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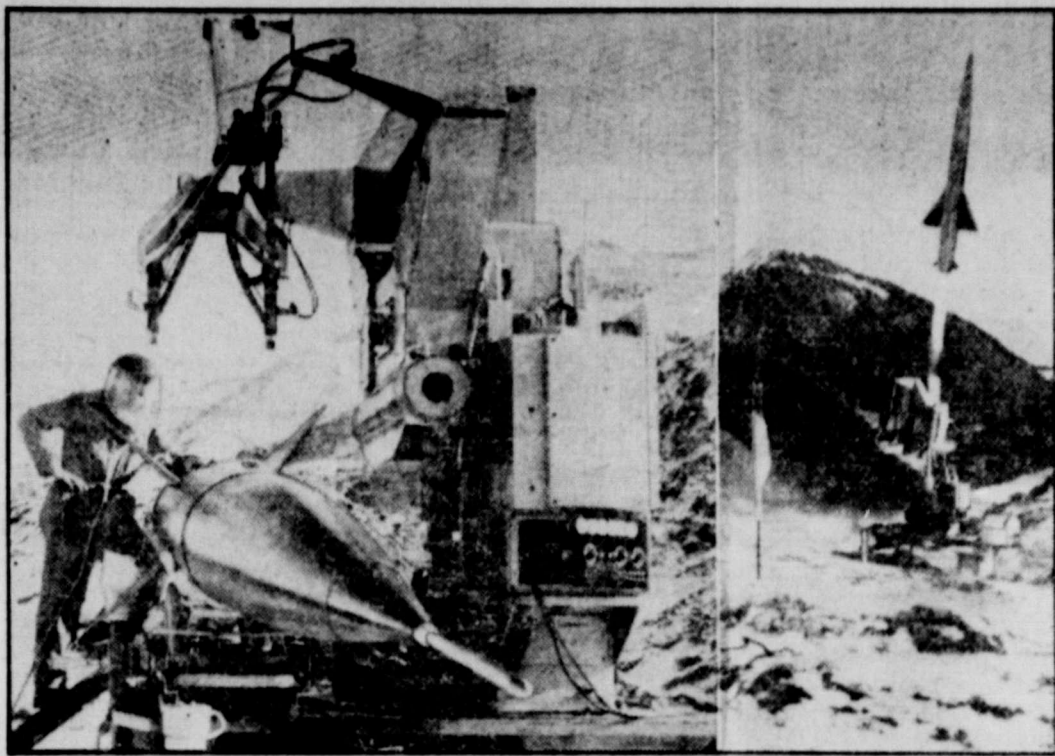
BALLINGER, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1954

NO. 10

## Big Producer Reported On R. G. Erwin Lease

Lowe Drilling Co. No. 2-R. G. Erwin, located 10 miles northwest of Ballinger, has been completed for good production in the Mississippi lime. Estimated production Wednesday was about 600 barrels a day. The gauge was taken at 4,700-4,728 feet, gas surfacing in three minutes and oil surfacing in 63 minutes. The initial flow was estimated at 45 barrels an hour. Free oil was recovered in G. W. Strake No. 1-Lucy C. Bryan, 1 1/2 miles northeast of Wingate. The drillstem test was taken in the Fry sand. Drilling was continued below 4,590 feet in shale and lime.

Gilchrist Drilling Co. will drill No. 1-G. M. Sewell, four miles south of Talpa. The contract is for 3,900 feet and tours are to begin at once. It is 5/8 of a mile east of production in the Leonard (Gray sand) field. W. W. Harvey has filed an application for a permit to drill a 2,950-foot rotary wildcat 12 miles south of Talpa. The prospector will be Harvey's No. 1-H. Gleescke. O'Donnell Oil Co., of Dallas, has filed an application for a permit to drill a 3,100-foot wildcat, which will be the company's No. 1-Ethel Hawkins Rotary equipment will be used. The location is two miles northwest of Wingate. Murray E. Body No. 1-J. A. Morrison, a reentered failure 4 miles south of Crews, is reported to have flowed oil at a depth of 3,583 feet. No other information was obtainable.



**SHE'S NO SWISS "MISS"**—Switzerland's first radio-controlled rocket is readied for testing, left, and launched, right, high in the Oberalp region of the world's watch capital. Launched on a short, nearly vertical flight because of lack of room for an extended testing range, observers stated that the missile should be able to track and hit with clockwork precision a target at altitudes up to 20 miles.

## Fun Features Booked For C. of C. Banquet

The date set for the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce membership banquet and meeting is Friday, January 30, and the committee in charge of the program has announced that feature entertainment has been booked.

The annual meeting will be held at the junior school cafeteria and approximately 300 are expected to attend. Tickets will go on sale about the middle of January and committees will canvass business houses until the limit has been sold.

Dr. Sterling Price, of Abilene, one of the most popular entertainers in the state, will present the principal part of the program. His programs are popular at banquets in many of the southern states and will be the feature at the Fort Worth banquet the night before he comes to Ballinger. His presentations are humorous and are not too long for the best effects.

Also appearing on the program will be the Key City Quartet, another popular group of entertainers which has sung in many West Texas cities. They appear in uniform and have been heard by a number of local people who declare they are tops in harmony singing.

Besides Ballingerites there will be invited guests from the neighboring cities. Invitations are being sent out with a request that the committee be notified who will attend from each town.

A very short business session will be held in which R. E. Rubie, retiring president, will introduce the new president, who in turn will introduce the new directors and call attention to the printed report of activities for the past year.

## Officers Report Quiet Christmas In This Section

Local law enforcement officers report a very quiet Christmas in this section, there being few calls for the police.

Highway patrolmen stated that only two wrecks occurred in this section. One car turned over on the curve on highway 83 at Hatchel, one person requiring hospitalization at Winters. Another crash was reported Christmas day on the Bronte highway but no one was injured.

City police arrested two local men for fighting and each was fined \$12.70 in municipal court Monday.

Joe Espensio was arrested Christmas eve and charged with driving while intoxicated. He was fined \$122.80 and ordered to jail for three days.

Preston Roberts, negro, is being held in jail here for officers at Columbus, Texas, on a charge of wife and child desertion.

Juanita Hester is being held at Ardmore, Oklahoma, for local officers on a charge of bigamy. She will be returned here this week-end.

Henry Brown, negro, is being held at Lovington, New Mexico, for local officers on a charge of wife and child desertion and a car has been sent there to bring the defendant to Ballinger.

Edward M. Pope, charged with theft, was assessed ten days in jail. The stolen goods was located where it had been sold.

G. W. Williams, negro, was charged with worthless checking but has not been arrested.

Pat Barron was charged with worthless checking the first of the week but has not been arrested.

A cutting affray was reported at Winters Christmas night in which two negro men cut two negro women severely enough to require hospitalization. Sheriff Don Atkins stated the men would be arrested and charged with assault with intent to kill.

## POST OFFICE HANDLES BIG HOLIDAY BUSINESS

Postmaster K. V. Northington stated Monday that the Ballinger post office crew handled a big holiday rush of mail and was able to keep up with incoming and outgoing mail every day. He estimated that about 170,000 pieces of mail were processed since the first of December. Mailing of Christmas cards and packages began earlier than usual and this was a big help to the postal clerks.

Mr. Northington said parcels were wrapped better this year and this permitted more speed in handling. Local patrons aided by sorting their Christmas cards and delivering them at a special window in bundles.

On Christmas eve every piece of mail that could be delivered was in the hands of the recipient. In a few instances mail was received and the recipient could not be located.

Outgoing mail was possibly a little less this year but incoming mail was about the same as a year ago.

Reports on the condition of J. W. McMillan, who underwent surgery in a San Angelo hospital Monday, are that he is doing nicely.

## Old Turkey Pool Funds Donated To 4-Hs, F.F.A.s

Runnels county 4-H and F. F. A. boys benefited about \$976 last week when the Runco Turkey Pool Association was liquidated. This pool was operated in Runnels county from 1936 to 1946 and a total of \$980.98 was left in the association treasury.

All records of the organization were lost in a fire several years ago and members due money were unknown. J. T. Moreland was the only director of the group still living in this section and a meeting was called and 29 farmers who had sold turkeys through the pool attended. It was voted to divide the money equally between the 4-H and F. F. A. boys and distribute it to each chapter of the F. F. A. and to the 4-H council.

A committee, composed of J. T. Moreland, B. M. Batts and J. W. Little, was named to look after getting the checks into the proper hands. F. F. A. chapters will receive their part of the money on a membership basis.

Marshall Leit was secretary-manager of the pool when it was in operation.

**NEW YEAR'S PROVIDES DOUBLE HOLIDAY HERE**

Ballinger stores will be closed Saturday and Sunday, giving all employees another double holiday. New Year's Day is one of the official holidays for Ballinger firms and coming on Saturday permits a double holiday.

A number of local people are planning to attend the Cotton Bowl football game at Dallas Saturday. Numerous watch parties have been planned for Friday (tomorrow) night which will run into the new year. There will be special services at churches Sunday as the programs for 1955 are launched.

**PROTRACTED HOLIDAYS FOR POST OFFICE STAFF**

Postmaster K. V. Northington stated Tuesday that the Ballinger office would be closed at noon Friday, December 31, and would remain closed Saturday and Sunday. This extra half-holiday was received in a special directive the first of the week.

There will be no carrier service but mail will be received and dispatched as usual. Windows will be closed during the two and a half days.

**44 NEEDY FAMILIES GIVEN ASSISTANCE AT CHRISTMAS**

Forty-four Ballinger families received help for the Christmas holidays through the chamber of commerce office. Local Sunday school classes, civic organizations and individuals looked after the families and all were "adopted" before Christmas eve.

The donations included food, clothing and toys in most instances. Some received special gifts and there were a few who needed only food.

In addition, a number of other families received assistance who were not included on the lists at the chamber of commerce office.

Since the holidays, a number of calls have been received by local welfare groups to aid those who are ill without work and for other causes.

Bill Bell returned Wednesday from a business trip and visit at Kermit.

## Farmers May Get Emergency Loans Throughout 1955

Runnels county has been designated as an area in which eligible farmers can obtain emergency loans from the farmers home administration. The time for securing loans has been extended by the U. S. department of agriculture until December 31, 1955, according to John H. Curry, county supervisor.

Applications are to be made at the county FHA office, located in the ASC building south of the court house. In applying for assistance, a farmer must certify that because of substantial losses from the adverse weather conditions or due to economic factors he is unable to get from private or cooperative sources the necessary financing to continue his normal operations. Eligibility of applicants is determined by the county FHA committee.

These loans are made for the purchase of feed, seed, fertilizer and other essential farm and home operating expenses. They must not be made to pay existing debts. Ordinarily, emergency loans to meet current operating and living expenses are expected to be repaid out of the year's income. No loan is made unless it appears that an applicant has a reasonable prospect for success.

The government obtains the best securities obtainable for each loan, including a first lien on all crops to be produced.

**Petit Jury Venire Called for Service In District Court**

The next term of 119th district court in Ballinger will begin January 10. A petit jury has been summoned for 10:00 a. m. on the first day and a number of cases will be called for trial during the week.

Summons on the venire are: R. E. Bruce, Ballinger; A. J. Gottschalk, Ballinger; L. A. Wilbanks, Ballinger; Joe B. Ashton, Ballinger; C. L. Carroll, Talpa; Warren Crofton, Goldsboro; C. E. Coats, Goldsboro; John Calclager, Winters; J. A. Taylor, Winters; Roger Robinson, Winters; George R. Hill, Winters; Lyle Curry, Ballinger; Roudie Hobensee, Miles; Oran W. Bigby, Ballinger; R. O. Burke, Ballinger; Dorsey Read, Ballinger; Levy Lee, Ballinger; Carl Murman, Ballinger; Eugene Laska, Ballinger; Earl Cope, Ballinger; Hestwood Clayton, Ballinger; Loyd Herring, Ballinger; Charles Strickland, Ballinger; W. M. Boff, Winters; A. B. McMillan, Lawn; J. E. McNeill, Lawn; Walter Niehues, Norton; Pat Underwood, Winters; Erwin Schroeder, Winters; John G. Key, Jr., Winters; Harry Herman, Winters; Jere H. Sanders, Winters; Press Edwards, Winters; Jack Harrison, Winters; R. G. Roller, Winters; Joe Irwin, Winters; Press Edwards, Winters; E. H. Crawford, Ballinger; Grover O. Wilson, Miles; Rollin Campbell, Ballinger.

Mrs. B. E. Tucker and son, David, of Seymour, are visiting Mrs. Tucker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Batts, during the holidays.

## Plans Underway For Stock Show; Prizes to be Set

Plans are being perfected as fast as possible for the 1955 livestock show to be held here on Saturday, January 15. Leaders are securing judges for each division and will announce them by the end of this week.

January 5 is the final date for entering livestock and at that time the general committee will meet and set the amount of prize money for each animal. This year a grand champion and a reserve champion will be selected in each department. Other animals will be judged on the point system and blue, red and white ribbons will be given. Prize money will be based on the point system so that every boy will get something.

Curry-Hambrick and L. R. Tigner are furnishing special awards.

The show will be presented in the Arthur Underwood warehouse on Tenth Street. Mr. Underwood has made this building available for holding the annual show several years. It is located on pavement, has an excellent office and other facilities for the show.

The army recruiting station, Abilene, will send a public address system to Ballinger for the entire day and will furnish operators. Officers were here the first of the week and stated that the equipment would be here on location early the morning of January 15 and would be available through Sunday, if needed.

Members of the homemaking class of the Ballinger high school will operate concession stands for selling eats and drinks all day.

As soon as all entries are in, the secretary will make up the sheets for each division so that winners can be recorded as the judging is completed.

On January 3 a large number of letters will be mailed to firms and individuals in the southern section of the county asking for contributions for prize money and to pay expenses of the show. The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce is raising \$1,200 for the show and this will be added to a balance left from last year. It is declared that approximately \$2,000 is needed this year.

**Wingate Child Burns to Death; Others Injured**

Ginger Rae Hamilton, 1, was burned to death when the home of her grandmother at Wingate was destroyed by fire early Sunday. Four others were seriously burned and five were painfully burned. The baby's grandmother, Mrs. C. E. Hamilton, 50, is in an Abilene hospital in a serious condition. Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hamilton, parents of the baby, were taken to the Winters hospital suffering from shock and burns on the arms and body. Five others were treated for burns and released from the hospital.

The tragedy occurred about 7:30 Sunday morning when one of the children poured kerosene into a wood stove to start a fire. The stove exploded.

Family members rushed from the burning house after the stove exploded and found the baby had been left in its bed. The father attempted several times to enter the house to save the baby but each time was driven back by the flames. The five-room dwelling, two cars parked near the building and all contents were destroyed. Wingate water trucks were driven to the scene but efforts to extinguish the fire were not successful.

The house, owned by Duncan Hensley, was on a farm one mile from Wingate. These who arrived at the scene first found the family huddled together in their night clothes. Neighbors soon provided clothing and a relief fund was made up.

**NANCE STORE BEING MOVED TO EIGHTH**

The W. A. Nance store is being moved from the Bell building on Hutchings Avenue to a location on Eighth Street next door to the City Bakery in the building formerly occupied by Bates Auto Store.

All Mr. Nance's stock will be moved there this week and he will conduct the same kind of business in the new location.

## C. C. Board to Elect New Officers Monday

The new board of directors of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce will assemble at 7:30 p. m. Monday for one of the most important meetings of the year.

R. E. Rubie, retiring president, is urging that every member of the board be present to participate in the election of officers and for the organization of the board.

The 11 new directors, elected in the December balloting, and the eleven holdover directors who have served one year, will attend.

One of the first items of business will be the election of a new president, two vice-presidents, a treasurer and a secretary. Two members also will be named to the executive committee.

A director will be named as advisor on each of the standing committees and in turn will name chairmen and other members of the committee, selecting them from the membership.

Harry Lynn, chairman of the

entertainment and program committee, will report on plans for the annual banquet, to be held on January 28. A number of men will be appointed on special committees to look after ticket sales and other details. At the December meeting it was voted to have a straight entertainment program and no principal speaker.

Earl Barr will report on the progress of the 1955 livestock show for 4-H club and F. F. A. members in the southern section of the county. A general superintendent and department superintendents have already been appointed and the date set is January 15.

C. E. Maedgen will report on Christmas activities and read a financial statement.

In the balloting for new directors members also voted for the same six holidays to be observed here as during the current year. The first of these will be observed Saturday when stores are closed for New Year's day.

## New County Officials To Take Oath Friday

A called meeting of the Runnels county commissioners' court will be held here tomorrow (Friday) morning for the purpose of approving bonds of all county officials and for swearing in two new officials, who will begin their duties Saturday, January 1.

All officials who were reelected have made new bonds and it will be only routine for the court to approve these.

O. L. Parish, Jr., who succeeds Jack Moore as county attorney, will take the oath of office Friday morning and submit his bond for approval. He will assume the duties of the office at once.

Mr. Moore, who has served

the past two terms, has opened a law office in the Sheppard building, corner of Hutchings Avenue and Seventh Street. He has ground floor quarters facing Seventh Street.

Earl Cope will succeed B. G. Sharp as justice of the peace, precinct 1. Mr. Cope will also take the oath of office tomorrow morning and will move into an office on the second floor of the court house.

Most of the clerks and deputies will be the same as serving this year.

County Judge W. H. Rumpy stated that the commissioners would only consider the bonds and swear in the two new officials tomorrow.

## Meeting of Scout Leaders Rescheduled for January 4

The meeting of Boy Scout leaders of three councils in West Texas, scheduled Tuesday night, was cancelled and the date reset for next Tuesday night at the court house in Ballinger. Icy roads and bad weather prevented attendance of out-of-town leaders the first of this week and it was decided to make another effort to hold the meeting on January 4.

All the council speakers were here from San Angelo, Del Rio and other places but troop representatives from the three districts failed to arrive. The council speakers said they could return next week and a E. Holbrook, council chairman, notified all officials of the change in date.

The Concho Valley council will try to raise \$75,894 to cover the needs for 1955. Plans are being made to launch the campaign in all towns of the council in February.

About 75 leaders are expected to attend the meeting here next Tuesday and twelve to fifteen special workers also will be present.

**SEISMOGRAPH COMPANY WANTS QUARTERS HERE**

The Texas Seismograph Co., formerly of Sweetwater, will move to Ballinger in the near future to open offices and to do work in this immediate section. Cecil Vandegier, manager of the unit, was in Ballinger Monday making inquiries about living quarters and stated four or five furnished houses and about eight furnished apartments are needed.

Mr. Vandegier said fifteen families would be brought here. He did not know how long the might be in Ballinger but stated they were moved into Sweetwater last March and remained there until this time.

Ballingerites who have suitable living quarters are asked to list them at the chamber of commerce office as soon as possible.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin and daughter, of Amarillo, were after-Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Caskey.

## 3 Ballinger Men Stockholders In Uranium Mining Company

Three Ballinger men, Doyle St. John, Dr. C. F. Bailey and John Castor, have joined two San Angelo men and an Abilene man in forming the Dark Canyon Uranium Co., in Utah. The location contains 31 claims of 20 acres concentrated in one mountain, about 25 miles from Hite, Utah.

To date the company has invested \$100,000, part of the outlay going for building a road around the mountain. The road, which cost \$20,000, makes it possible for ore to be transported quickly from the mine to the processing plant. The plant, located 8 miles from the mine, is owned by American Smelting and Refining Co. and is operated for the atomic energy commission.

After details of the company were settled at San Angelo early in December, the group flew to Utah to inspect the site. One engineer said "There is ten million dollars' worth that I can see."

Ore is now being taken from the mine. The operators plan to extract 64 tons of ore from the mine daily and this will bring the owners approximately \$100,000 weekly.

**HALF AN INCH RAIN FALLS IN AREA MONDAY-TUESDAY**

Ballinger and vicinity received the best rain in West Texas, according to published reports. Monday night the government gauge here registered half an inch moisture and showers were spotted over the county, some areas getting none.

Most of the rain fell between Monday midnight and Tuesday morning. Snow fell off and on Tuesday but was never heavy enough to bring much moisture. Roads in this immediate area remained open and traffic was fairly normal Tuesday. Snow north and northwest of Ballinger was heavier and in some places traffic was halted or slowed considerably.

The moisture will help small grain in this county.

Mrs. Naomi Keithley and Miss Lillian Knowles, teachers in the San Angelo schools, visited friends in Ballinger Wednesday.

## Plans Being Made For Dimes March In Runnels County

George Newby, chairman for the March of Dimes, is making plans with members of the Runnels county chapter for the annual money raising event. The drive will open in January and workers are expected to make short shift of the campaign.

All the usual features are to be presented again this year to raise funds for polio-patient care and to carry on the technical work in the effort to stamp out the disease. Much has been accomplished and within the near future it is believed immunization may be established.

The fund raising will include putting of coin collectors in all stores, solicitation of special gifts, the filling of dime cards by children, the bake-a-cake campaign and the mothers' porchlight campaign. Radio auctions and request programs will be presented during the drive and many rural people will receive letters in which they will be asked to send checks.

Mr. Newby will name a number of special chairmen to serve in the various communities of the county. These chairmen will plan and conduct their own campaigns and during the month a number of special benefit programs will be staged.

Last year more than \$8,000 was raised in Runnels county. A similar amount is needed again this year. The money retained by the chapter has been spent in giving patient care to six polio victims who are still receiving special attention at Gonzales. An additional patient was received in 1954 who is now completely recovered.

Miss Carolyn McClenny spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. McClenny. Miss McClenny, who teaches music in the Hamlin high school, will leave Sunday to resume her work.

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**WEST TEXAS  
NOTES**

There is one New Year's fervent that all Runnels countians would join in making. After the lean, drouthy years since 1949, everyone is hoping for rains to make crops and bring back the range. For five years farmers have watched promising crops waste away because of the lack of moisture and need to hit a good production period. Not only have the farmers suffered but many livestock raisers have sold off their foundation herds to keep from buying high priced feed to carry them on depleted pastures. It is remarkable how the economy of the county has held up under these conditions and for this much credit goes to the oil industry, which has continued to develop proven fields and to drill many wild-cats. This has always been an agriculture and livestock section and when dry weather ruins crops it is felt by all lines of business. We all look forward to a change in the weather that will bring bumper yields and prosperity.

It will soon be time for county officials to take the oath of office and make bond for a two- or a four-year term. There will be little change in the official county "family" on January 1. A new face will be in the county attorney's office and a new justice of the peace will be sworn in. The remainder of the crew will come to work as usual on January 1 and throughout the year. About half the officials will be starting a four-year term. This is because of passage of a state constitutional amendment last November.

One of the most important items facing citizens in 1955 is the annual livestock show. Most of the committees have been named but there is one phase

A check for \$5,000 was presented to W. H. Hinton, assistant to the president of the Howard Payne College, Brownwood, with the anonymous donor stating "It is my desire to make this gift to Christian education at this time of year when we should be trying to put Christ back into Christmas." The money will be spent in furnishing the new girls' dormitory for the college which is now under construction.

Winters women's clubs made their annual pilgrimages last week, highlighting their Yule

in which all local people can help. About \$1,200 is needed to cover expenses of the show and merchants and professional men will be called on to make contributions to this fund. F. F. A. and 4-H club boys have been feeding livestock several months and there will be numerous entries and some of the best in the state. In addition to financially supporting the show, all citizens of this section are urged to attend and see what the boys have accomplished. This is a big part of the youths' reward for months of patient effort. They will appreciate a pat on the back for learning to make good citizens of tomorrow with the know-how in their line of work.

Another program of interest in January is the annual membership banquet of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce. New directors and officers will take over at this meeting and a top entertainment program will be presented. For a number of years the banquet committee has dropped the cut-and-dried after-dinner speaker and instead offered the best entertainment obtainable. The slogan again is "Good food, good entertainment, good fellowship and home early."

season's programs. The Literary-Service Club held a sing-song preceding its tour of special holiday decorations. Garden Club members visited homes of members and awarded prizes for outstanding decorations. Church and other organizations presented programs in keeping with the season.

State Senator Dorsey Hardeman told directors of the newly organized Middle Colorado soil conservation district in a meeting at Brady that he doesn't expect the legislature to block the flood control program in the Brady section. Opposition has developed from backers of the larger downstream dams, but Senator Hardeman said "I don't anticipate anything will be done to stop it—no one wants to stop soil conservation work."

Coleman citizens will vote January 25 on three proposed changes in the city charter. One change would require councilmen to reside in the district they represent, as at present, but allow all voters in the corporate limits to vote on each of the four councilmen, another would change the term of the mayor from one to two years.

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and the third proposes to raise the pay of city elective officers from \$10 to \$50 a month.

Tarleton State College, Stephenville, students favor the institution becoming a four-year school, according to a poll conducted last week. Enrollees studying in various fields said they would like to complete their college careers at Tarleton because of low expenses, excellent training and in order to prevent loss of credits when transferring to other colleges. Tarleton is one of Texas' two fully state supported junior colleges. Changing the institution to a four-year college has been under consideration for some time.

The Miles Lions Club and the Miles F. F. A. chapter sponsored a turkey shoot at the Weatherby ranch which was termed "a big success" by the sponsors. Twenty-two turkeys were won by the best marksmen. A profit of about \$100 was realized, to be divided for use by the Lions' crippled children's camp at Kerville and the F. F. A. livestock show in January.

The McCulloch county rural

electrification administration has made arrangements to permit patrons of the Melvin and Eden communities to pay their bills at their banks. Heretofore customers had to mail checks to the Brady office each month.

More than 100 explorers of the Comanche Trail Boy Scout council will hold their annual winter encampment starting today and continuing three days. The boys and leaders will assemble at Camp Billy Gibbons, near Richland Springs. Each boy is to bring his own equipment and food and leaders will conduct programs which will close with a western style barbecue. Other council activities during the holidays were the annual council banquet and awarding advancements to leaders and troop members.

Directors of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce were told of plans for forming and operating a county library last week. County Judge Alfred Turnbow said the library would be established soon after the January meeting of the commissioners' court. The chamber board condemned excessive speed of drivers in school zones.

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Arrangements have been completed for the annual membership banquet and tickets will go on sale Saturday. Dr. E. Gaston Foote, of Fort Worth, will be the banquet speaker.

The Coleman county commissioners' court held its final meeting of the year Wednesday of last week. Three of the four commissioners will leave office tomorrow. The retiring members are completing the business of the year and will be ready to relinquish the offices to their successors. Accomplishments of the year included remodeling of the court house, several road jobs and putting the county on a sound financial basis.

The choir of the First Baptist Church, Paint Rock, visited shut-ins last week and sang

favorite Christmas carols. This was only part of the Christmas activities of the church, practically every department joining in the observance. The choir is directed by W. E. Wright.

The Brady city council is considering installation of short wave radio equipment for firemen. This would permit firemen to be called by monitor sets in their homes and messages also could be relayed from a truck to the control station. The complete installation including the home monitors would cost \$4,827 and half the expense would be borne by the federal defense fund. The system was explained to the city officials by a representative of the firm selling the equipment.

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Duchess Salad Dressing or Miracle Whip-Jar	32-Oz. Jar	45c
Tomato Catsup Taste Tels	14-Oz. Bot.	10c
Tomato Ketchup Heinz	14-Oz. Bot.	21c
Sliced Peaches or Halves Highway	No. 2 1/2 Can	21c
Sliced Peaches or Halves Del Monte	No. 2 1/2 Can	25c
Pineapple Juice Lalani	46-Oz. Can	27c
Cut Green Beans Gardenside	303 Can	10c
Pork & Beans Taste Tels	2 306 Cans	15c
Spinach Gardenside	303 Can	10c
Tomato Soup Campbell	3 No. 1 Cans	25c
Str. Baby Foods Gerber's	4 4 1/2-Oz. Cans	25c
Plain Chili Wolf Brand	No. 2 Can	39c
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**"AN ORDINANCE**

Regulating the Speed of Vehicles upon the Public Streets of the City of Ballinger, Texas, and Repealing All Other Ordinances and Sections of Ordinances in Conflict Herewith. IT IS ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BALLINGER, TEXAS, AS FOLLOWS:

**State Speed Laws Applicable**—The State traffic laws regulating the speed of vehicles shall be applicable upon all streets within this city, except as this ordinance, as authorized by State law, hereby declares and determines upon the basis of engineering and traffic investigation that certain speed regulations shall be applicable upon specified streets or in certain areas, in which event it shall be prima facie unlawful for any person to drive a vehicle at a speed in excess of any speed so declared in this ordinance when signs are in place giving notice thereof.

**Increasing State Speed Limit in Certain Zones**—It is hereby determined upon the basis of engineering and traffic investigation that the speed permitted by State law upon Highway Nos.

67, 83, 158 is less than is necessary for safe operation of vehicles thereon by reason of the designation and signposting of Highway Nos. 67, 83, 158 as a through highway and by reason of widely spaced intersections. It is hereby declared that the prima facie speed upon Highway Nos. 67, 83, 158 within the limits of the City of Ballinger, Texas, shall be as shown on the attached plan which is hereby approved and made a part of the ordinance and which shall apply at all times when signs are erected giving notice thereof.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 28TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1954.**

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**SOUTH BALLINGER HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB**

Members of South Ballinger home demonstration club and their families held their annual Christmas dinner in the rural home of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Williams last Thursday evening.

Following the Turkey dinner Mrs. J. L. Ohlhausen, president, conducted a short business period when cook books were distributed. The Christmas story from Luke was read by Norma Jean Ohlhausen. Others assisting on the program were Betty Jo Wallace, Sherry Holstead, Linda Farley, Shirley Fry and Cordelia Cody.

Christmas carols were sung and Mrs. Bud Farley directed games. The children and men exchanged gifts from the decorated tree and members received gifts from their shadow pals. The Christmas motif was fea-

tured in all entertaining rooms. Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Batts, of Phoenix, Arizona; Mrs. Bud Murrah and children, of Alpine. Others were: Messrs. Bud Farley and children, Jack Fry and children, Dick Holstead and children, V. L. McShan, Tom McEntire, Neuman Smith, Roy Holstead, Archie Wallace, Joe Thomas, John Cody and children, Dr. and Mrs. Ohlhausen; Mmes. Tom Crockett, Ed Farley, C. D. Harris, J. W. Jones.

Mrs. Joe Thomas will be hostess at the next meeting in her South Ballinger home on January 4.

**REV. HARDING ACCEPTS OHIO CHURCH PASTORATE**

Rev. T. L. Harding has resigned as pastor of the Hillcrest Baptist Church, San Angelo, and accepted the pastorate of Temple Baptist Church, Springfield, Ohio. He has served the San

Angelo church since 1950. His wife is the former Wanda Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Patterson, of Ballinger.

During Rev. Harding's ministry at San Angelo the church membership has grown from 239 to 823. The Sunday school has and enrollment of 640 and the Training Union 314. He was successful in raising money for a new \$85,000 church. Church property was valued at \$6,000 when he became pastor and now is estimated at \$109,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Harwell spent Christmas day at Oiney, visiting Mr. Harwell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Harwell.

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**'Gunfighter,' Starring Randolph Scott, 'Egg and I' at the Horseshoe Today**

High among the all-time favorites of film fans throughout the world, Universal's production of "The Egg and I" begins a two-day run at the Horseshoe Drive-In Theatre today (Thursday) in response to nation-wide demand for return showings of the comedy hit. "The Egg and I," which holds every popularity and box-office record in Universal history, brings to the screen Betty MacDonald's sensational best-seller, starring Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray and co-starring Marjorie Main as "Ma Kettle" and Percy Kilbride as "Pa Kettle." Louise Albritton, Billy House, Richard Long and Fuzzy Knight have featured roles.

The accompanying picture on the double-feature program is "Gunfighter," starring Randolph Scott.

"Crazylegs," Republic release, one of the two features to be shown at the Horseshoe Saturday, January 1, one day only, has been acclaimed by newspaper sports editors as the most authentic football picture ever to come out of Hollywood. This exciting story of one of the gridiron's greatest stars, Elroy "Crazylegs" Hirsch, is much more than just a football picture; it is the highly dramatic biography of a boy of humble birth; his ambitions, his handicaps, his romance, his tragedy, his triumph. Enacting the title role himself, Hirsch is co-starred with the able veteran, Lloyd Nolan, and pretty Joan Vohs. Numerous gridiron "greats" are in the supporting parts.

players as Francis L. Sullivan, Charles Korvin, Willard Parker, John Sutton and Tom Drake.

As a book "Sangaree" delighted thousands with its intriguing story of romance and adventure in the Colonial South shortly after the Revolutionary War. Producers William Pine and William Thomas have brilliantly utilized the broad, panoramic sweep of the unforgettable story, and have reportedly created a motion picture of outstanding scope and visual beauty.

Spencer Tracy, Robert Wagner, Jean Peters and Richard Widmark are the stars of "Broken Lance." No. 1 offering on the double-bill at the Horseshoe Tuesday and Wednesday, January 4, 5. This 20th Century-Fox CinemaScope drama of the great Southwest in the 1890s, filmed in color by DeLuxe, also boasts Mexico's most highly paid movie star, Katy Jurado, who plays the role of Tracy's Indian wife.

While "Broken Lance" falls into the general category of westerns, it has an entirely fresh point of view. The story deals not only with the winning of the West but with the effect of a changing West upon its pioneers and its progeny. Hugh O'Brian, Edward Franz, Philip Ober, Earl Holliman, E. G. Marshall, Carl Benton Reid and Robert Burton head the supporting players.

Johnny Sheffield, with his bare hands, engages in a fight to the death with a killer leopard in his latest adventure film for Allied Artists, the No. 2 feature on the Horseshoe's mid-week program. The title of the drama is "Killer Leopard," and in support are Beverly Garland, Donald Murphy, Leonard Mudie, Smokie Whitfield, Barry Bernard, Russ Conway, Harry Cording and Rory Mallinson.

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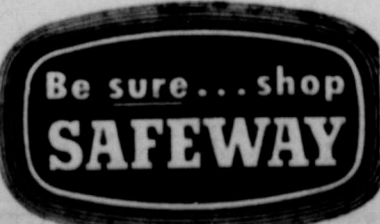
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Members of the staff of the Ballinger high school annual, "Paw Prints," and the sponsor, Mrs. W. N. Selby, were hosts at the annual coronation of the king and queen of the high school and to honor who's who of school favorites at the high school auditorium Tuesday evening. A formal dance for the entire student body followed at the American Legion hall, Bruce field.

About forty students were in the presentation program and their pictures will appear on special pages in the annual, to be published next spring.

"White Christmas" was the theme for decorating the stage which included white and silver

bells. Robert Wilson was master of ceremonies. Jimmy Hamner played the professional and the accompaniment for the high school choral club when it sang "White Christmas" and "Sleigh Ride." The high school sextet composed of Joyce and Twila Foreman, Sarah Chandler, Nita Duke, Mary Buchanan and Maudie Parker.

The queen, Louise Miller, and the king, Donald Winchester, were presented. Others presented were: Emilie Burton, most popular girl and football sweetheart; Pete Bryan, most popular boy; Maurice Carder and Joyce Wightman, most handsome boy and most beautiful girl; Delphine Berryhill, most typical girl and who's who in journalism; Spike Dykes, most typical boy; Dorothy Thomas and David

Simmons, senior favorites; Shirley Jones and Roger Blackmon, junior favorites; Peggy Branham and Clarence Bryan, sophomore favorites; LaNell Holbrook and Hugh Campbell, III, freshman favorites; Gary Ferguson, most athletic; Jo Ann Blackmon, band sweetheart; Lynn Herring, F.F.A. sweetheart; Shirley Jones and Peggy Branham, F.F.A. queens; Robert Click, F.H.A. king.

Who's who presentations were: Doris Spreen, solid geometry, bookkeeping; John Duke, American history, Latin; Lynda Cervenka, mechanical drawing; Don Simmons, woodwork II; Pat Zappe, homemaking III; Bob Farley, farm engineering; Twila Foreman, music; Bill Flynn, band; Shirley Burk, English IV; J. A. McClelland, Jr., vocational agriculture III; Audie Vestal, homemaking II; Denny Hill, biology; Martha Northington, algebra II; Joe Petty, plane geometry; Jennie Allen, girls' physical education; Wallace Walther, boys' physical education; Roland Kerby, physics; Sandra Mullin, typing; George McAulay, English III; Rodney Planagan, vocational agriculture II; Shirley Hocker, shorthand, Texas history.

A gift of appreciation was presented Mrs. Selby, Joyce Wightman, editor of Paw Prints, was assisted by the entire staff in making arrangements for the



**TROUBLE'S BRUIN**—Wynne Shearme, left, 23, and Marjorie Kennedy, 22, are afraid of a nuzzle from the muzzle of "Susie," the performing bear. Susie, like too many human motorists, does her hibernating at the wheel as she drives a bump-car at a London, England, amusement concession.

**DEATHS**

Mrs. Jewell Elizabeth Bradley

Funeral services for Mrs. Jewell Elizabeth Bradley, 51, were held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at the First Methodist Church of Ballinger, Rev. Wayne Reynolds officiating. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery. Decedent lived at Eagle Pass the past year and previously made home at San Angelo. She passed away in a San Angelo hospital last Thursday after brief illness.

Survivors besides the husband, A. T. Bradley, Eagle Pass, include her father, P. W. Smith, Ballinger; a son, J. C. Bradley, Eagle Pass; three brothers, R. W. Smith, Ballinger; A. J. Smith, Brady; E. J. Smith, Lubbock; two sisters, Mrs. Cordelia Forgy, Ballinger; Mrs. Floyd Boyd, Crystal Falls.

**SUNDAY AFTERNOON SINGING SCHEDULED**

The regular monthly singing will be held Sunday afternoon at the Grace Baptist Church, on Tenth Street. The program will start at 2:00 p. m. and special music will be rendered by a San Angelo male quartet. The public is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle St. John and children, Mac and Mary, left Tuesday for Wichita Falls and Olney for a holiday visit.

**HUNTERS TAKE FINAL LOOK AT DEER LEASE**

O. L. Huddleston, Guy Swann and George Newby left Wednesday morning for their hunting lease south of Rock Springs for a last hunt before the end of the season. They also planned to break camp which was set up November 15 and will bring back their equipment on their return home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bob Agnew are parents of a daughter, Lisa Kay, born at 3:00 p. m. December 23 in a hospital at Petersburg, Virginia. The baby weighed 6 pounds 14 ounces upon arrival. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Batts and Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Agnew, of Ballinger. Mrs.

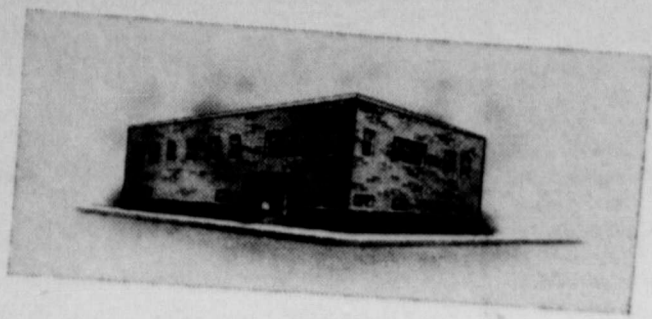
Agnew is the former Miss Betty Lou Batts. Mr. Agnew is an army engineering instructor.

Relatives from Ballinger attending the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Fletcher, of Mullin, last Sunday were the former's sister, Mrs. T. A. Crockett; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Simmons and sons. The group was joined here by Ralph and Jack Crockett, of Midland.

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### Fancy Doers Have Country Club Dance, Slumber Party

Members of Fancy Doers Club included their dates at a dance held at the Ballinger Country Club Monday evening, at which Sally Trail and Nancy Peeples, of Dallas; and Delle Tisdale were included as added guests. Traditional seasonal greenery and berries were featured in decorations for club rooms where couples danced.

A slumber party followed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hebert on Sixth Street. Club members exchanged gifts and enjoyed a midnight snack before going into the slumberless aftermath. Breakfast was served Tuesday morning by

Mrs. Hebert and niece, Linnie Sue Tyler; and Mrs. O. L. Hart, club sponsor.

Members present were: Nancy and Fannie Stokes, Bobbie Sue Stultz, Linnie Sue Tyler, Marjo Brunson, Joyce Wighton, Sarah Chandler, Nancy Davis, Midge Adair, Dorothy Thomas, Diane Wilson, Sharon Tuckey, Brenda Bowers, Jane Wade, Pat Zappe, Linda Crockett, Betty Berryhill, Patricia Davis, LaNell Holbrook and Gale Jennings.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Wilson were chaperons at the dance.

**Class of 1949 Holds Reunion in Middleton Home**  
Lynn Neill, a medical student at the State Medical College, Galveston, presided at the short business session when members of the class of 1949 of the Ballinger High School assembled in

the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Middleton on Eleventh Street for their annual reunion Sunday afternoon.

Neill was again named president for 1955, and the executive committee to serve with him for the coming year is composed of Mrs. Carley Watkins, Mrs. Eugene Ischar and Bobby Bryan. Mrs. M. E. Sweeney will assist the committee in making arrangements for the 1955 reunion.

The refreshment table featured "Happy New Year" in red letters which encircled the centerpiece, a hurricane lamp inscribed with "1955" in silver. Other table decorations were greenery and pyracantha berries surrounding the punch bowl. Miss Betty Middleton and Mrs. H. L. Atnipp, Jr., of Sundown, laded punch and served cookies.

Mrs. Carley Watkins registered class members, and Mrs. Zane Robinson directed games.

Members present were: Messrs. and Mmes. Eugene Ischar, Zid Herring, Jr., Billy Jack Middleton, Carley Watkins; Mrs. Zane Robinson, Miss Betty Middleton, Cleo Burks, all of Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. L. Atnipp, Jr., of Sundown; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Flint, Mr. and Mrs. James Read, Miss Anne Bryan and Bill Hart, all of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Plaeger, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Hoffman, of Bryan; Mr. and Mrs. Troy Lee, of Odessa; Mrs. Mary Allen and Miss Dorothy Daugherty, of Abilene; Mrs. Edwina Carson, of Malakoss;

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## FOREMOST DAIRIES

William Sewell, of Liberty, Maine; Joe Baker, student at T. C. U., Fort Worth; and Lynn Neill, of Galveston.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Hardy, of Kress, visited during the holidays with relatives and friends here. They ordered The Ledger to their home for the ensuing year.

Miss Helen Brewer and Mrs. James E. Brewer went to Corpus Christi for an after-Christmas visit with Mr. and Mrs. Nyle

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### Senior Class of 1953 Reunion Features Dinner-Dance

A reunion dinner-dance for members of the 1953 senior class of the Ballinger High School was held Monday evening.

The fried chicken dinner was served at the Central Hotel at 6:30 p. m., approximately 30 class members, their dates and added guests attending.

Class colors, purple and white, were featured in table decorations, which included arrangements of purple and white chrysanthemums, presented by Robert Holliday in memory of his twin brother, Fred Holliday, who was a class member, and passed away the past summer. Program folders were white designed with a border of multi-colored confetti.

Glen Ferguson, president, was in charge of the business when the following officers were named: Glen Ferguson, re-elected president; Edison Cox, vice-president; Mary Jo Forman, secretary; Julia Lee Spreen, treasurer; Elreta Stanley and Charlene Evans, reporters.

The invocation was spoken by Howard Hamner, student at Baylor University, Waco. Piano solos were played by Jimmy Hamner, and he accompanied Twila Foreman who sang "Blue Moon." A skit, "Chi-Boon," was presented by Delle Tisdale, Patricia Davis, Sally Underwood and Dwaine Patton. Edison Cox gave the benediction.

An informal get-together was enjoyed before going to the American Legion hall for a

dance Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Sweeney were added guests at the dinner-dance.

The 1955 Christmas reunion will be held in the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Bailey.

College students attending the '53 Class reunion were: Carol Ann Bailey, T.C.U., Fort Worth; Claudene Lange, San Angelo College; Sally Bailey, Christian College, Columbia, Missouri; Buddy Clark and Barbara Stuart, Texas Technological College, Lubbock; Howard Hamner, Baylor University, Waco; Charlene Evans, University of Texas, Austin; James Cauble, Sul Ross, Alpine; Mary Jo Forman, S.M.U., Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Hoffman, College Station; and Edison Cox, Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene.

### Know Your Neighbors Club Has Christmas Party

The A. H. Dallinger home in Wilke Terrace was aglow with seasonal Christmas flowers, large white, red, and pink candles and potted azaleas when Mr. and Mrs. Dallinger welcomed members of Know Your Neighbors Club and their husbands at the annual Christmas party last Wednesday evening. The front door was all red and decorated with a cluster of pine cones.

The informal get-together was followed by an exchange of gifts at the lighted tree. A sandwich plate was served with fruit cake and other dainties with coffee.

Those present were: Messrs. and Mmes. Fred Harwell, Malcolm Morgan, Bill Clark, Joe Flynn, Cal Adair, Lee Roy Mc-



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## 'Sitting Bull,' CinemaScope Saga, Shows Heroic Custer's Last Stand

One of the most colorful and exciting periods in American history, the crashing climax to the so-called "forty years war" between the Indians and the U. S. government, is brought to the screen in CinemaScope and new Eastman Color in "Sitting Bull," to be presented at the Texas Theatre Saturday, Sunday and Monday, January 1, 2, 3, through United Artists release.

Dale Robertson, Mary Murphy and J. Carrol Naish are starred and the large supporting roster is headed by John Litel, Iron Eyes Cody, Douglas Kennedy and William Hopper. Some of the scope of the film may be gathered from a handful of statistics: More than 600 horses and burros were used in the battle scenes. Four hundred regular Mexican army cavalrymen, dressed in U.S. uniforms, played members of Gen. Custer's and Gen. Terry's command. Over 100,000 rounds of ammunition

were specially treated to fit the period rifles and field pieces in the production. Other details included 800 army tents, American flags, 36 covered wagons, 15 supply wagons, 200 war clubs, 350 tomahawks, 100 coup sticks, 200 bows, 2,000 arrows and 100 cradle boards.

"West of Zanzibar" digs deep into the thrilling real-life drama of darkest Africa, and the result is one of the most spectacular jungle adventures ever filmed. This Universal release of Ealing Studios' Technicolor production, which began a two-day run at the Texas yesterday, has the documentary flavor of reality and an abundance of savage leopard that add up to a truly outstanding presentation. Anthony Steel and Sheila Sim are starred, and Edric Connor, Orlando Martins, William Simons and Martin Benson are supporting players.

## 'Personal Affair,' with Gene Tierney, To Close Run at the Hillcrest Tonight

A romantic suspense story dealing with the disappearance of a 17-year-old girl who is infatuated with a middle-aged school master is the engrossing theme of "Personal Affair," to be viewed for the last time tonight (Thursday) at the Hillcrest Drive-In Theatre. The picture stars Leo Genn, Gene Tierney and Glynis Johns, with Pamela Brown and Walter Fitzgerald in supporting roles. As a woman haunted by fears that she may lose her husband's love, Miss Tierney gives one of the outstanding performances of her distinguished career. Genn, as the husband who is under suspicion of having murdered the teen-age pupil, never once strikes a false note. Glynis Johns, as the schoolgirl, evokes a portrait that captures to the nth degree all the tangled emotions of adolescence.

Romantic, colorful France in the first part of the 19th century, following the defeat of Napoleon, is the setting for the spectacular Technicolor production, "Captain Scarlett," also closing at the Hillcrest tonight. Stars are Richard Greene, beautiful Leonora Amar, of Brazil, and the new American lead, Nedrick Young. The release is by United Artists.

Stamped with the John Ford tradition of greatness and providing John Wayne with one of

his most heroic roles, "She Wore a Yellow Ribbon" is the No. 1 offering on the twin-bill at the Hillcrest tomorrow and Saturday, December 31, January 1. Co-starred with Wayne in the Technicolor production are Joanne Dru, John Agar, Harry Carey, Jr., and Ben Johnson. In supporting parts are Mildred Natwick, George O'Brien, Victor McLaglen and Arthur Shields.

On the same program Dennis O'Keefe and Coleen Gray are starred in "Fake."

## New Year's Eve Show Booked at the Texas

The combined talents of Linda Darnell, Rick Jason, Dan Duryea and Faith Domergue are brought together in an explosive drama to be presented at the Texas Theatre at a special New Year's eve midnight show tomorrow (Friday), starting at 11:30 p. m. "This is My Love," the RKO Pathecolor production turns a merciless spotlight on a deceiving wife, a suspicious husband, a jealous sister and a handsome but treacherous friend.

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Two games will be played until a double round-robin schedule is concluded. The Bearcats were at Colorado City week for a contest with Wolves to wind up their district play.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Grindstaff returned Wednesday from a holiday trip to Baltimore, New York city and Williamsburg, Virginia.

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