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## Livestock Show and Sale Scheduled for Tomorrow

Future Farmers of America and 4-H club boys of this area will hold their annual livestock show in Ballinger tomorrow (Friday), with an auction in the afternoon following classification of the animals.

The livestock will be brought here early tomorrow morning and put in pens on the Santa Fe right-of-way between Eighth and Ninth streets. F. F. A. boys of this area will have a judging contest at the beginning of the show to test their skill and later in the day will see how their selections compare with those of the two Fort Worth commission house representatives who will come here to judge the show.

Calves, lambs, hogs and capons will be entered in the show and all are to be judged on the classification basis. Cash prizes will be paid from a special fund provided by the Ballinger Board of Community Development.

The auction sale to be held at the end of the show is being pushed this year as animals in the show can be sold point free to individuals and groups who pool funds in advance for the purchase. Animals will be offered for sale so long as there are buyers. All unsold animals will be shipped to Fort Worth and put on the market there Saturday morning. A few of the boys will accompany the livestock to look after sales.

### LOCAL ROTARIANS ATTEND MEETING AT BROWNWOOD

James A. Wear, E. Sheppard and Sam Behringer attended a meeting of the Brownwood Rotary Club Wednesday and were present at a special program in which Jim White, former editor of the Brownwood Bulletin, was honored for being the only charter member who has maintained his membership continuously since the club was organized.

Mrs. James C. Parrish and children, after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Cordill, left Monday for Camp Atterbury, Indiana, where they will join Capt. Parrish.

## Rumors on Bruce Field Prove to be Without Fact

A story released in Washington the first of the week by the war department through Congressman O. C. Fisher stated that the army air forces would continue the operation of Bruce Field here as a training center for cadets receiving primary flight instruction.

Rumors originating in Ballinger were that the field would be abandoned and later that negro student fliers would be stationed here. The rumors gained such headway that inquiries were made of the congressman for this district to find out the facts in Washington and the fabrications were denied by the war department Monday.

The war department statement was that a school was being operated at the field and that there was no intention of halting the training program and there was no plan to convert the school into a training unit for negro fliers. Army authorities said no negro aviation student schools would be opened since facilities are adequate at the Tuskegee Institute negro aviation school.

Other rumors have been afloat

## National Conference Report Made to Local Legion and Auxiliary

Ballinger American Legion and Auxiliary members met Tuesday evening in a joint session with a number of visitors from San Angelo present. Only a few items of business were brought before the two groups before the assembly was converted into a joint affair to hear a report of the district rehabilitation officer who explained the purpose of his office.

Mrs. Frank Bell, of San Angelo, nation defense chairman for the department of Texas, reported on the 18th Women's Defense Conference recently held at Washington, D. C., which she attended.

The conference was called for the purpose of emphasizing the true meaning of national defense and to point out to the women's organization the importance of their participation in the war program. Thirty-four patriotic organizations were represented at the conference, of the 419 delegates 155 being from the Legion Auxiliary.

National Commander Warren Atherton was one of the headline speakers before the conference and a number of other nationally prominent figures, including war department representatives, were present.

Programs included numbers by the U. S. Marine band and orchestra and the appearance of a large group of wounded veterans from Walter Reed Hospital. Members of congress who have toured battle areas and a war correspondent of the Associated Press told of trips to active fronts in all parts of the globe.

Mrs. Bell called attention to the national defense project for this year in which the Auxiliary is financing two clubmobiles to be put in service in the field. These are large clubmobiles on wheels, are operated under the supervision of the American Red Cross. They are especially equipped to carry treats to men in isolated regions and are manned by three American girls who distribute candy, smokes, magazines, doughnuts, stationery and other items as well as providing entertainment for the men. These clubmobiles are the first to follow an invasion force into new territory. The cost of maintaining the two in the field is about \$42,000 a year.

Others from San Angelo attending the meeting were Arthur Silas, Joe Lewis and Hamilton S. Roach.

## U. S. Nurses Get Jungle-Wise in Indian Jungle



Four U. S. nurses now in training to replace Lieut. Col. Gordon Seagrave and his Burmese nurses on the Burma front, are shown (left) cooking chow over their fire during an eight-mile hike with full combat packs. They are trained to live in the jungle in order that they may be better able to care for their patients. Right: An army nurse pushes her way through thick jungles of bamboo on the Indian-Burmese border.

## 48 Girls and 33 Boys Will Graduate Here on May 23

The senior class of the Ballinger high school this year numbers 46 girls and 33 boys. All these are expected to receive diplomas on May 23 when the final graduation exercises are held for the present term.

The 79 seniors have ordered invitations and cards and are making plans to participate in the usual commencement programs near the end of school.

Supt. Nat Williams stated this week that the regular programs would be held this year, including graduation exercises for junior high students, baccalaureate service for senior high students, and the senior high graduation exercises. In addition a joint program by the high school band and choral club probably will be presented and other programs may be arranged later. The junior-senior banquet will be a social affair for the graduates.

The senior class is made up this year of the following:

### Girls

Mary Anne Allen, Norma L. Baker, Bettie Jo Baxter, Wanda Beard, Billie Louise Blair, Frances Block, Mary Tiny Chapman, Juan-dell Chesney, Wanda Clayton, Lorene S. Cook, Juanita Culwell, Mildred M. Curry, Mary Ann Egan, Gloria Arline Farley, Lavinia Faubion, Mary Ann Fowler, Gloria Frey, Ava Fulton, Mary Green, Geraldine Halfmann, Grace Halfmann, Mary Lou Halfmann, Norma Harris, Wilma Barteen Henry, Irene Hill, Mildred Hill, Winona Howell, Johnnie Ruth Jones, Dorothy Dell Jones, Juanita Kelly, Arvena Lee Kendrick, Carmen Louise Laika, Olga Matthiesen, Mary Ann Morgan, Loretta Park, Wanda Perry, Edleen A. Pfluger, Dotsie Pratt, Velma Rayburn, Margaret Louise Routh, Amelia M. Saenz, Leota Smith, Frances Taylor, Pauline Witter, Doris Wessels, Pearl LaVerne Pape.

### Boys

Antonio Alvarez, Clyde Allison, Jimmy Agnew, Kenneth Darrell Buchanan, Ronald Hoyt Berry, W. L. Burks, Alton Bryan, Billy Dwan Curtis, Fred M. Carroll, Joe Camp, M. L. Forgey, Willard Geatry, Leonard L. Gerhardt, Jack Powell Hirschfeld, Eugene M. Ischar, S. M. Jonas, Jr., John S. Kennedy, Jack Kopecky, Billy Ray Long, Harold Walter Mueller, Eldon G. Moody, Lea Maples, Myron Namkin, Rothal O'Kelly, Harold L. Richards, Norbert Rohm-feld, Alvin E. Spreen, Robert L. Thompson, Walter A. Thomason, Herman Virden, J. C. Wessels, Don E. Williams, Zane McWilliams.

### DISTRICT TRACK MEET SCHEDULED TOMORROW

In another story published in this issue of The Ledger it was announced that the district or conference track meet would be held Saturday. This was in error as the meet will be held at Bearcat Field tomorrow (Friday) afternoon, beginning at 2:30 o'clock.

Only Brady and Ballinger teams will participate in the meet but both school will be represented by a fine group of track and field men and the events promise to be interesting.

The public is urged to attend.

Mrs. W. L. McMillan, who had been ill for the past three weeks, is able to be up again.

### SERVING UNCLE SAM

#### Praises Red Cross

Mrs. H. M. Williams, of Ballinger, is strongly praising the American Red Cross as she knows first hand some of the many services that organization is rendering. When her son, Pfc. James Williams, was returned to San Francisco to be hospitalized after serving in the South Pacific he was ill and had lost 40 pounds. He also had not heard from relatives in some time and asked the Red Cross to help. In short order the Red Cross had a report on his relatives and they were advised of his new address.

In a letter to his mother here, Pfc. Williams said: "I don't know what we would do without the Red Cross." He explained that attendants were writing his letters and rendering him every other service possible. Mrs. Williams had already made a contribution but brought another to the city chairman Saturday morning to make \$2 for each of her three sons in the service.



Gladys Tippett, Sp. (R) 3c Gladys Tippett, WAVE recruiter, was in Ballinger last Thursday to interview prospects and stated that two local girls would take examinations within a short time. She also said she would return to Ballinger about April 19 for a ball game.

A letter recently received from Wallace Chastain, son of Mrs. W. W. Chastain, stated that he had arrived in Canada and was preparing for another trip with the merchant marine. He has made several trips overseas since visiting at home but expects to have a short leave about June. He said he had been promoted to lieutenant, junior grade, and was to receive his full commission when he reached New York and before going out again. His wife and two children have moved here from San Angelo to make home for the duration and will reside on Tenth Street.

Sam Davis, CPO in the seabees, was here the first of the week for a short visit with relatives and friends. He is stationed at Port Huene, near Santa Barbara, California. Before entering the service in World War 2 he was city engineer here, and prior to that had served in the army and marine corps. He also was a member of the national guard company here for a number of years.

## Red Cross Drive Over; Few Communities Short

### Eleven County Farm Agents Meet Here; Talk Insect Control

County farm agents from eleven counties were in Ballinger Wednesday for an important meeting. Parker Hanna, district No. 7 agent, and W. I. Marshall, district No. 6 agent, called the joint meeting at Ballinger, which was well attended.

Two specialists from the extension service of A. & M. College, Dr. H. C. Johnson, entomologist, and E. M. Reagenbrecht, of the swine department, were present.

At the morning session, when insects destructive to gardens were discussed, Miss Ozzie Folkes, newly appointed home demonstration agent for Runnels county, was present.

Farm agents attending were: T. H. Roensch, Fisher county; M. B. Templeton, Nolan county; Elmo V. Cook, and assistant, Taylor county; H. C. Atchison, Jr., and assistant, Tom Green county; Wyman J. Welsh, Schleicher county; T. B. Hicks, Coke county; R. L. Mertz, Jr., Concho county; J. T. Davis, Irion county; J. E. Tatum, Sterling county; and J. A. Barton, Runnels county.

### Boy Scout Troop 42 In Outdoor Meeting; First Aid is Studied

Boy Scout troop No. 42 took to the woods again this week for an outdoor meeting. The scouts and their leaders believe that advancement work done in the open is more in keeping with the scout program and prepares the boy for active duty in the surroundings where he is most likely to be when his services are needed.

Present for the meeting were: Bobby Bryan, Coy Burris, Charles Bailey, Jr., Everett James, Tom Egan, III, special patrol leader; E. Moonen, Emmitt Wilkey, Duane Carter, Jack Keel, K. Hoffman, Steve Ashton, Joe Harville, Dan Egan, Monroe Hoelscher, Dan Boehm, and troop leaders, Father Edward B. Postert, scoutmaster; O. Boehm, assistant scoutmaster; and Tom Egan, II, committeeman.

At 7 p. m. all members assembled at the troop room at 608 Sixth Street, leaving promptly for the campsite below the dam. A big campfire was built and supper prepared. After the meal recruits passed their tenderfoot requirements while the second class scouts worked on first class tests with special attention to first aid, under the direction of Father Postert, who holds an advanced Red Cross certificate. A full hour was given to advancement.

The work period closed with a game, "capture the flag," in which the panther patrol, with K. Hoffman as leader, the winner.

At this meeting the members agreed to devote the afternoon of March 26 to map making. The three best maps will be selected for an exhibit soon to be made. Plans for the first spring overnight hike are being arranged, the date set being April 14.

Rufus J. Wheeler, of Abilene, transacted business here the first of the week.

Tabulations of the Red Cross war fund, made this morning, disclosed that Runnels county and Ballinger are both over the top but a number of community committees are still at work and additional sums will increase the total before the end of the month.

Only a few communities in the county have failed to meet their quotas and committees are still making the rounds to get donations. According to today's tabulations Olfen had contributed \$121.20 of its \$400 quota; Rowena, \$360 of its \$500 quota; Brookshier, \$31.38 of its \$100 quota; Kristoff, \$64 of its \$100 quota; and Cross Roads with a quota of \$150 has not been reported. Winters and the northern portion of the county have turned in \$4,275 on a quota of \$4,500, and word from there this morning was that the remainder would be raised by the end of the week.

The army personnel at Bruce Field gave \$313.09, making the total for field, both military and civilian personnel, \$1,979.84, on a quota of \$1,200.

To this morning the total contributed in the county was \$14,576.82 on a quota of \$13,900, going over the top \$686.82.

In Ballinger tabulations today showed \$4,551.51 donated, \$51.51 over, and the drive will not be concluded here until the end of the month.

Funds turned in up to this morning and quotas are:

Ballinger	\$4,500	\$4,275.00
Winters and north end of county	4,500	4,275.00
Rowena	500	360.00
Norton	400	418.55
Humble Pump St.	150	163.34
Sweet Home	100	90.00
Olfen	300	121.20
Brookshier	100	31.38
Kristoff	100	64.00
Greenwald	200	200.00
Spring Hill	100	131.50
Bianton	200	229.00
Millar	100	152.65
Benoit	250	256.00
Dry Ridge	100	130.00
Maverick	150	162.54
Hagan-Barnett	200	245.00
Runnels	150	155.00
Harman Tr. Center	1,200	1,666.75
Bethel	200	255.95
Miles	500	520.36
Cross Roads	150	no report
Bruce Field, army	900	313.09

### SCHOOL HOURS HERE TO BE CHANGED MONDAY, APRIL 3

Supt. Nat Williams announced today that school time here would be changed on Monday, April 3, sessions beginning one hour earlier. The entire schedule will be moved ahead one hour on the above date, classes starting work at 8:30 a. m., the lunch hour to begin at 12 noon, and school closing at 3:45 p. m.

The Ballinger schools have been opened late during the winter to make it more convenient for pupils who ride busses.

From April 3 until the end of the present school year the time will remain the same, class sessions commencing at 8:30 a. m.

All patrons are urged to take notice of the change as it will affect the lunch hour. After April 3, students will be dismissed for lunch at 12 noon and resume study at 12:45 p. m.

Mrs. O. H. Layton and little son, Douglas, of Fort Worth, spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Cordill.

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# Women's, Society and Club News

## No-Host Supper for First Christian Class

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Mack was the scene of a no-host supper on Thursday evening of last week when members of the First Christian Sunday School class, of which Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh is teacher, were included as guests.

Lilies were used to decorate the entire reception suite and to form a centerpiece for the dining table where the menu was served buffet style by Mrs. Charles Bailey, Miss Lula McElroy and Miss Florence Westbrook.

Dr. Bailey and Mr. Mack were "captains" for an old-time spelling match and other diversions were a Bible drill and a playlet on George Washington's Birthday.

Others present were: Messrs. and Mmes. Stobaugh, H. O. Kelly, D. B. Crockett, Riley Jackson, M. A. Foy, Kenneth Riggs, R. R. Williams, D. E. Livermore, and Jack Rudd; the Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Simmons; Mmes. George Bentzen, and W. L. McCain, of Minneapolis, Minn.; Misses Cleo Lane, and Lillie Clayton.

## Mrs. Hall is Club Hostess

Mrs. Tommy Hall included a group of added friends last Friday afternoon when she was hostess to her contract club in her home on Eighth Street.

Vari-colored early spring flowers were used in mixed arrangements to grace party rooms where high score guest prize went to Mrs. E. W. Stasney and high club to Mrs. Leslie Baker.

A salad plate was served with cookies and coffee. Others included were: Mmes. Leonard Stallings, Loyd Herring, W. B. Woody, C. W. Chesham, Virgil Reynolds, D. O. Henson, B. C. Roberts, Jr., Roy Neal, Alex Saunders, G. G. Harwell, Fred Harman, E. L. Ingram, W. L. Barber, and Ford Taylor.

## Mrs. Vancil is Hostess

Mrs. I. Vancil was hostess at a small informal affair Friday evening in her home on Sixth Street.

Mixed bouquets centered four-some tables were matched table appointments were in the Easter motif. After a dessert course table games were played.

Present were: Messrs. and Mmes. J. B. Striplin, Troy Simpson, Mmes. F. C. McClanahan, Simeon Cottelle, Ona Penn, Ralph Vancil; Misses Ellen Jo Early, Earlene Webb, Mary Joe Webb, Virginia Nance, Lts. John Taylor, Edwin Thomas, and Harry Telander, Mr. Gene Barefoot, and Joe Albert Vancil.

## Shakespeare Club Has Regular Meeting

Mrs. C. R. Stephens presided for the regular meeting of the Shakespeare Club on Thursday afternoon of last week at the Army and Navy Club. Mrs. Estes M. Lynn was welcomed into the club as a new member and Mrs. James W. Guynes, president-elect, was elected delegate to the Sixth District meeting to be held March 23 in San Saba. The club's scrapbook, which was compiled by Mrs. Ford Taylor as the club's contest entry was on display.

For the continuation of the study of famous treaties, Mrs. Leonard Stallings discussed "Turkey and the Balkans," Mrs. Stephens' topic was "Treaty of Berlin and its Consequences," and Mrs. H. Ravellette's subject was "Treaty of Portsmouth."

Others present were: Mmes. J. B. Striplin, Yale B. Griffith, J. M. Skinner, Horace Murphy, Simeon Cottelle, A. B. Stobaugh, F. C. Miller, B. C. Kirk, Lela McAdams, and T. J. McCaughan.

## Miss Blankenship is Bride of Lt. Don Gibbs

The wedding of Miss Hlah Jo Blankenship, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blankenship of Wills Point, and Lt. Don W. Gibbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gibbs of Mabaok, was solemnized Monday, March 6, in the Indiantown Gap Military Reservation, Pa. The double ring ceremony, read by Chaplain Morris, was witnessed by about fifty guests.

Mrs. Jess Darnell, of Apache, Okla., was matron of honor, and Capt. Ronald T. Ferguson of Detroit, Mich., was best man. Corp. Jerome Grabowski played the wedding music and the accompaniment for "Because" sung by Corp. Corliss Dahmann.

Captain Ferguson was host for an in-honor affair immediately following the ceremony at the Officers Club.

After a wedding trip to Reading, Pa., Washington, D. C., and New York, the couple will return to the Indiantown Gap Reservation where Lt. Gibbs is stationed with the Artillery.

Mrs. Gibbs is a graduate of North Texas State Teachers College at Denton and was commercial teacher at the Ballinger High School. Lt. Gibbs is a graduate of Texas A. & M.

Carlynn Nance to Wed Lt. Worcester  
Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Nance of Brady are announcing the engage-

ment of their daughter, Carlynn Francis, to Lt. Bruce A. Worcester of the United States Army Air Forces.

Miss Nance, the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Nance, and Mrs. W. R. Clark, Sr. of Ballinger, graduated from Brady High School and was employed as a bookkeeper at Gartman's before accepting a position in the accounting department at Curtis Field.

Lt. Worcester, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl J. Worcester, of Oak Park, Ill., attended the College of Engineering in Chicago before joining the Air Corps. He received his commission and pilot's wings

at F. A. A. F. Frederick, Okla., March 12, and will be stationed at Laughlin Field, Del Rio.

## Mmes. Nixon and Payette Entertain Methodist Class

Mrs. Ralph Payette and Mrs. Jack Nixon, Sr., were hostesses to the Methodist Philathea Class Monday evening in the Nixon home on Ninth Street.

A decoration of mixed floral arrangements was given to rooms where Mrs. C. A. Glover directed the business meeting after the devotional by Mrs. Tom Caudie. Birthday celebrants were: Mmes. R. P. Tunnell, Guy Middleton,

Glover, O. R. Lasater, and Tom Agnew.

A salad plate was served with cake and coffee. Others present were: Mmes. R. W. Earnshaw, Claude Stone, John Barton, O. R. O'Neill, Edward Walsh, Rothal O'Kelly, and W. J. Morrison.

## Miss Maggie Lilly is Leader for Eighth Street Society

Lovely lilacs and white irises were used to decorate Eighth Street Presbyterian Church parlors Monday afternoon when Miss Maggie Lilly directed the program on "Japan, City and Industrial Work" for the Woman's Mis-

sionary Society. Mrs. Roy Hill gave the devotional and Mrs. W. A. Erwin the opening prayer. Miss Lilly led a panel discussion of the theme with information taken from the monthly periodical, "Women and Missions." Mrs. A. H. Wiesepape read the names in the Yearbook of Prayer.

Mrs. W. A. Taylor and Mrs. H. T. Russell were hostesses at the social hour and served a dessert plate. Others present were: Mmes. J. D. Coulter, B. H. Erwin, E. S. Malone, Rufus Allen, C. A. Douse, Carroll Bell, A. W. Sledge, R. M. McMillan, J. W. Black, Mary Spreen, J. A. Ostertag, Aubrey

Ashton; and Miss Eva Lilly.

## Bob Agnew is Host at Dance

Bob Agnew was host at a dance Friday evening given at the Army and Navy Club for a group of junior high friends.

Dancing was to nickelodeon music and refreshments were served at a downtown drug store. Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Agnew were assisted by Messrs. and Mmes. E. C. Grindstaff, George Newby, Lee Parker, W. B. Woody, Walter Middleton, and Elbert King.

Guests were: Betty Jean Lengsfeld, Nancy Guynes, Betty Jean Underwood, Mary Brian Woody,

Martha Saunders, Arlene Miller, Anna Sue Hembree, Elizabeth Wear, Marilyn Agnew, Marilyn Sommer, Patricia Caudie, Martha Ann James, Cynthia Tuckey, Virginia Baker, Dorothy Ann Holliday, Betty Middleton, Jackie Bankston; Bud Wright, Junior Henderson, Charles Miller, H. L. Atnipp, Joe Baker, Charles Bailey, Jr., Howard Martin, Bob Moody, Jack Hampton, Jr., Everitt James Grindstaff, Billy Jack Middleton, Curtis Davenport, Junior Curry, Billy Jack Thomas, Carl Black, Jr., Scottie Bell, and Hal Dean Caskey.

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# Women's, Society and Club News

**Mary Chapman is Bride of Cadet Carl E. Fouts**

Miss Mary Chapman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Chapman, became the bride of Aviation Cadet Carl E. Fouts Saturday evening at the Church of God. The single ring ceremony was performed by Rev. W. A. Erwin,

pastor of Eighth Street Presbyterian Church.

Miss Jolene Chapman, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor, and Aviation Cadet Glenn Gallagher was best man.

Cadet Fouts is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Fouts, of Independence, Kansas, and is stationed at the present at Goodfellow Field, San Angelo.

Mrs. Fouts will make her home here until she completes her school work in May.

**Farewell Party for Major McConnell in Handrick Home**

In a farewell courtesy for Major Landon E. McConnell, commanding officer of Bruce Field, members of the Officers' Wives Club entertained Monday evening in the home of Captain and Mrs. L. A. Handrick.

Group singing was featured in the evening's entertainment. Steaks, barbecued over an open fire, were served to the following: Major McConnell, Capt. R. E.

Moore, Lt. and Mrs. W. L. Morlen, Lt. and Mrs. Joe Ingram, Lt. and Mrs. Thomas J. Scanio, Lt. and Mrs. D. G. Thomason, Lt. and Mrs. Wendell Seibert, W. O. and Mrs. Gayle Hoard, Capt. and Mrs. Handrick, Lt. Henry McAvay, Lt. J. W. Walker, Lt. E. L. Black, Lt. O'Neill, Lt. Roland Dalley, Lt. Charles Statler, Lt. Charles W. Clark, and Lt. and Mrs. Frank Shea of Coleman.

Major McConnell has been commander of Bruce Field for the past year and more and all his fellow officers expressed regret at his leaving and wished for him the best of luck in his new work.

**Shower Given for Bride-Elect**

Miss Mary Chapman, bride-elect of Aviation Cadet Carl E. Fouts, was honored with a shower Thursday afternoon in the home of her sister, Mrs. W. F. Robinson.

Those present were: Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Jack Long, Mrs. Sherman Watkins, Mrs. Lena Bounds, Mrs. Joe Chapman, Mrs. W. W. Paschal, Misses Alice and Jolene Chapman, Fannie Parks, Vera Harris, Ruth Courvisier, Doris and Virginia Sanders, Amelia Saenz, and the honoree.

Hot chocolate and cake were served.

**Miss Evelyn Scoggins Marries in Oklahoma**

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Scoggins announce the marriage of their daughter, Evelyn, to Flight Officer Vernon L. Lewis, on March 14, at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Lewis, in Wilson, Oklahoma.

The single ring ceremony was read before an altar of pink and white carnations by Rev. O. F. Langford, pastor of the Nazarene Church of Ardmore, Oklahoma.

The bride wore a brown suit with white jabot. Her accessories were brown and white. A graduate of the Norton high school, she was employed here by Perry Brothers.

Flight Officer Lewis received his primary training at Bruce Field. He received his wings at the Lubbock army airfield. A graduate of the Wilson high school, he attended the University of Oklahoma before entering the service.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony with relatives and close friends attending.

The couple will be at home in Salt Lake City, Utah, until Flight Officer Lewis is given further assignment.

**Mrs. Vernon L. Lewis Honored with Gift Shower**

Misses Florene and Lorene Wood, and Jewel O'Neill, and Mrs. R. C. Hill were joint hostesses at a gift shower honoring Mrs. V. L. Lewis, the former Evelyn Scoggins, in the Wood home on Twelfth Street Tuesday evening.

The guests were greeted by the Misses Wood, Mrs. Lewis, and her mother, Mrs. H. B. Scoggins. Miss O'Neill presided over the bride's book. Mrs. Hill ladled punch and Mrs. Mildred Burris served cookies. Rooms were decorated with lilac.

Those present and sending gifts were: Misses Johnny Smith, H. I. Sharpes, Park Kemp, C. L. Lewis, E. T. Patton, Otto Wood, D. W. Williams, L. Daniel, Roy Roper, J. R. Mackey, J. E. Minshew, D. M. Crockett, H. K. O'Neill, Grace Barker, C. J. Robinson, Carl Lewis, Zell Ringle, M. E. Boggess, Dale Douglas, Wade Carter, Clarence Sharpes, Earl Cope, C. M. Patton, J. E. Priddy, Herman Herring, C. J. Jennings, Ernest Reeves, Wal-

lace Seipp, Grady Barrett, D. W. Turner, Grady Clark, F. M. Powers, Arthur Crockett, Claude Danford, Pete Pinkston, C. Caldwell, C. H. Roper, W. W. Mitchell, Nora Curry, Mildred Burris, Frances Taylor, Dickie, Misses Pansy Setser, Mary Ann Morgan, Winona Howell, Ouida Merle Sharpes, Betty Barker, Ruby Jean Alvarez, Simona Sgenz, Doris Danford, Velma Landers.

**Mrs. Endacott Entertains Know Your Neighbors**

Know Your Neighbors members were guests of Mrs. J. H. Endacott in her home on Ninth Street Wednesday afternoon.

Individual sewing and Red Cross knitting was done in rooms decorated in spring blossoms.

Home-made ice cream was served with angel cake. Included were: Mmes. LeRoy McAulay, John Barton, Ernest Moody, Rothal O'Kelly, Joe Flynt, Cecil Jones, Dee Sayers, L. C. Adair, Bill Clark, Jack Nixon, Sr., and Malcolm Morgan.

**Kaydettes Meet**

Mrs. Herbert Thomas presided for the regular weekly meeting of Kaydettes Tuesday afternoon at the Army and Navy Club. Reports of officers were heard and plans made for a tour of Bruce Field Thursday afternoon and a trip to the Sims ranch near Paint Rock Friday, March 31. Members expressed a desire to rent bicycles.

In games of bingo, prizes went to Mmes. Thomas, John Brown, Dearborn, Smith, and John W. Vance. Refreshments, furnished by Mr. Fred Harman, were served.

On last Friday afternoon a no-hostess picnic was enjoyed in the Nook in City Park under the direction of Mrs. Alex McGregor.

Games of bridge and bingo and the park equipment gave diversion for twelve.

**Altar Society in Mueller Home**

Mrs. Walter Mueller was hostess to the Altar Society of St. Mary's Catholic Church Monday afternoon in her home on Broadway.

Pink potted begonias decked rooms where Mrs. Simeon Cottle gave a program on the Lenten season and the Rev. Fr. Edward B. Postert, church pastor, explained the preparations Catholics should make for Easter. After a round-table discussion and the regular defense stamps contributions were made, a sandwich plate was served with cake and coffee.

Others present were: Mmes. L. Afflerbach, Dora Mapes, H. B. Halfmann, Ernest Schott, Clinton Polansky, Chester Afflerbach, Misses Anna B. Mapes, Adeline Fox, and Mary Krc.

**Mrs. Petty Entertains Book Club**

Mrs. Paul Petty entertained Current Book Club members Tuesday afternoon in her home on Sixth Street.

Pretty mixed floral arrangements were given vantage placings about rooms where Mrs. Chester Cherry reviewed "Hotel Berlin '43" from "The Wings"; and Mrs. Sam Behringer gave John Barrymore's biography.

The hostess served a frozen fruit salad with angel cake squares and punch. Others included: Mmes. O. R. Lasater, W. A. Taylor, John Barton, J. Dexter Eoff, C. A. Glover, Jack Nixon, Sr., J. B. Dankworth, O. R. O'Neill, A. B. Legate, Gertrude Woods, Alex Saunders, Tom Caudle and O. C. Sykes.

**Federated Club Delegates to Attend District Club Meet**

Representative from the Shakespeare and Fannie Stephens Study clubs are attending the twenty-ninth annual convention of the Sixth District of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs in San Saba today (Thursday) and Friday.

"Clubwomen's Part in World Peace" is the theme. Outstanding speakers will be Governor Coke R. Stevenson and Miss Ethel Foster of Sterling City, state president of the T. F. W. C.

The delegate from the Shakespeare Club is Mrs. James W. Guynes and other club members attending are Mrs. Alex Saunders, Mrs. J. B. Striplin, and Mrs. H. Ravellette. Mrs. W. O. Irby is delegate from the Fannie Stephens Study Club and others are: Mmes. H. G. Agnew, Jack Rogers, Ernest Moody, and Lee Maples.

**Miss Baskin is Guest Speaker in Hamlin**

Miss Eugenia Baskin was guest speaker at an art tea held in Hamlin Sunday afternoon in the home of Mrs. John Ed Day and given for the Hamlin chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

Miss Baskin illustrated her lecture on art with her excellent collection of prints.

**Mrs. Barber is Club Hostess**

Mrs. W. L. Barber was hostess to her luncheon club last Thursday entertaining with a luncheon at the American Cafe followed by contract games in her Third Street home.

High and second high game

**FIVE REPUBLICS LINKED BY LAREDO HIGHWAY**

LAREDO, March 22.—When the war is over and tourists again set out for sight-seeing and adventure, the journey from Laredo to the Panama Canal will beckon thousands. The caravan will follow a highway traversing regions of marvelous scenery, mountain peaks of towering heights, hiding in valleys, insular cities and towns founded in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries.

Reporting the near completion of the Inter-American highway, through the five Latin republics of Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Costa Rica, an American travel service says that 625 miles of all-season highway through inaccessible sections is being completed in record time.

The highway, which will serve commerce and be a good-neighbor link for after-the-war tourists, is finished except for two stretches in southern Mexico and two small links in Costa Rica.


**"EMMA OF EL ALAMEIN" HEN THAT WENT TO WAR**

CAIRO, Mar. 22.—"Emma of El Alamein" is now respected as the hen that went with the British troops from Egypt to Tunis. Corporal Walsh found her, made her a home under the brake pedals of his tank. As guns blazed Emma went on calmly laying an egg a day.

Buy a share in victory—invest in war bonds and stamps.

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**BALLINGER SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL NEWS**  
By Natlyrene Williams

**Junior Class Meeting**  
The Juniors conducted a class meeting Friday morning. Mr. Miller read them a letter which explained the reason that no rings containing stones would be available for the class of '45. The all-metal rings can still be secured so the class voted to continue with the same ring without the stones.

Also at this meeting the date for the junior-senior banquet was announced. The banquet will be followed by the junior-senior prom. The date scheduled is April 28.

**V-12 and A-12 Tests**  
Wednesday morning, March 15, fifteen high school boys took the army and navy tests. All of these boys will graduate this semester, and will be seventeen before July 1.

**Girls' Volleyball Team**  
The team from Norton played the Ballinger team in the gymnasium last Friday night. Norton won all three games played. No future games are scheduled at the present.

**Assemblies**  
Dr. Porter M. Bailes spoke to the students in an assembly March 14. The message brought to them was very enjoyable and profitable.

The fifth in the series of Southern Assembly programs was brought to Ballinger high school by the senior class on March 15. Mr. Howell, Bohemian glass-blower, exhibited his talents and presented the glass figures to the school.

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

awards went to Mrs. D. O. Henson and Mrs. Virgil Reynolds. Others included: Mmes. Roy Worley, C. D. Shamburger, E. L. Ingram, Fred Harman, and Kenneth K. Hoffman.

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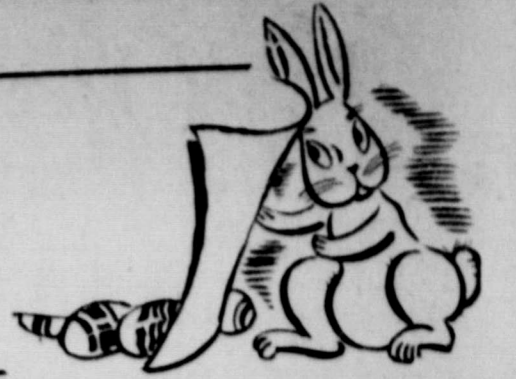
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a two-piece, printed  
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### Special Services And Revival Announced At Methodist Church

Rev. W. E. Shipp, pastor of the First Methodist Church, announced today plans for Easter and also for the summer revival which is to commence on June 4.

For one week preceding Easter, Rev. Shipp will conduct evening services. In this series he will do the preaching and local helpers will have charge of the music. The services will start on Sunday, April 2, and close with the evening service on Easter day.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Bonney, known nationally as the Bonney Workers, will come to Ballinger to have charge of the revival for two weeks in June. Mr. and Mrs. Bonney spent the Christmas holidays in Ballinger, visiting a son who was a cadet at Bruce Field, and while here participated in a number of services at the First Methodist Church. Before leaving for the East to conduct a number of revivals, officials of the local church made arrangements with them to return in the summer for a two-week revival in the Ballinger church.

In this evangelistic effort Mrs. Bonney will be the speaker and

Mr. Bonney will have charge of the music. Mr. Bonney is a gifted soloist, pianist and composer, and is also rated an excellent director of chorus groups and congregational singing. The Bonneys have done religious work in all parts of the United States and are considered one of the most successful teams in the country.



**First Christian Church**  
(Broadway and Murrell)  
Bible school, 9:45 a. m.  
Worship, 11 a. m. and 6 p. m.  
Come and join the fellowship.  
J. T. SIMMONS, Minister

**Eighth Street Presbyterian Church**  
U. S. A.

Sunday, March 26:  
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.  
11:00 a. m., morning worship.  
8:00 p. m., evening service.  
W. A. ERWIN, Pastor

**Eighth Street Church of Christ**  
Sunday:

9:45 a. m., Bible school.  
10:45 a. m., preaching service.  
11:45 a. m., communion service.

6:45 p. m., young people's meeting.  
7:30 p. m., evening worship.  
Wednesday:  
7:30 p. m., prayer meeting.  
RICHARD A. ROBBINS, Minister

**First Baptist Church**  
(400 Eighth Street)  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.  
11 a. m., sermon by the pastor.  
"Watchman, What of the Night?"  
Baptist Training Union, 6:45 p. m.  
7:45 p. m., services, with the pastor baptizing the candidates from the revival.

**ACTIVITIES OF THE WEEK:**

Monday:  
3:30 p. m., Sunbeam Band.  
4:30 p. m., Mrs. Charles Hambrick will review the book, "So This is Africa" by Susan Anderson, Southern Baptist Missionary to Africa.  
4:45 p. m., R. A. chapter.  
4:45 p. m., Junior G. A.  
6:30 p. m., Y. W. A.

Tuesday:  
4:45 p. m., Intermediate G. A.  
Wednesday:  
8:00 p. m., prayer meeting by the pastor. Easter choir at close. The public is cordially invited to worship with us.  
CLARENCE A. MORTON, Pastor

**Church of the Nazarene**  
(Ninth and Harris)  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.  
Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.  
N. Y. P. S., 7:15 p. m.  
Evening worship, 8:15 p. m.  
E. M. WALKER, Pastor

**Church of Christ**  
(1100 Ninth Street)  
Services:  
Sunday, 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.  
Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.  
Friday, 8:00 p. m.  
Always welcome.

**First Methodist Church**  
Sunday, March 26:  
Church school, 9:45 a. m.  
Morning worship, 11 o'clock.  
Evening service, 8:00 p. m.  
You are cordially invited to worship in all these services.  
W. E. SHIPP, Pastor

**Grace Baptist Church**  
(10th and Phillips)  
"An Independent Baptist Church"  
Raymond C. Wilson, Pastor  
Jim Hash, S. S. Superintendent

**WEEKLY SERVICES:**  
Sunday:  
Sunday school, 10 a. m.  
Sermon, 11 a. m.  
Sermon, 8 p. m.

Wednesday:  
Prayer meeting, 8 p. m.  
A cordial invitation to all.

**First Presbyterian Church**  
Sunday:  
9:45 a. m., church school, classes for all ages.

11:00 a. m., morning worship.  
5:00 p. m., vesper service. At 8:00 p. m. the pastor will preach at Paint Rock.

Wednesday:  
7:30 p. m., prayer meeting.  
GARY HOFFIUS, Pastor

**St. Mary's Catholic Church**  
(608 Sixth Street)  
(Telephone 521)

**REGULAR SERVICES AND DEVOTIONS:**  
Sunday Mass: 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of month at 8:30 a. m.; 2nd and 4th Sundays of month at 11:00 a. m.  
Daily Mass at 7:00 a. m.

Rosary and Benediction of Blessed Sacrament every Sunday at 7:30 p. m.  
Holy Hour with our Eucharistic Lord for our boys and girls (Catholic and non-Catholic) in the service of our country on the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:30 p. m.

Devotion of the First Friday in Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus after Mass on First Friday of the month at 7:00 a. m.  
Confessions: 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays of month 5:00 to 6:00 p. m., and 7:30 to 8:30 p. m. Before the early mass on Sunday 7:30 to 8:20 a. m., and before daily mass.

**SPECIAL DEVOTIONS:**  
Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament for Latin-Americans Monday, 7:30 p. m.

Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament for Americans Friday at 7:30 p. m. Our non-Catholic friends and neighbors are cordially invited to assist at the above services and devotions.  
FATHER EDW. B. POSTERT, O. M. I.

**Foursquare Gospel Church**  
(104 N. Twelfth Street)  
Sunday school at 10 a. m.  
Worship service at 11 a. m.  
Junior Crusaders at 7 p. m.  
Evangelistic service at 8 p. m.  
Tuesday at 8 p. m., Bible study and prayer service.  
Friday at 8 p. m., Crusader service.

All are cordially invited to our services. A stranger but once.  
CARL POOL, Pastor

**Church of God**  
(Corner Sixth and Strong)  
Sunday school, 10 a. m.  
Morning service, 11 a. m.  
Young people's service, 7:15 p. m.  
Junior service, 7:15 p. m.  
Mid-week prayer service, 8 p. m.  
Wednesday:  
T. N. MINIX, JR., Pastor

**Grace Baptist Mission**  
(South Ballinger, two blocks from Tierce Store)  
Pfc. John F. Parker, Pastor  
Sunday school, 10:30 a. m.  
Preaching, 11:15 a. m.  
Evening service, 7:45 p. m.  
A cordial invitation to all.

**Zoar Evangelical and Reformed Church, Rowena**  
Church school, 10:15 a. m.  
Divine worship, 11:30 a. m.  
FRANK W. LAMMERT, Pastor

### JOHN B. RAYBURN SEEKS REELECTION AS COUNTY CLERK

In making my announcement for re-election to the office of County Clerk of Runnels County, I wish to thank you for placing your confidence in me by electing me to the office in the past. I have tried to carry on the work of the Clerk's office in an upright manner, and in a way that is most pleasing to all of you. It has been a great pleasure to me to have served you in this capacity.

The rationing of tires and gasoline will make it impossible for me to make an extensive campaign. I will be unable to contact each and every one of you personally. I trust that you will take this announcement as a personal solicitation for your support in the coming elections.

My promise to you is to render the same courteous and efficient service in the future that has been my custom in the past.

Truly yours,  
JOHN B. RAYBURN  
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Mrs. Clark Koller is here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Allen, while Lt. Koller is at Sebring, Florida, for special work.

Pay-day is bond-buying day.

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### Twenty-Eight Added To Baptist Church; Baptizing Sunday

The revival at the First Baptist Church closed Sunday night and was one of the most successful for the local church in recent years. Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor, stated that it was one of the best attended in the history of the church, large congregations being present at each service.

During the revival twenty-eight were received by baptism and letter and at the close of service Sunday evening a baptismal service will be held for those coming into the church by this method.

Dr. Porter M. Bailes, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Tyler, delivered stirring gospel messages that continued to draw large congregations at each service. The music institute, held the week prior to the opening of the meeting by Dr. E. L. Carnett, was a success and did much in preparation for the revival. Dr. Carnett became ill and the local choir master, R. E. White, was in charge of the music and had the support of a large chorus.

Rev. Morton will preach at both the morning and evening hours Sunday.

### BALLINGER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

By Lil and Bonnie  
For the first time, junior high has organized a girls' drum corps. These girls are making rapid progress and soon they will make a colorful addition to the band when it is on parade. The corps is composed of the following: Virginia Baker, Dorothy Holliday, Iris Nell Bales, Nancy Guynes, Anna Pearl Bales, Betty Jean Smith, Dorothy Harold, Corda Lou Forgey, Patsy Farris, Helen Heavenhill, Marguerite Kevill, Luitta Haines.

**Assembly**  
Dr. Porter Bailes, Baptist evangelist, made a hit with the student body in our assembly last Wednesday by first giving an exhibition of his music powers which caused much merriment. This was followed by a serious talk which was highly appreciated.

**New Stage Setting**  
This is not Christmas but we were overjoyed to receive a new combination divan for the auditorium stage this week.

**Guess Who?**  
A petite little miss is the subject of our column for this week. She is always neatly and fashion-

ably dressed. Her pretty brown curly hair is always adorned with bows that match her frock.

She assists in the library and helps us find the things we have lost.  
We think she is "stuck" on an eight grade boy that is tall and good looking. Guess who?  
Last week's "guess who"—Elizabeth Wear.

J. P. Flynt, member of the state ranger force and stationed at Port Arthur, was here the first of the week to visit his family and transact business. Mr. Flynt has been in the Gulf Coast area over two years and is on duty in the shipyards where he guards against sabotage and other subversive acts. He returned to Port Arthur yesterday to resume his work.

### SOUTH AFRICAN MINERS DIGGING COAL IN SYRIA

CAIRO, Mar. 22—Gold miners of South Africa have turned their skill to mining coal for the Allied forces in the Lebanon, in West Syria. They are working lignite deposits in snow-clad mountains, and not infrequently they rescue travelers marooned in blizzards. The lignite deposits had long been worked primitively by the Arabs. South Africans able to speak Arabic were assigned to the job and have been able to get excellent results from the Arab workmen. The South Africans have become skill experts and their skill has enabled them to help military convoys in blizzards.

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**MRS. AURELIA WEBB SEEKS REELECTION**

In asking for reelection to the office of County Treasurer I want to thank the citizens of Runnels County for the privilege of having served you in this capacity. I thank every one for your cooperation.

I would like to personally solicit

the vote of each of you. Due to the added responsibilities in the office and conservation of tires and gasoline I will not be able to make an extensive campaign. My desire is to merit your support and confidence through efficient service.

Sincerely,  
**MRS. WEBB**

(Political Advertisement)

23-11-

**Bedraggled Germans Retreat Through Mud**



This photo received via neutral channels shows picked German troops—the grenadiers—sitting huddled together on a vehicle bogged in the quagmire during a retreat. One of the wounded has only an improvised bandage tied around his head and apparently there was no coat to spare for him. Another wounded man on the left is too weak to sit up.

**Army-Navy Club To be Host to New Cadets Saturday**

Activities at the Army and Navy Club this week have been many and plans are being made for special entertainment Saturday evening when the new class of cadets will visit town for the first time.

Mrs. A. McGregor, club hostess, stated that a large number of citizens helped in providing sandwiches, punch, flowers and other items last Saturday evening and she is hoping for an even greater amount of refreshments this Saturday when both classes will be in for the week-end.

Helping last Saturday were: Mrs. J. R. Lusk, Mrs. E. M. Lynn, Mrs. Ola McMillan, Mrs. J. L. Davis, Mrs. Ollie Floyd, Mrs. E. A. Saunders, Mrs. Chester Cherry,

Mrs. Mattie Byers, Mrs. O. R. Lasater, Mrs. Jack McGregor, Mrs. E. W. Stasney, and Mr and Mrs. Fred Harman.

Mrs. McGregor reiterated the fact that visitors are welcome at the club any time but especially on Saturday evening and any hour Sunday when the boys are in for the week-end. The club is open each Saturday evening until midnight.

Cadet wives will visit the field tonight, take dinner with their husbands, and remain for special entertainment.

**SOCIETY**

**Airfield Allies Name Officers**  
Airfield Allies members met on Wednesday of last week for their regular meeting and to name officers for the ensuing year. Mrs. W. L. Barber presided at the business session and the following officers

were elected: Mrs. E. C. Apts, president; Mrs. Louis Handrick, vice-president; Mrs. C. B. Polansky, secretary; Mrs. W. R. O'Neill, treasurer; Mrs. Leroy Bakewitz, reporter.

Ice cream and cookies were served at the Central Hotel following games of bridge and rummy played at the City Hall auditorium. High score in bridge went to Mrs. Thomas Scania, and in rummy to Mrs. Polansky.

Others were: Mmes. H. M. Green, Jr., G. E. Vordenbaum, Earl Wood, D. G. Thomason, J. W. Capps, Yale Griffin, W. L. Gunnell, H. Magnuson, S. G. Christopher, Vail, and Sharpes.

**BABOONS RAID FARMS**

**CAPE TOWN, Union of South Africa, Mar. 23.**—Deprived of their normal food supply by mountain fires, baboons raided farms and gardens near Capetown. Potato growers were the chief sufferers, and many garden plots were destroyed. Gardeners asked the authorities for protection.



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Basque lines, eyelet embroidery, deep yoke, and full shirred skirt... of Nassau Spun Rayon in Skyscope, Blue, Wheat, Placid Green, and Seacoast Aqua, sizes 9 to 15.

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"FURLOUGH FANCY"



"YOUNG CHARMER"

**George's Ready-to-Wear**

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Sheers, Jerseys, Linens, Chintz, and Tricky Cottons—9 to 17

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**Football Schedule Completed At Meeting Held in Coleman**

School officials and coaches of district 8A met at Coleman Wednesday night to make plans for the 1944 football season and to arrange a schedule.

All schools in the district except Bangs were represented. Bangs, Mozelle and Santa Anna did not make schedules and indicated they would not participate in the league race this fall. Winters and Cross Plains made schedules on a tentative basis and expect to take part in all games this fall.

School officials and coaches discussed transportation problems and a number of other matters.

The schedule for the Ballinger Bearcats is as follows:

- September 13, Ballinger vs. San Angelo, at San Angelo
- September 22, Ballinger vs. Lake View, at Ballinger
- September 29, open
- October 6, Ballinger vs. Sweetwater, at Ballinger
- October 13, open
- October 20, open
- October 27, Ballinger vs. Brady, at Ballinger

November 3, Ballinger vs. Cross Plains, at Ballinger

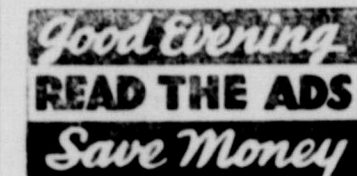
November 10, Ballinger vs. Coleman, at Ballinger

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November 24, Ballinger vs. Winters, at Ballinger.

Supt. Nat Williams stated that three more games would be scheduled for the Bearcats if possible. Open dates on October 13 and 20 and on November 17 will be matched if teams can be secured either at home or away from home. These would all be non-conference games.

Attending the Coleman meeting from Ballinger were Supt. Williams, Coach Felton T. Wright, Principal Fred Miller and Junior High Principal R. H. Garner.



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### Serving Uncle Sam

(Continued from page 1)

Otis Jacob, navy storekeeper, writes from an island in the South Pacific that he is well and busy. He has been in the same location for the past eight months.

A letter to his parents was received this week from Technician Walter Lange, Jr. Written somewhere in England, in part the letter follows: "Received seven copies of The Ledger within the past few days. That gave me quite a bit of interesting material to read about what's going on at home. So many things have changed in Ballinger it is almost impossible to realize. When the soldier boys return, no doubt they will feel like strangers to the new people who have taken over."

"This is the season of Lent. Our Lenten services are held regularly. Every Sunday we have mass and during the week days have mass every Thursday afternoon. During Lent, on the first Friday of the month, we had stations of the cross, followed by mass. At any of these services we can receive holy communion.

"Recently on my furlough I visited London and Birmingham. There is no use to write about it as no doubt it would not pass the censorship. Anyway, give me the U. S. A., my home sweet home."

Buddy Hart, radioman of a bomber crew, and brother of Mrs. R. H. Garner of Ballinger, has been reported missing in action since February 22. Based in the Italian war area, he had been in combat for some time. Mrs. Garner moved to Ballinger last fall with her husband, who is junior high school principal.

Lt. Adeline Simecek has been transferred to Camp Howze, Gainesville, from Fort Bliss El Paso.

A letter received by relatives here this week from J. W. Mankin tells some of the grim business of war. Parts of his letter follow:

"Will write you this Sunday morning while I have the time and equipment. Everything is so disagreeable here I can hardly think.

"We are still on the Anzio beach-head and things are still about as hot as they were. I don't know how much longer we'll be here but I certainly hope we can leave soon. I guess you have been reading about us in the papers.

"\*\*\*\* please don't take offense at what I'm writing as my mental attitude isn't what it used to be. This game of war is just a slow process of elimination. Sometimes I nearly go crazy thinking about the future and what it holds in

store. All I do is live from day to day \*\*\*\*"

His complete address is Pvt. J. W. Mankin, 34329402, 1st Special Service Force, 3rd Co., 2nd Regt., A.P.O. 4994, c-o postmaster, New York. He would enjoy some letters from Ballinger people.

J. R. Whitworth received a letter this week from his son, Cpl. Thurman Whitworth, who is in a hospital in North Africa. He said he was getting along fine. In another part of the letter he said: "Received another Ledger and am always glad to get it. I'm always looking forward for it. I read about the good work that Capt. Middleton did and that was also a fine letter Cpl. Jimmie Russell wrote his mother."

A card was received this week from Pvt. Sanford R. Burks, who is a prisoner at Camp Philippine military prison No. 2. The card was addressed to his mother, Mrs. R. O. Burks, Ballinger, star route, and contained only the usual printed messages, stating he was well, not receiving treatment. He asked that his mail in the future be sent c-o International Red Cross, Geneva, Switzerland.

Mrs. Clabe Harris received cards the past week from her son, Pfc. Eudale Campbell, which was the first she had received since he was taken prison by the Germans. He stated that he was well.

Another son, Sgt. Calvin Campbell, and wife, were at home recently from a camp in Florida, on a brief vacation.

Pvt. Raymond Whitworth, son of J. R. Whitworth, who left here with the last group for induction, is now at Fort McClelland, Ala. With him also are J. G. Tuckey, Bob Wright and several others from Ballinger.

Mrs. R. M. McFarland received a large package this week from her brother, S.-Sgt. Jimmie Brown, serving in India and China, in which he sent home some very valuable and interesting articles. An ornamental bedspread with fringe of about 12 inches long was said to have cost about \$200. A number of other table covers, some with bead designs and one black, silk Chinese dress were very beautiful. Other items included a number of hand-carved pieces of wood with inlays of ivory.

Mrs. McFarland also had a letter last week from her son, Cpl. Jimmie Russell, informing that he was back in a rest camp in Italy and that the Ballinger boys had been together to "count noses" and there were twenty-three left.

Pfc. Levi Russell, with the marines in the Pacific, has written that he was in the battle for Tarawa and had now been relieved

for a rest period. He stated that after one more battle he expected a furlough to come home. He has been in the Pacific area for two years, enlisting when he was sixteen years old.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Esmond, of Fort Worth, formerly of Ballinger, have had word from their son, Capt. Narton Esmond, that he has almost completed his bombing missions in the Pacific and will be home some time in April. Capt. Esmond, a squadron commander, has been awarded the distinguished flying cross, five air medals, and the purple heart for being wounded in action.

Claude R. Stone, AS, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stone, has arrived at the Farragut naval training base in Idaho to begin basic training in the navy. He left here the first of the month and was sent from Lubbock to the big base in Idaho.

Pvt. J. D. Renuau, stationed in Iceland, wrote friends here last week and enclosed a number of kodak snapshots to prove that the island is really named right. The scenes showed plenty of snow and the temperature there this winter has ranged far below the zero mark.

Sheriff J. L. Moreland and Capt. J. L. Moreland spent a day last week in Temple, and visited friends in McCloskey general hospital. They talked with Joe Cozby and J. D. Jones, Ballinger boys, and also met a number of other men who had served in the 38th division.

Pfc. and Mrs. James A. Patton and son have returned to Douglas, Arizona, after a 15-day furlough spent with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Patton and other relatives and friends here. Pfc. Patton is in the motorized M. P. squadron at the Douglas army air base.

Evangelist Seidel, MM 3c, came in Sunday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Seidel. He is at home on a 30-day leave after serving the past year with the seabees in the Aleutian Islands. He left for the Aleutians last April.

Another son, Alton F. Seidel, is in San Francisco for an engineering course. He received a diploma in a radio school before leaving Austin, where he was stationed for a while.

Jesse W. Mitchell, Jr., who lives near Ballinger, has received his wings and commission after completing advanced training in the army air forces. Announcement of his graduation was made last week by the central training command.

Ralph O. Routh, of Ballinger, now stationed at Maxwell Field, Alabama, was recently awarded a sharpshooter's medal on firing a .45 calibre pistol at the AAF training command.

#### CREWS CEMETERY WORK DAY SCHEDULED APRIL 8

Work day at the Crews cemetery is scheduled Saturday, April 8. All interested in the cemetery are asked to meet there on this date and bring tools for a full day's work. Community leaders stated that much work was necessary and they urge every person who can to take the day off and be on hand.

#### NORTON SCHOOL NEWS

Bond Rally  
The bond rally presented last Thursday night netted \$248.75 in stamps and bonds. The theme of the program was centered around George Washington. The junior class, with the aid of the sophomores, presented scenes from the first and second continental congresses and a scene showing the adoption of the Declaration of Independence. The boys wore dark suits and white wigs. The girls were colorfully attired in evening dresses. The biggest hit of the evening was the minuet danced by twelve of the group. Four of the girls, Charlene Carlton, Bonnie Wayne Lee, Ouida Sharpes, and Nita Taylor, sang several songs. The grand finale of the evening was a song by Neil Mac Clark, Charles Brunson, Troy Compton,

and Dee Elton Hambricht. These boys were accompanied by Roscoe Frazer and his French harp. The program was under the direction of Mrs. Eloise Reynolds.

Honor Roll  
Those who were fortunate enough to remain in the honor roll this six weeks are: Bettye Joyce Shelburne, freshman; Geraldine McDorman, Doris Allen, Johnnie Ash, Mattie Landers, and Lewis Hensley, seniors.

Literary Society  
The Literary Society met last Friday during speech class for its first regular meeting. The program consisted of a poem, "The Color Bearer," read by Weldon Lee Henry, and a review of "The Flaming Forest" (James Oliver Curwood) by Lewis Hensley Bobby Priddy, president, appointed Lewis Hensley and Weldon Lee Henry to clean up the library, straighten books and other odd jobs.

Senior News  
The seniors held a class meeting last Friday and decided on their invitations. Before the order could be mailed it was decided that the class colors would be the school colors, the flower the red rose, and the motto is "In Ourselves Our Future Lies." The precious order was mailed and the seniors are eagerly looking forward to its return.

Who's Who  
Our last senior personality is that red-headed girl who also hails from Maverick. She is 5 feet 7 inches tall and weighs 116 pounds. Her hair is deep red and her eyes are blue. Her ambition is to become a nurse. She plays volleyball and baseball and is a grand sport. She is teased a lot about ex-school boys and cadets. Someone gave her the name of "Skinny." Who is she?

Our other figure this week is that handsome freshman boy. He is 5 feet 7 inches tall and weighs 115 pounds. He has brown hair and brown eyes. His ambition is to be a sailor. He played football but he didn't come out for basketball. Until recently he rode the Oak Creek bus but he has moved so another bus is honored with his presence. He's a swell guy and liked by all. He is known for once saying, "Oh, Happy Holiday." Who is he?

Last week's "who's who": Dorothea Richards and Jimmie Hambricht.

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

### DEATHS

Andrew Jackson Young  
Andrew Jackson Young, 77, died at his home in the Crews community Friday at 12:30 a. m. after illness of two weeks' duration. He had been in failing health for some time, having a heart ailment, and suffered a recurrence two weeks ago, and pneumonia resulted which caused death.

Decedent came to Texas 23 years ago and after living for a short time at other places, moved to Runnels county in 1923 and a short time later established the family home at Crews. Until nine years ago he was actively engaged in farming and held a place of respect and leadership in his community.

Survivors besides the wife include two daughters, Misses Zenith and Leola Young, Crews; seven sons, Leslie Young, San Saba; Archie Young, Cherokee; Cecil Young, San Saba; Cleburne Young, Crews; Edwin Young, San Saba; Milton Young, Glen Cove; Noel Young, in the air corps at Roswell, New Mexico; two grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at the Crews Baptist church Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the pastor, Rev. J. H. Hallford, officiating. Interment followed in the Crews cemetery.

Palbearers were Thad Taylor, J. A. Taylor, Roy Lee, Raymond Phillips, Marion Wood and Chester McBeth.

Spill Funeral Home (Winters) was in charge of arrangements.

#### WORLD'S YOUNGEST FLIER IN FILM AT RITZ THEATRE

David Stoddard, world's youngest aviator, who soloed at the age of 9 years, will be shown in Universal's Popular Person Oddities at the Ritz Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, March 26, 27, 28. Stoddard's home is at Fort Stockton, Texas. His father, W. L. Stoddard is an instructor at Bruce Field.

This short subject is to be shown in addition to the feature attraction at the Ritz on these dates. "Ladies Courageous," produced at Avenger Field, Sweetwater.

#### GAMES SENT PRISONERS

BERLIN, Mar. 22.—Indoor games are being sent to British prisoners in Germany and the Far East, it is reported in Berlin. Included are 250,000 packs of cards, 1,500 parl boards, 3,000 "shove-halfpenny" boards, 1,500 sets of dominoes, 4,000 checkerboards and 3,000 chess boards.

#### HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. A. B. Legate underwent an emergency operation at the Bailey Clinic-Hospital this morning. Her condition this afternoon was considered satisfactory.

Mrs. C. C. Thomas, a medical patient in the local hospital, is improving nicely.

Mrs. E. A. Hennig, of Lowake, operated on in the Bailey hospital Saturday, is improving.

Mrs. J. M. Barnett, of Novice, a medical patient in the local hos-

pital, will soon be able to be released and return to her home.

Mrs. Herb Holland, of Norton, a medical patient in the local hospital, is reported to be responding satisfactorily to treatment.

Mrs. G. B. Nixon, a medical patient in the Bailey Clinic-Hospital, is improving satisfactorily.

Miss Bobbie Faye Jackson, of Paint Rock, is recovering from major surgery performed Monday at the local hospital.

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Another war call is about over in Runnels county—that of raising \$13,900 for the American Red Cross. Reports turned in this week show the county about over the top and all chairmen were certain that the required goal would be attained without delay. A few communities may fall short of their quotas but others have gone far over and will take care of the deficit. Ballinger was only a small amount behind Saturday, less than \$100, and the last week in the month at the Texas Theatre plate collections will get large and small sums from movie-goers.

About 50,000,000 Americans filed reports on 1943 incomes, and by April 15 another 15,000,000 reports must be made on estimated 1944 incomes. Many people are exempt from making this report as they do not earn enough to be required to file a return. The treasury has announced that blanks will be mailed to all who filed reports last year on their 1943 incomes. These forms will be in the mails within a few days.

Just seven days remain in which to register automobiles and get license tags to be attached to the old number plates. The rush began at the tax collector's office last

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week and the clerks reported a good business most of the week. A great majority of car owners in this county still have not registered their vehicles for 1944 and the new numbers must be on every car the morning of April 1. To save time, car owners should bring their certificates of ownership and receipts for last year's registration.

**Cowpeas Becoming Popular in County; Urged for Protein**

Increased interest is being shown in Runnels county in the plan to raise more cowpeas, according to County Agent John A. Barton. The shortage of protein feed during the past two years is causing farmers and others to seek a remedy and many are finding the answer in cowpeas. Plantings this spring and summer are expected to be heavy because of the anticipated protein feed shortage next fall and winter.

According to those who have raised them cowpeas will grow in almost any kind of soil, and is an answer to those who need fall and winter protein feed. Good cowpea hay, cut just at the blooming stage, actually has a higher protein content than alfalfa hay, as rated by the Morrison feed and feeding standard. It is not unusual for cowpeas to make from 1 to 2 tons of hay per acre, the county agent stated.

J. B. Estes, of Hatchel, stated that last year he planted a field of sudan grass and cowpeas and that he was well pleased with his grazing and intended to plant 10 to 12 acres this year.

J. E. Patton, of the Bethel community, said he had found cowpeas a fine thing to grow for grazing, and especially if one has turkeys or chickens.

T. E. Cook, who farmed near Miles in 1941, reports that he planted cowpeas on his farm and that the following year he could tell to a row where peas were planted the previous year.

Varieties that have proven good for grazing and hay are Chinese Red, Brabham and Whippoorwill.

Mr. Barton points out that an acre planted close to a chicken yard, where chickens could be kept off until in bloom, would aid materially this summer in keeping hens laying much longer, as near the end of the laying season the hens need such feed to continue production.

George Kemp states that it is very important to treat cowpeas with Nitragin, a root inoculation, which only costs about three cents an acre.

Planting time is the first week in May for sandy land and from April 15 to May 1 on the darker tight land, the county agent said.

Buy a share in victory—invest in war bonds and stamps.

**Spearheading War on Typhus in 'Sunny Italy'**



Ready with spray guns and other de-lousing equipment, members of the flying squad of the U. S. army assigned to fight typhus in Naples (left) are off to investigate reports of a case of lice-carried disease. In picture at top a baby member of a Neapolitan family is given a dose of lice-killing powder. The man with the gun is an Italian member of a de-lousing squad. Right: Here the "target" is a woman who has been exposed to typhus. She has been living in a filthy tunnel in the slum section of Naples.

**WEST TEXAS NOTES**

The 500 ASTP students at John Tarleton College, Stephenville, have received alert orders and are expected to be moved at an early date. Army officers would not comment on the move, but stated that the training unit set up last July was at an end. Students were put on the alert last Wednesday and given two-day passes, to be back in the dormitories by Friday night. Where the youths would be sent was being kept strictly secret.

About 40 Boy Scouts, Cubs and Scout leaders met at the Melvin community hall last week to hear talks by representatives of the Concho valley council and to witness the presentation of awards to Melvin scoutmasters. Final arrangements were made for forming another Cub pack for summer work. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

The state highway department will improve three highways leading into Brown county at an early date, it was learned in Brownwood last week. One project is on the highway leading west from Brownwood to the Coleman county line. The other two will improve traffic conditions from the county line to Camp Bowie, one on the Brady-Brownwood road.

An old negro man, who had lived at Winters for the past 20 years, was dragged to death last week by a mule he was tending. The darkey was between 87 and 90 years of age. Practically everyone knew him and he had done work for most of the citizens.

There were more than 200 entries in the livestock show held at Eastland last week. Eastland, Gorman, Cisco, Ranger and Morton Valley breeders had animals on exhibit in one of the biggest shows ever staged in the county. An Angus steer, owned by Crift Bros. of Cisco, was the grand champion.

Thirty-four Rising Star F. F. A. boys attended the Fort Worth fat stock show last week. Worth Howe, Rising Star V-A teacher, was in charge of the group. The lads viewed the livestock exhibits, attended rodeo performances, and witnessed other features of the annual exposition.

The Coleman school board announced the past week-end the reelection of J. T. Runkle, superintendent, and all principals for another year. Within a short time election of other faculty members will be held.

The Novice area is getting big oil play again following the bringing in of a well last week by Hunter & Hunter, of Abilene. Land leasing has been active and a number of new locations have been obtained for drilling. Rotary rigs have already been moved to

two locations to drill offsets to the newest well.

Mrs. Gilbert Proctor, of Paint Rock, was informed last week that her husband had been missing in action in Italy since February 4. Mrs. Proctor and four months old baby are living with her parents in the Henderson community of Concho county.

Supt. J. I. Warren, of Miles, announced last week that the opening time of school sessions hereafter would be one hour earlier. During the winter sessions began at 9:30 to prevent inconvenience to children riding busses. The first morning period now will commence at 8:30 o'clock.

Two candidates have filed for mayor and one for alderman at Menard. Two alderman and a mayor are to be elected at the municipal election on the first Tuesday in April.

A federal agency has just completed a housing survey at Brady and stated that additional units were needed. A 34-unit project has recently been completed. No action has been taken on plans for the future but a report of the survey will be filed and it is probable the additional units will be built.

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**Legionnaires Plan Dance as Benefit For Building Fund**

The Pat Williams Post, American Legion is continuing its campaign to raise funds for building a club house for veterans of both World Wars and has announced that a benefit dance will be held at the Army and Navy Club Friday night beginning at 8 o'clock.

The Legionnaires are arranging a program as a break in the dancing and a full evening's entertainment for all ticket holders is promised. The affair will be concluded promptly at midnight. Anyone desiring to attend may purchase tickets in advance or at the door the night of the dance. The duets will sell for 55 cents, which includes the tax.

Those in charge are making a trial of the dance and if it proves successful will tag one each

month as a mean of adding to the fund already started for building the veterans' home. During the recent 4th war loan campaign bond sales swelled the fund to well over \$2,000 and the Legionnaires have set a goal of \$10,000 to be raised by the end of the war.

Citizens of Ballinger and surrounding territory are invited to attend the dance and aid in making a "home" for returning service men.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Woolsey and daughter, Ann, of Houston, and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Dillinger and son, of Corpus Christi, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Felton T. Wright the past week-end.

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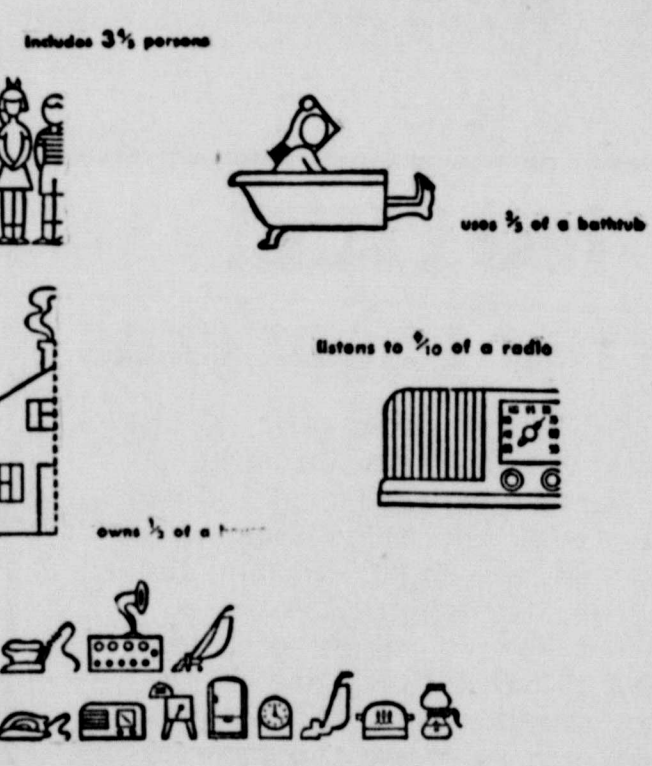
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Obviously, three-fifths of a bathtub wouldn't hold water very well! That is just another way of saying that three out of five American homes have bathtubs. The figure about electricity applies only to homes that have electric service (four out of five). But as an average of all these homes, it is a fact.

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## Three Local Groups Tell Of Wartime Activities

The Ballinger Rotary Club heard a survey Tuesday noon of three Ballinger groups and their part in the war programs.

The first came from the schools, and Principal Fred Miller presented Hie Parrish to make the report. Young Parrish brought a stirring report of the activities of the students and a challenge to the older men during the war and the period to follow. He called special attention to the victory corps, a group of high school age boys who are uniformed and instructed in close order drill and other army tactics. This training has been of help to many who have already become 18 years of age and entered the armed ser-

vices. He referred to the mathematics, science and other subjects taught in the school that are of great help in meeting army and navy requirements. He stressed the physical education program maintained in the schools to make better men for the armed forces, and the vocational program which also is helping in the war effort.

In conclusion the student expression to the Rotarians for making possible the institute speaker at the school. He reminded his hearers that most of them thought the students too young to be interested in international affairs but asserted they were well informed and knew the kind of a country they wanted for their home. Finally he made a plea that when peace was decided that the pupils would be too young to have any say, but begged those who had the opportunity to make certain a lasting peace that would give the young an opportunity to live in peace and prosperity.

John Purifoy, clerk of the state guard company here, made a report on the activities of this group and its place in the war effort. He began with the calling of the national guard into federal service, leaving the state without protection and there showed the need for quickly forming a new group of state soldiers. In those first days when the nation expected bombing, sabotage and other enemy acts, the guard was quickly trained for many duties. He pointed out the accomplishments of the local company which make it rank as one of the best in the state.

The final report was from the county draft board, O. C. Sykes making the report. Mr. Sykes told of some of the work done by this group of workers and stated that more than 2,000 Runnels county men had been sent to some branch of the service. Of these 1,249 have passed through the selective service system and the remainder or almost 800 have volunteered or were mobilized in the national guard. He referred to the board's connection with the assistance to be given men who are discharged and stated that to date 98 Runnels countians had been returned to civilian status.

## Marines Move in After Record Bombardment



Marine Corp. Elmer R. Burkhalter destroys a partially damaged building on Namur island in the Marshalls with a flame thrower. Roi, Namur and adjacent islands were captured by the Fourth marine division after these areas were subjected to what has been described as the heaviest air and sea bombardment in the history of military operations. In 53 hours 200 tons of bombs fell in this area.

## Smaller Communities As Well as Cities Plan Post-War Projects

AUSTIN, March 22.—Small communities as well as the major cities of Texas are making strides toward post-war planning, a University of Texas economic analyst declares.

Dr. F. A. Buechel, university bureau of business research statistician and a business consultant for the U. S. bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, recently made a 1,000-mile tour of East Central Texas, to see what is being done in post-war plans.

He returned impressed with "the broad solid human base upon which the solution of our economic problems rests," he said. "Leadership, moreover, is not confined to the larger population centers, but exists in all local areas throughout the state."

He found small-town farmers, chamber of commerce executives, and business leaders keenly interested in analyzing their present community situation and in turning their assets into broader, sounder economic development after the war.

Farmers have money in the bank and bonds in safety deposit boxes, and are improving their farms through soil conservation and diversification methods. They are stabilizing their economic condition so as to be able to take advantage of any post-war situation that may develop.

Small industries are already surveying their present plants and their markets, in order to be able to have expansion plans ready to put into execution when the war

is over. They are planning how they may afford employment to larger numbers of workers in the community, and thereby help absorb some of the expected post-war labor surplus.

Small cities and towns are already drafting plans for extensive municipal improvements, such as sewer disposal plants, street paving, park and recreational centers, and school facilities.

"Facts on the community level are being collected on a wide range of subjects," Dr. Buechel explained. "These include natural resources, population groups, projects that can be entered upon immediately, some to be developed over the long-term period, others which can be initiated and carried through by individual concerns, and those requiring community cooperation and planning."

## Col. Lascelles Tells Of British Nations' Role in World Order

A large audience assembled Tuesday evening to hear the final Rotary institute speaker at the Ballinger high school auditorium. Col. Edward F. Lascelles, of London, lectured on the British Commonwealth of Nations, giving an outline of the political divisions making up the commonwealth, both self-governed and those that have a protective government. He also touched on a large number of islands where the British flag flies.

The distinguished speaker held the interest of the audience from the beginning to the end of his one hour and twenty-minute talk, and often referred to the Americans now fighting at the side of the British. New Zealand, Australian and Indian troops of the British Commonwealth.

With reference to the British being an aid to a new world order, the speaker said he did not like the phrase "new world order," but rather desired to cling to that in each of the English speaking countries which had been successful and had made them great.

At the conclusion of the address a number of questions were asked from the floor regarding the government and other matters dealing with the present war.

The high school choral club gave a short program before the lecturer was introduced.

F. M. Pearce presided at the meeting and in conclusion expressed the appreciation of the Ballinger Rotary Club for the cooperation of school officials in presenting the lecture series and to those who had attended the four programs.

## MONKEY AIRCRAFT SPOTTERS WARN OF APPROACHING FOE

JOHANNESBURG, Union of South Africa, Mar. 22.—Claim for honor of being the pioneer aircraft spotter among monkeys is made in Johannesburg on behalf of Japie, who accompanied the first South African division in Ethiopia. He gave warning of enemy aircraft long before anyone else heard the engines. The claim is disputed by veterans of World War I who say that Susie, a monkey, spotted planes in the Southwest African campaign while with the Rand Light Artillery. She screamed her warnings at the top of her voice whenever the solitary bomber possessed by the Germans approached.

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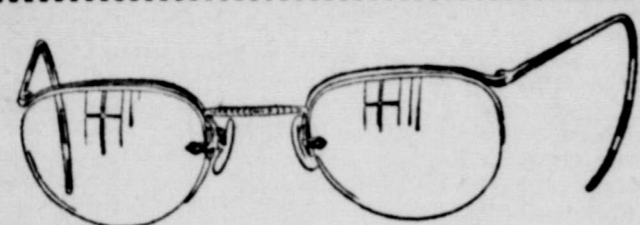
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December 31, 1943

ASSETS:		LIABILITIES:	
Cash in Banks	\$ 56,079.26	Policy Reserves	\$ 95,793.00
U. S. Government Bonds	52,500.00	Premium Paid in Advance	2,199.96
			\$ 97,992.96
<b>Total Cash and Bonds:</b>	<b>\$108,579.26</b>	Current Accounts Payable	884.53
First Mortgage Loans	10,836.73	Taxes Payable	734.36
Home Office Building	60,000.00	Claims Pending, Proofs Not Received	4,893.00
Deferred Premiums	46,489.37		
Accrued Interest	46.36	Capital Stock	100,000.00
		Surplus	21,446.87
			121,446.87
<b>TOTAL ASSETS:</b>	<b>\$225,951.72</b>	<b>TOTAL RESERVES AND LIABILITIES:</b>	<b>\$225,951.72</b>

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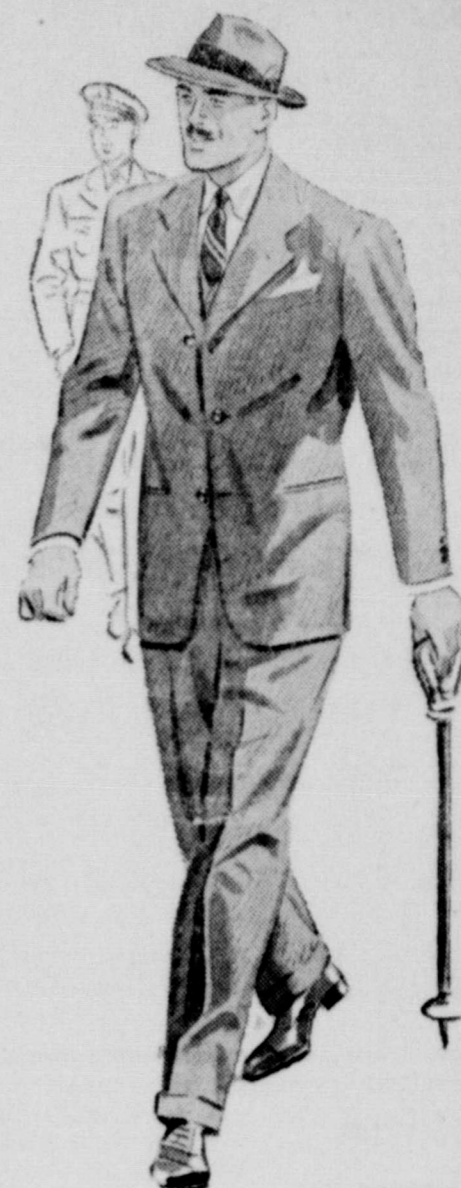
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## Taxpayers Will Get Declaration Blanks Within a Few Days

W. A. Thomas, collector of internal revenue, Dallas, announced today that copies of the forms for 1944 "declarations of estimated tax" have been mailed to the approximately 150,000 taxpayers who filed 1943 declarations in this district last fall.

Collector Thomas said any other taxpayers who are required to file declarations this year may obtain them by letter request to the Dallas office, or in person from any of the field offices located in Fort Worth, Amarillo, Abilene, Eastland, Lubbock, Odessa, Wichita Falls, Texarkana, Tyler, Sherman, Paris, Longview, Nacogdoches, Corsicana, San Angelo, and Oak Cliff.

The 1944 declarations are due not later than April 15. Originally scheduled to be filed on March 15 along with 1943 tax returns, the 1944 declarations were postponed until April 15 in order to include provisions of the recently-enacted revenue act of 1943.

The purpose of these declarations, Collector Thomas explained, is to keep everyone substantially paid up on his income taxes under the pay-as-you-go plan. Most taxpayers are kept approximately paid up by the tax that is withheld from their wages, and therefore do not have to file declarations.

However, some wage earners—particularly clergymen, domestic servants and farm laborers—do not pay any withholding tax, and are required to file declarations. Other wage earners pay withholding tax but not enough to meet their total tax bill and must therefore file declarations.

Also, declarations are required to provide a pay-as-you-go method of collecting taxes from business and professional persons and large numbers of others who get all or part of their income from sources where no tax is withheld, such as business profits, dividends, interest, rents, property or stock transactions, or annuities.

A declaration is required on or before April 15 from all citizens or residents of the United States who expect to have during 1944—either alone or together with a wife or husband—

1. Wages subject to withholding exceeding \$2,700 for a single person or \$3,500 for a married couple living together.

2. Or, more than \$100 income from all other sources if the total of such income plus wages subject to withholding is (a) \$500 or more

for a single person, or (b) more than \$624 for a married person, or (c) \$1,200 or more for a married couple living together.

The first quarterly installment of estimated tax shown to be due on the declaration should be made at the time the declaration is filed and the remainder should be paid on or before June 15, September 15, and December 15.

Farmers, who receive more than 80 per cent of their income from farming, may, if they desire, postpone the filing of declarations until December 15. However, if they do wait until December 15, the entire amount of the esti-

ated tax must be paid at that time.

The forms mailed by Collector Thomas include the declaration form itself, which is a short slip 3 3/4 by 8 inches, and is the only form that needs to be filed by the taxpayer. The form is accompanied, however, by two alternative worksheets for the convenience of taxpayers. The taxpayer needs to use only one of these worksheets and should retain it for his personal record.

J. E. Baker, of Ballinger, visited his children in Abilene Sunday.

Hoard your dollars in war bonds.

## Opening Friday THE Texas Grill

Cecil and Reba Davis invite you to visit them Friday at the Texas Grill

The Grill has been closed this week for redecoration of the interior, a complete renovation and rechecking of all equipment.

We boast two of the best cooks in all West Texas, and our aim is to serve the best of foods, properly prepared and to suit the individual tastes of our patrons.

Our prices will be in keeping with OPA ceiling requirements.

We invite our past patrons and our friends to visit us at the Texas Grill and try our service.

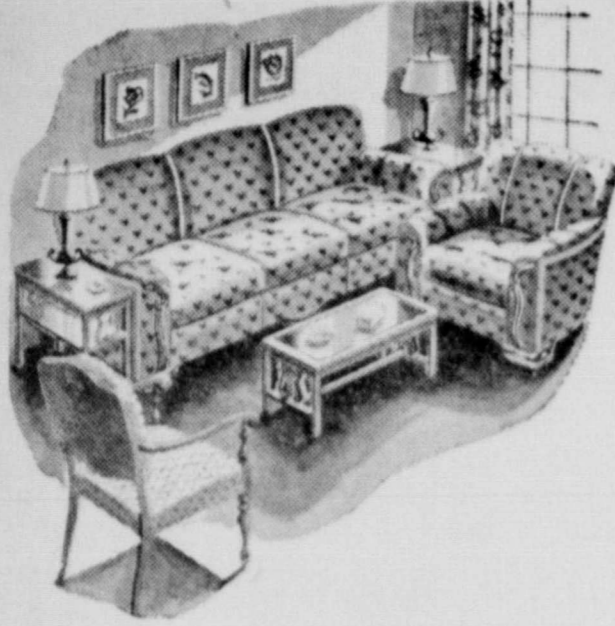
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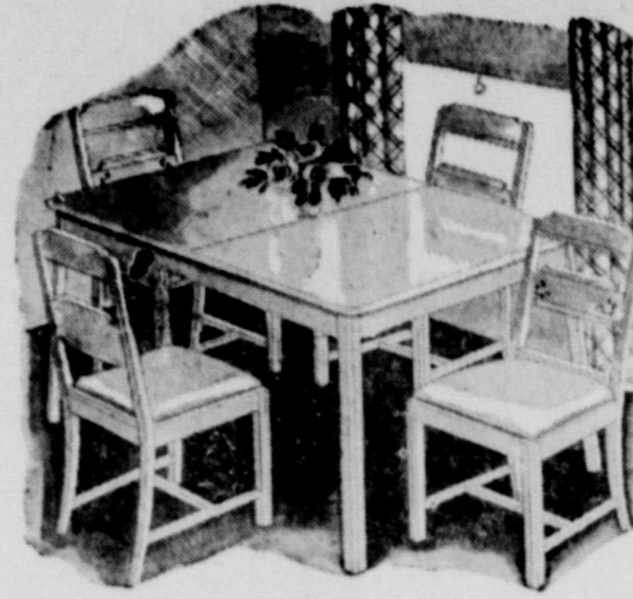
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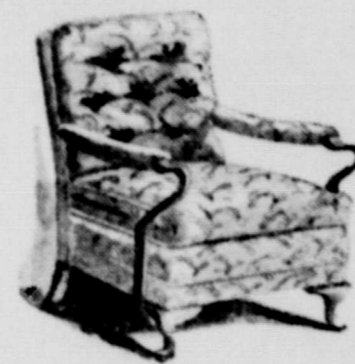
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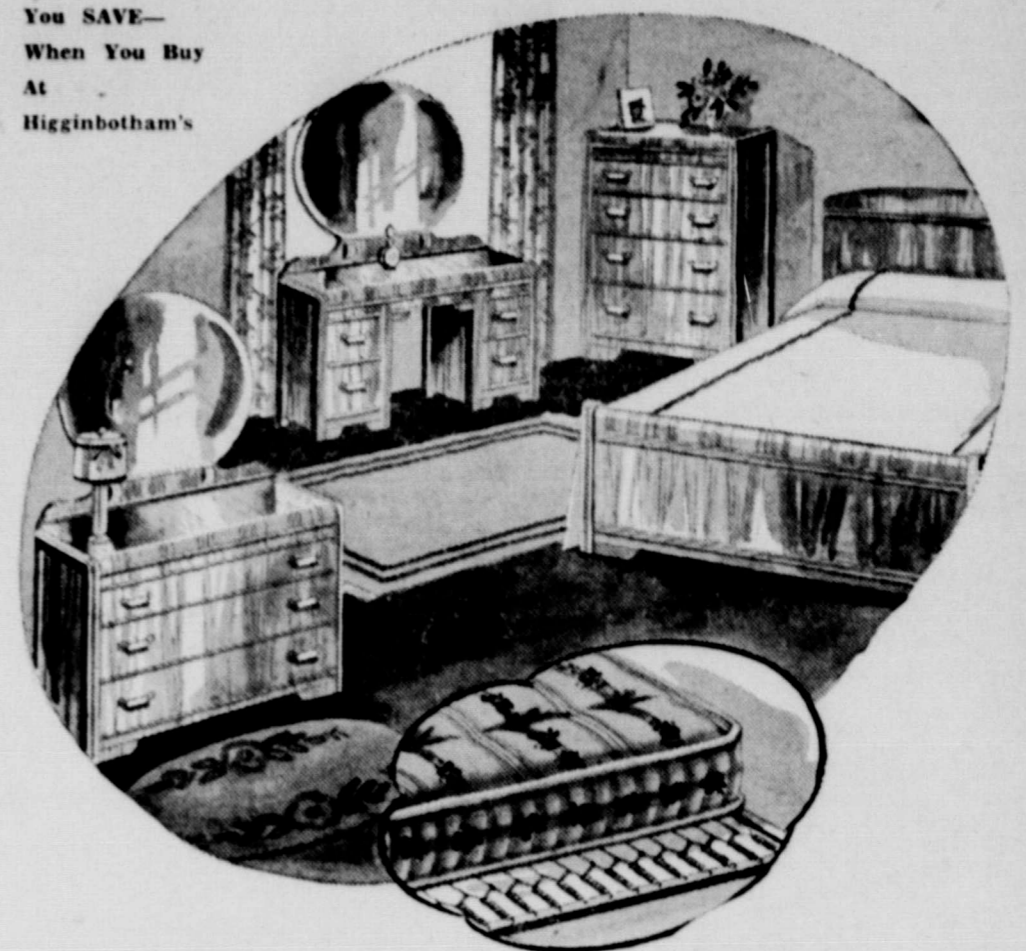
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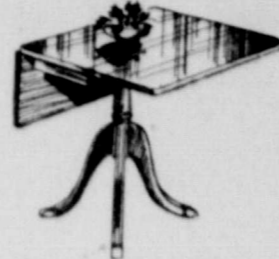
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### Help to be Given OPA by Business Men of Ballinger

A merchants' committee, composed of Alton Underwood, George Clements, Ross Black, P. M. Pearce and Drury P. Hathaway, was selected by Ballinger merchants to draft a group of local business men to serve as merchants assistants and work with the price panel board of the local OPA office in the new educational program.

At a meeting in the court house Monday afternoon a group of business men received complete instructions regarding a national survey of all food stores. Men assigned to assist in making this survey are: Frank Flynn, George Holman, R. E. George, C. R. Stone, R. W. Earnshaw, Fred Woods, Paul Kirk, Sam Behringer, LeRoy McAulay, J. E. Dankworth, Fred Holiday, Ed Lengefeld, O. R. O'Neill, Chester Aftlerbach, Malcolm Mor-

gan, R. E. White, Arthur Underwood, J. B. Arthur, Wix Currie, Horace Atnipp and O. P. Dorsey.

From this group seven business men were selected to survey the grocery stores in Ballinger between March 20 and 25. On Tuesday morning the men delegated took their kits to check ten specific items requested in the national survey.

Also attending the meeting here Monday were W. H. Rampy, Mrs. Wallace Martin, Mrs. Ethel Lewis, and W. L. Johnson, of Winters. They received instructions for making a survey of grocery stores in and around Winters.

The price panel board thinks the Runnels county report will go to the district office by the middle of the week after every food store in the county has been surveyed. This is regarded as a forward move in business cooperating for the sole purpose of price control.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Mack and Mrs. Paul Kirk and son, Calvin, returned Monday from Austin, where they visited and attended to business.

### Women Heroes of the Battle for Rome



U. S. Army nurses on duty in Allied beachhead positions south of Rome take time out for chow. An Allied evacuation hospital in the beachhead area was bombed. An all out German artillery barrage was accompanied by enemy charges in an attempt to dislodge the Allies.

### Horticulturist Lists Vegetables Which Grow Best in Texas

COLLEGE STATION, Mar. 22.—Garden-making in Texas, which already has started in the southern part of the state and will spread northward with the sun, prompts J. F. Rosborough to suggest some of "the little tricks to get vegetables to grow best."

For the small gardener, green bush beans such as Kentucky Wonder are more desirable than the pole type because the bush variety matures quickly and does not occupy excessive space. The Stringless Green Pod, Refugee or Bountiful varieties are well suited to growing conditions in the southern half of the state.

If there is room, pole butterbeans or even pole green beans can be grown on the garden fence. A good pole type of butter-bean is Sieva, a medium sized white bean of good quality, and Florida

Speckled is very hardy and prolific. A row of green pole beans, which will mature after the bush beans are gone, might be planted on another part of the garden fence, Rosborough suggests. The old Kentucky Wonder, or a newer variety known as McCaslan, are both adapted to south and east Texas. He cautions not to plant pinto beans to use for fresh or green beans, or for canning because it is inclined to be stringy and lacks quality. But if planted for dried beans they should be allowed to mature on the vines.

Rosborough, who is horticulturist for the A. & M. College extension service, recommends treating bean seed with inoculating dust just before planting. The material is obtainable at seed stores.

Fordhook and Acorn varieties of squash are good to eat even after maturity. As they incline to rank growth, each plant should be allowed at least six feet. Harvested in June or July, they may be used throughout the summer and fall. Twenty-five good okra plants produce enough for an average family. White Velvet and Green Prolific

are varieties of good quality. Allowing at least two feet between plants, bell peppers will grow all summer and fall in most parts of Texas. But don't plant green and hot peppers in adjacent rows. Crossing will give the greens a strong flavor of the hots.

### TEXAS GRILL TO BE REOPENED BY DAVIS' FRIDAY MORNING

The Texas Grill, under the management of Cecil and Reba Davis, is to be reopened tomorrow (Friday) morning. All this week the cafe has been closed while workmen painted and redecorated the interior to permit a complete cleanup and recheck of equipment. Mr. Davis stated today that the job was about finished and they would be ready to serve their patrons and friends Friday.

Mr. Davis said he had employed two of the best cooks in this section of the state and would be able to serve a complete changed menu of the finest foods. The Grill will feature Chase & Sanborn coffee.

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### Babies More Likely To Get Tuberculosis, Health Officer Says

AUSTIN, March 22.—Speaking of the susceptibility of children to tuberculosis, Dr. George W. Cox, state health officer, said today that few people realize that babies and young children are very likely to become infected with tuberculosis if they are kept in rooms with persons who have the disease, use the same dishes, sleep in the same beds, or are handled and kissed by persons who have tuberculosis.

"Babies and young children pick up the germs of tuberculosis just as readily as they pick up the germs of measles or whooping cough, or of any other of the so-called children's diseases," Dr. Cox said. "But tuberculosis, unlike most diseases, has more than one form. Babies who get tuberculosis may not show the symptoms we associate with the disease in older persons. But the disease in most cases develops rapidly and is likely to end fatally. Tuberculosis in babies and young children is a very serious matter, although recent studies have shown that if young children are removed promptly from contact with the disease and given the necessary care, many lives can be saved."

Dr. Cox said that if the presence of tuberculosis is recognized in its early stages and if medical attention is secured promptly, a great deal can be accomplished whenever the disease develops, whether in young or old.

"Tuberculosis doesn't just simply happen. Nobody is born with the

disease. Everybody who develops tuberculosis gets it from some other source, and children and young people who have been in contact with persons having tuberculosis are especially likely to contract it."

### JOHNNY DOUGHBOY TAKES UNIVERSITY COURSES WHILE IN TRAINING AND FIGHTING

AUSTIN, March 22.—Johnny Doughboy's not going to let his education be neglected—even while he trains or fights!

University of Texas extension officials this week disclosed that 208 service men are taking courses by correspondence through the university extension teaching bureau—and a fifth of these are in overseas combat zones.

These "mail order" students in the armed forces are taking courses in business administration, mathematics, government, history, English, and scores of other subjects listed in the university bureau's 290-course catalogue.

They pay only two-thirds the regular registration fee for correspondence courses, provided they are enlisted men.

Another 88 service men of World War II, already discharged from the armed forces, are also enrolled for extension courses, Mrs. Myrtle Goetz, registrar of the bureau, reveals. These veterans, if citizens of Texas, may enroll without payment of tuition.

Total enrollment for correspondence courses through the university bureau is 2,542, Mrs. Goetz points out.

This figure is only 6 per cent below pre-war enrollment, in comparison with a 50 per cent drop in residence enrollment at the university.

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### 'Ladies Courageous' Tells Story Of Women Ferry Fliers in War

Filmgoers will have an opportunity to "see" one of America's busiest military air bases in action, because most of the motion picture, "Ladies Courageous," produced by Walter Wanger for Universal, was filmed there and at Avenger Field, Sweetwater, Texas.

"Ladies Courageous," to be shown at the Ritz Theatre Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, March 25, 26, 27, 28, tells a thrilling and daring story of the WAFS—women's auxiliary ferrying squadron—and of the twenty-five young American women fliers who originally formed this organization in 1942, so that army pilots could be released for overseas combat duty.

Army fighter planes, transport fighters and bombers landed on or took off from the field every minute and a half, the clock around while the film troupe was there.

Woven into an authentic story of the WAFS are appealing and emotional threads from the lives of the individual girls in the service. Practically the entire picture centers at the army airport, from which huge transport planes roar forth to the combat zones.

"Ladies Courageous," human and heart-warming, reveals the courageous and spectacular contribu-

tions of young women serving as ferrying pilots on the home front. Loretta Young is starred with Geraldine Fitzgerald, Anne Gwynne, Diana Barrymore, Evelyn Ankers, Lois Collier and June Vincent head the predominantly feminine supporting cast. Phillip Terry, David Bruce, Samuel S. Hinds, Richard Fraser and Frank Jenks make up the male contingent.

### District Track Meet Slated in Ballinger Saturday Afternoon

The conference track meet for district 8A will be held here Saturday with only Brady contestants entering against the Ballinger teams. All other school teams in the district have advised that they will not enter any part of the meet this year. Brady will send a full track team to Ballinger and will also participate in the field events.

Contests will commence at 2:30 p. m. at Bearcat Field and will continue until all events have been held. All who place in the meet will be eligible to take part in the area meet at San Angelo later in the spring.

Coaches of both schools have been devoting considerable time to the training of track men this year and citizens who attend will see some fine races, and other events.

The Ballinger contestants also have been training for shorthand, typing, extemporaneous speaking, one-act play, tennis and volley ball. Inasmuch as Brady will not enter these events the Ballinger representatives will not participate in these contests until they enter the area meet at San Angelo in April.

In shorthand, typing and speaking, only one student each will be entered. The one-act play will require a fairly large cast under the direction of Miss Katherine Freeman. Tennis will be for both boys and girls and will include both singles and doubles. Volley ball will be played by only one team of girls.

### AIR TRAVELERS IN MEXICO PROHIBITED FROM TIPPING

MEXICO, D. F., March 22.—Air travelers have been warned by the ministry of communications that they must not pay tips or give other gratuities to obtain priorities for passage on planes. J. R. Clement, chief clerk of the ministry, declared that such gratuities were entirely free and that no attention would be given petitions for them presented by go-between, popularly called "coyotes." To facilitate international airplane travel by speedy handling of applications for priorities a special board has been named.

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### Red Cross Activities Picture to be Shown At Texas and Palace

In line with its policy of distributing short, informative films on subjects vital to the American public, the war activities committee of the motion picture industry has arranged for a nation-wide showing of "At His Side," a stirring record of Red Cross accomplishments, in conjunction with National Motion Picture Theatre Red Cross Week (March 23 thru March 29).

"At His Side," described as "the motion picture industry's tribute to the Red Cross' tremendous contribution to humanity," depicts all phases of Red Cross aid, including actual battlefield scenes, Red Cross rest hospitals and recreational centers.

It is estimated that an unprecedented number of American filmgoers will view the picture during its one-week national showing because of the overwhelming number of advance bookings received to date by the committee.

"At His Side" will be shown at the Texas Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday, March 29, 30, and at the Palace Theatre on Saturday and Sunday, April 1, 2.

### Ann Corio in Musical Comedy and Western On Palace Program

In order to get strip-teaser Ann Corio into garb not too disappointing to her footlight followers, Monogram cast her as a sultan's daughter, producing a reasonable facsimile of Arabia, and came up with a comedy-musical in the format of the Crosby-Hope-Lamour "Road" pictures executed with such entertainers as Charles Butterworth, Fortunio Bonanova, Chris-Pin Martin and Tim & Irene.

"I'm Always the Girl" is one of the hit-parade numbers. Freddie Fisher's Orchestra, a novelty outfit, does rubie stuff in turban and toga.

The story is about a pair of American vaudeville actors who find themselves in an Oriental country on the buying end of an oil deal, which gets lost in the proceedings without disaster. Butterworth and Tim & Irene have a number of laughable moments.

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### 'Sweet Rosie O'Grady'



Scene from "Sweet Rosie O'Grady" at Texas Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

### Betty Grable as Musical Comedy Favorite in 'Sweet Rosie O'Grady'

The topflight attraction at the Texas Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, March 26, 27, 28, is "Sweet Rosie O'Grady," starring Betty Grable. The setting is in the 1880s, which a prefatory note describes as gayer than the Gay Nineties.

Here's Betty again, folks, again in technicolor and again in love, and in trouble, and if this be a somewhat covered-up Grable, as compared to the "Coney Island" Grable, it is nevertheless a Grable surrounded by all the glitter and sparkle at the gigantic 20th Century-Fox studio's command.

Originally publicized as "The Girl on the Police Gazette," the film presents the star as a musical comedy favorite, wearing a new name to conceal her beginnings in burlesque, whose real identity and background are exposed by a reporter on the Police Gazette. Star and reporter compete with each other, in terms of publicity plants and otherwise, from the start of the picture to the surprise finale. Robert Young portrays the reporter.

"My Heart Tells Me" is one of the hit tunes by Mack Gordon and Harry Warren. Irving Cummings is the director of this light, sprightly production.

In support are Adolph Menjou, Reginald Gardiner, Virginia Grey, Phil Regan, Sig Ruman, Alan Dinehart, Hobart Cavanaugh, Jonathan Hale, Frank Orth, Byron Foulger,

Stanley Clements, Lilyan Irene, and Robert Mitchell Boys' Choir.

"Hitler vs. Virtue Drama and "The Rains Came" to be Shown Friday, Saturday

The two feature-length offerings at the Texas tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday are "Women in Bondage," starring Gale Patrick, Nancy Kelly and Bill Henry, and "The Rains Came," starring Ty Power and Myrna Loy. In addition are several shorts, including a cartoon comedy and a news reel.

Originally titled "Hitler's Women," "Women in Bondage" is a painstakingly produced melodrama that compares in theme, treatment and execution directly to "Hitler's Children," adding to the sum of that picture's revelations regarding Nazi policy for German woman-kind.

The story by Frank Bertick Wisbar transpires inside Germany, tracing the disillusionment of a Nazi officer's wife back after a long absence. She and her asso-

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### Campbell Boys Set Livestock Records At Ft. Worth Show

Roland and Damon Campbell, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Randall Campbell, made fine records at the Fort Worth fat stock show. In the Hereford division Roland exhibited the first prize calf, an animal selected from the herd of his grandfather, Hugh Campbell, well known Hereford breeder. Damon showed the 13th Hereford in the heavyweight class.

In the Aberdeen-Angus division Damon was second in the heavy class and Roland showed the champion lightweight. The first prize Hereford was bought by Carlton Lawler, manager of the Duncan Cafeteria in Dallas, and Roland Campbell has been invited to be his guest for three days next week. While there he will appear before the chamber of commerce and the Dallas Lions Club as a special guest.

The calves sold for an average

of 34 cents a pound at the end of the show. Both boys have made excellent records in livestock for the past several years and plan to have another try next year at placing the grand champions in some of the leading shows of the state.

### UNIT OF QUAKERS ASSISTS ETHIOPIANS IN TECHNIQUES

ADDIS ABABA, Mar. 22.—Quakers of the Friends Ambulance Unit are trying to arouse the interest of the Ethiopians so that they will carry on the good work of the unit when it is withdrawn. The detachment has been in Ethiopia ever since the Italian evacuation. One handy man is secretary, anaesthetist, pharmacist, nursing instructor, mechanic, and Amharic sign writer. Another treats one hundred patients in his clinic and visits others too ill to come to the clinic. An outbreak of small-pox meant vaccinating 21,000 natives within a few days. The doctor in charge of a leper camp persuades mothers to let their babies be separated from them at birth and placed in an orphanage. Another member of the unit runs a school for children found running wild in Addis Ababa.

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RURAL NEWS

CREWS

Ice was unwelcome here Sunday and Monday as fruit trees were in full bloom.

S. Sgt. and Mrs. Obed Fuller and baby daughter, of Denver, Colorado, are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Fuller.

Mrs. Vinita Irvin and Miss Norene Rainwater, of San Antonio, are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rainwater, and family.

Mrs. W. C. Mathis spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Maud Connor, of Ballinger.

Relatives here have received an announcement of a little son, Larry Eugene, born in an Abilene hospital to Captain and Mrs. E. C. Cochran. Captain Cochran is stationed at Camp Beale, Calif. Mrs. Cochran and children are at the home of her mother, Mrs. Oreda Carter, of Abilene.

Burton Jones, serving in the navy for the past 18 months, was a visitor of his sisters, Mrs. P. R. Dietz and Mrs. Elvin Bridwell, and their families, and friends here last week.

There is some flu in our community. Miss Leola Young and Rev. J. H. Hallford are among those who are ill with it at the present.

Mrs. Leslie Phillips, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is a guest in the home of Mrs. G. W. Phillips and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. King and son, Bob, and Mrs. Jack Rogers, of Ballinger, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. King. Mrs. E. L. King reported receiving an announcement of a son, Robert Mathis, born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beck in California March 8. Mr. Beck, a former resident of Crews, is a brother of Mrs. King.

A. N. Iden, of Ballinger, was laid to rest in the Crews cemetery Thursday afternoon. Decedent was a former landowner in our community and farmed here for a number of years, but he had been moved from here for 25 or more years. Most of his friends near his age have passed on but there were many who knew and liked the kindly old gentleman. Quite a number of our citizens attended school with his children. He was the father of Mrs. E. W. Rainwater, of Crews, and had visited her at various times. We extend sympathy to her and other relatives.

A. J. Young, age 77 years, passed away at his residence here at 12:30 Friday morning, after two weeks of serious illness, and two or more years of declining health. Mr. Young was born in Randolph county, Alabama, and came to

ANNOUNCEMENTS Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary For State Representative, 92nd District: W. H. RAMPY For Sheriff: J. L. MORELAND For County Tax Assessor-Collector: W. A. FORGEY For County Clerk: JOHN B. RAYBURN For County Treasurer: MRS. AURELIA WEBB For Commissioner, Precinct No. 1: H. E. FULCHER For District Clerk: MRS. WINONA PARKER For Constable, Precinct No. 1: C. G. CAPE

17 years. He was married to Miss Catherine Liverett of Coryell county, in 1890. They reared nine children, all living, seven sons and two daughters. The three elder sons saw overseas duty in World War I. The three younger have been in service in the present war but due to a lowering of the age limit only one is wearing the uniform at present. Decedent was a highly respected citizen, kind, honest and honorable. He had lived in this community for more than 20 years. Rev. J. H. Hallford preached the funeral sermon and the body was laid to rest in the Crews cemetery. Those surviving are the widow and the nine children, all of whom were present, Misses Jenna and Leola, of Crews; Leslie, Archie and Cecil, of Cherokee; Edwin, of San Saba; Cleburne, of Crews; Milton, of Glen Cove; and S. Sgt. Noel of 91st air base, Roswell, N. M. Pallbearers were Tnad Traylor, Quincy Traylor, Roy Lee, Raymond Phillips, Chester McBeth, and Marion Wood. Floral bearers were Mmes. W. W. King, Thad Traylor, Thea Lucas, J. H. Hallford, and Troy Wood.

NORTON

Mrs. Clarence Winans and baby, who are making their home with Mrs. Winans' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Waco Compton, are visiting at Waco this week with Mr. Winans, who has recently gone into service with the U. S. army. Lt. and Mrs. Ira B. West, of Clovis, New Mexico, were recent visitors in the home of Mrs. West's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Setzer. Lt. West is home on 30-day furlough from the Southwest Pacific, where he served twelve months with the navy air corps, and after the 1st he will be stationed temporarily at Pensacola, Florida. Mrs. West will accompany him. Also visiting Mr. and Mrs. Setzer was their other daughter, Miss Pansy Setzer, student of T. S. C. W.

Denton. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Conder, Jr., of Abilene, were week-end visitors with relatives here. Mrs. Gus R. Redman, who has been seriously ill, is reported resting fairly well.

HERRING

We had rain during the week-end, which seems to be our usual weather news. The roads were so muddy we couldn't have any church services. Our pastor came from Brownwood to a distance of about four miles of the church, but the roads here were almost impassable, and he went to Cross Cut church to conduct a funeral in the afternoon.

We had a big frost covering everything Monday morning, making it seem more like the first day of winter than the first day of spring. We saw a lot of ice too.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Arent will soon be at home again as the house they bought was being moved during the week-end.

Mrs. Berry Watson and son, Wesley, of Oxien, spent several days last week with her uncle, Arthur Fuller, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brister and Mrs. Dacia McMillan, of San Angelo, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Grover Arent in the W. A. Hale, Sr., home.

Odie Matthews, of Crews; Troy

Lee, of Coldsboro; and Terry Whitley spent Saturday with Roy Fuller. Miss Mertha Kerby and Mrs. Millard Kerby are in Christoval, taking treatments. Due to the rains and bad roads there hasn't been very much news here.

ONLY MINOR VIOLATIONS FOUND IN FOOD STORES

E. E. King, chairman of the Runnels county price panel board of the price and ration board, stated today at noon that 55 grocery stores in the county had been checked by the price panel assistants.

Only a few minor violations had been found and all these were being corrected. No infraction of serious importance was found in any store and all operators are apparently making a honest effort to operate under OPA regulations. Mr. King stated that the survey of all food stores in the county would be completed by tonight.

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