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## of C. Banquet Committee Awards Serving Contract

The first meeting of the entertainment committee of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce was held Monday morning when arrangements were commenced for the annual membership banquet here on January 10th.

The contract for the serving of the banquet was awarded to the Sunday school class of Mrs. J. G. Douglas, and will be served in the basement of the Methodist church, Friday night at 8 o'clock, January 10th. Tickets for the annual spread will sell at \$1 a plate. Sale of these tickets will start in a few days and publicity will be given the affair.

After the experience last year of the eleventh hour rush in buying tickets the committee will probably place a limit on the number of plates this year. Last year after all tables were set, plates in place, salad and water in front of each, the final rush forced the ladies to have to prepare for approximately 65 more at the last minute, and the hall was so crowded it was very difficult to serve the tables efficiently. In order to eliminate this confusion a certain number of tickets will be sold and when these are disposed of no others will be available. This will cause tickets to sell in advance and allow the committee to make definite arrangements for plates, decorations, favors, and the arrangement of the tables.

Another meeting of the entertainment committee will be held Monday night at 8 o'clock to commence building a program for the coming year. At the meeting it was the consensus of opinion that one speaker of state-wide prominence should be secured, and that the speeches be limited to the one man. Visitors from other cities will be introduced but the meeting will not be thrown open for a lot of tiresome talks. Every effort will be made to insure the entertainment as the best ever given at a chamber meeting in Ballinger.

The business session will be very brief, hearing only the report of the nominating committee and election of eleven directors. Other reports and resumes will be printed and placed at each table.

An orchestra will be secured for the occasion and a number of musical renditions used on the program. A toastmaster will be selected this week and he will assist the committee in arranging the program.

## MITCHELL COUNTY FARMERS 2 TO PLANT BETTER COTTON

(By Associated Press)  
COLORADO, Dec. 30.—Farmers and gin men of Mitchell county will cooperate in an effort to have a better staple of cotton grown in this county next year, according to a decision made at a mass meeting called by U. D. Wulfjen.

Farmers promised to plant at least half their crop with pure seed T. W. Stonerod and J. H. Simoot, local bankers, pledged co-operation, saying that money to buy the seed would be advanced without interest. Ginnings agreed to set aside special days to gin the better staple cotton if enough was brought in, so that the seed would not be mixed with poorer grades.

## AND PURCHASES ANOTHER BUS LINE

(By Associated Press)  
RING, Dec. 30.—Sale of line of Geo. W. Page Spring west has been by the Railroad Commission this week. The Southland Lines offered for it. The Southland company recently purchased interest of the Westches out of here and fish headquarters in Big

Best way to keep abreast of times is to read the ads

## Verdict is Found In Vernon Slaying

(By Associated Press)  
VERNON, Dec. 30.—A verdict of "death by gunshot wounds at the hands of unknown persons" was returned by Justice of Peace S. C. Justin today at an inquest into the deaths of J. H. Haggard, 56, a tenant farmer, and his six children, whose bodies were found yesterday.

Justin returned the verdict after conferring with the district attorney who indicated that no arrests are planned and the verdict was returned because the available evidence is not considered sufficient to substantiate any other verdict.

## War Veteran to Get Aid After Fight

(By Associated Press)  
LEGION, Dec. 30.—Antony Tomassette, naturalized American, has been declared victor in one of the longest, oddest fights on record to heal wounds received in the World War.

Tony, as he is familiarly known to his comrades, was gassed near Fismes, Sept. 5, 1918, both lungs being seared to such an extent that he has lost 140 pounds of blood from them in 155 hemorrhages suffered in the intervening eleven years.

Hospital records show that in one 96-hour period back in 1923 Tony lost more blood than medical authorities estimated was in a body of his proportions at one time. His normal weight is 120 pounds.

His last hemorrhage of consequence followed immediately after a visit to the United States Veterans Hospital here by General Frank T. Hines, director of the Veterans Bureau, in October, 1928, when the general personally pledged Tony a \$5,000 Government insurance policy which had been denied him.

Tony came to America in the spring of 1914 from his native Italy, and enlisted from Philadelphia in a machine gun battalion and sailed for France in May, 1918, with the famous 28th, or Keystone Division. That division, with the 32nd was hurled in the breach July 15 to stop the picked German divisions at the second battle of the Marne. Three days later they launched the counter offensive that netted the 28th division 200 prisoners and advanced them ten kilometers in 24 hours.

After 48 days of almost continuous action, Tomassette, the sole survivor of his original platoon of machine gunners, was gassed about 2 o'clock on the morning of Sept. 5, temporarily losing the sight of both eyes and receiving many external burns. Six weeks in Red Cross Hospital No. 6 in Paris, however, restored his sight and he rejoined his outfit at the front.

Subsequently developments proved the gas had seared the tissue of both lungs and exposed one of the large arteries. Tuberculosis soon developed and Tony was ordered to a hospital immediately after his return to the United States. He then set about piling up a record for loss of blood and number of hemorrhages believed to be without parallel.

During his years in bed, Tony has patiently developed a native talent for sculpture, his clay models having shown considerable promise. He plans a study course under an American master on his discharge from the hospital, which is tentatively scheduled before the end of 1930.

H. S. Strain went to San Angelo Sunday to get his family who had been visiting there several days with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Harris.

Mrs. Paul Trimmier and children returned Sunday night from Temple and Waco, where they spent the holidays.

## Jackson Answers Attack on Texas Pro Enforcement

(By Associated Press)  
FT. WORTH, Dec. 30.—Charges of United States Representative Schafer, Republican of Wisconsin, that "a deplorable condition" exists today in Texas, Georgia, Idaho and Nebraska, a condition of prohibition, were challenged today by Carl Jackson, federal prohibition administrator for this state.

"The enforcement of the prohibition laws in Texas is being handled as effectively as in any other state, considering the number of men with whom we have to work, and the great territory we must cover," asserted Jackson.

## Lions Club Will Greet New Year

The Ballinger Lions Club will banquet Tuesday night at 11:30 o'clock, and watch the old year out and the new year in. This annual custom, established last year, will be carried out again this year in a festival of fun and hilarity for the entire membership and a number of invited guests.

Talks will be made by extemporaneous speakers to be called on by Chairman B. White. The speakers will get no notification of their assignments prior to introduction by the toastmaster.

Another feature of the program will be singing. Every Lion is notified to come with his voice cleared up and ready to enter the chorus with all his might. The song leader will have the full cooperation of Tall Twister C. R. Stone in prodding each member into singing.

It will be ladies' night and each member and guest is requested to bring his wife or lady friend with him. A check-up was being made Monday by a committee to ascertain how many would be present, and plates, favors and tables will be arranged to take care of all.

Financing of the affair will be made by the losing team in an attendance contest conducted a short time ago. L. B. Paul was captain of the losing team, and B. N. Wilke captained the winners. The wager was a banquet. This idea will be the basis for a lot of gaiety for the occasion.

The program and dining will last until midnight when the new year will be greeted with enthusiasm.

Rev. and Mrs. T. E. Bowman went to Abilene Monday to visit Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ward. Mrs. Ward is very low and doctors have given up all hope for her recovery. Mr. and Mrs. Ward formerly lived in Ballinger a number of years and are well known to many people here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wate Smith, of McCamey, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Jones for the weekend.

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## Galveston Man is Burned By Radio

(By Associated Press)  
GALVESTON, Dec. 30.—Otto Ahlschier, 57, was burned fatally today as he sat asleep in a chair in front of his radio set.

Police believe an overheated radio transmitted caused the blaze which burned the house.

## Police Arrest One In Ft. Worth Case

(By Associated Press)  
FT. WORTH, Dec. 30.—Police today reported two new developments, the arrest of a suspect, and the finding of a physician's brief case, which they hoped would throw some light on the reported abduction and robbery of Dr. C. G. Swift, Jr., and Lawrence Teague, a Waco taxicab driver, Saturday night.

The victims told the Ft. Worth and Dallace police that they were forced to drive 250 miles by bandits.

The suspect held was discovered asleep in a school house. A brief case was identified as belonging to Swift.

## Methodists to Hold Meeting at Dallas

(By Associated Press)  
DALLAS, Dec. 30.—North Texas Methodism centered its attention today on Dallas as the leaders of the church met to discuss the coming general conference in May and hear reports of presiding elders and bishops.

Bishop Sam Hay, of Houston met with the presiding elders of nine districts and the group ratified dates for a proposed series of missionary meetings.

Mrs. R. L. Harwell, Miss Nell Alexander, Miss Addie Lou Glass, Miss Willwood Bridwell, and Mrs. Chas. Gibbs left Monday morning for Dallas. They will see "The Miracle" Monday night in Dallas, and Misses Bridwell and Glass will go on to Denton Tuesday morning to resume their studies in the state teachers' college.

Miss Blair, of the City Grocery, returned Sunday night after spending several days with relatives in Brownwood.

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## Creditors Prefer Charges Against Stutz Motor Co.

(By Associated Press)  
INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 30.—A petition in involuntary bankruptcy was filed today in the United States court here against the Stutz Motor Car Company of America by three Indianapolis creditors who listed claims of \$2,175.

The petition alleged the company committed acts in violation of the bankruptcy laws while involved within the past four months by transferring a portion of its property to at least one creditor with the intent to prefer such creditors over others.

## Woman Fatally Hurt in Wreck

(By Associated Press)  
STAMFORD, Dec. 30.—Donna Mae Larsen, of Spur, was injured fatally in an automobile accident near here yesterday.

Miss Larsen was found pinned beneath her overturned car by two Stamford men who were en route to Spur to visit her.

## GOVERNMENT TRAPPERS AID TO STOCKMEN

(By Associated Press)  
SAN MARCOS, Dec. 30.—There is a touch of the life of the nomad in being a government trapper, admits J. H. (John) Goodman, now engaged in trapping out this section's range robbers.

Thousands of dollars each year are lost by ranchmen due to the ravages of wolves and cats. Goodman recently trapped and shot two wolves which for ten years have done thousands of dollars in loss to sheep and goat herds. He has his magazines and lives in the real realms of nature's innermost empire.

"Those fellows don't stay anywhere very long at a time," the Hays county judge said recently for Dallas. With reference to trappers in this section, Goodman had been in for his pay. He had reported his battery for his radio set to put it in shape for another stay back in the hills with nature.

John Bass left Monday for McCamey, where he has accepted a position for several months.

Be wise and advertise.

## To Ask Legal Making of Wines for Farm Re

### Girl Claims Risked Life to Save Boys

(By Associated Press)  
HOUSTON, Dec. 30.—Dorothy Stocker, 17, Houston girl aviator, today claimed she risked her "own life trying to save" the lives of three negro boys killed yesterday near Hearne when she attempted to bring her plane to earth.

Other fliers also corroborated Miss Stocker's statement, declaring that the girl was in a position to make a good landing, and would have made it except for the boys in her path.

### Parent-Teacher Meet Wednesday

The Ballinger Parent-Teachers Association will meet in regular session Wednesday, January 1st, at the high school auditorium. All members of the association are requested to be present to hear the program and assist in transacting some very important business.

The program will combine two of the seven objectives of education, namely, "Mastery of Tools, Technique and the Spirit of Learning" and "Faithful Citizenship." H. C. Lyon will discuss the first subject and J. B. Pace the second named.

A special feature of the program will be the singing of "America" in three languages—English, Spanish, and Latin—by students of the high school.

This will be the first meeting for 1930 and every member is urged to help the association begin the new year right with a large attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jones and daughter, Mildred, of Rule, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Erwin and Mr. and Mrs. George Holman during the holiday season.

### WASHINGTON, Dec. 30

ification of the prohibition permit the manufacture of wines and beer, as a first step, was proposed by Representative Cochran

crat, of Missouri, who would advocate "a effort" by the congress to show "the need modification," which nearly a billion dollars to the government was going into the pocket bootleggers."

"The farmers would a market for their cleared Cochran, would be no surprise crops."

### WEATHER

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News

del automobiles for 1930 considerable interest coming month. Many will show better bodies

Department is time in this county up along roads

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The blind helplessness of an

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SUNDOWN STORIES THE YEARS By Mary Graham Bonner

John and Peggy went with the Little Black Clock and somehow the place where they went looked as though it might be the back of the world.

Just as the back of a house is different from the front, so this seemed like the back of the world.

There were others— "an these—and there

THE best of the ho be yours, and be sure to us often during the new

Three Productions Outstanding In American Theatre For 1929



Kaplan and Rose Maurrant is poignantly enacted by Harace Brabson and Erla O'Brien.

By Deming Seymour (Associated Press Feature Service Writer) NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The salient dramas of 1929 in the American theater were three: "Street Scene," Elmer Rice's tragedy of lower middle class life in New York.

Yet he infuses two familiar ingredients of the stage—a love story of an Irish girl and a Jewish boy and the murder by a stage hand of his wife and her lover—

And probably his play will be more agless than "What Price Glory?" which was rather the better theatrical exhibit.

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of contemporary manners and morals with others in the same vein, he may yet show himself the ablest playwright of his time holding the mirror up to American life.

It may be that the remoter observation point of two or three years hence, Lardner's "June Moon" will loom as the greatest landmark of 1929 in the American theater.

Its mad humors are only a veneer, for at the bottom, as Lardner chides the nation's song writers, he reveals a savage scorn for the follies and foibles of his time.

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Musically the year on the stage was marked by the presentation of "Sweet Adeline," a worthy successor to "Show Boat" the same authors, Jerome Kern and Oscar Hammerstein II, and by the continued appearance of costly and lavish musical shows of the sort indigenous to the New York stage.

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By Howard
Editor, Ballinger Ledger.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—
The blind helplessness

The army, the navy, the
ship inspection service of the

With it a man can carry
a coat pocket, the gloves

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Clemenceau and Foch
Lead 1929 Death Roll

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Death
respector of no class or creed,

The most noted figures to pass
from the world stage were Geor-

ges Clemenceau and Marshal
Ferdinand Foch. It was Clemen-

ceau, the statesman who, as
prime minister welded together

all France for the final strike in
the world war and made Foch

commander of the French army.

From that post the marshal ad-
vanced to command of the allied

armies to finally achieve victory.

There was somewhat of a coin-

cidence in the writing of "30" on
the careers of two eminent jour-

nalists, Melville E. Stone, one of
the organizers and for 25 years

general manager of The Associat-

ed Press, and Thomas (Tay Pay)
Commons, "father of the house of

commons." Mr. Stone preceded
his famous Irish contemporary in

life by two months and in death
by nine months.

Deaths among noted church-

men included Cardinal Gasquet,

learned man in the world, and
Cardinal Dubois, head of the

Catholic church in France, the
Rt. Rev. John Gardner Murray,

presiding bishop of the Protest-

ant Episcopal church in America,

and Bishop Charles H. Brent of
the Methodist Episcopal church.

Another religious and social work
leader who died was General Wil-

liam Bramwell Booth, head of
the Salvation Army.

The careers of 10 members of
congress—three senators and

eight representatives, were termi-

nated by death. The senators
were Francis E. Warren of Wy-

oming, the dean of the senate;
Theodore E. Burton of Ohio and

Lawrence D. Tyson of Tennessee.

There also died during the year
Oscar W. Underwood of Alabama,

a former senator and representa-

ative and Victory L. Berger, former
congressman.

Public officials and political
leaders who died during the year

included James W. Good, secre-

Fifteen Senators'
Terms Will Expire
In January 1931

(Associated Press Correspondent)
AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—Terms of 15
members of the Texas Senate ex-

pire in January 1931, meaning
that these will be obliged to seek

nomination next July and re-
election next November if they

were to continue in the roles of
lawmakers. There will be six-

teen holdovers whose terms do
not expire until 1933. The entire

House of Representatives mem-

bership is elected every two years.

The 15 senators whose terms
expire in 1931 are influential

members of the legislature and
few, if any, intend to quit pol-

itics. In fact some of them like
the game so well that they are

ambitious to climb even higher.

Those whose terms expire with
the 41st legislature are: Miss

Margie E. Neal of Carthage, R. W.
Cousins of Beaumont, Julian

Greer of Poyner, Ed Westbrook of
Sherman, Joe M. Moore of Green-

ville, Thomas B. Love of Dallas,

Gus Rusek of Schulenburg, Wal-

ter Wood of Houston, T. J. Holz-

brook of Galveston, A. J. Wirtz,

Eugene Miller of Seguin, Eugene
Weatherford, W. D. McFarland of

Graham, Walter C. Woodward of
Coleman, Archie Parr of Bena-

vides and Julian C. Hyer of Fort
Worth.

Miss Neal was the first woman
to be sent to the Texas Senate

and no member stands in higher
esteem with her colleagues than

she. She is influential and her
services to her district have been

of a high order. She has been
mentioned as a probable candi-

date for State Superintendent
of Public Instruction but she has

never divulged her plans.

Senator Cousins has been a
member of the Senate since July

last January, having been elected
to Pilot Point to spend Christmas

with her mother and while at
the supper table Christmas night

a stroke of paralysis hit Mrs. Alex-
ander and she was unconscious

until December 27th. The stroke
affected her throat and her con-

dition is still very doubtful.

Mackin Takes Over Market on
January 1st
I will take over the meat mar-

Hill Billy Shows
Cotton Farmers
Prosperity Route

(By Associated Press)
SAN MARCOS, Dec. 30.—
There's a story behind the story

of the development of Hays
county, and this section's newest

industry, sheep and goat raising,

according to County Judge W. H.
Thompson.

In a year, and at a time, when
the cotton crop of Central Texas

had failed because of an almost
unprecedented drouth and few

farmers mustered enough money
to pay their taxes, there happen-

ed into his office here a withered
old man from the hills who has

gone down in the history of the
sheep and goat industry here as

A smile at that time was a
rare occurrence. The old man bob-

bed into Judge Thompson's office,

smiling and happy, the Judge
says. He had come to town to pay

his taxes and get a look at the
new Judge. Judge Thompson had

been in office only a week at that
time.

Judge Thompson had heard
only the howl of the cotton farm-

ers and merchants who placed
all their dependence on King

Cotton. He had not heard of the
hill man's case. From the wither-

ed smiling-faced little man came
the explanation; He had a few

"old goats" up there in the
"brush," he clipped their hair and

sold it. He found it profitable
business. Yes, he had money

with which to pay taxes. No, he
admitted, but he didn't know of

many folks in the hills clipping
"goat hair" and selling it either.

A check up on the possibilities
of the industry in the county

proved to be a revelation. Three
fourths of the county was suited

for little else but ranching. The
county went into the proposition

thoroughly.

Hays county's sheep and goat
industry in four years leaped to

the front and brought in a quar-

ter of a million dollars to the
county. Now it probably will be-

come a million dollar industry.

Three questionable characters
were picked up by the police here

Sunday and lodged in jail to await
questioning. They were arraigned

before Mayor W. C. McCarver
Monday morning, and after giv-

ing satisfactory accounts of them-
selves were released and told to

move on to some place where
work could be obtained. One

drunk was arrested during the
week-end, and lodged in the

county jail to appear later for
trial.

Society

In complimenting her friends
and acquaintances, Mrs. George

Pearce will be at home on the
afternoon and evening of New

Year's day at 1004 Ninth Street,
beginning at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Bruce Entertains Sunday
School Class
The members of the Sunday

School Class of the First Metho-
dist Church of which Mrs. R. W.

Bruce is teacher, together with
invited guests were entertained

with a pretty Christmas party
in the Bruce home on Broadway

last Friday evening.

In rooms gaily decorated in
yuletide symbols.

Forty-two was enjoyed for
some time as were the readings

which gave interruption to the
games.

A delicious plate was passed by
Mrs. Bruce assisted by Mrs. Rob-

ert Bruce to about twenty.

A letter received here this
week from Miss Addie Alexander,

Runnels county health nurse,
stated that her mother was very

low and that she would remain at
her mother's bedside for a time

at least. Miss Alexander went to
Pilot Point to spend Christmas

with her mother and while at
the supper table Christmas night

a stroke of paralysis hit Mrs. Alex-
ander and she was unconscious

until December 27th. The stroke
affected her throat and her con-

dition is still very doubtful.

J. O. Reed, of Brady, was in
Ballinger Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Reed is an employee of the
Brady Standard and while here

called at The Ledger office.

In 32 years the London Mission
Ship "John Williams" has steamed

more than a million miles, much
of the distance in the South

Seas.

Senator Rusek would not be
happy outside the Texas law-

making halls and can be expect-

ed to run for re-election and his
friends say his district is so "sold"

on him that he will not have op-

position. He has served one and
one-half terms.

Senator Woodall was drafted by
his district to serve out the un-

expired term of Senator J. W.
Hall of Houston, who resigned to

become Harris County tax col-

lector.

Senator Holbrook is rounding
out his second term and will

Amusements
Celebrities of Stage and Screen
Join Forces in New Film

Four of the biggest personalities
of stage and screen are respon-

sible for the success of "His Glor-
ious Night," John Gilbert's latest

starring vehicle for Metro-Gold-
wyn-Mayer, which opened a two-

day engagement today at the
Palace Theatre.

Feren, Molnar, who wrote
"Olympia," the play of contin-

ental intrigue, from which "His
Glorious Night" was adapted, is

one of Europe's foremost stage
craftsmen and a playwright of in-

ternational note. Willard Mack,
who adapted it for the talking

screen, is a veteran actor, writer,
producer and director of the New

York theatre.

Lionel Barrymore, distinguished
actor, and now pioneer talkie

director, is responsible for the
splendid direction of the picture,

and John Gilbert, perhaps the
screen's most popular star, played

the leading role.

Katherine Dale Owen is the
leading lady. In the supporting

cast are Nance O'Neil, Hedda
Hopper, Richard Carle and others.

After the cases are disposed of
the envelopes which contain the

record and all papers connected

with the case acted on, go back
to "General," and he keeps them

on numerical order in a room
whose walls are lined with shelves

and the shelves filled with the
envelopes like skeletons in a

closet, each telling the tragic
story of some person who got into

trouble and was sentenced to pri-
son or condemned to die.

In "General's" time with the
court thousands have passed

through the criminal treadmill.

POLAND GEOLOGIST TO
STUDY WILCOX FORMATION

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—Dr. Eugen

Jablonski of Poland, holder of a
fellowship by courtesy in the Uni-

versity of Texas, is now engaged
in research in the University bu-

reau of economic geology. Dr. Jab-
lonski is studying the Wilcox

formation on the Coastal Plains,
an exposed surface covering a belt

from the Louisiana boundary to the
Rio Grande river, composed chief-

ly of sands and clays at a thick-
ness of 1,500 to 2,000 feet.

The fellowship by courtesy is
granted each year by the presi-

dent of the University to some-
one holding a doctor of philoso-

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building, you are playing a

big joke on yourself.

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house good bones it'll like-

ly shake itself to pieces
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