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Ballinger Boy Killed in Fort Worth Tuesday

Special to The Ledger:

FT. WORTH, Dec. 18.—J. D. Parker, of Dallas, was to leave here this afternoon with the body of his brother, Claude Ray Parker, who was slain last night when he attempted to enter the Cotton Belt Railroad freight depot here.

Parker is the son of Richard Parker, of Ballinger.

The youth was shot three times when he exchanged shots with the depot watchman.

Ray Parker is the son of J. R. Parker, who operates a filling station on the Crews road, near here. The youth had been away from Ballinger for about three years and most of the time was reported to be living in Fort Worth. It was said here that he had been married only a short time and his wife is a Fort Worth girl.

Mr. Parker was formerly employed by different packing firms in Fort Worth, but his father told a Ledger reporter he did not know what business he was in at the time of his death.

His body will be brought here for burial, it was said Wednesday afternoon. He is survived also by his mother and several brothers and sisters.

Cheer Fund Slow Many Needy Cases

After appealing to the citizens of Ballinger for the past three weeks in every conceivable way for money to care for the poor at Christmas, The Ledger today is reporting the pitiful amount of \$13.50 to add to the fund. At the present rate of contributing the Goodfellow committee will be forced to do the job only half-way or else look after only half of those who are in real distress.

Members of the charity board stated they knew this would be a hard year and a canvass shows more needy cases than ever before. The Goodfellow committee has made no plans for the work and will not up to the last minute. Pitiful cases could be described that right bring in a few dollars but such pressure should not be necessary.

A committee Wednesday placed money pots and boxes for second-hand clothing and toys on the streets. Parties who wish to give clothing or toys are requested to take same to any of these boxes or barrels along the sidewalks and the articles will be gathered up daily by the committee. Such bundles may also be left at the city hall.

Previous total	\$129.75
W. L. Brown	2.50
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wiley	2.00
Cash	1.00
Drury Hathaway	2.50
J. P. Burk	1.00
Rev. J. H. McClain	2.50
Fred Holliday	1.00
Mrs. Mary Bradford	1.00

New District Named By Telephone Co.

M. C. Atkins returned Tuesday morning from Capps, where he had been to check in property of new district created by the Telephone Company. Atkins spent Saturday and Sunday in Bradshaw and Tuscola where he also checked in equipment.

The Southwest Telephone Company has regrouped a number of stations in this section and named Ballinger as headquarters with Mr. Atkins as district manager. Stations in the newly organized district include Ballinger, Winters, Paint Rock, Talpa, Tuscola, Bradshaw and Capps. Manager Atkins has been busy for the past week or more visiting these towns and checking over the equipment. He will continue to look after all these places, and materials for other stations will be handled principally from the Ballinger office.

In the regrouping plan it was contemplated that the new district would be handled efficiently by one man, and is in a restricted amount of territory where a manager can keep in close contact with the whole district.

3 Death Penalties Reversed by Court

(By Associated Press)

AUSTIN, Dec. 18.—Three death penalties for murder cases were reversed and remanded for a new trial by the Court of Criminal Appeals today because the indictments failed to allege the defendants killed with "malice aforethought." The indictments merely set out that they "voluntarily" killed. The cases were Ardel Landers, and Dewey Hunt, Dallas county; and Jose de Pena, El Paso county.

The cases were submitted late Wednesday and on the same day the court held that in life imprisonment murder cases the indictment must allege "malice aforethought" if a penalty greater than a year is inflicted.

Commander Cox Speaks Tuesday

A small crowd greeted State Commander Ernest Cox of the American Legion at the Legion auditorium Tuesday night. The cold norther which blew up here late Tuesday afternoon doubtless kept many at home and the Legionnaires did not expect a big turnout. Mr. Cox stated here and the entertainment provided him by the Ballinger post.

A luncheon was tendered the prominent visitor at the Central Hotel at 6 o'clock by a number of officials of the Pat Williams Post and personal friends of Mr. Cox. Following the luncheon the party went to the Legion hall, where about forty people had assembled to hear the state commander.

Mr. Cox outlined the state and national program of the American Legion for the ensuing year, which include many interesting items. He stated that the lower house of congress had already passed a bill which, if passed by the Senate and okayed by the president, would locate an additional veterans' hospital in Texas at a cost of \$1,200,000. This hospital would be used by the U. S. veterans' bureau in taking care of the overflow in other institutions. At present, Mr. Cox said, every bed in the hospital at Legion, Texas, was full, and that there were mental cases waiting in almost every county jail for admission to hospitals.

A big item to be pushed by the legislative committee of the Legion this year will be the universal draft bill, which would give the president in time of war power to draft all man power of the nation, and resources and money as well. This act has been up before, being defeated by only a few votes, and this year will be pushed harder than ever.

The Texas department of the American Legion will set out early in 1930 to educate citizens in political matters and attempt to get a large percentage of the voters to the polls in the primaries. The Legion will favor no candidate nor faction but will urge that all persons with the right and power to vote inform themselves in regard to the issues and then go to the polls and register their choice on election days.

Commander Cox touched on membership and showed how necessary in securing legislation to have great numbers. Texas has been far behind its rightful place in Legion membership as compared to other states. The quota for the state in 1930 is slightly over 24,250, but a goal of 35,000 has been set. While Mr. Cox was in Ballinger he received a number of telegrams from posts in various sections of the state announcing that they had already raised their quotas for the year and would sign more members.

The Ballinger post expects to have a membership in 1930 of 250, and soon after Christmas will commence a drive.

Child welfare by the Legion was outlined by the speaker, who showed that great strides had been made along this line.

Mr. Cox left Ballinger early Wednesday morning for Graham, where he will speak Wednesday night before returning to Austin.

Highway Fund Gets \$50,000,000 Raise

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The House roads committee today reported on the Dowell bill which provides for an annual increase of seventy five to hundred and twenty-five million dollars in federal highway aid funds.

Wreck Victims Are Getting Better

Reports from Abilene Wednesday stated that Corkill Motley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Motley of this city, who was seriously injured in an automobile wreck Sunday, spent a very restful night Tuesday night and that he apparently felt much better Wednesday. Attending physicians felt that he had a good chance for recovery and that the crisis should be over by Wednesday at noon. A partial examination disclosed that his back was not injured, but a complete examination of the fractured skull had not been completed Wednesday morning.

Otis Jacobs was resting fairly well, but an X-ray examination Tuesday revealed that his back was fractured and his injuries worse than at first thought.

Guy Jones was brought to his home in Ballinger Tuesday afternoon about 6 o'clock. He is doing nicely and will soon be able to be up again.

So far both Jacobs and Motley have responded to every treatment given them, and have shown remarkable recuperative power.

NEW JERSEY MAN THINKS VALLEY LAND IS \$5 ACRE

(By Associated Press)

HARLINGEN, Dec. 18.—At least one New Jersey real estate man thinks Rio Grande valley land can be bought for \$5 an acre. A letter from him read to the Harlingen Real Estate Board said:

"We want the owner of a large tract, free and clear, priced at \$5 an acre, that can be used for farming or fruit growing, near enough to a proven oil field to have oil possibilities, to place the title of land in trust with a local bank so we can pay for the land as we sell it."

The Harlingen Star recently carried advertisements asking from \$200 to \$400 an acre for land near here.

BRADY SHIPS TURKEYS

(By Associated Press)

BRADY, Dec. 18.—Five carloads of turkeys pooled by the McCulloch County Poultry Co-operative Association were sold recently at 20 cents a pound. There were 7,400 turkeys delivered in the Christmas pool.

Have you read the want ads?

Christmas Trees On Sidewalks are Being Decorated

Work was commenced Wednesday morning to finish the Christmas decorations on the streets and have everything ready by night fall. The big community tree in the center of the intersection at Eighth Street and Hutchings Avenue was being built up of small evergreen branches and a West Texas Utilities crew was ready to decorate and light it as soon as completed.

Many merchants were placing lights on their trees and plans were for all trees to be lighted by Wednesday night. The trees will be serviced for the remainder of the time until Christmas and all lights kept burning.

The trees used this year were slightly late in arriving due to the fact that no one thought of placing an order for them until too late in the season. They are very beautiful and well shaped spruce trees from the state of Washington.

The trees themselves look very well in daytime but every merchant is urged to place some decorations and lights on the trees so that they will make a good showing at night.

Moody Protests Ban On Sale Texas Land

(By Associated Press)

AUSTIN, Dec. 18.—Governor Dan Moody today appealed to Governor Walter Kohler of Wisconsin to intervene with that state's real estate board, asking that the action restricting the sale of Texas real estate to citizens of that state be deferred until Texas can be heard.

Gov. Moody was advised that the Wisconsin board contemplated forbidding realtors in that state from selling Texas real estate after January 1st. Moody said such action would be discriminatory against Texas.

NO PINK BOLL WORM IN CENTRAL TEXAS

(By Associated Press)

BRADY, Dec. 18.—No sign of the pink boll worm was found in this section by investigators of the United States Department of Agriculture, who completed a thorough inspection of the counties surrounding Brady.

The men who made the inspection were W. E. Gassett and his assistants, H. L. Dee and H. W. Capps.

Salmon eggs for hatching purposes numbering 75,523,700 were taken from the Columbia River this year.

A sweet potato weighing 14 pounds was grown by Lizzie Robinson of Sumter, S. C.

Liquor Crazed Man Kills 3, Wounds 3

(By Associated Press)

ROMNEY, W. Va., Dec. 18.—Three persons were killed and three others wounded by a liquor crazed man who visited them at their homes today, and shot them with a shotgun.

Justice of the Peace H. C. Inskeep, 50, and city jailer Ben Miller, 45, and Asa Wolford, were slain. An eleven year old girl and two women were injured.

Mexico Places Duty On Laredo Goods

(By Associated Press)

LAREDO, Dec. 18.—Merchants here in the midst of the holiday shopping season today learned that the Mexicans across the border could no longer carry small imports duty free from the American side to the Mexico side here.

Notice of this latest move in retaliatory measures which was adopted by the Mexican government against District Attorney John Vails for his attempts to arrest former President Calles, was posted on the Mexican side of the International bridge.

Trade from Nuevo Laredo and other Mexican points, constituted a considerable portion of Laredo's retail commerce.

Reports that the consulate is to be removed to Brownsville or Eagle Pass are said to be premature. No action has been taken. "At least a week will elapse" before a decision is made, consulate attaches said.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The State Department is considering Governor Dan Moody's request for aid in having the Mexican government reopen its consulate at Laredo which closed as the result of District Attorney Vails' threat to arrest former President Calles.

The department desires the re-establishment of commercial relations at Laredo.

3 MEXICAN TOWNS TO SEND DELEGATIONS TO LAREDO

(By Associated Press)

LAREDO, Dec. 18.—Three northern Mexico cities have combined to send good will delegations to Laredo prior to Christmas according to advice received by the Laredo Chamber of Commerce.

Touring clubs of Monterey, Victoria and Linares already have completed plans for the good will visit. The first contingent will leave Victoria on the morning of Dec. 19, be joined by the Monterey and Linares motortrades as those cities are reached, and arrive in Laredo on the afternoon of Dec. 20. The business men of the Mexican cities will remain in Laredo until the morning of December 22.

WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press)

West Texas—Fair, colder, tonight; temperatures from two to twenty degrees above zero. Thursday fair, with slowly rising temperatures.

East Texas—Fair, with a severe cold wave tonight; temperatures ranging from four to twenty-six degrees. Thursday fair, with slowly rising temperatures.

Mrs. J. A. Baker and little daughter left Monday for Gordon to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cole.

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Recover Bodies of 57 Men Killed in Oklahoma Mine

(By Associated Press)

McALESTER, Okla., Dec. 18.—Fifty-seven bodies were recovered today from the Old Town Coal Company's mine where yesterday sixty-two miners were trapped by an explosion.

Identification of the bodies is difficult. Five are unaccounted for but workers believed their bodies will be found during the day. The search has been retarded by the presence of gas and wreckage caused by the explosion.

It was announced that a crew of convicts from the State penitentiary had been brought there to dig graves for a wholesale burial.

The bodies, wrapped in sheets, lay row on row on tables in two morgues. Nine have been identified. Only friends and relatives of miners who are unaccounted for are permitted to view the bodies.

Carless Drivers Damage Concrete

(By Associated Press)

State Highway Engineer G. M. Garrett stated Wednesday that a great deal of trouble was being experienced by motorists driving over freshly poured cement just west of Evergreen. Cemetery where highway 30 is closed.

This highway is open to the cemetery, but from there west the road is blocked with a large detour sign. At night recently people have been driving around the fence across the road and down the highway as far as possible, across the roadbed and freshly poured cement.

Special watchmen will be posted on this stretch of road and an effort made to catch those who are violating the traffic law. Mr. Garrett stated that anyone arrested for this violation would be prosecuted.

The road past the detour is almost impassable and highway men are at a loss to understand why anyone would attempt to travel the highway west of the detour sign.

Chief Business Thrives

(By Associated Press)

PAGO PAGO, Samoa, Dec. 18.—Among the Samoans there is one chief to every four adults.

Mrs. M. C. Smith is ill and confined to her home. She became ill Monday morning.

WRECK VICTIM RESTING NICELY WEDNESDAY

(By Associated Press)

The condition of Cleo Hutchens, employee of the Holt Oil Company, who was injured Sunday when filling the gas tank of a parked automobile by being struck by another auto being driven by a youth named Morris, is improved. It was thought for some time that one of Hutchens' legs would have to be removed but his improvement has made amputation unnecessary. It was announced from the hospital Wednesday.

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6 Shopping Days to Christmas!



The blizzard which swooped down on Ballinger Tuesday evening added another touch of the Christmas spirit to the city and gave people the urge to buy gifts to provide warmth. A Christmas season without cold weather does not seem natural.

At the beginning of the season the editor of this paper was stepped on pretty hard for predicting that 40,000 bales of cotton would be produced in this county in 1929. Some even thought that a committee should be sent to wait on him and have such "untrue" statements deleted. The last government report from Washington on December 1st, showed that a total of 41,930 bales had been ginned at that time in Runnels county.

Rumors are afloat that twenty-one motorcycle policemen will be placed on highways in this section by the state department. This rumor became current after the past week-end when many car wrecks were reported along the highways. Whether this is true or not, we do not know, but if so and the officers are instructed to arrest all who are running too fast, they will be kept busy and almost every motorist can be arrested.

MAVERICK MUSINGS

People in and around our little town are beginning to get the Christmas spirit and we think we might as well have a Christmas tree and enjoy Santa Claus with the youngsters.

Church at both the Baptist and Christian services was well attended Sunday and the people of the Christian Church enjoyed a wonderful lesson given by Mr. Pyle our school superintendent.

Oscar Richardson and Raymond McMillan of Ballinger were guests in the home of G. A. Davis Sunday.

The Maverick school faculty and a few others presented the play "Poor Married Man" at the school auditorium Friday evening. There was a large crowd present and every one pronounced it one of the best plays ever presented at Maverick.

Mr. and Mrs. John Davis and son, Harold, are visiting relatives at Taylor, Texas, during this week.

Mrs. E. F. Brooks and son and daughter returned Tuesday from an extended visit at Dallas and Ft. Worth.

Mr. Dabney Tomlinson is at home after spending some time at Eldorado.

Mrs. C. L. Horne returned to her home at Norton Tuesday. Mrs. Horne has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Marshall, of this place.

Mrs. C. C. Frazier and son, Euell, were Ballinger visitors Tuesday.

Mr. A. F. Lee and son, Weldon, of Sterling City were business visitors at both Maverick and Ballinger part of this week.

Miss Callie Wygle and little niece, Rose Marie Miller, of Abilene were guests in the Marshall home Sunday.

Mr. V. V. Bucklew and daughter, Louise, returned Saturday from a visit at Brownfield, Texas.

-REPORTER-

The four "great killers of mankind," as listed by the U. S. public health service, are heart disease, kidney disease, cancer and pneumonia.

Peruvians Rule Out Whiskers as the Badge of Manliness



NEW YORK.—With hirsute Eskimo buying shaving soap and the Indians of Peru wearing modern safety razors, a new golden age of manly beauty would seem to be dawning for the world, according to Charles Chapa, export manager of the Auto Strip Safety Razor Co., Inc., in an address here.

Peru has acquired the shaving habit, said Mr. Chapa, who has returned from South America. "Beards, as an indication of manliness, have gone into an underground slum. Clean shaven cheeks are the fashion. From Arequipa, picturesque town in the southern portion of the country to Lima, the capital, every man has got himself a safety razor. The craze for clean-shaven cheeks has spread to Bolivia and Colombia, as well, and bids fair to achieve an even greater popularity among the natives than in Peru.

"Barbers are too high-priced a luxury for the average native. He shaves himself, stripping the blade during the process to get the most out of each steel blade. The purchasing power of the average worker in South America is low and outside of the safety razor, which is an innovation, he uses very few other aids to manly beauty.

"The Soviet republic, among other radical departures from the customs of the past, has also taken to shaving. A record of exports of safety razors to that country shows both the number of safety razors and the amount of shaving soap imported annually by Russia has increased more than 100 percent in the last five years.

"America is the best shaved nation of the world, according to Mr. Chapa, not because American men have more vanity than the men of other countries, but because the per capita income is far greater.

Little Yarns of Yuletide

1918
By Chester L. Shaw
MARS-SUR-ALLIER was conscious of Christmas at 6:30 a. m. The bugler heralded it with first call after he had thawed the ice of his horn.

The calendar said it was Christmas, anyway. To Henry Eskins, second class private in the American Expeditionary Force, it was just another day—as cold and drear as yesterday. And tomorrow probably would be the same.

To the others in the dozen or so American base hospital that swam on the muddy plains of Mars-sur-Allier, it was just another day, too. Mars-sur-Allier was a place of mud and snow.

Draughty wooden barracks, each heated by a pot bellied sheet iron stove and containing 52 white steel cots, housed wounded men.

The 52 men in Henry's ward were typical. Some merely had



fresh wounds, some had lost arms, some legs—but none had lost appetites. So when the bugle sounded this twenty-fifth of December, the ward awakened eagerly.

Hunger is a good alarm clock.

Henry made his bed, military fashion and dressed. Dressing was easy. Each convalescent had a pair of pajamas which did double duty—in bed and out. Over the bottom of them he pulled a pair of heavy woolen socks, then stepped into his hobnailed shoes and donned an overcoat.

In that somewhat summery garb the convalescents walked to the mess hall, there to stand in the chill rain and wait for those in line to take their plates, gulp the food at a rough wooden bench, and make room for the others.

Orderlies carried plates of food to the bed patients.

"It'll be rice this morning," said Henry to his neighbor in line.

It was rice, with three prunes, a cup of black coffee and all the bread you wanted. When it wasn't rice at Mars-sur-Allier it was oatmeal with the same trimmings—prunes, coffee and bread.

Not the best breakfast in the world but, as the French said, c'est la guerre.

Henry polished his plate and returned to the ward. In his pockets were four slices of bread he had filched. He joined the other convalescents around the stove, all of them taking turns in making toast and joining in the daily

mas dinner," said Hank Joe, the Pennsylvania coal miner. "Beef hash, that's what. We had embalm'd beef roast yesterday."

"You're right," said the other. Such predictions never had failed.

Noon drew around and the mess line began moving. A startling rumor drifted down the line. Turkey and trimmin's! Turkey and trimmin's!

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was turkey! They were tough gobblers and ran unbelievably heavy in dark meat, but they were real turkeys. The dressing was soggy and the mashed potatoes were sour, the damp wooden table was cold and cheerless, but this was Christmas and a Christmas dinner. Uncle Sam had not forgotten. That was Christmas, 1918.

SUNDOWN STORIES



By Mary Graham Bonner

"Aboard! All aboard! All aboard!"

"I've turned the time way back this evening," the Little Black Clock said, "and you just heard the conductor saying that we all must get aboard."

"The train will be pulling out at once."

John and Peggy and the Little Black Clock did not get into the ordinary part of the train. They rode right in the front with the engineer and looked out of the window.

The train was pulling slowly out of the station. There were a great many people still standing on the platform.

"Why aren't they getting aboard? Couldn't they still jump

on?" John asked.

"They don't want to come along," the Little Black Clock said. "They have just come to watch."

"Why?"

"This is the first train to run at night—it is one of the first of the 'Midnight Flyers,' and people want to see it. You see, it is a great sight!"

Now the train was well out of the station, and it was beginning to go more and more quickly.

On through the night they sped. They could see fences and fields and houses with little lights here and there.

It was simply wonderful riding in the front like this, and it seemed as though they were fairly flying through the country.

"Aren't we going awfully quickly?" Peggy asked.

"We are for this day and age," the Little Black Clock said, "but it's nothing like the speed we made in the plane on our last trip. The airplane people who passed us and scowled at us because we were going slowly would never dream of taking a train—they thought two hundred and fifty miles an hour was simply crawling."

"How we do go backward and forward," John said, "but just the same I do love travelling on a train!"

(Tomorrow—"The Ocean Train")

Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Pearce have returned home after a month's visit in San Antonio.

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Prize Winning Essay Points The Way for Lions in 1930

EDITOR'S NOTE—The essay published below is one of several which won prizes in a contest conducted by the Lions Club of Ballinger.

As everyone knows, the status of any Lions Club is indicated by the good will done in their respective community. Of course the failure of this club is due to the lack of civic work done by them which shows that the members are ashamed to call this club their own. Therefore to avoid obtaining such a thing said of the Ballinger Lions Club, we may think upon the following things which they might consider accomplishing during the coming year.

Of course we must consider the fact that the leading members of the club are citizens of the Ballinger business world.

We regret very much to say that parents allow their children to gang up and destroy beautiful things, such as flowers, grass, trees and other town beautifiers. To avoid these mishaps, a meeting for all the parents could be called laying the matter before them, or a group of Secret Service men could be on the lookout and ask the children not to do it. A prominent citizen might give lectures at the school asking them not to destroy Ballinger's beauties. Thus warning them before they do it.

This year you have organized the Boy Scout Troops and in the coming year try to interest with the duties of citizenship, for they are the citizens of tomorrow. Then teach them useful things often needed in life. If the boys had a small cabin of their own and grounds around to play on, perhaps that would gain new interest. Hunts, hikes, cross-country runs might be carried on from their respective grounds. They might go camping each summer which gets them close to Mother Nature and brings about the feeling of brotherhood.

Then as we have the Boy Scout Troops, perhaps they need companions, such as the Girl Scout Troop. This is a helpful organization and a help to the community. They learn things from this that are helpful in the years to come.

Of course we must not overlook the entertainment for the year. Numerous picnics might be given for the community which brings them closer together and influences them to realize they could be working together for the good of their town.

Good plays and lectures might be brought here for the enlightenment of the town. The fact that something is brought here by the Lions Club will bring the citizens of the town to enjoy it with them.

Joint meetings which bring about the exchanging of ideas, could be carried on. Suppose, to get this started, Ballinger asks a number of Lions Clubs to be their guests, and include in the program several round-table discussions.

There are some homes in Ballinger with children who do not have the privilege of those in the wealthier homes. The Lions Club members could make many small hearts happy, if they would go to their homes and take the children in their cars to the picnic grounds, having a number of games to play and "lots to eat," then before returning home give the children some little remembrances to remember the happy day they spent.

A city park could be established, for nearly all towns as large as Ballinger and even smaller, have one for the children to play in and the grown people to enjoy. It would also be a beautifier to the city. All the clubs of Ballinger might cooperate in this idea if the Lions Club thought it too big a task for them at present.

Clubs with as large a standing in the world as the Lions Club have opportunities in the public health work. Typhoid, diphtheria, small-pox, yellow fever, and malaria no longer hold the prominent place as they did thirty years ago, but to preserve this record things must be looked after, such as our dairies and our water supply. Then let us spread the broad mantle of knowledge to those deluded souls who are trying, in the best manner known to them, to rear their children to be "healthy men and women."

We have a few individuals and shut-ins in our town. They are lonely and often get discouraged with life. If some member of the club would drop in every day or so, it would bring much joy to their hearts. Even if there is not time enough to stay or even sit down take some token, perhaps a magazine or a flower, and be off. This would give them something to live and look forward to each day or week.

Now, so that you may get interested in the work of 1930, sup-

pose you give a token to the man which contributes more to the civic work. One man may be chosen from each club and then let three judges decide which deserves the prize.

If you feel that the year's work is too heavy that I have outlined for you, you might make a drive for membership. Set to work and let the town see your accomplishments, and then they will want to join you. So we, as the students of Ballinger High, look forward to the coming year with much enthusiasm. And remember Lions, Lionism today depends, as it always has depended, and always will depend, directly upon the individual members of each club.

AYLENE COCHRAN,
Soph. '29-30.

WINTERS C. OF C. HOLDS ANNUAL MEET TUESDAY

C. W. Lehmberg, county agent, attended the membership meeting of the Winters Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night. The affair was well attended and a great amount of enthusiasm was shown in the work reported and outlined for the ensuing year. More than 150 attended the meeting, which was held in the Winters high school auditorium.

G. E. Nicholson was elected as president of the organization for the next year. He in turn named the standing committees of the organization which include men who have long labored for the growth and development of Winters.

Amusements

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Most motion pictures are problems for directors and cameramen—and, of course, for the cameraman. But in "The Mysterious Island," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's all-color spectacle based on Jules Verne's bizarre story of the first submarine, the cameraman had more than his share of troubles.

Every scene before it was taken, had to be analyzed as to color, light and detail by a delicate instrument known as a photometer—an instrument as delicate as a microscope. Percy Hillburn, who commanded the battery of cameramen in the new picture, which comes to the Palace Theatre tomorrow for three-day showing, holds that the perfection of the color photography (and never before has color photography been used in an entire picture of the feature class) is due entirely to this painstaking process.

"We had to choose the colors that would blend best for delicate effects," says Hillburn, "and every costume was built under the analyzing lens of the photometer. Then we took our divers and went undersea, and in many cases operated the camera in a sort of diving bell. I remember that the first time I went under water in a suit, with considerable air pressure, I fainted. I am rather stout, and can't stand much of that. They gave me gradual treatments under increasing air pressure to acclimate me."

We used the Williamson undersea tube, which lowers a camera to the depths, in the Bahamas, and on the California coast used a special process perfected by John Nickolaus, head of the studio laboratories. As to diving armor, Lionel Barrymore, who is spare of build, stood it best. Jane Daly had trouble with pressure, and Lloyd Hughes became excited under heavy pressure. I think Barrymore was the best subject of all under water.

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MEXICO TO HONOR FLYER WITH MEDAL

(By Associated Press)
MEVICO CITY, Dec. 18.—Honoring Col. Pablo Sidar for his flight to South and Central America, the Chamber of Deputies has voted to award him an unique medal, a "centenario" or 50-peso gold piece. On one side will be the chamber's coat of arms and the inscription "The Chamber of Deputies of the 33d legislature to Col. Pablo L. Sidar, November, 1929." On the opposite side will be inscribed "In homage to his magnificent transcontinental flight from Aug. 29 to Nov. 8, 1929."

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Empress of Canada, Blue Ribbon Holder of Pacific, Returns To Her Regular Route After Breaking Transatlantic Record



The great port of New York, which shelters vessels of all descriptions, recently entertained a ship unique in the annals of maritime history. This was the "Empress of Canada," flagship of the "White Empresses of the Pacific," which touched at New York on her route from Southampton to Quebec. She has been in home port Vancouver, B. C., via the Panama Canal. The "Empress of Canada," which holds the world's record of 8 days, 10 hours 35 minutes for the fastest time from Yokohama to Victoria, B. C., has just been returned in Glasgow and she added another feather to her cap on her recent voyage from Southampton to Quebec, when she bettered by 4 hours 35 minutes the record of 5 days 19 hours for the same passage established in 1924 by the Canadian Pacific liner "Empress of France." The "Empress of Canada," a vessel of almost 22,000 gross tons, is undoubtedly the only liner sailing the seven seas today which can claim the distinction of holding records on both the Pacific and the Atlantic Oceans. She has been re-turbined to enable her to keep pace with the newest Empress shortly to make her debut on the Pacific—the "Empress of Japan," 25,000 gross tons, now undergoing construction on the Clyde. During her overhauling, the "Empress of Canada" was replaced by the "Empress of France" on the transatlantic run and when the former vessel arrives at Vancouver the crews of both Empresses will change ships, the "Empress of Canada" remaining on the Pacific while the "Empress of France" will return to the Atlantic to resume her run from Quebec to Southampton and leave New York February 13, 1930, on a cruise to the Mediterranean. During the world war this last-named vessel was favorite of the Prince of Wales, was chosen because of her speed to be flagship of the 10th British Auxiliary Cruiser Squadron, commanded by Admiral Sir Dudley Chair. She intercepted thousands of ships and prevented a tonnage of commerce and material falling into enemy hands.

BARNETT NEWS

J. T. Ward and family are moving in a few days to their new home near Big Spring. We shall miss them very much. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stubblefield will live where Mr. Ward now lives. We shall be very glad to have them in our community.

Douglas Spruill is visiting his uncle in Hill country.

Rufus Allen made a business trip to Fort Worth Wednesday, returning home Friday.

C. L. Howell and family are visiting Mrs. Howell's sister in San Angelo.

Little Miss Lorene Sides visited Miss LaVerne Dorsey Sunday.

C. L. Howell and family have moved to their new home.

Mrs. Rufus Allen entertained a number of friends in her home Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Laxton spent the week-end visiting Mrs. Laxton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lehnert of Rowena.

The B. Y. P. U. members gathered in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Tyree Friday night. Sandwiches, cake, coffee and hot chocolate were served. Games were played and everyone enjoyed themselves immensely.

We miss Mr. and Mrs. Thompson very much from our Sunday school. We hope they will come again.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Ashinburst, of Ellaville, visited Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Nelson and family Wednesday night. They were on their way to McCamey to be at the bedside of a brother-in-law, Claude Cleary, who is very sick with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Meek and Miss Cordia West, of Norton, visited Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Minshew and daughter here Sunday.

There was a large crowd at B. Y. P. U. Sunday night. We were glad to have the visitors. After B. Y. P. U. a number of the Barnett people attended church at Valley View.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Barnett school house next Friday night.

A crowd of young people "chaperoned" Leonard Laxton and bride, the latter formerly Miss Annie Lehnert, of San Angelo, on Monday night. They invited the group in, and a nice party and some good music was had. Everyone reported a dandy time.

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BETHEL NEWS

We are sorry to report that Kelly Ezell is to undergo an operation in a San Angelo hospital Monday. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. George Killam, of Ballinger, attend services at the Methodist Church here Sunday.

Next Thursday, December 19th, is P. T. A. night. A short program will be given. Everyone is invited.

Mrs. Veathersby is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Womack.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Richardson, of Ballinger, attend services Sunday.

A short program and Christmas tree will be given by Miss Chenoweth and Miss Holton Friday afternoon. The public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Kemper Shelburne have returned from Ham-

lin. They will make their home on the Hilsdale farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Richardson spent Sunday with Mrs. Ernest Turner, of Concho.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Scales are rejoicing over the arrival of a 10-pound boy. The young man arrived December 8th.

U. S. Daniels attended services at Bethel Sunday.

The Bethel Club will meet with Mrs. Tom Crockett Thursday.

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Norton, were the guests of Mrs. Tom Crockett Sunday.

Miss Sallie Shelburne, who has been quite ill, is reported some better this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oren Nunley have moved on the Max Wilson place.

Rev. Ezell filled his regular appointment at the Methodist Church Sunday.

Mrs. J. S. Greenhill, Mrs. Oren Nunley, Mrs. J. S. Greenhill, Jr., and Mrs. J. N. Nunley motored to San Angelo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McShan, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. McShan, Rev. Ezell, Mr. and Mrs. Meade McShan, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shelburne, and Mrs. W. F. McShan visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Richardson Sunday.

REPORTER

TEMPERATURE REACHES 26 DEGREES TUESDAY

Freezing weather hit Ballinger Tuesday afternoon in the form of a stiff north wind and the mercury

dropped constantly from nearly 80 degrees to the low mark for Tuesday night of 26 degrees.

The coldest weather recorded for the winter was 15 degrees in the cold wave which swept this section about a month ago. According to the federal weather bureau thermometers in this section are scheduled to register from 14 to 12 degrees tonight.

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Dickey is Speaker At Rotary Luncheon

The Rotary Club at their regular weekly luncheon Wednesday, attended to several matters of importance and heard a delightful program.

One of the first questions to come before the meeting was the announcement concerning the football banquet for Friday night and the matter of securing tickets for the pep squad girls. After a brief discussion of the matter, Jno. A. Weeks stated that the Weeks Drug Store, J. Y. Pearce Drug Store, City Drug Store, West Texas Utilities Co., and the Central Hotel would like to take care of the pep squad at the banquet and that these establishments would gladly furnish tickets for each of the sixty-odd girls. This announcement was greeted with applause and the matter left thus. The football team will be provided for out of the athletic fund. Supt. H. C. Lyon stated that the ticket sale for the banquet would close Thursday at noon and that all tickets would have to be bought by that time.

James A. Wear, a new member, was introduced to the club at the Wednesday meeting.

The speaker for the day was Frank C. Dickey, who represented the Americanization committee of the local American Legion post. Mr. Dickey outlined the program to be fostered this year by the Legion, especially in regard to the flag, and asked the endorsement and aid of the Rotary Club. Mr. Dickey told of the reverence and love of Old Glory felt by every man who served under army, navy and marine discipline during the World War. He pointed further to the growing disregard of the colors and said the Legion would endeavor to impart needed flag etiquette. The movement will be carried to every school in the county by speakers who will be furnished data for their talks by the Pat Williams post.

It was voted to hold next week's meeting on Monday, as the regular meeting day, Wednesday, falls on Christmas, and attendance would be impossible.

LEGIONNAIRES MEET AT BRADY FEBRUARY 22-23

(By Associated Press)
BRADY, Dec. 18.—February 22 and 23 have been set as the dates for the convention here of the seventeenth district of the American Legion, according to M. J. Benefield, Brady post commander.

The post will be assisted by the convention and entertainment committee of the Chamber of Commerce in entertaining the 500 legionnaires expected. Ernest C. Cox, state commander, will be the principal speaker.

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"I commenced to feel better by the time I had finished my first bottle of Orgatone and I'm now as well and hearty as any man would want to be. I have the best appetite I ever had in my life, and I eat three square meals every day of my life and I never have indigestion or sour stomach any more. Why I actually eat big meals of meats and cabbage and even onions some times, something I did not dare touch for the past four years and top it off with some kind of pastry now and I never suffer a particle afterwards. I go to sleep soon after I hit the bed every night and I am dead to the world for about nine hours and the first thing I think when I wake up is that I am going to eat and enjoy a good hearty breakfast, and then be off to my work with much life and energy as I ever had. I am gaining in weight every day and in fact, Orgatone has simply made a well sound man of me in every way and that is why I say that you will have to travel a mighty long way before you will find another Orgatone."

Genial Orgatone may be obtained at Ballinger at the Weeks Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry King returned to their home at Abilene Wednesday morning after coming here Tuesday afternoon to bring Mrs. King's sister, Mrs. E. E. King, and the Motley girls home. Mrs. E. E. King has been in Abilene since Sunday night when she went there with Mrs. J. D. Motley immediately following the accident in which three Ballinger boys were hurt.

Notice to All Firemen
The regular stated meeting of the Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department, scheduled for Wednesday night, December 18, has been postponed until a later date. The reason of this postponement is out of respect to J. D. Motley, former chief, whose son was recently seriously injured.

A call meeting will be held later and cards will be sent out to notify each fireman of the time of the meeting.

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Eighth St. Church To Hold Pageant

The Eighth Street Presbyterian Church will present a Christmas pageant Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Rehearsals have been underway for some time and a large cast will be used in offering the evening's entertainment. The following characters have been selected:

Angel—Kelly Bowden
Mary—Evelyn Teague
Joseph—Melvin McMillan
Kings—Sam Malone, J. E. Fowler, Sam Routh
Shepherds—John Edwin Kerr, Taylor Russell, LeRoy Smith
Candle Bearers—Billie Teague, Faye Serratt, Francis Routh, Bertie Lou Cameron.
Children of all nations, led by Misses Kerr and Webb.
Various phases of the presentation will be handled as follows:
Scenery—Mrs. Sam Malone and Miss Eva Lilly
Costumes—Mrs. Teague and Mrs. McMillan
Properties—Mr. and Mrs. Finis Collins
Lighting—Drury Hathaway
Soloist—Miss Verna Ransberger
Pianist—Mrs. H. H. Halley
Director—Mrs. C. A. Doose
Invisible quartet.
Everyone has a cordial invitation to attend this church service Sunday evening and witness the pageant.

LAWYER-FARMER GETS GOOD COTTON TURNOUT

(By Associated Press)
CENTER, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Raising more than 200 bales of high grade cotton on 400 acres of land despite prevalence of the boll weevil and poor weather conditions, W. I. Davis, lawyer and farmer here, has proved that the pest can be reduced to a negligible quantity.

Mr. Davis used calcium arsenate as prescribed by the county agent, dusting his cotton two or three times and using five pounds to the acre. On the other hand, \$1,600 income from a sugar cane patch of seven acres is the truthful boast of H. H. Williams, 60-year-old farmer of the Patron community. Mr. Williams' cotton crop was poor, because of the boll weevil, and the cane crop put him over for the season. Others are expected to follow his diversification methods this year.

Why Pedestrians Worry
ATLANTA, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Pedestrians here at least know how much it is going to cost them if their joints stiffen at the wrong moment. A statistician finds that the average auto accident victim here pays \$175 for anatomical repairs.

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Banquet Program and Plans Complete

All plans for the banquet honoring the high school football team are now complete and tickets have been placed on sale at drug stores and with committees. Plates will be limited to 200 and those desiring to attend are requested to secure tickets at once.

Each member of the Lions Club has agreed to buy a ticket for a member of the pep squad, and Rotary Club members will be asked at their Wednesday meeting to do the same thing, so that all the "peppers" may attend as guests. The football team will be taken care by the athletic fund of the high school.

Dr. J. W. Macune, chairman of the ticket sales committee, is busy issuing the pasteboards to fans who want to be present at the festive board. The ticket sales will close Thursday at noon.

The banquet will be held at the Central Hotel Friday night at 8 o'clock, and an attractive program of entertainment and two-minute talks has been arranged. The high school orchestra will furnish instrumental music and the girls glee club will be heard in vocal numbers. Neil McAlpine and R. W. Earnshaw will present a comic vaudeville skit.

Mayor W. C. McCarver will act as toastmaster, introducing each member of the team at the beginning of the program. The following talks will be heard during the evening:

"Building a Team," Coach Felton T. Wright
"Co-operation of the Fans," Clota Vee Gill is reported to be improving after being very ill at Cap. Jervis Robinson's home for the past two weeks.

Assistant Coach Harley Davis
"The Pep Squad," Miss Elizabeth Parker
"Clean Sportsmanship With Our Neighbors," Estes M. Lynn
"Our 1929 Record," Supt. H. C. Lyon.

The pep squad will be asked to sing some numbers and give a few cheers at the close of the program and everybody will join in singing "Auld Lang Syne" for the finish.

Every loyal Ballinger fan is urged to be present at the banquet. A tempting menu consisting of turkey and the trimmings will be served and the program will not be long. All speeches will be limited to two minutes and the occasion will be one of fun and good fellowship. Those who have not heard the girls glee club sing will be given a treat.

VICTIMS OF CUTTING SCRAPE RECOVERING

The condition of the two men in the Ballinger Sanitarium as the result of a cutting scrape at a dance Saturday night was reported much better Wednesday. Jess Beard and Merton Serratt are recovering in the hospital, while the third injured man, Eldridge Simpson, returned to his home after receiving medical attention immediately following the trouble.

The affair occurred at a social gathering at the home of Jess Beard in the southern part of the county. It is alleged that several men rushed Lloyd Rambo, who used a long knife in the melee. Rambo is being held in the county jail here, awaiting examining trial.

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BENOIT NEWS
We are very sorry to report Mrs. L. B. Rumpy is on the sick list this week, with a bad cold and tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. Neal Clayton went to see Pinious Clayton, who is in a San Angelo hospital. He seems to be doing very nicely and we wish for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clayton visited in the home of O. C. Cox Sunday.

Miss Evelyn Hill spent a few days in Benoit last week.

The P-T-A gave a farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Henry Van last Tuesday evening at the school house. Refreshments were served. All who attended had a splendid time. Mr. and Mrs. Van will move to their ranch near Eldorado about the first of the year. Their friends will regret to see them leave and they will be missed in this community.

A school program will be given at the school house Thursday evening, also the P-T-A will meet afterward.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Brookshire moved to San Angelo Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. George Williams moved to the Gressett house last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ashton visited Mrs. Ashton's mother, Mrs. Odom, Sunday afternoon.

There were a number of Benoit Ballinger Chapter No. 184 R. A. M. Ballinger Council No. 122 regular stated meetings held on Second Friday in each month. Members requested to attend. Visiting companions cordially invited.

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