The Enterprise Christmas Edition Next Weeek — Get Your Copy Ready for Holiday Greetings

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BALLINGER'S GRAND CHRISTMAS PARADE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1939-EVERYBODY INVITED

HINT FOR CHRISTMAS

(The lines below were sent to The Enterprise by a lady from another town who is "Seventy-Six," giving us the permission to print them, but would not let us use her name. At least, they are very suggestive as the happy Christmas-tide is now here.) Shopping around for Christmas, Wondering just what you will give, Here's a gift for your old folks, They'll prize as long as they live; They may have things for comfort-Good food-and things of that kind-Yet their heart may be hungry For food that they do not find.

Days they were busy working, For some are gone past recall; Those that have soured some natures, But they have not soured them ALL! So, here's the gift for old folks, That I am naming right here: Praise words, smiles and some kisses Scattered along thru' the year.

For old folks like some loving, The same as when they were young, Their hearts still beat to music When love's old sweet song is sung!-So writes one "Seventy-Sixer"-(Little use to sign my name) -Who has this gift, and wishes That more old folks had the same.

-Seventy-Six.

Sammie Lee Good, Edith Eld-

ridge, Ruby Dell Eldridge, Cor-

At a business session a party

-De Lois Sims, reporter.

G. A.'s MEET

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die B. Hudman, and Vanna Ruth The GA'S met December 11, Caperton. 1939. The following were present: Jo Ann Gregg, DeLois Sims, was planned and two new mem-Maurine Bell, Mary Beth Cum- bers, Maurine Bell. and Ida Lou bie, Bollbie Jean Forman, Ruth Modgling were added. Stevens, Jo Marie Chumley,

Ballinger's Grand Christmas Parade, Saturday

No community the editor has visited this week has more of the reminders of Christmas, its happy spirit and good cheer, than we found at Ballinger.

And there is a reason for the Christmas spirit of Ballinger, for next Saturday, December 16, is the day the town with all its citizenry, has set aside in which to inaugurate the Christmas holiday season in a most elaborate and magnificent way.

A grand Christmas parade, with many attractive and pleasing features will be the program of the day. Among the features will be:

Kiddies decorated in the spirit of Christmas, riding decorated toys, competing for cash prizes. At the close of the parade a young lady will be selected as Miss Merry Christmas of West Texas. The winner will get a \$15 cash prize.

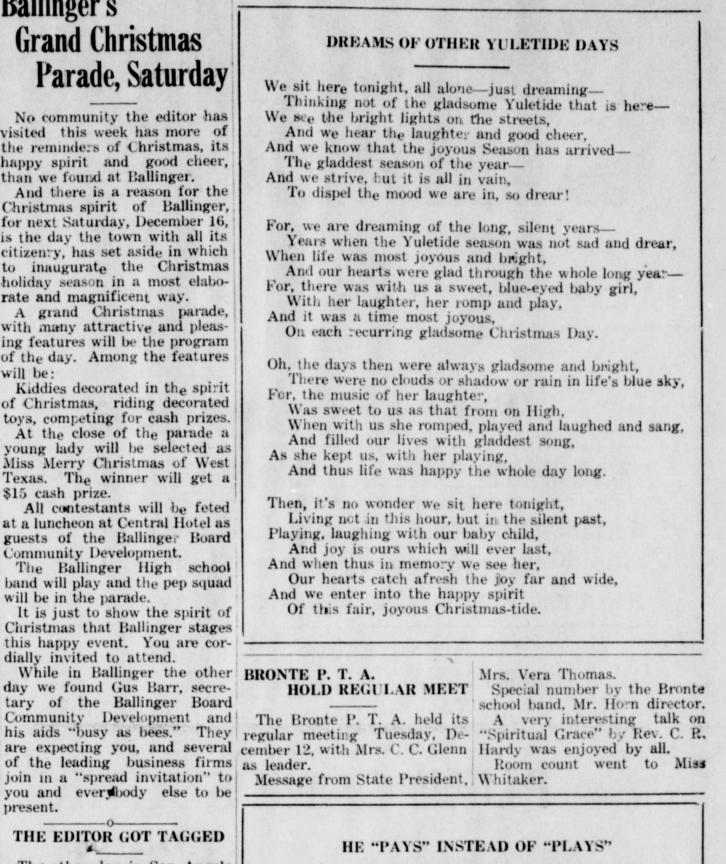
All contestants will be feted at a luncheon at Central Hotel as guests of the Ballinger Board Community Development.

The Ballinger High school band will play and the pep squad will be in the parade.

It is just to show the spirit of Christmas that Ballinger stages this happy event. You are cordially invited to attend.

While in Ballinger the other BRONTE P. T. A. day we found Gus Barr, secretary of the Ballinger Board of the leading business firms as leader. join in a "spread invitation" to you and everybody else to be present.

THE EDITOR GOT TAGGED



A LETTER FROM REV. W. E. ANDERSON

We are in receipt of the letter below from our dear, good friend, Rev. W. E. Anderson. And, though it is a personal letter, yet we take the privilege of printing it, as he refers to some of his Bronte friends in the letter. Then, too, Rev. Anderson's hosts of friends all over this part of West Texas, will appreciate reading the letter:

> Desdemona, Texas December 7, 1939

Rev. D. M. West Bronte, Texas.

My Dear Friend and Brother West:

The Bronte Enterprise of last week's issue came to hand and brought back memories precious of years gone by. But the lines which heartened us most, were the lines and words of tribute to the memory of my dear sainted wife. Words are too inadequate to express my thoughts and feelings for the beautiful tribute you gave in your paper.

My wife had been in poor health for several years, as you know, but amid it all, she was faithful and hopeful. We had tried to give her the best of care and she had reached a point to where we thought that she had passed the danger line. But like a thunder bolt out of a clear sky, the end came without a pain or struggle-she quietly went to sleep to awake in a greater realm of God's Eternal light and love.

We shall never forget the Bronte people, their patience, love and tenderness toward us. God has been good to us, for, we have had the privilege of living among some of the best people on earth.

At the funeral services the other day when I saw that fine group of faithful men and women come in from Bronte, there came into my broken-hearted life, a new joy-a joy of the realization that hundreds of miles and years do not break friendships.

I did intend to visit Bronte on our return home, but Clauda Mae and her fine babe had begun to wear with the trip. We had gone to McCamey and to Seagraves. However, I hope to be able to visit Bronte sometime this conference year. My children join me in love and appreciation of you and all the Bronte people. Pray for us-we need your prayers.

Sincerely, Your Friend and Brother,

W. E. Anderson.

The other day in San Angelo the editor parked his car, as we thought in an unrestrictel zone. and left our "wreck," feeling comfortable in the fact that we would not have to move to avoid violating the time parking ordinance of that city. But, we did not look close enough-we overlooked that we had parked in a safety zone.

When we returned to get our car, imagine "the heart palpitation" we had when we saw hanging on the door knob of our car a green tag-for, that meant "goodbye, Santa" to us, as it would take all the amount we har set apart with which to "play Santa" with ourselves and buy us a pair of red hose.

But, behold when we read the card as follows:

To Our Visitors

You have violated our Safety Zone Parking Ordinance, but we realize that you are a Visitor and are not familiar with our Traffic Rules. It will not be necessary for you to appear at the City Hall.

We appreciate your presence in our City and request your cooperation in the future.

Feel free to call upon our Officers at any time.

City Of San Angelo.

Believe us, neighbors, when we read that card, we could have "hugged," not only that particular officer but the entire police force of San Angelo. And since they so cordially invite us back, we are going every time we want to, just as if nothing had happened, and we will not hold a thing against them. And we do hope old Santa will be good to the police force of San Angelo and the one above in particular and supply him with a sufficient

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Last week we carried a little item of fact in jocular vein to the effect that Jack Caudle of Hale Center "played Santa" with us by sending us \$5 on subscription-then, also, half jocularly and half seriously we suggested that it would be a fine way for hundreds of our subscribers to "treat us" for the glad Christmas-tide.

B. E. Sanders, an erstwhile Bronte boy of the yesteryears, who has gone out and made good, now of Henderson, took our "kind remarks" to heart, as the following letter indicates:

> Henderson, Texas December 12, 1939.

D. M. West, Publisher & Mgr., Bronte Enterprise, Bronte, Texas.

Dear Mr. West:

I think I am a little late in renewing my subscription to the "Enterprise" you are conducting quite admirably. If the date is on the wrapper, it is usually gone before I see it, other members of the family getting the "first reading."

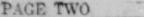
Still I do not want you to feel that I needed the "reminder" that you put in your "Play Santa" notice last week. And to convince you, I am not only paying my subscription "up to date," but in advance for the balance of the year, Am enclosing \$1.00.

Nor do I want you to consider me as trying to "play Santa Claus," for he brings "gifts," and I am merely paying what I owe you for the satisfaction your paper brings into our home.

My real Christmas reminder will have to be the message I send you herewith: May the gifts from the "giver of all good gifts" be yours now, and continue to come to you throughout the New Year-1940.

> Very Sincerely, B. E. Sanlers.

Thanks to you, "B. E.." and anyhow even if you do "pay" instead of "play," it is perfectly all right with us-for, the big idea right now is to get the money, so we can have grounds to feel that our readers have not forgotten us this glad season. May, Santa be generous to you and yours.



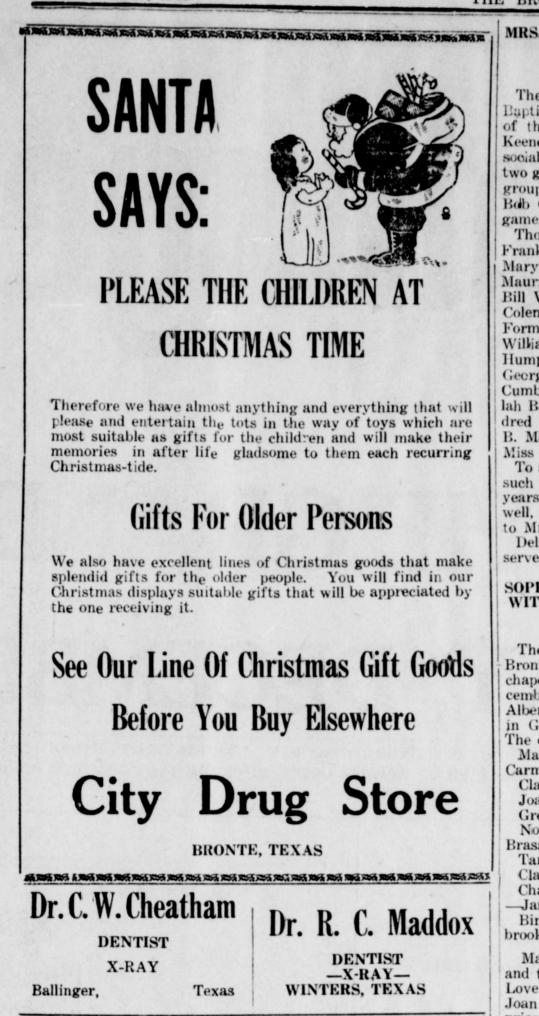
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25 pounds	\$1.25	* 10 pounds	50c
One Lot Ladies ALLEN A HOSE 1.00 value Close Out 49c	DOUBLE BLANKETS 66 x 76 size	One Lot 80 SQUARE PRINT Best Grade Per yd 14c	81 inch BROWN SHEETING Per yd 17c
CANNON TOWELS 20 x 40 size Each 14c	Hearts Delight MELBA PEACHES 2 1-2 size 15c	Men's Suede Unlined LEATHER JACKETS 3.75	MEN'S CAPE SKIN LEATHER COATS \$7.95 VALUE 6.65 \$9.95 VALUE 7.95 \$10.95 VALUE 8.95
Practical Gift Goods: SI GVEN WARE, and othe Reduced Prices.	HEET SETS BATH ROBES, er Suitable Items at	JUSTIN BOOTS and . 20 per cen	
CAKE FLOUR 48 Lb. sack 1.29	MEN'S SHOES Scout Type pair 1.59	MEN'S HATS made by a branch of the Stetson Co. Big assortment 2.45	Leatherette JACKETS Men's 1.50 Boy's 75c to 1.00
		COMPANY	See our show windows

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MRS. KEENEY IS HOSTESS TO THE

two groups. Mrs. J. B. Mackey's group entertained that of Mrs. Bdb Coleman's group. Various

Frank Keeney, Mary Kinney, Mary B. Wilson, Mac Rippetoe, Maurice Kennedy, Chas. Bake", Bill Wrinkle, Homer Good, Bob Coleman, Louise Spruell, Vera Forman, Chester Harwell, Roe Williams, Bill Johnson, Hazel George Wilkins, Ronald Walton, Cumbie Ivey, Flora Smith, Beu-

served.

Tarzan-Randal Meador. James Vaughn. Bing Crosby-Julian West-

Mary and Eleanor are broke and they want to see "Live and Love" starring Clark Gable and Joan Bennett. They are sur-prised when the movie stars mentioned above, come into their tea room and order something to eat. de



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SATURDAY, DECEMBER

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BALLINGER WANTS YOU TO COME AND JOIN IN THE HAPPY FES TIVITIES OF THE DAY. SEE THE GRAND PARADE AND THE COMIC CH THE "KIDDIES" AND LET THE CHILDREN GET THE THRILL THAT ALWAYS COMES AT CHRISTMAS TIME. THE FOLLOWING BUSINES ALSO IN THEIR PLACES OF BUSINESS:

A Day of Real Christmas Fun and Good Cheer Awaits all Who come to Ballinger Saturday, December 16 COME-SEE THE PARADE, BRING THE "KID DIES" AND LETS ALL HAVE A GOOD TIME. Ballinger Welcomes You THROUGH ITS Board Of Community

A MERRY CHRIS PROSPEROUS NEW Make Your Gifts Visit us-you are Alway West Texas

Development

SINCE 1886

It has been the privilege and the pleasure of

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

To

Welcome people of this part of West Texas to Ballinger each recurring Christmas. So, friends, it is with genuine pleasure we bid you

WELCOME

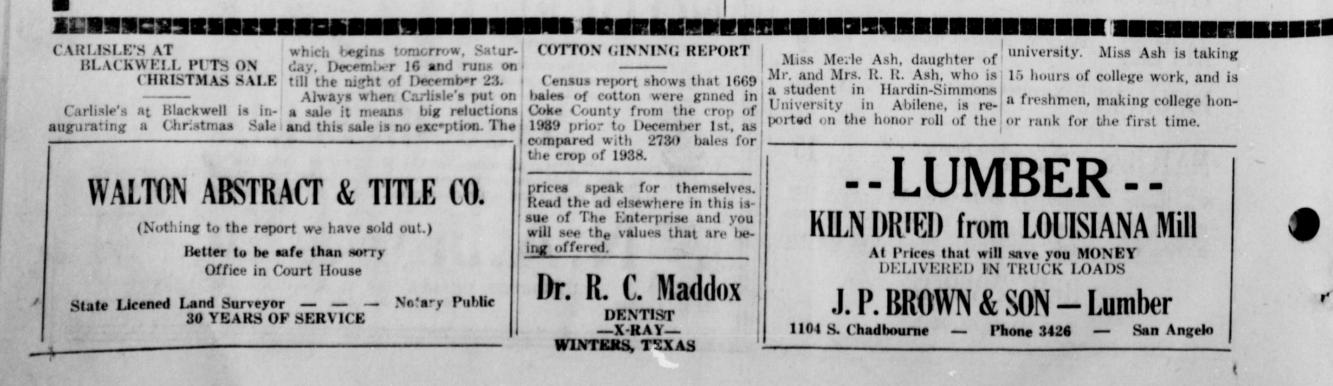
Come to the Grand Christmas Parade

Have a good time and enjoy the glorious Christmas-tide. We join Ballinger in a hearty Welcome

See Our Used Car Bargains

Take advantage of your visit to Ballinger to visit us and see both our new and used cars. We have some real bargains in used cars.

HOLT MOTOR COMPANY



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TO COME TO CHRISTMAS PARADE R 16, 1939, AT 4:00 P. M.

E COM IC CHARACTERS — HEAR THE BANDS PLAY; CATCH THE HAPPY SPIRIT OF THE GLAD CHRISTMAS-TIDE. BRING THE WIFE AND MG BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL FIRMS AND INDIVIDUALS EXTEND YOU A WELCOME NOT ONLY TO BALLINGER, BUT TO VISIT THEM

Y CHRISTMAS US NEW YEAR ar Gifts Electrical are Always Welcome

Gifts for Everybody:

We hope you are coming to Ballinger Satur day to the Grand Christmas Parade, for it will give you an opportunity to visit us and see the wonderful lines of Christmas Gift goods we have.

SUBSTANTIAL GIFTS

In our substantial gift lines we have clothes for both men and women and children; Ties, Hose, Shirts Handkerchiefs for the men. Longerie, Purses, Handkerchiefs, Hose for the adies. FOR THE CHILDREN

In Our Toy Department WE HAVE EVERYTHING that will Please the Children.

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C. C. Davis Dry Goods Co.

COME, FOLKS, COME To

The Grand Christmas Parade

There is going to be fun and plenty of it-then, it is the gladsome Christmas-tide you know.

BRING US YOUR CLOTHES And we will clean and press them and get them back to you for Christmas Day wear.

VISIT US While here—we are always glad to see you.

ATNIPP'S DRY CLEANERS

Modern Dry Cleaning Plant

COME TO THE Christmas Parade

The parade will not be till 4 o'clock—so you will have time to attend a good show before the parade. We have a wonderful program for Saturday

"BOYS TOWN"

- Greatest Heart Drama of the Age -Featuring-SPENCER TRACY and MICKEY ROONEY

RITZ THEATRE

Admission-10 and 15c

Bronte school board and their COKE COUNTY COUNCIL HOMEMAKING II CLASS HAVE MEETING TO ENTERTAIN, TONIGHT wives along with principal Mul-**Big Reduction Sale** lins and wife and superintendent The Homemaking II class is Covey, at six o'clock this even-The Coke County Council met entertaining the members of the ing. (Friday). Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m., with the Bronte P. T. A. as Mrs. Houston Smith EVERYTHING IN hostess. presided. Mrs. Womack, 6th District President brought a very interesting talk. For Building Purposes Other speakers were Mr. Nail, GOLD SEAL CONGOLEUM RUGS AND LINOELEUM Supt. of Christoval schools: Mr. Folks, this is your opportunity to save on any of Pinenell, Supt. of the Veribest And at prices that will be to your interest to buy from us. your needs in your home. See Us For Estimates and Prices Before You Buy school. C. R. FOX & COMPANY The Coke Council was invited TEXAS TRADING COMPANY to attend Spring Tri-County Council at Lakeview in April. 109-111 North Chadbourne Refreshments were served to 1007 North Chadbourne San Angelo TEXAS SAN ANGELO, 24 guests.

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White Hat Sale Represented By 17 Different States

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Miller

and daughter of Fritz, visited

relatives in Blackwell and Bronte

Word was received that Mrs.

Dwight Gray of Deming, New

Mexico, is in a hospital at El

Paso. The last report she was doing nicely. She is a daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. Pan Vest of

"Christmas gift," you say?

Burwick is doing nicely.

50 guests.

well this week.

were represented.

last week-end.

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HOLIDAY

EXCURSION



LOW ROUND-TRIP COACH FARES

То

ALL POINTS IN TEXAS AND LOUISIANA

One and one-third of the one-way coach fare for the roundtrip-approximately 1 1-3 cents per mile.

Tickets on sale December 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, 1939, limited January 8, 1940.

For complete details-

Call_ H. O. Whitt, Agent, Bronte, Texas

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Or write_ Elmer B. Jihnson, General Passenger Agent, Amarillo, Texas

BLACKWELL NEWS Clarence Rogers of the Hylton Blackwell. club; Mrs. Jodie Van Zandt, Mrs.

By Mrs. Chas. Ragsdale

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Hargrave of Richfield, Utah visited Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hargrave Sr.

Home Demonstration Club Has All Day Meeting

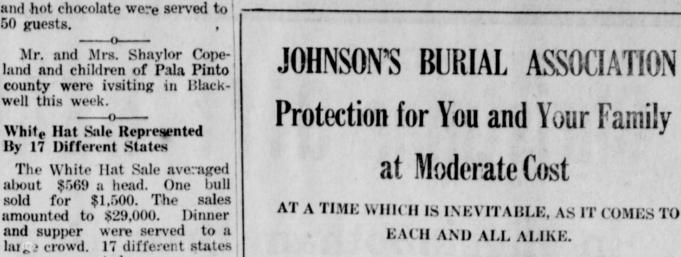
The Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Arnold Richards December 6. An all day meeting was held and a covered luncheon was served at noon. A mattress was made. Those present were Mrs. Clint League entertained the Leagues Watts, Miss Thelma Kinard, of Sweetwater district last Tues-Mrs. Joe Dunman and Mrs. day night. Delfoious sandwiches

Mrs. Mack Keating, of the Decker club; Mrs. A. J. McLendon Jr., Mrs. Ollie Johnson, Mrs. Berry Smith, Mrs. R. L. Mc-Farland, Mrs. Robert Lanier, Fine !- just pay your subscrip-Ms. Roy Sanderson, Mrs. Chas. Ragsdale, and Mrs. L. P. Alderman of Blackwell club; Miss Vicerena Stenson and Miss Katherine Lightfoot of Sweetwater.

Mack Sliger, Mrs. Jr. Alderman,

The Methodist Epworth





MR. C. W. LUTTRELL Licensed Agent at Bronte

We are pleased to announce that C. W. Luttrell of Bronte

is our authorized agent in and around Bronte. Any courtesies shown Mr. Luttrell will be appreciated

by us.

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Mrs. Mae Wilkins has returned friends will be gad to know.

Constipated? "Sold At All Drug Stores"



home after some three months Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burwick in Abilene, where she was with have returned from Temple. Mr. her sister, Mrs. Cova Collier, who fell in the summer and injured herself. Mrs. Collier is much improved now, which her

WE TAKE THIS WAY OF ANNOUNCING THAT WE HAVE INSTALLED AN ELECTRIC WELDING DE-PARTMENT IN OUR CAR REPAIR SHOP.

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Latest Equipment

We have the Very Latest Welding Equipment, both electric and gas welding-and we know how. So, you need not leave Bronte to get first-class welding service of any kind-no job too small; no job too large.

We will appreciate an opportunity to figure with you on any kind of welding you may need.

Our Prices Are Reasonable

We Buy Bones and Metal of all kinds-See us before you sell

Panhandle Garage

H. C. WOMACK, Manager

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Christmas Gift HEADQUARTERS

In Higginbotham Bros. Dept. Store--Ballinger

1001 - And More Different Gifts from which to select -

Here you get Gifts-Useful Gifts for all the family ... **Everything to Be Found in a First-Class Department Store** Cur Christmas prices are Attractive-Be Sure To See Us for your Gift Purchases.

Higginbotham Bros. & Company

BALLINGER, TEXAS

S. E. ADAMS REAL ESTATE ABSTRACTS TITLE INSURANCE

FHA LOANS buy, build, refinance

FIRE AND HAZARD INSURANCE

FLEETWOODS Eczema Lotion

A positive cure for Eczema, Athlete's Foot or Skin Irritations. Doctors recommend it. Satisfaction guaranteed or money back.

R. E. FLEETWOOD, Manufacturing Pharmacist

Roosevelt Drug Co.

EXAS THEATRE BRONTE, TEXAS Motion Pictures Are Your Best Entertainment -Air Conditioned-

Friday and Saturday 15-16 Lane Sisters and John Garfield _in_ 'DAUGHTERS COURAGEOUS'

Comedy-News Extra-March Of Time Friday Only

Tuesday Dec. 19 The Answer to Dictators threats "THE FIGHT FOR PEACE"

> ALAMO THEATRE Robert Lee

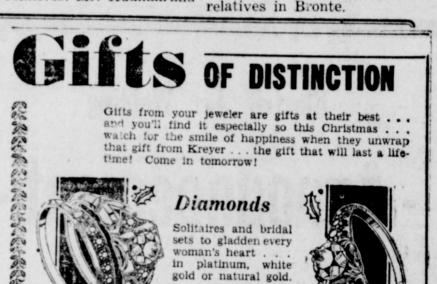
Friday and Saturday 15-16 "WIZARD OF OZ"

Sunday and Monday

city who does not intend to vio- the "kiddies" are trying batchlate the traffic laws. ing.

Mrs. F. C. Hudman has gone to with relatives. Mr. Hudman and ter a visit of some days with

Vern Hudman and family of Mineral Wells to spend a time Caddo returned home Sunday af-



Lessons On Thrfit

THE WISE WILL PREPARE

He who is wise will always prepare For rough, stormy weather, when weather is fair. The man who puts off till some other day, What he should do now, will find it won't pay. Now is the time for you to engage In saving for sickness, bad luck and old age. Don't get the impression you'll always do well, For the future nobody is able to tell. The First National Bank has found the best way Is: when the sun shines, keep making hay.

> THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK L. T. YOUNGBLOOD, President

HOW ABOUT IT?

If your home is not paid for, or there is a mrtgage, what will the wife do about it if anything happens to you? Let a Sweetwater Mutual Policy do it.

PERFECT PROTECTION AT LOW COST!

W. F. Davis, Asst. Sec. SWEETWATER LOCAL MUTUAL LIFE ASSOCIATION GOOD GIRLS GO TO PARIS Wednesday Dec. 20 "FIGHT SOR PEACE"

INSTALLS LATEST WELDING EQUIPMENT

Another new business for Bronte is that of an electric and gas welding department that H. C. Womack has added to his garage-the Panhandle Garage.

Mr. Womack has been in business at his present place for three years. Starting on a small scale he gradually enlarged his place and increased his service until he now has almost everything expected of a first-class car repair shop.

Seeing the need of an electric and gas welding department in his business Mr. Womack has now at considerable expense installed the latest in the way of electric and gas welding equipment. Therefore, he can give the same welding service that can be had anywhere else. Other things being equal the home man should and generally will, always, be given preference.

The Panhandle Garage has an announcement in this issue of The Enterprise relative to the electric and gas welding department just installed. Read the announcement.

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number of cards always to have one available when we commit an infraction against the parking rules of that city.

Seriously, San Angelo, that is a fine way to treat your visitors and you will make friends always of everybody if your police force are always kind and considerate of the visitor in your

