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MONTHLY TRADE NOTE SHOWS SLIGHT DECLINE

DALLAS, Dec. 29.—Bad news from the merchant and cotton grower is balanced to some extent by encouraging reports from the livestock industry in the monthly business review issued by the Federal Reserve Bank at Dallas today.

Trade has declined in this district for the month just closing, according to the report. This decline is accompanied by both quantity and price in the reduction of cotton. A large proportion of low grade cotton of this year's crop has reduced its market value and consequently has weakened the purchasing power of the farmer, the report said.

While trade and cotton are weathering the rough seas, the original basis for industry in Texas seems to be regaining some of its old glory. Cattle prices are above those of a year ago and after a five-year slump the industry has many marks of encouragement.

Mrs. W. J. Arthur and daughters, Misses Bess and Ruth, and son, Howe, of San Angelo, spent Christmas day with their daughter and sister, Mrs. F. W. McLaurin.

BUILDING NEW R.R. IN VALLEY

EDINBURG, Tex., Dec. 24.—With 150 men and 45 teams at work in the Edinburg-Raymondville extension of the Missouri Pacific lines, half of the grading is completed, and the clearing and grubbing will soon be finished. The line will be 30 miles long. Three townships have been designated on it. From Edinburg the road runs north seven miles, where the town of Allendale will be established. Thence the line will run northeasterly to Raymondville, with the towns of Hargill and Lasara between. A spur will be extended from Hargill to Roll, 10 miles southeast, and from Allendale the line will connect Monte Christo. Monte Christo has a rail connection with Mission.

O. A. Fogelberg has ten assistant engineers. He is in charge of the work. All of the country thru which the lines are being built is perfectly level, and contrary to the generally accepted opinion, Fogelberg said. Difficulty is encountered in obtaining proper drainage.

There are only two trestle bridges on the line from Edinburg to Raymondville, and both of these span irrigation canals. Culverts are being constructed of corrugated iron.

Cost of construction per mile will be \$22,000, necessitating an outlay of \$1,100,000 for the 50 miles of track. This does not include depots and section houses at the various stations.

Laying of the rails will begin about January, and probably will be finished by April 1st on the line to Raymondville. Work on the other lines will be started then. A track laying machine, capable of laying a mile of track a day will be used.

In prospect of the new line, 50,000 acres of land are being cleared, all of which will be put into cultivation next year. Another tract of land is being cleared near Rollo. It lies outside of the irrigation belt, but is especially fitted for cotton growing.

CARS DAMAGED IN COLLISION

An automobile wreck which came near being serious occurred at the intersection of Seventh Street and Hutchings Avenue Wednesday evening. A delivery car belonging to the Graf bakery was being driven up Seventh Street by Raymond Collins, and a new coupe coming down Hutchings Avenue driven by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Spain, collided at the turn on this intersection.

The coupe was turned over, all the glass broken out, and fenders and doors badly damaged. The bakery car had wheels broken, and the Collins boy driving the machine suffered cuts and bruises that made it necessary for him to be carried to a surgeon for treatment.

Several people witnessed the accident and the crash caused a crowd to gather at once. The coupe was turned back right side up and driven off on its own power to a garage for repairs.

Mrs. Fred Turner returned to her home at Santa Anna Christmas afternoon, after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Miller.

P. O. INCREASES XMAS BUSINESS

Postmaster J. A. Reese stated Thursday at noon that the Christmas business at the local postoffice this year had been 25 per cent greater than ever before. The business started earlier and remained pretty steady up to the last few days and since that time it has been a jam and a rush at the windows.

Both packages and Christmas cards have poured thru the local office at a tremendous rate, however the force has stayed well up with the work and handled the big business without delay to the customers, except as they stood in line waiting to get to the windows. Mr. Reese stated that by 4:00 o'clock Thursday afternoon the force would have everything cleared and no packages would be in the office except as they arrived on each mail train.

The Ballinger postoffice crew have worked hard this year to give patrons the very best of service and have succeeded in handling everything as fast as it came in. This speaks well for the local office when you consider that a 25 per cent increase over any other year has been had and that so many people waited until the last minute to mail their parcels.

MUCH CITRUS BEING PLANTED AT LAREDO

LAREDO, Dec. 24.—At the rate orders for citrus fruit trees are being placed by Laredo residents at this time, it is possible that within the next few years, this section will be one of the leading citrus producing sections of the state. Thousands of grape fruit, orange, lemon, tangerine and other citrus trees are loaded at this time with golden fruit.

One orchardist in this section has growing 3,500 young orange trees, which he plans to transplant to a large tract South of Laredo.



NEGRO WOMEN IN GETTING READY CARVING MATCH FOR CHICK SHOW

Two negro women were in jail and the third was receiving the attention of the doctors Saturday as a result of a fracas between the three women Christmas night. It was not learned what precipitated the fight, but it was alleged that it was a case of two against one and two of the negro women held the other while the carving was done.

The fight took place at a servant's house in the residence district of the city.

County Attorney Shepherd stated Saturday afternoon that Lou Nazy had been charged with aggravated assault, and in a written statement made before Justice of the Peace, Willingham admitted that she stabbed Sofia Price with a knife.

In statements made by other witnesses it developed that only two negro women were engaged in the encounter, while Frank Fields, a negro man, tried to separate the combatants. Willie Caldwell, the third negro woman, was only a witness.

Testimony brought out by the statements which were voluntarily made indicated that one negro woman charged the other with writing her husband a note.

Miss Margaret McCarver came in from Houston Thursday night for a visit with her grand mother, Mrs. O. B. Corbett and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jeans came up from Coleman for a Christmas visit with their parents.

DEAD LINE FOR AUTO TAX NEAR

"I have only issued about 1100 1926 auto tax numbers out of a possible 5400," said Tax Collector Brown Saturday morning. "and I don't know what excuse the automobile owners are going to put up for not complying with the law and paying by January first."

Mr. Brown stated that he had ample number plates on hand to supply every car owner in the county, and he remarked that the law specifically provides that the tax must be paid by January 1st, and that motorists driving their cars after that date without a 1926 number plate are subject to a fine of from \$20.70 to \$210.70. The minimum fine is the first amount and the maximum the latter sum.

Only four more days remain in which to fortify yourself against the traffic officers.

With entries already scheduled from San Angelo, Abilene, Coleman, Sweetwater, Brady, Brownwood and more distant points, the Poultry Show here on January 13, 14 and 15 promises to bring together the greatest array of birds ever shown in a county exhibition in West Texas.

The big display of poultry will be made in Fair Park, where special arrangements are being made for the mid-winter gathering of poultry raisers. The show will be held under the direction of the Runnels County Poultry Breeders' Association, and standard rules, together with the premium list are being broadcast throughout Central West Texas.

E. A. James Jr. is superintendent of the show, and he is an authority on poultry. The executive board of the association is composed of John D. White, president; D. B. Thornton, vice-president; J. D. Motley, secretary; with J. C. Watts, H. H. Fry, C. W. Lehmborg and E. A. James Jr. constituting the other members.

In addition to supplying poultry raisers who have requested premium lists, Secretary Motley has obtained a mailing list of the poultry producers of numerous counties and his office is mailing a copy of the catalog to each poultryman in the large territory.

The 1924 show was held in Winters one year ago, which was the first show under the new organization. However, the poultry exhibits at the Runnels County Fair, superintended by the association, attracted much attention this year.

There will be several breeders of fine poultry with stock to sell at the coming show, and there will no doubt be buyers for the better class of birds, and in this way the poultry stock of Runnels county is being greatly improved, all of which has already made itself felt on the local egg market.

TRADES HOME FOR RIO GRANDE VALLEY FARM

Dr. W. D. Sanders, we understand, has traded his beautiful brick residence in Winters for 40 acres of Rio Grande valley land, the land being valued at \$575 per acre. The deal was handled thru a San Antonio real estate firm. We understand Dr. Sanders does not contemplate a change in residence until some time during the latter part of next year.—Winters Enterprise.

W. J. Mountz, of Pharr, Texas, is here to spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Astronomers, with their eyes on sun spots and other solar phenomena, and weather prophets who recently warned the public against bitter cold weather for the latter part of December, have seen their predictions come true.

Sweeping out of the Northwest, the icy winds of winter time have invaded almost every section of the United States and Canada, leaving death and destruction as a week-end aftermath.

From the Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic seaboard freezing and sub-zero temperatures prevailed with virtually no relief in sight today, but with some moderation promised for Tuesday. The cold broke from the Northland and pushed even into the heart of Dixieland and beyond the Northern reaches of Florida.

Nearly thirty deaths have already been attributed to cold, and accidents as the result of the blizzard were numerous, with many reports pouring in this afternoon.

Property valued at several millions of dollars was destroyed by fire, according to reports coming in, and great suffering was caused among the poor and homeless in both the rural districts and congested city centers.

DALLAS, Dec. 28.—All of Texas is in the grip of the coldest weather of the year which came as the brunt of a cold wave which swept into the state early yesterday, reducing the temperature to far below the freezing mark in every section of the state.

The Gulf Coast section of the state received sleet and snow in some localities, while considerable damage was done to fruit and vegetables in the Brownsville area where it was reported by the weather bureau that the minimum temperature last night was twenty-six degrees above zero.

The coldest weather in the state was reported at Amarillo where the mercury dropped to ten degrees. Galveston suffered the least, with the thermometer reading twenty-eight degrees on the island. Sleet was reported to be falling at Galveston this morning, however. Corpus Christi and San Antonio both received light snows.

No deaths have been reported in Texas as the direct result of the cold, but several injuries have followed in the wake of the blizzard and as a result of accidents caused by cold weather. Continued cold weather is reported to be in prospect for the entire state tonight and tomorrow.

The weather man guessed it, and the blizzard arrived at Ballinger on schedule time, or a little ahead of time. Ballinger people retired in a moderately temperate atmosphere Saturday night, but were forced to replenish the covering early Sunday morning, and those who did not use some precaution will no doubt

transact a little business with the plumber.

It was the first real winter of the season, and the government gauge at the home of E. M. Eubanks registered seventeen degrees above zero as the minimum for Sunday night. But even at that, this section loomed up like a tropical clime when the radio reported twenty below in Wyoming and slightly higher from other stations less than a thousand miles North of Ballinger.

The damage from the freeze up in this city will be limited to a few cracked radiators and burst water pipes.

NEW MEXICAN CAFE ON SEVENTH STREET

D. M. Baker has just completed construction of a new sheet iron building on Seventh Street near the Santa Fe station, which he has leased to Ben Martinez, local Mexican, who will operate a "posada" or restaurant. The house where St. Martinez had been occupying, owned by Claude Wilmet, is being moved away.

STEVE GOLDEN MAKES BOND IN ROBBERY CASE

J. W. Powell, attorney for S. E. (Steve) Golden, in the Winters robbery case, stated to a Ledger reporter Thursday that he had sent bond for Golden to Austin and that it was to have been returned to Ballinger Thursday at noon, but in some manner it missed connection and that the sheriff of Travis county had called Sheriff McWilliams from Austin and stated that the bond had been arranged and was en route here. Mr. Golden will be released on the guarantee of the bond from the Austin sheriff.

J. D. Motley is at home from Junction, where he and his family went for a Christmas visit. Mrs. Motley and the children will visit in San Antonio before returning home.

In the World's Greeting to the New Year there is ever a looking forward to even greater success.

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STOMACH ILLS

Mississippian Was Weak, Couldn't Eat Enough.

"I had a bad case of stomach trouble," says Mr. N. A. Smith, of Shaw, Miss. "I couldn't eat enough and was very weak. Everything I ate hurt me, formed gas, and I spit up my food.

"I would feel stupid or sluggish. I didn't feel like doing any work. I knew what Black-Draught had done... and I began taking small doses. I certainly got relief. It did me lots of good.

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WOMAN JUDGE URGES MORE PARENTAL TIME TO CHILDREN

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—American fathers are giving too much time to business and not enough to their children, in the opinion of Judge Jean F. Norris, who has presided in New York courts six years.

What is true of the fathers also is true of the mothers, except business is not taking most of the women's time, she said, adding that this situation is largely responsible for the increase in crime.

As magistrate of the first district criminal court, the jurist is a striking example of the progress made by woman suffrage and of modern day life. But she still is old-fashioned enough to contend that "respect for law and order begins in the home."

Housing conditions, under which there is little privacy; lack of religious training and ignorance of self control are some of the stepping stones to crime mentioned by her.

"Our mothers and fathers should stress respect of parental authority," she asserted. "If children are not taught to obey their parents, certainly it is not surprising for them to refuse to obey the law."

Miss Norris was appointed magistrate three years ago. Mercy plays an important part in most of her decisions, for in all except trivial cases she takes twenty-four hours for personal investigations through probation officers to learn pertinent circumstances relating to defendants.

"I do not want to impose jail sentences on women and children unless I am fully satisfied it is the best course," she said. "Often there are other means of meeting the situation."

She knows how to inflict punishment without hesitation, however, as three men who recently appeared before her in traffic court will testify. They were charged with speeding, and as a result had their licenses revoked permanently and received straight jail sentences of five days each.

In 1919, when Miss Norris was appointed judge in the woman's day court, where social cases mostly are heard, she had been a practicing attorney ten years.

As assistant counsel to the state comptroller, she organized the delinquent tax bureau. She formed the trust corporation to handle the \$10,000,000 left by Mrs. Frank M. Leslie to Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt for the furtherance of woman suffrage. She has served as president of the New York State Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs and the National Association of Women's Lawyers.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey were here from Eldorado Christmas eve to see Mr. Bailey's mother, Mrs. Robert Bailey, who is quite ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Scott H. Mack.

WINTER DOESN'T HALT BUILDING MANY POOR FOR SANTA CLAUS

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Jack Frost has been whipped by the building contractor, and the increasing volume of contracts being let for winter construction indicate that its advantages are becoming better appreciated.

A survey by W. J. Lynch, vice-president of a large contracting firm, disclosed that one of the principal advantages of winter construction was that the more constant employment attracted better artisans, and tended to avoid the peak demand of high wages and scarcity of labor experienced every summer.

"There is little, if any, difference in the amount of time lost between winter season and milder season work," Lynch said. "Delay due to severe cold and heavy snows does not amount to more than a week's time on a building and equal delays due to rain in the milder season seems to have been overlooked."

"It will be conceded generally that the quality of the work in winter will be unimpaired, but it is urged that the cost will be prohibitive. The cost of heating materials for concreting on a million dollar job will run less than one per cent and the cost of heat for interior work rarely exceeds one-half of one per cent of the building's cost."

"One of the reasons for high wages in the building industry is the tremendous turnover and the contention of various trades that workmen have only seasonal employment, due to the nature of the industry. Further, the scarcity of employment in the winter months is a deterrent to potential mechanics who would readily enter the trades were there an all season demand for their labor."

"The practice of letting contracts during all periods of the year would give greater utilization to the business instrumentalities of the industry."

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Weeks Drug Store

A Christmas dance at Brownwood was the attraction for several Ballinger people Christmas night. Among those attending from Ballinger were Misses Lucy Bell Taylor, Katherine Penn, Adda Ward, Margaret Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. Laurent Webb, Arthur Giesecke, Bernie Ward, Elmer Sykes, Dick Strawn and Carl Carr.

Albert Sledge came up from Brownwood Christmas Eve and spent Christmas Day with his parents.

An incomplete report by the committee which played the part of Santa Claus for the poor folks of the city shows that there are a greater number of needy people in Ballinger than prosperity which we have been boasting about would indicate. The saying that "the poor we have with us always" seems to be verified by the Santa Claus committee's findings.

The work of providing Christmas cheer for the poverty stricken began on Christmas eve and it had not been completed up to a late hour Saturday. Something to eat is the greatest need, according to the committee's report, and twenty big bills of groceries were delivered to homes where hunger was stalking boldly on Christmas eve.

In addition to the substantial for the inner man, Santa Claus distributed about 200 sacks of "goodies" and sunshine chased away the shadow in quite a number of homes. The ivory contributed a lot of toys and dolls to the cheer fund and these were carried out on Christmas day and made glad the hearts of children who would otherwise been neglected. The committee has quite a lot of clothing on hand and the wearables will be delivered to homes which have been canvassed and places found where it will fit.

Up to Christmas day \$147.22 had been contributed to the American Legion cheer fund, but this did not pay the bills made by the Santa Claus committee. The United Charity Board informed the committee that \$25 would be donated from the charity fund. Others who have not had a hand in this work, and who wish to do so can send in their contributions at once in order that the work of the committee can be closed up for the present holidays.

PLUMBERS PROMISED GOOD BUSINESS

One local plumber reported Monday afternoon that he had only received twenty-five emergency calls up to that hour and they were still coming in. "Some of them are pretty bad 'bust-ups' too," said the plumber, and he stated that his crew would take them in their turn and get the leaks chinked as fast as possible. Somebody has said that it is an ill wind that blows nobody good, and the plumbers are promised a good business.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Judge Paul Trimmer, who with his family had been visiting at Temple during Christmas, returned home Sunday night. Mrs. Trimmer and sons remained for a longer visit.

Frank Schneider is at home from Houston for a year-end visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Schneider.

A. & M. HAS HEAVY GRID SCHEDULE FOR 1926

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 25.—In 1927 and 1928, the Texas Aggie football team will play every other school now in the Southwest Conference. With exception of a game for Oct. 17, 1928, the football schedule for the next three years has been made by James Sullivan, business manager of athletics. On that one open date, Coach Dana Bible's gridsters will play either the Kansas University Jayhawkers or the Kansas Aggies, both strong Missouri Valley Conference schools.

In 1926 the Aggies will play every other conference school except the University Razorbacks. In 1927, the Aggies will play the Porkers at College Station and in 1928 at Fayetteville.

A most interesting departure of the 1926 schedule is the fact that the Aggies will open the season away from home, meeting Coach Barry Holtob's Trinity University Tigers at Waxahatchie September 24. The Tigers earned this game by giving the Aggies a brilliant fight for honors in 1925 at College Station.

News that the Aggies have signed a three year contract with Sewanee will be received with gratification by all sport fans of the state.

These games as in the past will be played in Dallas.

In each of the three years, five stalwart Farmers will play all their conference games in a row. No Southwest Conference team ever played a harder schedule than will the Farmers in 1927 and 1928.

Although from the 1925 championship combination, Coaches Bible and Rothgeb lost a host of brilliant players, Aggie supporters believe in 1926 they will place on the gridiron a team that will be a championship contender, though not the favorite by any means to win the title since Texas University, and Southern Methodist University will have veteran combinations.

Miss Lou Wagon left Friday for Rockwood, to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

TEXAS OPEN GOLF TOURNEY TO DRAW MANY TO SANTO

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 25.—When the fifth Texas Open Golf Tournament is held here January 14, 15 and 16, all the well-known American golf professionals, excepting Walter Hagen and Gene Sarazen, will wield their clubs over the 18-hole Brackenridge municipal course.

One hundred and twenty-five golfers who derive their living from the fairway and green will compete, as well as a large number of amateurs, according to Jack O'Brien, in charge of the tournament.

Jack Hutchinson, of Chicago; Leo Diegel, of New York; Bill Melhorn, of Chicago, and formerly of Shreveport; Joe Turnesa, of New York, defending champion; and Cyril Walker, of New Jersey, likely will be entered, although the complete field will not be known until January 13, entries being permitted until that date. These professionals will come direct from competing in the Los Angeles open which ends January 10th, and which with a \$10,000 purse, is the richest meeting in the country.

The Texas open this year will have \$8,000 to attract professionals of the first class. This purse is being given by the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce this year; in past years it has been made up by subscription.

Among the amateurs expected are Chief Evans, Chicago amateur who will also enter the Los Angeles open; and Clarence Habby, of Temple, Tex. At Temple the golf enthusiasts are confident that Habby, who was runner-up last year in the Texas Open, will give professional and amateur alike, stiff competition, and they wouldn't be surprised if he came in ahead of the field.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Harold Tucker are here from Jermyn for a Christmas visit with Mrs. Tucker's father, W. C. Penn, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Prince, of Brady, spent Christmas with their parents in Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Shields, of Houston, are here visiting Mr. Shields' sister, Mrs. Rufus J. Wheeler.

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CAMERON'S GARAGE

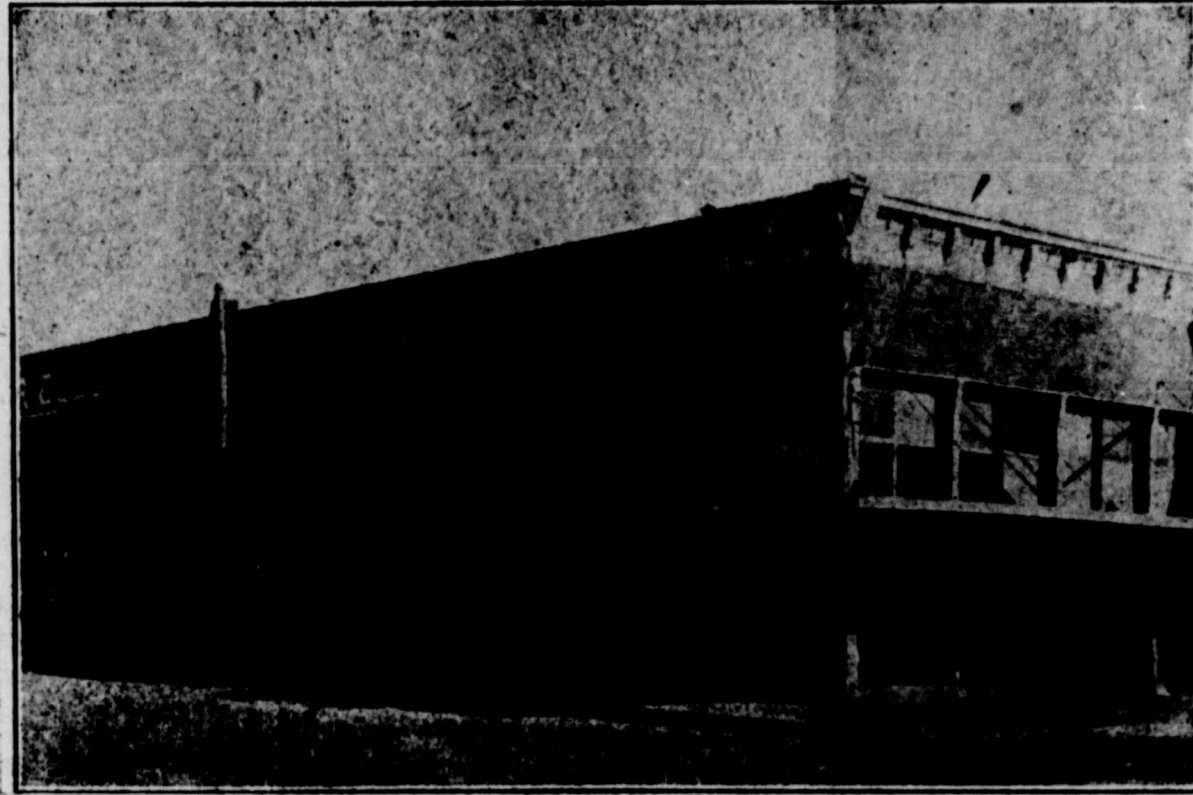
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Opening for business in Ballinger on July 4, 1922, with a capital of \$125 and taking the above motto as his slogan, Frank Cameron has built a garage business from a "hole in the wall" with nothing in it, to one of the most modern and best equipped garages in West Texas. He attributes his success to satisfied customers and to every job that left his place being done exactly right.

About one year ago he moved to the building where he now operates on the corner of Eighth Street and Railroad Avenue, and recently the entire front of the building has been remodeled, adding a drive-in filling station that is one of the most convenient in Ballinger. Since opening for business here nearly four years ago Mr. Cameron has handled nothing but Pennant gas and oils and is featuring them in his new station. Excellent service is furnished at this new station, and it is fast becoming a popular place to get gas, oil, water, air and to stop for tire repairing.

The Cameron Garage handles such well-known and nationally advertised lines as U. S. Tires and Tubes and Exide Batteries. A big supply of these items is always found in stock to fit any car.

The big feature of the business of this concern is in the work shop. Expert mechanics are employed to repair cars and any automobile entrusted to their care will be looked after as if it were their own and put in the best of condition regardless of the ailment. These jobs are guaranteed and regardless of what is the matter, you are urged by the management to bring it in and let the "doctors" give it the once over.



Mr. Cameron is a worker for the town as well as for himself, and lines up on every move for the betterment of Ballinger. He stated that he was well pleased with his business and wished to thank all his patrons who had a part in making it so successful, and for everyone Cameron's Garage wishes a Happy New Year and much health and prosperity during the year 1926.

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doubt most of the victims were
people trying to get away from
Florida before they were held up.

Yes, there were more Christmas
auto accidents than ever before,
but we must not forget that there
were more automobiles than ever
before and that they were travel-
ing faster than ever before.

In order to control the rubber
monopoly and hammer down
prices, Secretary Hoover has
recommended a boycott. Rubber
is too much of an essential in our
daily program to get very far
with a boycott.

A new cotton ginning report
will be made up of Runnels coun-
ty within the next few days. Men
who have been keeping a close
tab on the crop this year believe
that it will show there have been
more than 70,000 bales ginned in
the county.

After handing us out large
chunks and gobs of arctic
weather for several days the
weather man now has promised to
even up things in Texas by send-
ing us a period of sunshine and
balmy days.

Last Friday night a man was
found crushed and mangled
under a train at Big Lake. As a
consequence four men are locked
up in the San Angelo jail follow-
ing an investigation. Three of
the men live in Best and one in
Big Lake. If guilty, hanging is
too good for these murderers.

Iowa is the banner radio state,
and also is known for its agricul-
ture. The time is rapidly coming
when a farm without a radio will
be a few and far between. Like the
auto, it is of the greatest benefit
to the man in the country.

There is a growing sentiment in
favor of prohibiting the manufac-
ture of fire works. There is also
a sentiment against the sale of
fire works which so many lives
are lost, but the manufacturers
are against the increase. The best
plan to control the fire works
business is to quit buying the
deadly toys.

It seems that Sheriff McWil-
liams is depending on the
federal prohibition enforcement
machine to help him put an end
to bootlegging in Runnels county.
The law-abiding citizens of the
county are opposed to liquor
peddling and will back the
sheriff in every effort he puts
forth to stop it.

Monday would have been Wood-
row Wilson's sixty-ninth birth-
day, had the former president
lived. He died a comparatively
young man because he sacrificed
his all for his country. The day
was observed throughout the
country as a part of the program
for the Wilson Memorial fund.
Wilson is dead but the cause for
which he died has just begun to
live.

Three lawyers have been ap-
pointed to defend A. M. Snow,
who admits that he killed his
wife, his mother-in-law and step-
son at Stephenville and de-
stroyed their bodies in the most
brutal way. The lawyers have
set about to devise some scheme
to get their client out of the
trouble on the basis of a fair
trial. Life is too cheap in Texas,
and most any kind of a trial
would be a fair trial for such
men.

When the teachers institute ad-
journed here Wednesday after-
noon there was a scramble to
get on buses and trains leaving
the city. Every service car de-
parting from Ballinger carrying
a double load, and even upper
berths were a premium on the

railroads. The teachers didn't
seem to mind crowding in order
to get home for Christmas.

So far as has been made public,
few business changes will be
made with the beginning of the
New Year. The year has been a
prosperous one with practically
all lines of business. There are
no vacant houses in the city for
new lines of business at this time,
and the old firms enter the New
Year with bright prospects.

A test on the question in con-
gress shows that the wet minor-
ity is dwindling, and the dries
are planning a program to make
this country "bone dry." Eigh-
teen federal pro agents assembled
at Waco this week to launch a
dry drive in Central Texas. It
must be admitted that the Christ-
mas just passed was the driest
one since the Eighteenth Amend-
ment was adopted.

During the blizzard which has
just swept the entire country, a
radio announcer in Iowa reported
the temperature 23 degrees be-
low zero, while a station in
Miami, Florida, broadcast 68 de-
grees above. At the same hour
the mercury was playing around
the 34 degree mark in Ballinger.
This makes Ballinger a happy
medium.

HOTEL PROBLEM

All will admit that Ballinger is
greatly in need of better hotel
accommodations, and all will agree
that some plan should be adopted
for solving the hotel problem.

Our sister city, San Angelo, has
subscribed liberally both to stock
and bonus propositions in pro-
viding good hotels for that city.
Ballinger must do likewise before
this city can offer hotel facilities
which will attract travelers.

So far the city has not been
called on for a bonus, but several
stock propositions have been pre-
sented which are worthy of care-
ful consideration.

It should be an easy matter to
float sufficient stock in Ballinger
and surrounding country to build
a modern hotel, and few enter-
prises offer better investment for
capital in this day of auto travel
and demand for hotel accomoda-
tions.

It is hardly probable that any
one individual will come in and
build a new hotel, or remodel the
present one, without some local
aid.

YOUR SUCCESSOR

Your ego bump may become a
little enlarged some times, and
you may feel your importance,
but did you ever stop to consid-
er how easy it would be to fill
your place should you drop out?

We were impressed with this
thought recently when the "Old
Gray Mare" lay down and kicked
her last at Brownwood recently.
Several owners of other old gray
mares came forward and volun-
teered to furnish a nag to take
the place of the Old Gray Mare
Band mascot.

The old gray mare had traveled
most from coast to coast with
the band which adopted her as a
mascot, and led parades at Gal-
veston and Minneapolis, was ad-
mitted to the lobby of hotels in
San Francisco and other cities
where she visited. She had a
national reputation and perhaps
praised before a greater number
of people than any other of the
horse tribe.

But after all she was not so
important that her place could
not be filled. You may be filling
a place of usefulness, and your
work may be important, but there
has always been a successor for
every man who has passed out,
and the world has been getting
better all the time.

TO TELEPHONE
SUBSCRIBERS

Work of compiling the new
directory for Ballinger Exchange
will begin soon after Jan. 1st.
All changes and errors in names
should be reported to the Man-
ager's office, No. 19, at once.

Anyone wishing to install a
telephone on any line should also
see the manager that your name
may be in the new directory.

M. C. ATKINS,
Local Manager,
1-2tw

Two Christmases are celebrated
in Russia on account of two dif-
ference calendars being in use in
that country. The second Christ-
mas is celebrated on January 7th,
by those holding to the old Julian
calendar.

SOUTH BALLINGER
NEWS

Curtis Reese is here from Lub-
bock spending the holidays with
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C.
Reese. Curtis is attending the
Texas Tech, and will return to
Lubbock in a few days.

Arthur and T. C. Milam left
last week for San Saba to spend
Christmas and visit with their
friends. They will return home
the last of this week.

Ernest and Leonard Jones have
returned home from Oklahoma
and Tahoka where they have
been working and staying with
their sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Caughron,
of Eastland, spent Christmas
with Mrs. Caughron's sister, Mrs.
Lon Munsey, and family. They
returned home Monday.

Misses Florence and May and
Geneva Boyer, of Abilene, spent
Christmas with home folks. They
returned to Abilene Sunday.

Miss Virginia Washun, of Abi-
lene also spent Christmas with
home folks and returned to Abi-
lene Sunday.

Delbert Brown, who had been
spending Christmas in Dallas
with his sister, Mrs. V. A. Gentry,
returned home with Mr. and Mrs.
Willie Milam Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis, of
Christoval, spent last week with
W. S. Davis and family, and re-
turned to Christoval Tuesday.

W. S. Davis and son, Bill, left
last Tuesday for Gainesville to
visit Mr. Davis' parents and
other relatives. They returned
home early Tuesday morning of
this week.

Miss Jewel Smith spent Christ-
mas with her parents and re-
turned to Abilene Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brown, of
San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Jack
Cook, of Abilene, and Claude
Brown, of Cross Plains, spent
Christmas with their parents, Mr.
and Mrs. T. P. Brown, and sister,
Mrs. Ross Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Milam and
Sadie McMillan left last Wednes-
day for Dallas, where Sadie will
make her home with her uncle
and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. R.
Creel.

Dan Milam, of Dallas, re-
turned home Monday night with
W. O. Brown and children, of
Marie, to visit her sisters, Mrs. R.
E. Brown and Mrs. W. O. Brown,
and brother, W. J. Milam. Mrs.
W. O. Brown will remain in Dal-
las for a few days with her par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Milam.
Mr. Milam had the misfortune to
fall and get bruised up.

E. J. Carroll and family re-
turned home Sunday from San
Saba after four or five days visit
with relatives.

Henry Leach left the last of
last week for Fort Worth with
his uncle and aunt, Mr. Royal
and sister, Jane Royal. The lat-
ter two had been making their
home with their sister, Mrs. H.
M. Leach, and family. Mr. Royal
and sister will make home in Ft.
Worth with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Midgley
took Christmas dinner with Mrs.
C. H. Midgley at Talpa.

Mrs. Artie Nixon and baby, of
Tahoka, came in last week to
visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Floyd Jones, and other relatives.
They returned home Tuesday.

Miss Iona Harris entertained
her friends with a party at her
home Friday night in honor of
Mr. and Mrs. Milton Harris. Mrs.
Milton Harris will be remem-
bered as Miss Bessie Fry before
her marriage.

The Club is scheduled to meet
Tuesday, Jan. 5th at the home of
Mrs. Elmer Batts on 9th Street in
Ballinger, but as Miss Eula Key,
home demonstration agent, is out
of town, the date is not positive.
For further information mem-
bers may call Mrs. Horace
Murphy.

Mrs. George McMillan is up
and able to be about.

"BLUE BONNET"

Ledger want ads pay.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Strube, of
Slaton, are visiting relatives in
the Olfen country. Mr. Strube
denies the charge that he came
South on account of the blizzard
and says that it is no colder at
Slaton than at Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Robertson,
of Dallas, are here visiting Mrs.
Robertson's parents, Mr. and
Mrs. M. D. Chastain. In days of
long ago Mr. Robertson was en-
gaged in the lumber business in
Ballinger.

R. T. Williams and Mrs. M. S.
Karmany left Tuesday afternoon
for Dallas to be with their bro-
ther, H. W. Williams, who is very
ill at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stroble re-
turned home Monday from a
visit to relatives at San Saba.
Dr. C. E. Stanley and Mrs. N. B.
Coats, of Frederick, Oklahoma,
are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jesse
McDonald and other relatives.

P. C. Straley and family, who
went to Comanche to spend
Christmas with relatives, motored
home thru the blizzard Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McCulley
who had been here to spend
Christmas with relatives, re-
turned home Monday.

Robert Kirk and Curtis Reese
came in Friday from Lubbock,
where they are attending Texas
Tech, to spend the holidays with
home folks.

Misses Grace Neas and Grace
Thompson came in Thursday to
spend the holidays with home
folks. They are attending school
in Abilene.

Louis Castor came down from
San Angelo and spent Christmas
day with home folks.
Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Justice are
here from Barnhart spending a
few days. Mr. Justice is with the
highway department at Barnhart,
and is camping at that place for
the present.

A number of his friends pre-
sented Kirk Gregory with an over-
coat for a Christmas present.
Among those participating in the
gift were Frank Flynt, LeRoy
McAuley, Cicero Smith, Fred
Holliday, August McWilliams and
Fonzoe Gray. It will be remem-
bered that Kirk spent the summer
and fall in the sanitarium and his
friends are glad to know that he
is getting on his feet again.

Mr. and Mrs. Rothal O'Kelly
came in Wednesday from Kings-
ville to spend Christmas with re-
latives in Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Hodge leave
Thursday night for Abilene,
where they will spend Christmas
with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Moser left
for Dallas Wednesday to spend
the holidays.

Hal Nunn, of Reagan county, is
here to spend the holidays with
relatives and shake hands with
old friends.

Dr. E. C. Baskin has been ill at
his home on Eighth Street for
several days.

W. D. Seales and family leave
Thursday night for Abilene to
spend Christmas. Mr. Seales will
visit a few days with his brother
in Lubbock before returning to
Ballinger.

Gordon Thomson is at home
from Lubbock, where he is at-
tending Texas Tech, and will
spend Christmas with his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Thomson.

Miss Ruth Skinner came in
Thursday from Mason, where she
is teaching school this year, and
will spend Christmas with her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M.
Skinner.

Judge Alfred Crager and fam-
ily went to Dallas Wednesday to
spend Christmas.

Mrs. Robt. Bailey is quite ill at
the home of her daughter, Mrs.
Scott H. Mack.

Mrs. M. C. Smith had daugh-
ter, Miss Maryatte, will spend the
holidays with their daughter and
sister, Mrs. F. H. Turberville, at
Gainesville. They left for that
place Wednesday.

Charlie and Roy Nunn came in
Wednesday from Kent, Texas, to
visit relatives and friends during
the holidays.

C. W. Lehnberg and family will
leave Friday morning for San
Antonio and other points to
spend a part of the holidays. Mr.
Lehnberg stated that he would
be back on the job about Dec. 31.
Jack Holt, of Altus, Oklahoma,
came in Thursday to spend the
holidays with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moody left
Thursday afternoon for Bomar-
ton, where they will spend Christ-
mas with relatives.

L. R. Setser was in Ballinger

Thursday looking after business
and ordered The Ledger for 1926.
We are sorry to report that
Mrs. J. L. Chastain is quite ill at
her home on Sixth Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Simpson left
Thursday afternoon for Abilene
to spend Christmas with Mrs.
Simpson's parents, Mr. and Mrs.
J. H. Goss.

Hammond O'Kelly came in
Wednesday from Abilene and
will spend Christmas with home
folks. He has been buying cotton
since the opening of the season.

Miss Fannie Wilmeth returned
home Wednesday from a visit to
friends at San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCulley,
of Brownwood, are here to spend
Christmas with Mrs. McCulley's
parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M.
Skinner.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Woody left
Thursday afternoon to visit re-
latives in Temple during Christmas.

A Chapman left Wednesday af-
ternoon for Buckholt, Texas, in
response to a message stating his
brother, Frank Chapman, had
died at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McKenzie left

Thursday morning for Houston
to spend Christmas with their
son Duard, and will also visit re-
latives in Galveston before return-
ing home.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Guin are
entertaining a new baby, a girl,
born to them at their home at
Hatchel on Christmas eve.

Misses Katherine and Corinne
Wood left Wednesday for Alpine
to resume their work in Sul Ross
College.

C. Black came in from Marie
Tuesday to bring his daughter,
Miss Ella, to the train. The
young lady was returning to
school at Baylor College at Bel-
ton. Mr. Black recently spent
a couple of weeks in the Halley
& Love Sanitarium, and is im-
proving nicely.

Arch Crews, of San Angelo, was
visiting his father, C. R. Crews
and family, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Boyd and
daughter, Miss Bea, spent the
Christmas holidays in San An-
tonio with their son, Charles, and
family. They returned home the
first of the week, fighting it back
North thru the blizzard.



As the old year comes to a close, and as we start the
New Year, we feel deeply appreciative for the many fav-
ors shown us in our few months dealings with you, and
want to, here express our sincere thanks for your pat-
ronage and wish you health, prosperity and happiness
in 1926.

JONES & VOGELSANG
GROCERIES

Human Assets

Not all the strength of this institution is massed in the
figures of its financial statement.

Its strong vaults do not contain all that make it a power
in this community.

The Officers and Employees who give daily expression to
our ideals of service, are human assets of incalculable worth.

You will like to do business here because you will like
the courtesy and friendliness of those who serve you.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF BALLINGER
Since 1886

TO THOSE who are bereaved of
loved ones, no service is so essen-
tial as that of the funeral director!

To be assured of an efficient service,
rendered in a sympathetic manner,
is a consolation and relief.

Fortunately, it is not often that the
funeral director is needed, but when
that time comes, he is indeed a very
necessary factor.

At such a crisis, we are ready at any
hour of the day or night to heed
your call.

E. E. KING and J. A. OSTERTAG
Funeral Directors
King-Holt Furniture & Undertaking Co.

BETHEL NEWS

The Bethel school opened for regular work Monday, after the Christmas holidays.

A large crowd attended the school program and Christmas tree here Christmas eve night.

J. H. Seales and son, Lewie, spent Christmas at Thorndale, Texas, visiting relatives and looking after business interests.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. White and family returned Saturday night after a two weeks visit with Mrs. White's parents of Madill, Oklahoma.

The young people of Bethel enjoyed a party at the home of J. M. Shelburne Wednesday night, and one Friday night at the Greenhill home, also one Saturday night at the Simmons home.

Miss Leora McShan is at home for the holidays.

Miss Alma Koenig, who is teaching at Cross Plains, is at home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Shelburne and family spent Christmas with relatives at Hamlin.

John and Will Berry and families, of Crews, visited their sister, Mrs. Wood, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Killam and family have moved to Ballinger. They will be greatly missed by the Bethel people.

Mrs. Sallie Sparks, and son, of Morgan, Miss., spent Christmas with Mrs. Sparks' sister, Mrs. Davenport, and family.

Messrs. Harry and Bob Richardson have both been confined to bed during the holidays, but are able to be up again at this time.

"REPORTER."



Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Blair, of Paint Rock, are the parents of a fine baby girl, born at the home of Mrs. Blair's sister, Mrs. W. H. Schleyer, Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben V. Sims, of Paint Rock, welcomed the arrival in Ballinger Tuesday morning of a fine baby boy. Mrs. Sims is in the Halley & Love Sanitarium.

Mr. and Mrs. Lemmie Davis have a new boy at their home on Ninth Street. The fine baby was born Monday.

An Englishman is the inventor of a strong steel cage to be hung outside a window to give a baby an airing in safety.

WEST TEXAS NEWS NOTES

H. G. Lucas has resigned as secretary of the Brownwood Chamber of Commerce. He succeeded Stuart L. Williams on that job eight months ago.

The contract will be let at San Angelo on January 6th for the erection of a new six-story 125 room hotel on the old site of the Landon Hotel, which was destroyed by fire a short time ago. A modern theatre, seating 1,800, will occupy a part of the building.

Car thieves worked in a number of Texas cities during the holidays. Officers throughout the state were called on to help apprehend the thieves and recover the missing cars.

The pecan growers of San Saba county have perfected the San Saba County Pecan Growers Association, and county pecan clubs have been organized. The object of the organization is to promote the growing of better varieties of nuts.

William Girdwood, age 81, and one of the early settlers of Texas, died at his home in San Angelo Tuesday. He was born in Scotland, came to the United States in 1870, to Texas in 1885, settling at Garden City.

IS YOUR WORK HARD?

Many Ballinger Folks Have Found How to Make Work Easier.

What is so hard as a day's work with an aching back? Or sharp stabs of pains at every sudden twist or turn?

There is no peace from the dull ache.

No rest from the soreness, lameness and weakness.

Many folks have found relief through Doan's Pills. They are a stimulant diuretic to the kidneys.

Ballinger people recommend Doan's. Mrs. J. D. Maxwell, 419 Strong Ave., Ballinger, says: "My kidneys acted too freely and my back became weak, tired and aching. My housework was a burden as sharp pains seized me across my back when I swept or washed. I became dizzy, too. I used Doan's Pills from the Pearce Drug Co., and they fixed by kidneys up fine. I have had no further trouble so I know I have been cured."

60c. at all dealers, Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

Other committee chairmen are: Pratt Harris, general; Boud Storey, finance; Fred G. Shaw, deputation; R. S. Lowe, registration; Ray Nesbitt, church arrangements.

Miss Mary Fleming left Wednesday afternoon for Pittsburg, Texas, to spend the holidays with her parents.



MRS. W. E. HALLEY IS HONOR GUEST AT DALLAS

Wednesday's Dallas News carried a picture of Mrs. W. E. Halley, of Ballinger, with the following notice:

"Mrs. Velma B. Halley, of Ballinger, worthy grand matron of the Order of the Eastern Star of Texas, will be the guest of honor at an open house to be given from 3:00 to 5:00 o'clock New Year's Eve by Mrs. R. J. Estep, 6533 Eastern Avenue, at her home. All Eastern Stars, Master Masons and their friends are invited. Mrs. Estep announced.

A special entertainment program is being planned. Mrs. Halley has been paying official visits to the various Eastern Star chapters during her stay in Dallas and has visited several institutions supported by the Texas organization. Thursday afternoon she will be the guest of honor when residents of the Eastern Star Home for Aged Women are entertained with a party at the Majestic Theatre."

NOTICE

There has been and is a current rumor that a certain number of days will be given after January 1st to obtain Auto Licenses. This is an error. The law requires that in order to lawfully drive a motor vehicle on the public highways it must have a front and rear number for the current year thereon. Tax Collector Brown advises that there are plenty of number plates to supply the demand, and there is no excuse for not obtaining your number plates. The Highway Department demands that all county officers enforce this regulation, and accordingly we ask that you equip your car with number plates for 1926 before driving it on the public highways.

R. E. McWILLIAMS Sheriff
B. W. PILCHER Chief of Police of Ballinger
C. P. SHEPHERD County Attorney.
30-1td-1tw

Stockholders' Meeting
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Shareholders of the Ballinger State Bank, of Ballinger, Texas, will be held in the office of said bank at 10:00 a. m. in Ballinger, Texas, January 12, 1926, for the purpose of electing directors, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.
E. D. WALKER, President
SAM BAKER, Secretary.
29-2td-1tw

If you have property to rent try Ledger classifieds.

Mrs. Chas. Castor and daughter, Miss Marie, left Sunday afternoon for Tyler, for a week's visit with relatives.

Mrs. C. W. Tibbs, of Dallas, came in Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gregory, for a few days.

PRESBYTERIANS TO MEET IN TWO CITIES

DALLAS, Dec. 24—A convocation of Presbyterian men is to be held here Feb. 23, 24 for members of the church in Northern and Central Texas, and a similar meeting for South Texas Presbyterians is to be held in San Antonio Feb. 25 and 26.

Numbers of speakers prominent in church work will be obtained for the Dallas meeting, Dr. T. O. Perrin, pastor of Westminster church, said. Among them are: Prof. S. J. McCallie, Chattanooga, Tenn., who will speak on the "Family Altar;" Rev. Wade C. Smith, Greensboro, N. C., lecturer on personal work among men, and Rev. J. E. Purcell, executive secretary of the organization. Several Dallas men will take an active part.

Dr. T. O. Perrin, publicity

chairman, said, "The present program is outgrowth of work extending over 15 years. The seed has been sown. We now want to relate this inspiration to a vision of possible accomplishments in every day church life."

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus J. Wheeler and son Jack will say goodbye to friends and leave Ballinger for their new home at San Antonio Thursday morning. They have their household goods packed and will send them through in a truck and will motor through in their car. Mr. Wheeler will visit Ballinger frequently in looking after his insurance business, this city being in his district, and the largest in the state with the exception of Dallas, in amount of insurance in force.

Get today's news today—read The Daily Ledger

BANKERS OF SECOND DISTRICT TO LAREDO

LAREDO, Dec. 30—The Second District Texas Bankers Association, comprising all the bankers of the territory South, Southwest and Southeast of San Antonio to the Rio Grande, will hold its annual convention here beginning February 19th. Royle K. Mims, president of the First State Bank & Trust Company, of Laredo, is chairman of the association.

More than 300 bankers are expected to attend. A banquet will be staged in Nuevo Laredo across the Rio Grande in Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Jones and little daughter, of Rule, spent Christmas with Mrs. Jones' father, J. J. Erwin, and other relatives here.

QUEEN THEATRE
Nothing But the Best Pictures Shown

Friday and Saturday
January 1st and 2nd

The Smiling, Fighting Son of the West

H. GIBSON

Monday and Tuesday
January 4th and 5th

The World's Wonder Picture

Sir Conan Doyle's stupendous story

"THE LOST WORLD"

Truly the marvel of the screen. It will hold you breathless, clinging to your seat—a picture you will never forget. 100 dinosaurs as big as 15 elephants; flying monsters the size of an airplane—animals believed to have been extinct over 10,000,000 years ago.

Also—"FARES PLEASE" 2 reel Comedy.

Greetings!

From the Land of Promise comes the Infant 1926. He is born in Prosperity.

May he continue on through Happiness and Plentitude until the very end of his twelve-lap journey when Father Time takes him into the Land of Retrospection.

On his way he may strew in your path a bounteous need of joy, good health, happiness, and good fortune. May he be to you the friendliest year you've ever known—is the New Year Greeting of—

Hicks Rubber Co.
Ballinger, Texas

1926



The Joy of Motherhood
JUST how to make motherhood a joy is one of the most important things in the world for you to know, right now, mother-to-be!

STORE MOVES; ON CASH BASIS

Business will be suspended at the Currie Mercantile Company Tuesday night, and the grocery store will be moved from the old stand to the new location on Seventh Street and consolidated with the Economy Mills business.

Mr. Currie stated that beginning on January 1st credit would be discontinued and the business operated strictly on a cash basis.

Sufferers of Skin Diseases
Hooper's Tetter-Rem is guaranteed for all skin diseases or troubles makes no difference of how long standing.

SHORT CHRISTMAS FOR SOME SCHOOLS

Several of the rural schools of Runnels county resumed work Monday morning, after suspending one week for the teachers institute at Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Keaton, of Abilene, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gregory.

Tom Caudle and Cecil Thorp went to Cisco Saturday to see the Cisco-Forest III game.

GUARD CAREFULLY

A mother's strength should be guarded with jealous care. Often when vitality is depleted Scott's Emulsion nourishing and strength-reviving, is just the help that is needed.

Pioneer Tells of Adventure in Texas Before Civil War

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 29.—Wakeful nights on the starlit plains of the Texas of 1846, when the hoot of an owl or the bay of a wolf alone pierced the black void.

That this staunch pioneer should face the perils of an untamed frontier, stalked more than once by certain death, and live to tell that story 80 years afterward, seems fanciful.

There was no particular reason for Gordon's forsaking the comforts of home to explore the trackless stretches of Texas, but within 15 minutes after he had met four strange adventurers in the spring of '46, they had set fourth into a hostile Indian country south of the Red River.

Two days found their corn pone exhausted; a few more and their salt was gone, and the diet became one round after another of fresh buffalo meat.

At length fresh signs of Indians warned the trappers to head the party homeward, and they set out one morning to lay in a supply of meat for several days' journey.

In about an hour a faint murmuring came, as of wind sighing in pine trees—but there were none. Could it be the buzz of insects? He could see none near.

Gordon looked about frantically for a refuge. He could not tell what course to take to avoid them. His horse trembled with fear.

"The width of that sea of buffalo as shown by their trail was more than half a mile," Gordon related. "My terror was indescribable. Alone, as I feared, far from civilization, without a horse, in a hostile country, with my last bullet in my gun, a braver man than I might have despaired."

"When they had come within about 100 feet, those in front saw my horse and attempted to halt, but in a twinkling of an eye were overwhelmed by the pressure behind. One who has seen railroad cars pile up after a wreck can imagine how the buffalo piled up in an immense heap. This did not in the least check the great host which swept by me like a torrent, but it opened a lane and saved my horse. He, poor fellow, had stood shaking with fear and perhaps shared with me the feeling of relief this fortunate occurrence gave."

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If you just realized how easy it is to stop fiery, itching, burning eczema by simply building up the red-blood-cells in your blood with S. S. S., you wouldn't waste another minute trying to do it any other way.

C. OF C. BANQUET DATE IS NAMED

At the regular meeting of the board of directors of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce held Tuesday morning much business of importance was attended to by that body.

One of the most important matters to be considered by the directors was the setting of a date for the annual banquet and the appointing of committees to arrange for the feed, entertainment, and to sell the tickets.

The following committees were named by the present to arrange all details of the banquet: Arrangements, E. Shepperd, W. C. McCarver and M. C. Atkins; program, W. A. Francis, H. S. Strain and Troy Simpson; ticket sales, J. J. Beck, L. Cohen and Tom Caudle.

Quite a lengthy discussion was held in regard to the hotel situation here, but no action was taken on the different propositions before the committee which is acting for the board.

The membership and budget committees reported and their work of signing up the membership for 1926 and getting the budget subscribed will be done at once so that all this work will be finished for the incoming directors.

A motion carried that the chair appoint a nominating committee who will nominate the new directors to be elected at the annual membership meeting in January.

H.G.C. RELIEVES
A Special prescription for infectious diseases of the urinary tract. Painless, non-poisonous. Package contains all needed. Will not cause irritation. \$1.00 at Druggists or prepaid.

BALLINGER MAN IS WED AT SWEETWATER

R. E. Stagner, of Ballinger, and Miss Bessie Revel, of Sweetwater, were married by Judge Mauzey Thursday night in front of the Methodist church Christmas tree in the presence of a few friends.

OFFICERS SEEKING COKE COUNTY MAN

A \$300 reward is up for the capture of Odie Benton, age 28, a Coke county man, who is wanted for an alleged assault on a 15-year old girl near Robert Lee last week.

STAR PARASITE REMOVER
Given to Few in this part of the world or feed will rid them of all blood sucking lice, mites, flies, blue bugs, clean them of all parasitic worms and parasites. It is also a wonderful poultry tonic.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. King and baby, who had been visiting Mrs. King's parents here, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cathey, left for their home at Brownwood Sunday.

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A Good Position—a big salary is what counts on the road to success. We quickly train you for a good position in a bank, wholesale house, mercantile establishment, and the like.

WOMANLY AILS

Kentucky Lady Got Well After Taking Cardui.

"I got down in health—suffering from womanly troubles which caused me much pain and worry," says Mrs. Rhoda Canary, of R. F. D. 6, Owensboro, Ky. "My stepmother had taken Cardui when she was in my same condition, so I got to inquiring around among my friends about it and found several women who were taking it at that time. "They all told me how good it was, so I told my husband to get me a bottle to try. That night he came home with a bottle of Cardui. "I had a... which left me in a very serious condition. I had been in bed eight weeks and was unable to move in bed without help. "By the time I had taken half a bottle (of Cardui), my strength began to come back. I could sit up in bed. "I finished up that bottle and by that time I was able to walk across the floor. I continued taking Cardui for several months and I got well." At all drug stores. C-31



COTTON WORTH 75c A POUND AT RUBBER PRICES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The best method for the United States to follow as competition for high rubber prices is to use as little of the product as possible, and to build up independent sources of supply, Secretary of Commerce, Herbert Hoover, declared today in commenting on the developments growing out of the charges against the alleged British rubber monopoly. Mr. Hoover added that if this country were to sell wheat and cotton in exchange for rubber based on the ratio of the cost of production of rubber and the price, the amount consumers are paying for it, wheat would sell for \$8.00 per bushel and cotton at seventy-five cents per pound.

Colds Cause Grip and Influenza
LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c

FORMER BALLINGER CITIZEN INJURED

Judge J. W. Powell is in receipt of a letter from Laredo enclosing a clipping from the Laredo Times, giving an account of the injury of S. J. Carpenter, a former Ballinger citizen, in an auto wreck. The clipping furnished The Ledger by Judge Powell says:

"The condition of S. J. Carpenter, the oil operator who was injured in an automobile accident on the Heights on Thanksgiving Day morning, is only slightly improved, according to a statement made to The Times reporter by Mrs. Carpenter at the hospital last evening, and Mr. Carpenter is suffering considerably from pains in his side, caused by the fracture of two or three ribs.

"The best of medical attention is being given the injured man, and unless complications set in he will soon be on the road to recovery. Mrs. Carpenter is at his bedside at Macey Hospital doing what she can to alleviate the suffering he endures mostly at night."

Supt. R. E. White is back on the job in his office after a weeks tussle with the flu. He states that many of the country schools will resume work next Monday, Dec. 28.

How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of grippe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

One or two Calotabs at bed-time with a swallow of water,—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished, your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please,—no danger.

Get a family package, containing full directions, only 35 cents. At any drug store. (adv)

NEICE KILLED IN AUTO CRASH

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Woodson left for Cleburne at 6:00 o'clock Sunday evening in response to a message that Mrs. Woodson's niece, Catherine Lankford, had been killed in an auto accident, and that another niece, Anita Lankford, had been seriously injured.

A story under a Fort Worth dateline Monday morning gave the following account of the tragedy:

"The number of violent deaths in Tarrant county during the last five days was swelled to twelve when a Southbound Cleburne interurban car struck an automobile at a crossing several miles South of Everman, killing Catherine Lankford, 9 years old, of Cleburne, about 1:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

"The child's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Cossey, of Sagamore Hill, on the Ft. Worth-Dallas interurban, sustained minor injuries, and a sister, Anita Lankford, 8 years old, received a fractured shoulder. All were brought to Fort Worth, the injured to Baptist Hospital, by an ambulance. The body of the child is at the mortuary of Robertson-Mueller pending funeral arrangements.

"The Lankford children had been spending the holidays with their uncle and aunt here and were being taken back to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lankford, of Cleburne, at the time of the accident. The automobile was practically demolished and caught fire. None of the occupants was burned."

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Rub Pain right out with small trial bottle of old "St. Jacobs Oil"

What's Rheumatism? Pain only. Stop drugging! Not one case in fifty requires internal treatment. Rub soothing, penetrating "St. Jacobs Oil" directly upon the "tender spot" and relief comes instantly. "St. Jacobs Oil" is a harmless rheumatism and sciatica liniment, which never disappoints and cannot burn the skin.

CHILDREN'S GARMENT CLEANSING WEEK ON

Contending that unclean and unsanitary garments are responsible for disease and bad health, the National Association of Cleaners and Dyers has designated the week, December 28th to January 2nd as National School Children's Garment Cleansing Week, and local cleaners are participating in the campaign. Elsewhere in The Ledger J. L. Harding & Co. have an announcement, and in addition to their advertisement, they have stated that they will gladly clean and press the clothes of any child, whose parents are not able to pay for the work at the cut rate, free.

It is claimed that communicable diseases can greatly be eliminated by sterilizing and cleaning the children's clothes. Germs, it is said, are carried in the clothing, and while the body may be apparently healthy, deadly germs are lurking in the clothing, and these can be destroyed by the sterilizing of the clothing.

MARRIED HERE TUESDAY MORNING

E. W. Sawyer, of Georgetown, and Miss Annie Estelle Fields, of Winters, were married at the Baptist parsonage in Ballinger at 11:00 o'clock Tuesday morning. Dr. Alvin Swindell performed the ceremony in the presence of a few friends who accompanied the bridal party from Winters to Ballinger. The bride is one of Winters' popular young ladies, and a graduate of the Winters high school. The newlyweds will make their home near Georgetown.

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of head or throat is usually benefited by the vapors of—
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Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly

HUSBAND DIES; NEWS KILLS WIFE

Burford and Luther Owens, druggists, of Winters, were called to Leonard late Saturday in response to a message that their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Owens, were both dead. The Owens brothers went to Leonard to attend the funeral which was held Monday.

John D. Owens was 72 years of age, and Mrs. Owens was 67. They visited their sons at Winters several times, and made friends in this county who will regret to hear of their passing. The many friends of the Owens boys will also sympathize with them in their sorrow.

According to news received here, Mr. Owens died suddenly, death being due to apoplexy. When ten minutes later Mrs. Owens learned of her husband's death, she died, following her husband into the great beyond.

GROCERIES CASH AFTER JANUARY 1ST

On January 1st the partnership of W. B. Currie and Willie Stephens in the Currie Mercantile Co. will dissolve. Mr. Currie will move the business to his building on Seventh Street opposite the court house and will continue to operate under the name of Currie Mercantile Co., selling groceries, feed, poultry and produce.

Beginning January 1st this firm will sell groceries for cash only. This statement is to everybody and you are requested not to ask for credit after that date on your grocery account.

We wish to thank our many friends and patrons of the past for the splendid patronage given us and hope that we may merit a continuance of that trust.

We wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year.

CURRIE MERCANTILE CO.
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WILL CELEBRATE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF TOWN

MATAMOROS, Mexico, Dec. 28.—The famed twin spires of an historic cathedral, almost as old as the city in which they are located, from January 26-30, 1926, will look down on a novel scene—celebration of the 100th birthday of "heroic" Matamoros—a four day event which leading citizens say will surpass anything which has transpired in the shadow of those twin spires since they were erected. Early in 1826, Matamoros was founded on the South Bank of the Rio Bravo del Norte (Rio Grande), just across from where now stands Brownsville.

Band music, parades, elaborate decorations, talks by the governor of the state of Tamaulipas, Portes Gil, by other officials, and by the new presidente municipal, Jesus Maria Cardenas, will feature the celebration in which practically all the cities of the state will participate. A queen, to be elected soon, will be crowned by Governor Gil and will reign over festivities.

Matamoros really was settled more than 100 years ago, but in its earliest stage it was a ranch home and was called Congregacion de Refugio. The word "congregacion" denoted at that time a small village. In 1826 the location became known as Ciudad Matamoros, and has been called Matamoros for the past century. However, the first part of the name has been changed from "Ciudad" to "Heroic," the term being applied in praise of the noble defense Matamoros always has put up against attackers in time of civil war.

A TONIC

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic restores Energy and Vitality by Purifying and Enriching the Blood. When you feel its strengthening, invigorating effect, see how it brings color to the cheeks and how it improves the appetite, you will then appreciate its true tonic value. Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is simply Iron and Quinine suspended in syrup. So pleasant even children like it. The blood needs QUININE to Purify it and IRON to Enrich it. Destroys Malarial germs and Grip germs by its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 60c.

LEGION WILL MOVE TODAY

The Pat Williams Post American Legion will begin moving to its new home at the Carnegie Library in order to vacate its present club rooms by January 1st. All furniture will be moved to the new building before any improvement is done at the library and then the boys will meet for several nights and do the inside of the building over and make some new arrangements in the floor plan of the building to better suit their needs.

In leaving the old club quarters, one of the best buildings of its kind in West Texas will cease to be a club meeting place. The building was built in 1908 for the Ballinger Social Club and since that time has been maintained for that purpose by some organization or another until now. It is well arranged for social functions and will be missed in Ballinger when it is evacuated and put in use in a commercial way.

The American Legion post will have an ideal home in the library as soon as improvements are finished. The downstairs will be used for club rooms, library and a room for the Shakespeare Club. The upstairs will be put in shape and the auditorium furnished and seated as soon as possible and the Legion plans to give many interesting programs there during the coming year for the public. The auditorium will also be used for a banquet hall where different organizations of the town will have sufficient room for holding big banquets.

A special building committee from the local post has plans well underway for the improvement of the newly acquired property and as fast as finances can be secured the money will be spent in putting the library in excellent condition.

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with Worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Parents will then know if or dispel the worms, and the Child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 60c per bottle.

\$150,000 HOTEL TO BE BUILT IN SAN ANGELO

Dirt will be broken early next year for a \$150,000 hotel at San Angelo, notwithstanding that the Tom Green county capital has one of the best hotels in the state for a city of that class. Frank Roberts will be the builder. He says the money is in the sack, the plans approved, and the work will begin soon after New Year.

RETURNS HOME WITH BRIDE

Charley Vaughn returned from Coleman Monday afternoon accompanied by his bride. Mr. Vaughn and Miss Maybell Reagoner, of Shields, were married in Brady on December 19th, and they have been honeymooning at different points since the wedding. Mr. Vaughn holds down a chair in the Jarrett Barber Shop.

BALLINGER GIRL WED TO SLATON TEACHER

Prof. W. A. Miller and Miss Lillian McKinney were married at noon Saturday, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Ilius Q. McCorkle, at the Christian parsonage on Sixth Street. The bride and groom will return to Slaton, where they are both members of the Slaton school faculty.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McKinney, of the Ballinger. She spent most of her girlhood days here, and graduated in the Ballinger high school, and for the last two years has been teaching in the Slaton ten days with two services each day, ten a. m. and 7 p. m. Every-day is most cordially invited to attend the meeting.

Mr. Miller is a teacher in the Slaton schools, and both he and

his bride will continue their work, returning to their duties after a brief honeymoon.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head Because of its tonic and invigorating effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c

REVIVAL AT THE NAZARENE CHURCH

Rev. L. B. Wilson, of Abilene, arrived Christmas and is assisting Rev. Nellie Hill, pastor of the Nazarene Church in a revival. The revival began at the Nazarene church on Ninth Street, Christmas night, and will continue for ten days with two services each day, ten a. m. and 7 p. m. Every-day is most cordially invited to attend the meeting.

Be wise and advertise.

Cotton Seed

Mr. Farmer we want to buy your Cotton Seed.

See us in exchanging meal for seed.

We handle in car lots Cotton Seed, Cotton Seed Meal, Cake, Cotton Seed Hulls, Maize Heads, Oats, Alfalfa, Hay, and Oklahoma Prairie Hay.

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Three Things to Be Sure of In Building a Home

1. The Plan. Better safe than sorry. Be sure your plan is perfect in every detail before you build. Inconvenient and unsatisfactory arrangements, too little closet space, too few built-ins, etc., can prove a constant source of regret. They can be remedied only at considerable expense. We may be able to help you in planning your home.
2. Materials. Trying to save on first cost by using cheap, inferior materials, always proves costly in the end. It is the most unwise of all courses to take. Buy materials that will last.
3. Construction. A good contractor and skilled workmen offer the best insurance against being a victim of "the high cost of cheap construction." Improper construction is apt to result in constant expense, worry and dissatisfaction. We can put you in touch with reliable workmen.

When you build, build to last. Be sure of these three things. Bring your building problems to us. Let us tell you about our roof that lasts for fifty years.

Wm. Cameron & Co. Inc.

Phone 141

Baby Chicks

Custom Hatching

We will start our Mammoth Incubator Monday morning, January 4, 1926. Everyone wishing to set eggs on this date should arrange to secure good settable eggs and see us at once about booking hatching space.

Now is the time to hatch off Chicks for early fryers. The man who has the early fryers makes the big Money.

We will have Baby Chicks for sale Tuesday, January 26, and every Tuesday after that.

Custom Hatching \$3.00 per tray.

Baby Chicks priced according to kind and quality.

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CLASSIFIED ADS.

WANTED—To rent 150 or 200 acres on shares. J. T. Brown, Box 682, Ballinger. 31-2d-1w*

Meat Hogs, Sows and Pigs for sale. Phone 484. Clarence Hamilton. 304d-2w*

FOR SALE—Hundred acre farm near Blanton school; 65 in cultivation. \$3,000, one-third cash, balance easy. L. F. Smith, Phone 3111. 28-6d-2w*

LOST—On the Eden highway towards Menard out of Paint Rock, a lady's brown travelling bag containing ladies' wearing apparel, a new kodak, a ukulele, and other articles. Return to the Ledger office, and receive valuable reward. Jewel Burris. 28-3d-1w

FOR SALE—Teams, tools, feed stuff and 120 acres of land for rent. E. H. Hammond, Eola, Texas. 1w*

LOST—or Strayed—Mare mule, two years old, sorrel with white nose. Reward to finder. W. W. McKissack, Talpa, Texas, Route No. 2. 1-3w*

WANTED—Man with force to cultivate 125 acres land on halves. W. W. McKissack, Talpa, Texas, Route 2. 1-3w*

FARM FOR SALE—We offer our farm of 335 acres, 265 in cultivation, with 150 acres in grain, at reduced price for a few days. Will give terms. W. S. and Marvin Wilmet. d-sat 1-2w*

FOR SALE—Brown Leghorns, one dollar each. Mrs. C. G. Allison. 1-1fw

FOR RENT—140 acre farm. L. D. Clark, Valera, Texas. Phone 43. 12-6d-3w*

LANDS—Improved lands for sale, or trade. Also unimproved land for small cash payment. C. B. Williams, Box 208, Littlefield, Texas. 8-5d-8w*

FOR SALE—160 acres fine land 3 1/2 miles Southwest of Ballinger, where new brick school is building. \$40 per acre and long time on part. Dr. J. P. Noe, Boerne, Texas. 30-8w*

Notice to Livestock Owners
When in need of veterinary services, phone Dr. Richard F. Zedlitz, Nos. 12 or 13, Ballinger. 9-wf.

Just Arrived—car Black Diamond Coal, \$8 per ton at car on A. & S. track. Phone 306. Boggs Brothers. 1w*

SAN ANGELO MAN KILLED ON ROAD FROM ROWENA

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 26.—Arthur Hazard, 22, employe at W. J. Powell's garage here, and a son of E. S. Hazard, local jeweler, was almost instantly killed early Friday morning when an automobile in which he was riding left the road, struck an embankment and overturned twice. The accident occurred seven miles east of San Angelo on the Miles road. Douglas Leineweber, the driver, was pinned with Hazard beneath the machine for a quarter of an hour, but both he and Walter Powell, another passenger and one of Hazard's employers, escaped serious injury.

The men were en route to a dance at Rowena.

HOLIDAY CHURCH SOCIAL

The social committee of the Baptist church is arranging for a social meeting of the members at the church Wednesday night. The social room has already been arranged, and a good live program of amusement and fun is being prepared for both the old and the young. The meeting has no other purpose than for the church family to assemble for a good time together. It is announced that no collection or any such thing is to be had, but just a pleasant social hour for the members of the church. All the membership is expected to be on hand.

Bargain Days Extended
The Star-Telegram has extended the Bargain Day rates to January 4th. See Underwood News Company. 1-1w

Get today's news today—read The Daily Ledger.

DEMONSTRATING VALLEY TRUCK

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 28.—To the South, Middle West and Rocky Mountain sections is to be demonstrated the productivity of the Rio Grande Valley.

A complete citrus fruit and agricultural exhibit, showing all the products of the Valley, gathered by the Missouri Pacific Railroad for show purposes, is en route to Nebraska, Colorado, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana on a 40 day tour. It is one of the largest and most complete ever taken in a similar trip. Included in the display are more than 300 specimens of citrus fruit, wild game, farm products of many varieties and extensive exhibits of canned products of the Valley.

Exhibits of special interest include a stalk of bananas grown in eight months; 24 grapefruit on one cluster; a breadtree bearing fruit, and an alligator pear tree.

Prize-winning displays of the recent Valley Mid-Winter Fair held at Harlingen will be shown, and nearly every community in the valley has contributed products. Booklets descriptive of the Valley's resources will be distributed wherever the car stops.

This sign, 74 feet long, lettered in black and red, will be carried on each side of the car: "Citrus Fruit and Agricultural Exhibit, Rio Grande Valley of Texas, where the Sunshine spends the Winter. Visitors Welcome."

The farthest North point to be visited is Omaha, Nebraska, and the farthest West, Pueblo, Colo. The car is being shown this week in Waco, Fort Worth and Dallas, after which it goes to Houston and New Orleans, thence to the North.

SAYS RED PEPPER HEAT STOPS PAIN IN FEW MINUTES

Rheumatism, lumbago, neuritis, backache, stiff neck, sore muscles, strains, sprains, aching joints. When you are suffering so you can hardly get around, just try Red Pepper Rub.

Nothing has such concentrated, penetrating heat as red peppers, and when heat penetrates right down into pain and congestion relief comes at once.

Just as soon as you apply Red Pepper Rub you feel the tingling heat. In three minutes the sore spot is warmed through and through and the torture is gone.

Rowles Red Pepper Rub, made from red peppers, costs little at any drug store. Get a jar at once. Be sure to get the genuine, with the name Rowles on every package.

For free sample mail this advertisement to Whitehall Pharmaceutical Co., Inc., 598 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y.

GRID TANGLE IS SETTLED

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—Agreement by Waco high school to re-enter the race for the high school championship in football, at the request of the Interscholastic League executive committee, and the statement by Roy Henderson, athletic director of the League, that the League will not sanction the proposed game between Sherman and Beaumont high schools for the "outlaw" championship, were today's developments in the state football situation.

Henderson said that if Sherman should use Caraway and Beaumont should use Balliew, players ruled as ineligible, the two schools would subject themselves to suspension of from one to three years from the Interscholastic League.

Charley Bailey is at home from Galveston, where he is attending medical college, for a few days visit with home folks.

Miss Gladys London, of Dallas, came in Saturday and will be the guest of Miss Evelyn Routh over Sunday. She had been visiting relatives at San Angelo, and was en route home.

DEATHS

Miss Reda Nelson
The remains of Miss Reda Nelson were brought to Ballinger from San Angelo Wednesday and laid to rest in Evergreen Cemetery. The funeral was held at 3:00 p. m. from the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Long.

Miss Nelson was twenty-seven years of age, and was born in Ballinger. She was the daughter Mrs. E. L. Long, and is also survived by two brothers here. The young lady died at San Angelo at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday evening.

Jack Good
Jack Good, aged ten years, died at the home of his father one mile North of Norton at 7:00 o'clock Tuesday evening. The little boy was ill only three days.

Undertaker Jennings was called to embalm the remains and funeral services will be held after other members of the family arrive Thursday, interment to be made in the Norton cemetery following services conducted by Rev. W. H. Rosser, of Bronte, at the Good home.

Mrs. C. C. Carter
Undertakers Crews and Jennings, of Higginbotham Bros. & Co., were called to Norton Wednesday night to prepare the body of Mrs. C. C. Carter for burial. Mrs. Carter had been in poor health for some time and died Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock. She was 46 years, 8 months and 10 days old, and is survived by a husband and nine children.

The funeral was held at the Norton cemetery Thursday afternoon.

NO AUTO FATALITIES FOR CHRISTMAS HERE

Two or three auto smash ups were reported in and around Ballinger during the holidays, but the victims escaped with only minor injuries, no fatalities being reported. In every case the parties requested that nothing be said about the accidents.

It is no disgrace to be tangled up in an auto accident, but somehow people do not seem to like to see their names appear in connection with the mishaps, and when you see a demolished car being towed to the work shop don't get the idea that the reporter has overlooked a news item. It is just a case where the reporter has yielded to the request that the story be suppressed.

Skeletons Painted Red Found SIMFEROPOL, Southern Russia, Dec. 29.—Human skeletons painted a deep red have been found by Russian archaeologists in the vicinity of Simferopol. They are believed to belong to the Cimbric race which inhabited the coast of Kertch Bay 2,000 years before Christ. It was the custom of this ancient race to cover the corpses of their dead with ochre, which was believed to preserve the bodies against decomposition.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Massey came in Sunday from Dallas on a visit to relatives, visiting Mr. Massey's sisters, Mrs. G. W. Dunlap, Mrs. Arterburn and Miss May Massey.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Carroll returned home Sunday afternoon from San Saba, where they spent four or five days visiting relatives. Mr. Carroll says it was pretty cold motoring Sunday.

Robert Bruce visited relatives in San Angelo Christmas day.

TO HOLD WATER WORKS SCHOOL

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—The most complete program yet arranged for the organization will be given in conjunction with the staging of the eighth annual school for Texas waterworks operators at Fort Worth, January 18-23, C. N. Avery, president of the Texas section of the Southwest Waterworks Association, announced today. This school will be held under the auspices of the waterworks association, the Ft. Worth city health and water departments, Texas Christian University, and the State Board of Health. Mr. Avery is the city water and light commissioner of Austin.

L. A. Quizley, superintendent of the Fort Worth waterworks, is general chairman for the school, and W. S. Mahlie, city chemist of Fort Worth, director. Most of the sessions will be held in the Westbrook Hotel.

Milk sanitation, a new feature, will be discussed by Dr. H. O. Springington, state health officer. Other state boards of health represented on the program are: Kansas, by Ernest Boyce, chief sanitary engineer; and Iowa, by Jack J. Hinman, chief of water laboratories, who will discuss bacteriology of water and sewage.

The address of welcome will be delivered the morning of January 18th by O. E. Carr, Fort Worth city manager. That morning, Major John B. Howley, one of the outstanding engineers of the South, will discuss "Historical Outline of Water Purification."

The school for waterworks operators was started in 1919 to give waterworks and filter plant operators actual laboratory training and demonstrations of simple tests in determining purity of water supplies. In 1949 only a few operators attended the school, but it is expected 200 operators will attend the Fort Worth school.

Dr. Springington said that when the school was started in 1919 only six cities were treating surface water supplies. He estimated that since 1919, when Texas had annually 15,000 cases of typhoid fever, water-borne typhoid has been reduced 90 per cent and dysentery has been reduced to a minimum.

ALLEGED VIOLATORS RELEASED ON BOND

It was announced Saturday that most of the parties arrested on liquor charges and for other offenses preceding Christmas, had made bond and were at liberty pending action of the grand jury and the courts.

Two of the men arrested in the Winters burglary case, S. E. Golden and young Graham, made bond and obtained their freedom as a Christmas present.

Mischief for Christmas was held down to a minimum, and there was little evidence of boot-leg activity, after the officers put a scare into the trade by making five or six arrests on Christmas eve. Shooting fireworks within the prohibited zone constituted the greatest problem with which the police department had to contend, and several boys were made to answer for their fun.

Miss Marthgie Bridwell is at home for the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Bridwell. She is teaching at Liberty Hill.

WEDDING BELLS
Waits-Gulley
Newton Waits, of Cameron, and Miss Muriel Gulley, of Paint Rock, were married at the Eighth Street Presbyterian manse in Ballinger at 5:00 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Alvin O. Rue performed the ceremony. The bride and groom will go to Cameron to make their home.

Moore-Herndon
Rev. Ihus Q. McCorkle, pastor of the First Christian Church, spoke the words Wednesday, December 23rd, that made Walter J. Moore and Miss Theresa Mae Herndon, of Miles, man and wife. The groom is a son of B. W. Moore. The bride is niece of Mrs. Atwell and Miss Agnes Glover. They will reside at Miles.

Bales-Corum
W. S. Bales, of the Hatchel community, and Miss Louise Corum, of Ballinger, were quietly married at the manse of the First Christian Church on the eve of Christmas. Mr. Bales is well known and favorably spoken of here and at Hatchel. The bride is the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Corum, and has been attending the Ballinger high school. The young couple will reside on their farm in the Hatchel section.

Graham-Burton
Rev. S. L. Culwell spoke the words Wednesday afternoon that made Joe M. Graham and Miss Louise Burton, man and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Graham are from Sterling City. Miss Burton was here attending the institute, and Mrs. Graham came over in his car for the last day and took the popular teacher on to her home as his wife. They will make their home in Sterling City.

Thetford-Williams
B. R. Thetford, of Vernon, Texas, and Miss Frances Williams of Winters, drove to the Presbyterian manse Thursday morning, where they were united in marriage by Rev. E. W. McLaurin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bridwell are spending the year-end with Mrs. Bridwell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wood, at Granger. Sam Dunlap is spending the year-end at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Dunlap. He came in from Dallas.

NEW FRONT FOR PEARCE BUILDING
Repairs on the Pearce drug store building called for a new front to the second story of the building, and the work is well underway. The old masonry has been removed and a new brick front is taking its place.

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