts with him. Robert Barrat and Robert Clarke have other roles.

Featured with Brown in "Shadows on the Range" is the popular cowboy comedian Raymond Hatton. Jan Bryant, in the leading female part, Jack Perrin, John Merton, Marshall Reed, Steve Clark, Terry Frost, Ted Adams, Pierce Lyden and Cactus Mack.

"Christmas in Connecticut" is hailed as one of the most unique romantic triangles of the screen, telling the rollicking story of one hungry sailor's hilarious week-end liberty and of the beautiful girl he finds in his Christmas stocking.

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Be it ordained by the city commission of the city of Ballinger:

SECTION 1. No person, firm, company, corporation, or association shall cast, throw, or fire any squib, rocket, cracker, firecracker, torpedo, grenade, gun, revolver, pistol, cap, or cartridge, or other combustible fireworks of any kind in the city of Ballinger.

SECTION 2. No person, firm, company, corporation, or association shall exhibit or have in his or her possession, with intent to give away or sell or offer for sale within the city of Ballinger any squib, rocket, cracker, firecracker, torpedo, grenade, or other combustible fireworks of any kind in the city of Ballinger, provided, however, that this section shall not apply to the sale of any such

article or articles by wholesale to merchants conducting business entirely without the city of Ballinger.

SECTION 3. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to apply to the sale, storage, or use of any railroad track torpedoes or other signalling devices used by railroads, nor to the sale, storage, or use of flashlight composition by photographers, or dealers in photographic supplies.

SECTION 4. Any person, firm, corporation, company, or association who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance or suffer or allow the same to be violated shall upon conviction therefor be subject to a fine of not more than one hundred (\$100) dollars.

SECTION 5. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. In view of the fact that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate protection and preservation of the public health, safety, and general welfare, it becomes necessary that this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from after its passage and it is accordingly so ordered.

Passed and approved on this the 4th day of December, 1946. (Seal)

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Mayor
Attest: K. V. Northington
City Secretary

Local Group Will Attend Meeting At Sweetwater

The United States Chamber of Commerce has appointed an agent for this region to help look after important work, according to a memorandum received this week by Jack Rudd, secretary-manager of the Ballinger Board of Community Development. Tom V. Watson has been added to the staff of the Southwestern division of the national chamber.

An area conference on national affairs has been called to meet at Sweetwater Monday, December 16. Mr. Rudd has been asked to attend and to bring a delegation of local business men with him. Ben H. Wooten, vice-president of the Republic National Bank of Dallas, and H. Dodson Lewis, manager of the Southwestern division of the USCC, will both be heard on the program as well as several other important business leaders.

The threat to individual free-

least one carload from here is expected to go to Sweetwater.

HIGH SCHOOL CAGERS TO ABILENE TONIGHT

Coach Wayman Wilson will open the basketball season in Abilene tonight when his local charges are to meet the fast Eagle club. The Abilene quintet is rated one of the fastest teams in this part of the state and the Bearcats are expected to be defeated in their first game of the season.

After the holidays the Bearcats will start regular games which will give local fans an opportunity to see them work before the opening of the regular district season.

COMMISSIONERS APPROVE BUYING ROAD GRADER

The Runnels county commissioners' court was in session Monday to attend to business. During the day the court authorized the purchase of a Gallion road grader for precinct No. 3. Delivery of the new machine will be made in the near future and it will be used on road work in the Wingate area.

Routine business took up most of the day with the approval of bills for payment and other matters coming before the court.

dom and free enterprise is the general theme of the program. Jack Rudd is trying to induce a number of local business men to attend the meeting and at



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They were:
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Margaret Ann Hampton, 99
Betty Sue Cloninger, 99

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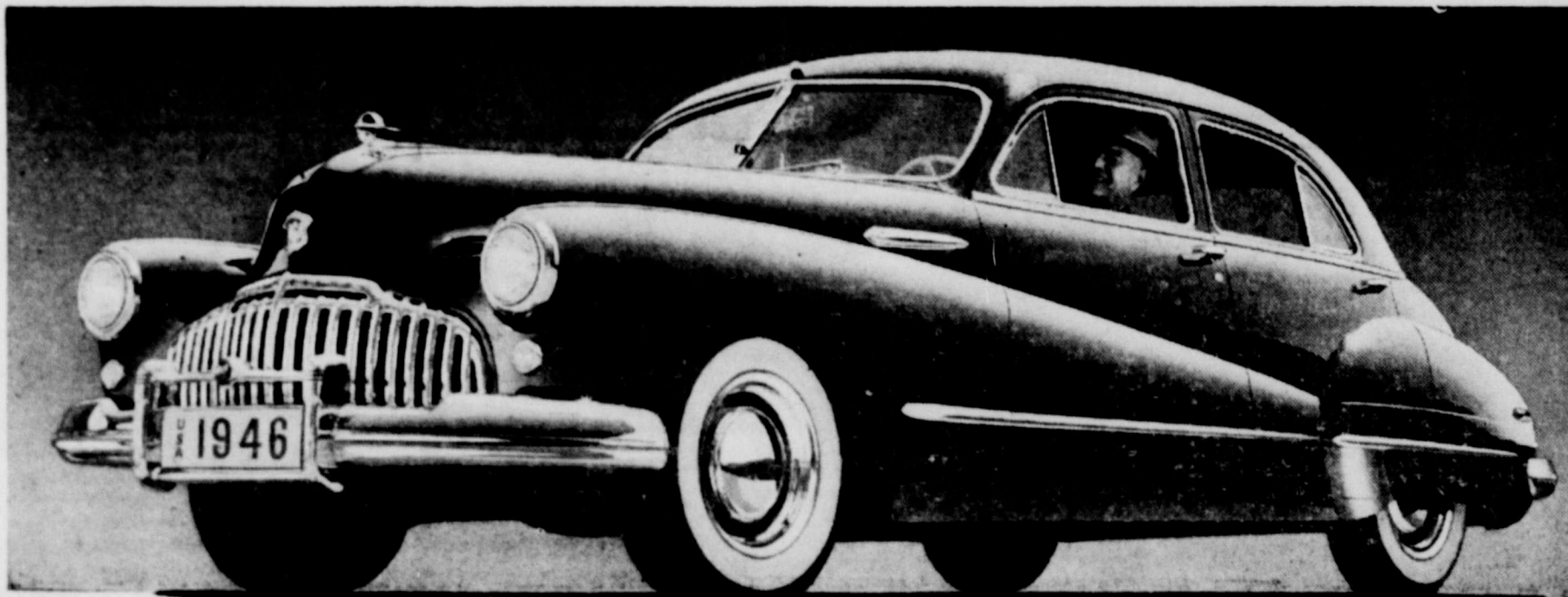
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IN SOCIETY

Miss Lillian Knowles is Hostess to Contract Club

The Contract Club met in the home of Miss Lillian Knowles for its regular evening of games last Thursday.

Party rooms were decorated with yellow and white chrysanthemums and a Christmas scene was featured on the mantle. Assorted candies were served during games, followed by cookies and coffee.

Those present were: Mmes. Lee Parker, George Newby, C. L. Baker, Marie Carter, John Castor, John Barton, Naomi Keithley, Sim Cottelle; Misses Griffie Atkins, Mary Jane Kiechle, Ollie Chenoweth and Pearl Currie.

Judge E. C. Grindstaff Speaks on International Friendship

Judge E. C. Grindstaff was the guest speaker when the Shakespeare Club held its regular meeting in the club room at the library Thursday afternoon.

A large white basket with red autumn leaves and nandina berries decorated the room where Mrs. Loyd Herring, president, conducted the business when the club voted to buy two five dollar tubercular bonds. Mrs. Lela McAdams, club hostess, introduced Mr. Grindstaff, who spoke on International Friendship. In his remarks, Mr. Grindstaff insisted that a "broken world" needs the good that friendship can do.

Others present were: Mmes. E. H. Boelsche, Chester Cherry, S. E. Cloninger, H. Cohen, Sim Cottelle, Elmer Greenwood, J. W. Guynes, W. E. Hall Jr., W. J. Hembree, Estes Lynn, A. J. McDaniel, F. C. Miller, Paul Petty, C. P. Shepherd, Leonard Stallings, and R. T. Williams.

Ballinger Football Team Honored at Country Club Dance

Messrs. and Mmes. H. G. Agnew, Cal Adair, Horace Atinpp, Carl



HOLY CARPET GOES TO MECCA . . . One of the most picturesque of Moslem ceremonies, the departure of the Holy Carpet (see below), took place in Cairo, Egypt, recently. Here is the carpet, loaded on a camel, just before the departure. Every year the Egyptian government sends to Arabia gifts which are to adorn Mecca's shrines. Most important of these is the Holy Carpet, a huge black brocade, embroidered with gold thread which is laid over Ka'aba.



MAE LEAD NEWS . . . Maurice Thomas, head of the Communist party of France, whose party won 164 seats in the national assembly, the largest number of any single party.

enport, Charles Miller, Malcolm Morgan, and Herman Scoggins entertained with a dance at the Country Club Thursday evening, honoring members of the Bearcat football team and their dates.

The club was decorated with the gay colors of Christmas and a miniature snowscene centered the large fireplace. White tapers in low crystal holders were interspersed with pyroantha berries down the center of the long refreshment table laid in linen, where sandwiches and cookies were served with coca colas.

Those present were: Bob Agnew, Betty Lou Batts, Buddy Evans, Salyne McGahey, Gail Childers, Cynthia Tuckey, Edgar Payne, Martha Saunders, Marvin Saunders, Betty Jo Middleton, Skeeter Powers, Arlene Miller, Bill Rogge, Joyce McCorstin, Charles Dankworth, Wanda Crager, Bill Hart, Beverly Barber, H'ie Atinpp, James Read, Charles Miller, Cleo Burks, Walter Hill, Rodney Bakey, Max Hirshfelt, Alton Patterson, Bill Ransbarger, W. E. Wallace, Billy McClelland, Seattle Bell, L. M.

Holden, Joe Ramos, Sonny Dav-enport, Anna Sue Hembree, Junior Currie, Virginia Baker, Gene Scoggins, Dorothy Holliday, Carl Black, Jr., Lillian Ruth Keithley, Johnny Marshall, Grace Ann Bryant, Diz Caskey, Jackie Banks-ton, Billy Jack Middleton, Janie Morrison, Ebb Grindstaff, Nancy Guynes, Jimmy Gressett, Yvonne Forbus, Joe Baker, Peggy Fox, M. J. Cole, Martha Ann James, Charles Mapes, Marilyn Bowden, Duane Carter, and Virginia Cope.

Added guests were Coach and Mrs. Wayman Wilson, Assistant Coach Dillard Adair, Miss Norma Gene Bankston, Messrs. and Mmes. Joe Forester, Ernest Caskey, James E. Garrett, Earl Cope; Miss Katherine Arnold of Winchester, Va., Miss Gwen Morgan and S. M. Jonas.

Miss Gwen Morgan, of Baylor University, Waco, and her roommate, Miss Katherine Arnold, of Winchester, Va., spent the past week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Morgan.

Read the ads and SAVE!

daughter, Pat, left Ballinger last week for Dublin, where they will make their home.

LOCAL FANS WILL ATTEND REGIONAL FOOTBALL GAME

A large number of Ballinger fans are buying tickets for the Munday-Coleman football game to be played at Coleman tomorrow night.

This is the game to decide the championship of region 2A and is expected to attract a capacity crowd. The game is scheduled for 8 p. m. on Hufford Field, Coleman.

Officials of the two schools met at Coleman Sunday and after failing to agree on a site a coin was tossed, Coleman winning, and thereby getting the game. Coleman was also host to DeLeon in the bi-district championship game last Friday night.

Miss Mary Edith Loyd, student in Baylor University, Waco, was at home the past week-end for a visit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Loyd.

Forrest McMillan and M. B. Boggess returned last week from Edwards county, where they had been on their annual deer hunt. The Ballinger men came back with two bucks and also killed some turkey gobblers.

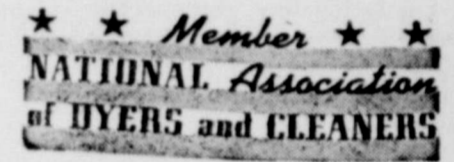
Bill Sykes and J. D. Reneau left Monday for Junction, where they were to attend to business and hunt a few days.

Miss Gwen Morgan, student of Baylor University, Waco, was at home the past week-end for a visit with her parents, Miss Katherine Arnold, also a Baylor student, accompanied her here.

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What's true of the individual farm or ranch is true of any business, small or large. We at Swift & Company well know that we, too, must plan our work and work our plan. Our business inter-

ests are many and varied. Without a plan and good business records, we would be almost certain to run into serious losses because our profit margin is small. But by planning carefully, diversifying and working efficiently, we—like you—hope to increase our earnings in the future.



To all our friends on America's farms and ranches, we at Swift & Company wish
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John Holmes, President

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by L. S. Hardin, Purdue University
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What these farmers are doing, others can do, too. Know just what you want to accomplish. Figure out how to do a job the easiest, cheapest and best way. Cut out those unnecessary steps, combine jobs, rearrange barns and lots, work out more convenient chore routes, keep equipment busy, choose new equipment that suits your farm. Give new practices a fair trial.

You'll find the easy way is the best way. Small improvements add up to days and dollars saved. Five minutes wasted a day equals 3 days a year; 5 steps a day amounts to a mile a year. With costs rising and profit margins due to shrink, we can well afford to take time to save time.

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FOR SALE—2 1/2 H.P. air cooled gasoline engine. Can be seen at Ballinger Truck and Tractor Co. M. Clark. 12-21-*

FOR SALE—Three wheel Cushman motor scooter with delivery body, good condition. See Oscar Braden, Ballinger Radio Service. 12-1f

FOR SALE—Reg. 6 yr. old Jersey, classified "Good Plus." M.E. 563 lbs. at 3 yrs. 8 mo., has heifer calf SHAPER 4th stred by Shelton Bros. Windmoor bull. Price \$225.00. Ten (10) mo. old heifer, reg. applied for, from above cow. Price \$100.00. W. J. Cadenhead, 704 Third, Brownwood, Texas. 11

FOR SALE—Six room house and bath, to be moved. K. V. Northington. 11-*

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FOR SALE—F-12 Farmall Good condition. R. E. Lee, Star Route, Norton, Texas. 12-21-*

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WANTED—Three quarter size brown iron bedstead with springs. Mrs. J. Stubbiefield. Call 552. 5-21

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FOR SALE—Complete welding equipment for shop. Large gas generator and G. E. 250 amp electric welder, 220 volts 2 wire. See mechanic at Price Motor Co. 15-*

FOR SALE—Three out buildings, good lumber, with about 1,400 square feet of galvanized sheet iron. Also cord wood and row binder. R. H. (Ted) Herring, six miles north of Miles, Texas. 11-*

FOR SALE—Radio and wind-charger, four burner Perfection cook stove, one heater, china cabinet, Coleman gas iron, table, DeLaval cream separator, brooder, stalk cutter, wagon, two linoleum rugs. R. E. Patterson, Ballinger Rt. 1. 12-15-*

LOST—Blue slip-over man's sweater. Either on Ballinger streets or left in car when getting cotton samples from customer's car in street. Reward. O. K. Jacob, Zappe Bldg. Ballinger. 12-11-*

I still have a few boxes of nice Christmas Cards, and Christmas Notes. Call Mrs. R. E. White, telephone 349. 12-11

FOR SALE—One John Deere one-row cultivator, one John Deere two-row cultivator, one two-Avery planter, one John Deere double disc and one big middle buster. Frank Mikeška, Rt. 1, Box 36, Paint Rock. 12-4f-*

FOR SALE—Six ft. Household refrigerator, good condition. Call 118. 12-25-*

WANTED—FARM to rent or lease. Have own tractor and implements. Anton Knoff, Route 2, Box 706, San Angelo, Texas. 12-21-*

Posted
 My place one mile south of Ballinger on Paint Rock Highway, known as Willingham place. Violators will be subject to prosecution. Vern Kendrick. 14-4f-*

FOR SALE—Farmall regular tractor and two row equipment. Good tires, in good condition. Roy L. Hill. 11

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Concrete blocking machine. Phone 727. 12-11

FOR SALE—Barbecue, sausage and drinks. George Roberts, South Broadway. 11-*

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PATTERSON'S SHOP

Wanted General Hauling Phone 603

FOR SALE—150 acres, good water, REA, sheep proof fence, 95 acres in cultivation, fair improvements. R. C. Haverland, 3 1/2 miles west of Lowake. 5-31-*

FOR SALE—Bundled hegarit with grain, 8c per bundle. Henry Klaus, 10 miles northwest of Ballinger. 5-21-*

FOR SALE—House and one acre of ground, 1 1/2 miles out on Winters highway. J. Blair. 5-31-*

FOR SALE—Eight disc one way. R. C. Good, Norton. 5-31-*

6 rooms and bath, large corner lot on 8th Street.
 6 room frame, redecorated inside, large lot, double garage.
 6 room frame, basement, insulation in ceiling and walls. Venetian blinds, floor furnaces, located on corner lot on paved street, one block from schools.

New 6 rooms and bath built of selected seasoned materials, hardwood floors, located on large corner lot on paved street.
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 8 room duplex, 2 baths, 2 garages, conveniently located for schools on paved street.
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Apartment for rent. Mrs. Emma Courvader, 501 Hutchings Avenue, Ballinger, Texas. 11-*

FOR SALE by owner—6 room house, new roof, hardwood floors, new barn, double garage, small acreage, 1609 16th. Phone 620. 11-*

FOR SALE—36 Ford, new 42 90 H.P. motor, new rear end and front wheel bushing. 37 Willys good motor. Phone 63 or 637. 11-*

FOR SALE—Used six column full keyboard Victor adding machine, late model, excellent condition, perfect for grocery store. Ben Franklin Store. 11

WANTED—Typist, apply T. Whitehead, Tailbott Bldg. 11

WANTED—Three-quarter or one inch galvanized pipe. Need up to 1200 ft. new or used. Grady Richards, Rt. 1, Ballinger. 11-*

FOR RENT—Bedroom, private bath and garage. Phone 1306. 11

FOR SALE—One sow, will pig in about three weeks. S. B. Houston, Hillcrest Addition. 11-*

FOR SALE—One round dining table and buffet. 906 Ninth St. 12-11-*

FOR RENT—Nice front bed room, with private entrance, close in. Prefer working girl or boy. Telephone 1285. 11-*

FOR RENT—One or two room apartment. 701 Twelfth. 11-*

FOR SALE—Clean '35 Chevrolet coupe. New tires. 701 Twelfth. 12-11-*

HELP WANTED—For housework. Write Mrs. J. H. Young, Maverick, Texas. 11-*

Hand embroidered infant dresses for sale. Mrs. M. G. Justice, 203 Eighth Street. 12-21-*

Yard dirt for sale. Wm. Goetz, house behind Evergreen Cemetery. 15-*

Just right for your milk room or wash house, small kerosene hot water heater. See ad No. 103. 11

Ad No. 103
 Expert repair service on windmills and water pumps. We build windmill towers. Welding service for your convenience. Veteran owned and operated.

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SUBURBAN PROPERTY
 New 4 room house with lights and water, 25 acres land, \$5,000.00.
 6 room frame, hardwood floors, lights, water and gas, 10 acres land, \$7,000.00.
 5 rooms and bath, lights, water and gas, 1 1/2 acres land, \$4,250.00

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FOR SALE—Four piece walnut bedroom suite, poster bed style. Downey Simpson, 1 1/2 miles on San Angelo Highway. 11-*

FOR SALE—Baby push cart in front of Sides Welding shop. South 7th Street. 11-*

FOR SALE:
 4 rooms and bath, new, on pavement. Terms.
 6 rooms and bath near schools.
 5 rooms and bath, 2 lots, \$3500.
 250 acres, 150 field, \$65.00.
 900 acres, good little ranch.
 8 rooms and bath, close in, \$6500.
 Large ranch.
 A. M. KING 11

LOST—Spin pin with name "Francis" Return to Ledger office or Mrs. H. J. Zappe and receive reward. 12-11

FOR SALE—Tested Comanche seed wheat seed and tested Victorsrain combine oats seed. Call 146 or see H. J. Zappe. 11

For Sale
 Haul sand and gravel anywhere. Call 162. Also do other hauling. Mailing address Rt. 2, Ballinger, Texas. Sam Drummond. 11-1f

625 acres, 100 acres in farm, well improved, sheep fence, cross fence, permanent water. 247 acre stock farm, close to town, on all weather road. This will make a fine home.
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Society
 Civic-Garden Club Has Christmas Program

Mrs. Chester Cherry conducted the business when the Civic-Garden Club met for the Christmas program at the City Hall auditorium Tuesday afternoon. The civic chairman gave a library report, and Mrs. Cherry urged members to sign cards for the home and yard decoration contest which the club is sponsoring.

Mrs. James A. Wear introduced the program which consisted of "Christmas Customs in Other Lands," by Mrs. J. Dexter Eoff; and "Tree Decorations with Personality," by Mrs. E. H. Boelsche. Mrs. Charles F. Bailey gave a Christmas reading.

A seasonal arrangement of nandina berries, peppers and foliage was displayed by Mrs. Cherry. Twelve members were in attendance.
Gift Tea Compliments Miss Mary Ruth Duke
 Miss Mary Ruth Duke, bride-elect of Eugene Loika, was paid a pretty compliment Tuesday afternoon when Misses Eloise Dankworth, Dorothy Miller, Billy June Walker, Mabel Loika, and Mrs. Ray Tisdale were hostesses at a beautifully-appointed gift tea in the home of Mrs. J. E. Dankworth on Broadway, including over a hundred friends of the honoree.

The Christmas theme was given attractive emphasis in all details with potted poinsettias and arrangements of red and white fall flowers being used to decorate the entire reception suite where Miss Dankworth extended formal welcome and presented Miss Duke and her mother, Mrs. David Duke, Mrs. L. F. Loika, mother of the bridegroom-to-be, and Miss Mabel Loika.

The dining table which was laid in lace, was centered with a reflected arrangement of red and white carnations. Tall white tapered candles in two-branch crystal candelabra. Mrs. Lloyd Johnson and Mrs. C. J. Robinson presided at the silver service and Mrs. Andrew Block, Misses Miller, Walker and Pat Caudie served a sandwich plate with cake squares and mints.

Mrs. Ray Tisdale registered guests in the bride's book. A musical program was given by Mrs. Alex Saunders and Pat Caudie, pianists, Miss Carmen Demmer, violinist, Mrs. Alex McGregor played accompaniments.

St. Mary's Altar Society Has Christmas Program

Mrs. Chester Afflerbach was hostess to the Altar Society of St. Mary's Catholic Church Tuesday afternoon in her Sixth Street home.

Party rooms were decorated with pretty Christmas tree and other festive Yule symbols where Mrs. Walter Mueller presided for the business routine and plans were made for the Christmas altar decorations. The society presented a gift to Rev. Edward Postler.

A program was presented and Christmas poems were read by Mrs. Chester Afflerbach, Mrs. Willie Joe Mapes and Mrs. W. J. Curtis.

The hostesses served a sandwich plate with fruitcake, candies and coffee. Others present were Misses L. Afflerbach, John Kohutek, Tom Egan, Sr., Edward Moonen, John Zak, Ignac Krc, V. O. Wade, and Louis Droll.

Conquest Class Has Christmas Party in Teague Home
 Mrs. G. P. Teague, Misses Eva, Maggie and Eunice Lilly were hostesses to the Eighth Street Presbyterian Conquest Class Tuesday evening in the Teague home on Eighth Street.

Party rooms were festive with Christmas decorations, including the glow of candles and greenery, where a turkey dinner menu was served at foursome tables.
 Following the dinner Mrs. Harper McFarland presided at the business, and Mrs. Ola McMillan gave the opening prayer, and Mrs.

R. W. Baike the devotional. Gifts were exchanged at the beautifully lighted tree, and Christmas carols were sung by the group with Mrs. E. S. Malone at the piano.

Others were: Misses Jones Taylor, Paul Petty, W. A. Inman, Carroll Bell, John Reese, David Murray, C. J. Jennings, Rufus Allen, B. H. Erwin, K. Kevil, Roy Hill, A. H. Wiesepape, Hub Dean, and Aurelia Webb.

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Blackberries Clarksville No. 2 Can 29¢	Hamburger fresh Ground lb. 29¢	STEW MEAT Beef Short Ribs lb. 27¢	SIRLOIN STEAK Grade A Veal lb. 49¢
Apricots Highway Halves No. 2 1/2 Can 30¢	Veal Roast Shoulder Cut Grade A lb. 33¢	T-Bone Steak lb. 49¢	Pork Roast Lile or Rib End lb. 49¢
Fruit Juice Town House Grapefruit No. 2 Can 10¢	Cheese American or Cheddar lb. 59¢	Pork Chops Center lb. 55¢	Sausage Pure Pork lb. 49¢
Blended Juice Orange Grapefruit 2 No. 2 Cans 25¢	Pork Roast Lile or Rib End lb. 49¢	Sausage Pure Pork lb. 49¢	Dry Salt Bacon No. 1 Clear lb. 53¢
Orange Juice Full O'Gold 2 No. 2 Cans 25¢	Pork Chops Center lb. 55¢	Dry Salt Bacon No. 1 Clear lb. 53¢	Lunch Meat Canned lb. 43¢
Blackeye Peas Fresh Luce No. 2 Can 20¢	Sausage Pure Pork lb. 49¢	Lunch Meat Canned lb. 43¢	Spiced Luncheon lb. 59¢
Dill Pickles or Sour Magic Nips 24-Oz. Jar 19¢	Dill Pickles or Sour Magic Nips 24-Oz. Jar 19¢	Preserves Colonial Strawberry 14-Oz. Jar 67¢	Cherries Red, Sour No. 2 Can 37¢
Walnuts Emerald California Pack 1-Lb. Pkg. 49¢	Airway Coffee 1-Lb. Pkg. 35¢	Stuffed Olives Red Circle 6-Oz. Jar 60¢	Cigarettes Premier Brands Cir. \$1.69
Admiration coffee 1-Lb. Can 47¢	Nob Hill Coffee 1-Lb. Pkg. 38¢	Corn Meal Mammy Luce, Yellow 5-Lb. Bag 35¢	Pumpkin Mean Bean No. 2 1/2 Can 19¢
Cherub Milk 1-Lb. Can 13¢	Baby Food Clapp's Strained 8-Oz. Can 7¢	Glace Fruit Mixed Diced 8-Oz. Jar 29¢	Minced Meat Lady Betty 1-Lb. Jar 49¢
Green Beans Garden-side Cut No. 2 Can 15¢	Spinach Garden-side Standard No. 2 Can 12¢	Peas Garden-side Early June No. 2 Can 15¢	Cheese Swiss Emmentaler 8-Oz. Jar 23¢
Crackers Sunshine Krispy 8-Oz. Pkg. 14¢	Crackers Sunshine Krispy 8-Oz. Pkg. 14¢	Walnuts Emerald California Pack 1-Lb. Pkg. 49¢	Airway Coffee 1-Lb. Pkg. 35¢
Potatoes Idaho Russets Fine for Frying or Baking 10 Mesh Bag 39¢	Red Potatoes Idaho Triumphs 10 Mesh Bag 39¢	Red Apples Washington Rome Beauty or Winesaps 10-Lb. Bag 47¢	Calavos California Large 24 Size Each 25¢
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