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## Maverick and Dale Win in Ledger's Big Contest

Maverick, a school of Class A, and Dale, a school of the B Class in the Daily Ledger and Banner-Ledger's big circulation campaign which came to a close Saturday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, won the first prizes in the two classes. These two schools secured the largest number of votes in the contest.

In Class A, Hatchel school was second, and the Bethel school was third. In Class B, the Dry Edge school was second and the Old Runnels school was third.

These six schools worked very hard for their places in the contest, especially the Dale and Maverick schools. The teachers, school children, trustees, and patrons of the schools, all worked hard and covered a large part of the county to obtain new subscribers and the winning schools secured subscribers in every section of the county.

There were 22 schools in the contest and the remaining 16 schools will be given cash commissions as awards for their work.

This contest netted The Ledger several hundred new subscribers and many renewals. The Ledger, both daily and weekly, now has the largest circulation it has ever had in this county and surrounding territory. The Ballinger Daily Ledger covers Ballinger probably better than any other daily in Texas, in comparison to the size of the city in which the paper is published. The Ballinger Banner-Ledger covers every community of Runnels county and is considered one of the best weekly papers published in Texas in connection with a daily issue.

The prizes were: first, two \$450 Brunswick radiolas, (phonograph and radio combined in the same cabinet); second, two sets in choice of either baseball, basketball or tennis equipment; and third, two sets of teacher's desk and chair.

The contest was declared a success by everyone connected with it and The Ledger wishes to thank all those who worked so hard to help their schools win and also those who worked for the prizes but fell short of coming up to the first three in the two classes.

### FRESHMAN CLASS GIVES CHAPEL PROGRAM TODAY

Members of the Freshman class of the Senior high school, gave a short program in chapel at 9:00 o'clock this morning.

The program consisted of a Christmas tree for the teachers when "booby" gifts were presented to each member of the high school faculty, songs by the entire class, solos and duets, piano numbers, readings and ukulele renditions.

The program was well presented and was very enjoyable. Several visitors were present for this affair. It is expected that the Freshmen will be called on very often to give programs as theirs was one of the best presented this year.

Miss Margaret Cordill has returned from Southwestern University where she has been attending school, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Cordill.

## KING WANTS TO GIVE UP THRONE

(By Associated Press) PARIS, Dec. 20.—King Ferdinand wishes to abdicate his throne and restore to former Crown Prince Carol his rights which the prince renounced last January.

The king made this known to his ministers at a secret council held in Bucharest last week. This information comes from a high Rumanian political source in Paris.

## ADMITS HE KILLED BOY

(By Associated Press) CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Fearing his victim would tell his actions was admitted as the motive of Harold Croakin, who last night confessed that he slew six-year-old Walter Schmidt in a North Side barn, and left in a panic of fright after he had attempted to mistreat the boy.

The confession came after long hours of questioning, following the youth's voluntary surrender yesterday.

## TEACHERS RECOVENE TODAY

(By Associated Press) WICHITA FALLS, Dec. 20.—Curriculums taught in public schools of Texas came in for some praise and much criticism as a thousand teachers assembled here today from five Northwest counties of Texas and proceeded today with the third session of their five-day district and county meeting.

Addresses by H. S. Holland, of Columbia University, New York, and Dr. J. L. Henderson, of the University of Texas, featured the gathering.

### WARM RAIN FALLS OVER THIS SECTION

A warm rain, which started early Monday morning, had dwindled to a light mist Monday afternoon at press time and showed a total of about half an inch in rain gauges of this city.

The first sign of rain showed up early Sunday morning in the form of a mist and heavy dew. Rain continued a greater part of the second morning and this afternoon a slow mist was falling.

This precipitation will add to the benefit of the rains already received by grain crops during the past two weeks. Ranchmen will also profit.

Miss Evelyn Shepherd came in Saturday night from Southwestern University and will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shepherd.

## U. S. GINS 15 MILLION BALES

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Cotton of this year's growth, ginned prior to December 13, totalled 15,543,249 running bales, counting 557,729 round bales as half bales and excluding linters, as compared with 14,831,846 bales to that date last year, the Bureau of Census announced today.

Ginnings for Texas for this period stood at 4,858,287 bales.

## 300 SOLDIERS DIE FROM COLD

(By Associated Press) PEKING, Dec. 20.—Three hundred coolies who were impressed into the Manchurian military forces were frozen to death en route to the Suiyan area near the Mongolian border.

Their bodies have been returned to Kalgan, Shansi province, from whence they started, says a dispatch received here today.



## ICE CRUSHES LAUNCH IN HUDSON; 24 DROWN

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—At least 24 persons were drowned in the icy waters of the Hudson River today when the launch "Lineed King" carrying about 100 employees to an Edgewater, New Jersey manufacturing plant from Manhattan, was crushed by floating ice.

Ten others are missing and twenty-four more are in hospitals suffering from submersion.

## BORAH CLAIMS TREAS. LOOTED

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Declaring that Comptroller McCarl's report to the administration of alien property had disclosed the worst system of looting the country had ever known, Senator Borah of Idaho, Republican progressive, predicted today that an investigation would be ordered by the Senate after the Christmas holidays.

## S. P. PRESIDENT DIES IN CALIF.

(By Associated Press) LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—W. R. Scott, president of the Southern Pacific lines of Texas and Louisiana, died here suddenly today from a heart attack while visiting the local offices of the system.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Kornegay and daughter, Miss Loyde, of Winters, were in Ballinger Saturday night to meet their son and brother, Buck, who came home from A. & M. College to spend the Christmas holidays.

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## WIFE HELD FOR DEATH OF HER MATE SUNDAY

(By Associated Press) LONGVIEW, Dec. 20.—Beaten on the head with a hammer, John Clary, 45 years of age, was found dead at his farm home, one mile East of Kilgore last night by officers who arrested his wife, 42 years of age.

Mrs. Clary is charged with the murder, and is at liberty on \$1,000 bail.

The preliminary hearing is set for Tuesday morning.

BLAZE AT DOSS HOME CAUSE OF FIRE ALARM  
A blaze originating in the garage and servants' house at the A. K. Doss residence on Broadway at 1:20 o'clock Monday afternoon, was the cause of the fire alarm and the run by the fire trucks.

The damage was light with only the inside of the house being slightly marred by the flames.

Cecil Dickinson, who is attending A. & M. College, came in to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. R. A. Dickinson.

Willard Shuman, of A. & M. College, has returned to Ballinger to spend the holidays with his parents.

## THREE FOUND DEAD IN HOME

(By Associated Press) LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—The bodies of Mrs. Lorraine Haines, 38 years of age, and her two babies, were found in their home here today under circumstances which police declare form one of the most puzzling homicide mysteries in recent years.

The babies had been garroted with silk stockings but the manner in which the mother met death mystified the police.

## The New PALACE Theatre

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**50**

At Smyth's Young Men's Class Next Sunday

Bill's bunch is leading now. But watch Ross and his gang Next Sunday

Up and at'em every body

### The Needs of the Living

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Bootleg customers seem to be picking up the slogan and are doing their Christmas shopping early.

Ormiston, the man in the case, says Mrs. McPherson is not guilty. He was on the scene and should be in a position to clear the evangelist's name.

A man at Temple has discovered a way to tune a radio set in on all neighborhood conversations for a half mile around. This will no doubt make radios more popular with some folks, while others will improve the program they have been putting on around the family fireside.

**TEARS ARE BONA FIDE FILM ACTRESSES SAY**  
 HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Dec. 17.—Screen actresses find that they can cry naturally, without resorting to glycerin, a peeled onion, ammonia, or smelling salts.

The tear-making articles, once important items in the motion picture property man's paraphernalia, therefore have been displaced at most studios by lacrimose music.

Eleanor Boardman maintains that real tears may be produced if the actress plays her part thoroughly and feels the poignancy of the situation.

"However," Miss Boardman says, "just so many tears can be cried. The tear ducts run dry after a while no matter how much emotion you have, so I work myself up just to the point of tears and allow them to come just when it is time to shoot. I remember once that I cried during the time the lights and cameras were being arranged and by the time everything was ready I couldn't weep another tear."

Joan Crawford, before a tearful scene starts, sits in a corner with her head in her hands listening to soft, sad music. Marjorie Day has no trouble at all crying. In fact, her directors say, it is much more difficult for her to laugh than to weep.

When Mae Murray weeps she says she feels as grief stricken as though her screen woes were real. She adds that sometimes it takes her an hour to recover from a strong emotional scene.

**FIVE MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED OVER WEEK-END**

Five marriage licenses were issued here over the week-end the records at the court house showed Monday. Four of the couples did not care whether the licenses were made public, but the fifth couple urged that their names not be published.

The number of licenses that are expected to be issued between now and January 1, 1927, will bring the total well above the total for 1925.

J. Linton Clark has returned from San Bernardino, California, where he has been working for the past few months.

James Trail has returned to Ballinger to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Trail.

**NORTON COUPLE COME HERE TO WED SUNDAY**

Burnard Martin and Miss Daisy Culger, of Norton, motored to Ballinger Sunday afternoon and were married at the manse on Eighth Street by Rev. Alvin O. Rue, pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian church, about 3:00 o'clock.

**"BIG YARD" RAID NETS CARD PLAYERS**

City and county officers raided the "big yard," a section of dark-town in the "flat," and caught nine negro poker players and one drunk. Charges were filed against the negroes in the city and county courts. They will enter pleas of guilty and pay their fines.

**SHULTZ SELLS 2,600 HEAD OF SHEEP FOR \$26,000**

W. O. Shultz, of Paint Rock, delivered 2,600 ewes to J. A. Harvick, of Ozona, at the W. E. West ranch in Crockett county, Wednesday. The sheep, two to five-year-olds, brought \$10 per head. Mr. Harvick recently sub-leased the West ranch from Mr. Shultz.

Miss Mabel Brewer has returned from Southwestern University to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Brewer.

James Skinner spent Saturday night in Brownwood, where he saw the play, "Abie's Irish Rose." He returned home Sunday.

Miss Lola Eubank, who is teaching school at Edinburg, is at home to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Eubank.

Jones Taylor is here from Dallas to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor.

Miss Frances Holman, who is attending the University of Wisconsin at Madison, Wis., is at home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Holman.

Be wise and advertise.

**RUSSIAN CONCESSIONS GO TO GERMAN FIRMS**

(By Associated Press)  
 BERLIN, Dec. 18.—Sponsored by a system of government credits, German industries have succeeded in obtaining 30 per cent of all the concessions awarded to foreign firms by the Soviet government. In a report on the favorable progress of Russo-German commercial relations, the German ministry of commerce says 40 of the 140 concessions came to Germany and that 20 went to England, and 15 to the United States. Bids for 100 additional concessions by German firms are being considered.

The Friedrich Krupp Works at Essen, the report adds, obtained one of the most important concessions for the manufacture and sale of agricultural implements. Former Chancellor Joseph Wirth is interested in a lumber company which is doing a \$7,000,000 business in Russia annually.

Leo Mapes, of Dallas, is here to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Mapes.

Neal Eubank is at home from John Tarleton College to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Eubank.

**HARTFORD PROPOSES A CITY FIRELANE PLAN**

(By Associated Press)  
 HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 17.—Firelanes in city residential districts, counterparts of the "dead lines" or fire lanes in forests as barriers against the sweep of a conflagration, have been advocated by a municipal committee which is revising the building code of Hartford, known among its sister municipalities as "The Insurance City."

The idea underlying the plan is that rows of fire proof buildings on main thoroughfares through sections closely settled with homes would make "fire walls" against a jump of flames from one block into another and give fight-ground against a conflagration in a particular block. The proposed changes provide an inner fire zone wherein all buildings should be fireproof; a belt around this inner zone which would be bisected by the six firelanes, and outside of all the residential section in which frame construction would be unhampered.

**Her Rabbit Farm Pays NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE, Dec. 17.**—Lady Rachel Byng, who four years ago gave up her millinery shop in London's West End to establish the first rabbit farm in the British Isles, has found her business so profitable that she has been obliged to transfer it to a larger quarters. Accordingly a special train was chartered and her 400 Angora

rabbits, which she breeds for their fur, shearing them as sheep are sheared, were loaded on board and sent to Winkfield, near Windsor.

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Miss Eva Lilly is visiting friends in Abilene this week.

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**Sale Price For Both 50c**

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**2 lb Fruit Cake \$1.75**  
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**1 lb Humidor Christmas Wrapping \$1.25**

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**"All This Red Grange Business"**  
 Frazier Hunt Decries Some College Ideals



Are college ideals slipping? Is the function of the college to teach young men how to make money? Is a winning team the greatest thing a college should work for? Taking Red Grange as an example, Frazier Hunt discusses these questions in the current number of Hearst's International-Cosmopolitan, of which he is associate editor-in-chief. Mr. Hunt made a special trip to the University of Illinois, his old college, to find out what the students thought of "all this Red Grange business," which originated there.

"What was happening to Grange was not of importance," he says, "but I began to wonder what was happening to my old university and what the effect of all this fantastic money was doing in one year—ten times more than the annual salary of the President of the United States—was on the minds of the young men there. So I decided to go back and find out."

Conversations with the college students from freshmen to seniors Mr. Hunt reports verbatim, and also tells of a talk he had with Grange's old coach, Zuppke.

Of his impressions after his visit to his old Alma Mater he writes: "Something had gone forever—something rather fine and gentle I suppose it had mostly to do with the chance to dream. For dreams do belong to youth, and if college men have lost their chance to dream they have lost something precious. After all, something precious and girls to make dollars may not be all there is to it; possibly they should be taught as well how to make dreams and ideals."



**Sheriff's Notice of Sale—  
Delinquent Taxes**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Runtels:

Whereas, on the 9th day of November, A.D. 1926, in a certain cause, numbered 1949 on the docket of the District Court of said county, wherein the State of Texas is plaintiff and H. J. Caulfield Estate is defendant the said State of Texas recovered judgment in the amount of Ninety-Five and 36-100 Dollars for taxes, penalties and costs with interest computed thereon at the rate of six per cent per annum, together with the foreclosure of plaintiff's delinquent tax lien upon the property hereinafter described as the property of the defendant, because of the non-payment of the taxes due thereon;

And whereas, on the 22nd day of November A.D. 1926, by virtue of the said judgment and the mandates thereof, the Clerk of the District Court of said county did cause to be issued an Order of Sale, commanding me as Sheriff of said County to seize, levy upon and sell in the manner and form as required by law the hereinafter described property as the property of the above defendant, to satisfy the said judgment.

Wherefore, by virtue of the said Order of Sale and the mandates thereof, I did on the 3rd day of December, A.D. 1926, seize and levy upon as the property of the above defendant, the following property, to-wit:

South one-half of lot No. 3, in Jackson Addition to the town of Miles, Runtels County, Texas.

And I will on the first Tuesday in the month of January, A. D. 1927, the same being the 4th day of said month, proceed to sell said property at the Court House door of said county, in the city of Ballinger, Runtels County, Texas, between the hours of 2:00 o'clock p. m. and 4:00 o'clock p. m., to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above defendant, in and to the above described property; subject, however, to the rights of the defendant to redeem same in the time and manner provided for by law, and subject to the further rights of the defendant to have said property divided and sold in less divisions than the whole. And in event there are no bidders, said property will at said sale be bid off to the State.

R. E. McWILLIAMS,  
Sheriff, Runtels County, Texas.  
D-6-13-20

**Sheriff's Notice of Sale—  
Delinquent Taxes**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Runtels:

Whereas, on the 12th day of October, A. D. 1925, in a certain cause, numbered 1712 on the docket of the District Court of said county, wherein the State of Texas is plaintiff and L. H. Voelker is defendant, the said State of Texas recovered judgment in the amount of One Hundred Fifty-Nine and 46-100 Dollars for taxes, penalties and costs with interest computed thereon at the rate of six per cent per annum, together with the foreclosure of plaintiff's delinquent tax lien upon the property hereinafter described as the property of the defendant, because of the non-payment of the taxes due thereon;

And whereas, on the 10th day of October, A. D. 1926, by virtue of the said judgment and the mandates thereof, the Clerk of the District Court of said county did cause to be issued an Order of Sale, commanding me as Sheriff of said County to seize, levy upon and sell in the manner and form as required by law the hereinafter described property as the property of the above defendant, to satisfy the said judgment.

Wherefore, by virtue of the said Order of Sale and the mandates thereof, I did on the 11th day of October, A. D. 1926, seize and levy upon as the property of the above defendant, the following property, to-wit:

69 acres out of the G. W. Dyer survey No. 482, abstract No. 116, 134 acres out of the A. Jet survey No. 530, abstract No. 322, 38 acres out of the T. T. Williamson survey No. 529, abstract No. 529, 125 acres out of the L. F. Gressett survey No. 602, abstract No. 896, 90.7 acres out of the C. Anderson survey No. 523, abstract No. 4.

And I will on the first Tuesday in the month of January, A. D. 1927, the same being the 4th day of said month, proceed to sell said property at the Court House door of said county, in the city

**TURN HAIR DARK  
WITH SAGE TEA**

The old-time mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur for darkening color, which is a good, even keep their hair using it to folks are again er's recipe, and is grandmoth- and faded hair gray, streaked, quite sensible, as we are living in an age when a youthful appearance is of the greatest advantage.

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**Movies**

**Mooted Question Settled in Film  
at Palace Today**

The ever bothersome question as to whether the prospective bride or groom should furnish the new home, is brought up by Eleanor Boardman in John M. Stahl's production of "Memory Lane," the current attraction at the Palace Theatre. The picture is showing in Ballinger today and tomorrow.

In the story, the husband, played by Conrad Nagel, takes his bride to a home already selected and furnished by him, regardless of his wife's tastes or wishes. Miss Boardman, the bride, is highly indignant over such a policy and expresses herself in no uncertain terms.

"In this day and age, if a woman does not go out into the world to help support herself and husband, the man in the case ought to be thankful enough to allow his wife to express herself in some way, if only in the household furniture.

"The average man knows little about the outfitting of a house, and the things that add the 'homey' feeling, and after all it is the wife who spends most of her time in the home, not the husband.

"If the man allows the woman to run her own household as she pleases, she should not interfere with her husband's business, or try to 'help' him."

William Haines is the third member of the trio of featured players in "Memory Lane," which is released through First National.

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of Ballinger, Runtels County, Texas, between the hours of 2:00 o'clock p. m. and 4:00 o'clock p. m., to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above defendant, in and to the above described property; subject, however, to the rights of the defendant to redeem same in the time and manner provided for by law, and subject to the further rights of the defendant to have said property divided and sold in less divisions than the whole. And in event there are no bidders, said property will at said sale be bid off to the State.

R. E. McWILLIAMS,  
Sheriff, Runtels County, Texas.  
D-6-13-20

**Real Estate  
Transfers**

**Warranty Deeds**

H. C. Campbell et ux to T. W. Hague, a part of lot No. 7 of the Spill first addition to the city of Winters, November 12, for the sum of \$2,000.

J. M. McCauley to Nancy A. Brice, the East half of the Green DeWitt survey No. 719, containing 240 acres, October 21, for the sum of \$5,000.

M. L. Northington et ux to Edward Sommer, part of lot 2 of block No. 104 of the First Railroad addition to the city of Ballinger, August 26, for the sum of \$1,250.

J. W. Barnett et ux et al to O. R. Lasater et al, block 27 of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, containing 200 acres, September 15, for the sum of \$2,500.

Mrs. Margaret Francis Hart Estate to R. J. Prokschl, part of block No. 33 of the Robinson addition to the city of Miles, December 17, for the sum of \$8,000.

**Oil Leases**

J. M. Slaughter to Eugene Mays, 640 acres of the George S. Adams survey No. 806, 80 acres of the Alexander Bedford survey No. 26 1-2; all of the George Bedford survey No. 27 1-2; all of the J. H. Bedford survey No. 25 1-2; 47 1-2 acres of the W. H. West survey No. 1, and 86 acres of the J. M. Ainsworth survey No. 1; a total of 1,013.5 acres, October 6, for the sum of \$10.

Jas. R. Golden et ux to Eugene Mays, 217.5 acres of the A. Taylor survey, October 6, for the sum of \$10.

**Assignments of Oil and Gas Leases**

Eugene Mays to the Humble Oil and Refining Company, 1,013.5 acres of six surveys, Oct. 8. No consideration given.

Eugene Mays to the Humble Oil and Refining Company, 217.5 acres of the A. Taylor survey, October 8. No consideration given.

Nothing will give more joy to a sick person, or a "shut-in" than a bright blooming plant, at this season of the year. Will last for weeks. See our display, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, this week. At Hall Hardware Co. Ladies Auxiliary. 20-2td

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**Pinch Hitters Led Regulars**  
(By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Pinch hitters in the American League had considerable edge over the regulars last season. Frequently men were called upon to pinch hit and then continued in the game, but rating them as pinch hitters only, the list is headed by Mike Gazella of the Yankees, who had an average of .444 in ten games.

The real leader, however, is Herschell Bennett of the St. Louis Browns, with a mark of .428 in 30 games. He was at bat 28 times and cracked out a dozen blows. Gene Robertson, a teammate of Bennett's, who hardly hit his weight as a regular, proved himself a 400 hitter in a pinch.

Johnny Neumann of the Tigers played in 43 games in the role of a pinch hitter only.

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With the capable support of the famous "Lightnin'" the most intelligent equine in pictures.

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**GOODFELLOW FUND**

Ballinger citizens are not answering the Goodfellow call as sounded last week and as a result the fund is still short of what it should be. A few have donated, but much more cash is needed to carry on the Santa Claus work.

Pots for money and barrels for second-hand clothes and toys are on the streets in several conspicuous places and the citizens are asked to place their donations in these or at The Ledger office.

Following is the report to date:  
 Previously reported .....\$2.00  
 Mrs. Claud Stone .....\$2.00  
 Troy Simpson .....\$1.00  
 Rev. W. H. Doss .....\$1.00  
 James Skinner .....\$1.00  
 The Day Gin .....\$2.00  
 Sam Behringer .....\$1.00

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS BEGIN HERE WEDNESDAY**

Christmas holidays for the Ballinger school children will begin on Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock instead of on Thursday afternoon, it was announced Monday morning by Superintendent H. C. Lyon.

"On account of some of the patrons of the school wishing to go some distance to spend the holidays," Mr. Lyon said, "school will adjourn at 4:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Several of the teachers also want to go to their homes some distance away and so we have decided to dismiss school on Wednesday instead of Thursday."

The 1926-27 session will reconvene on January 3rd, the first Monday of 1927.

Asa Cordill's Window Prices will save you money. 1d

Burton Reese, who is attending A. & M. College, has arrived in Ballinger to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Reese.

It's sold for less—see Asa Cordill's Window! 1td

**CLASSIFIED ADS.**

**Rates and Rules**  
 Two cents per word first insertion and no advertisement accepted for less than 25 cents. All subsequent insertions 1c per word each insertion. All classified advertisements must be accompanied by cash, unless advertiser has a regular account with this paper.  
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**SACRED CONCERT WELL ATTENDED**

One of the most enjoyable sacred Christmas concerts for the 1926 holiday season was presented by the choir of the First Methodist church at the evening service hour Sunday, under the direction of Troy Simpson, choir leader. Miss Rama Guin was at the piano.

The program lasted during the entire sermon hour and was enjoyed very much. A large crowd was present, the entire auditorium being filled a short time before the program was to commence.

The Methodist church boasts of one of the best choirs in the city and this was truly evident Sunday night. Every member of the choir and everyone who took part in the program were from the Methodist church with the exception of Mrs. Alexander McGregor, who sang a solo. Mrs. Bob Carsey was her accompanist.

Following is the program as given at this service:

Hymn, "Joy to the World," the choir

Prayer, Rev. R. B. Hooper

Anthem, "All Hail the Joyful Morn," soprano obligato, Miss Sharp

Response, "Call His Name Jesus,"

Violin solo, C. L. Mohr

Hymn, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," the choir

Anthem, "Heaven's Melodious Strain," the choir; soprano obligato, Miss Doss

Response, "Come to My Heart, Lord Jesus,"

Announcements, Rev. Hooper

Offertory Anthem, "I Will Extol Thee," the choir

Solo and Chorus, "This Way But Once," Miss Doss and choir

Solo, "A Christmas Lullaby," Mrs. A. McGregor

Anthem, "The Dawn of Earth's Glad Day," Mr. Earnshaw and choir

Quartet, "Silent Night, Holy Night," Miss Doss, Mrs. Simpson, Messrs. Simpson and Doss

Benediction.

**PIMPLES DRIED RIGHT UP WITH SULPHUR**

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**MARRIAGE LICENSES**

John Reese and Mrs. Bess Harmon

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Andy Brown and Miss Eva Selzer.

Get today's news today—read the Daily Ledger

**DEATHS**

Mrs. H. A. Neas

Mrs. Della Rose Neas, 42 years 9 months and 17 days of age, wife of H. A. Neas, of this city, died Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the Halley & Love Sanitarium following an illness extending over a period of five months. Mrs. Neas had been in the local sanitarium for the past three months.

Mrs. Neas was born in Fannin county on March 1, 1884, and for the past several years she had resided in Ballinger with her husband and children.

She was a member of the Free-Will Baptist Church, but when able attended the Baptist church here with her children.

She is survived by her husband, H. A. Neas; four daughters and two sons. They are: Mrs. B. J. Tyson, Ballinger; Miss Grace Neas, Abilene; Willie Faye, and Wilman, John Edwin and H. A. Jr. Two brothers also survive, Jim Sims, Paducah; and John Sims, Coleman; and three sisters, Miss Willie Sims, Ballinger; Mrs. J. M. Grimes, Brownwood; and Mrs. F. C. Crook, Coleman, the two latter being unable to attend the funeral. Both brothers were here.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Baptist church with Rev. Alvin Swindell, pastor of the church, officiating. Interment was made in Evergreen cemetery with King-Holt Company undertakers in charge.

**BRONCHITIS**  
 At bedtime rub the throat and chest thoroughly with—  
**VICKS VAPORUB**  
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Rankin Pace, of Wingate, came in Saturday night to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pace Sr., of Wingate.

No hard times for office help. Big demand. Write for Catalog C and Holiday rates. Draughon's College, Abilene, Texas. 1d\*

**BIRTHS**

A message was received in Ballinger Sunday announcing the arrival of a baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George McCulley, of Edinburg, Texas. Mrs. McCulley will be remembered here as Miss Malvina Skinner.

**WILLIAMS GETS TWO BUCKS ON HIS HUNT**

R. R. Williams has returned from Mason county where he was successful in killing two fine bucks on a hunt with two cousins, the Ledbetter brothers of Brady. The party was out only a short time. Mr. Williams got his limit.

Very Special Prices on Everything at Asa Cordill's. 1d

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Mrs. Claud Wilmeth has gone to Brownwood, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Joe Blagg, for a few days.

Fred Atwell, of A. & M. College, at home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Atwell.

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