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Pecan Growers Meet In Ballinger in April

Ballinger has been selected by the executive board of the West Texas Pecan Growers Association for the spring meeting place of the association. The date of the one-day meeting is April 15, at which time pecan growers from a number of West Texas counties will assemble here for the program and business session.

The last spring meeting was held at Brownwood and the fall meeting ended recently at Rising Star, where a show was staged in connection with the convention. Those attending the Rising Star meeting declared that some of the finest pecan exhibits ever seen in the state were displayed. E. J. Howard, of Rising Star, is president of the organization.

J. D. Motley, secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, was notified Wednesday that this city would be the next meeting place. He will get in touch with the program committee soon and learn what local effort can be done to make the nut growers' visit here more enjoyable.

There will be no show held in connection with the spring meeting, according to information received here, but the producers will be in session the full day. Some of the leading horticulturists of the state will be here.

MANY SEEK POSITION AT CITY HALL HERE

The city commission plans to select an office assistant within a few days to succeed Mrs. J. Elmore Alexander, who has been employed in this capacity for the past several years. Up to Wednesday City Secretary K. V. Northington had recorded approximately 30 applications for the position. The duties require an experienced bookkeeper and office clerk and is not strictly a stenographic position.

Ballinger Schools Start Xmas Dec. 21

The Ballinger schools will close Wednesday afternoon, December 21 for the Christmas holidays. Classes will be resumed again Monday, January 2, allowing pupils and teachers a full week and two days.

Teachers must attend institute two days each year but in the Ballinger schools faculty meetings are held on one Saturday of each month to take the place of the regular two-day institute. This work is recognized by the state department of education. One of the reasons for dismissing here on Wednesday, therefore, is to give two days more than a full week and allow the teachers the extra time which they spent at faculty meetings on Saturdays.

The board of trustees Tuesday evening attended to all the regular routine business necessary at this time and audited accounts against the school system.

Most of the teachers who do not live in Ballinger will leave for their homes as soon as school is dismissed for the year-end holidays.

Nile Dam Drowns Philae Temple; More Sugar Cane, Cotton Raised

Probably the greatest amount of steel ever used on a single job has gone into the Assouan Dam on the famous Nile, enlargement of which was recently completed. Fully 2,500 tons of alloy have been put into this Egyptian dam, as compared with only a few hundred tons so spectacularly used as decorative trim for the Empire State and Chrysler Buildings in New York.

The dam, which is one and one-third miles long and about 113 feet high, wrought a spectacular change in the prosperity of Egypt, according to the Bureau of Information of London. It has permitted a great expansion of irrigation, with consequent expansion in the cultivation of the rich crops of cotton and sugar cane; moreover, the increase in land values gave a greater purchasing power with consequent

Court Adjourns; To Resume Monday

District court was adjourned here Tuesday afternoon for the week after one civil case had been tried. Illness of court officials made it impossible to continue the docket for the week and Judge O. L. Parish dismissed the jury from further duty.

District Attorney Eugene Mathis returned to his home at San Angelo suffering with influenza and County Attorney Roy L. Hill was about to go to bed Tuesday because of illness. Mr. Hill was better Wednesday, being able to be back at his office, and word from Mr. Mathis said he hoped to be back in the court room Monday.

The following men have been summoned to appear Monday morning to do petit jury service next week: Frank Ocker, P. G. Strum, D. S. Vancil, Thomas L. Clayton, Ernest Marks, Harry Monahan, G. O. McAuley, C. Adams, E. S. Malone, Tad Richards, J. J. Shiller, O. M. Droll, — Buckelew, Howard Moore, H. F. Mills, Ben L. Wilberg, J. O. Donaldson, J. H. McFarland, George Holliday, Cot Atwell, Joe Baker, S. C. Routh, W. J. Fowler, E. M. Dean, A. C. Wendland, C. Zly, C. H. Ray, J. P. Gauntt, J. S. Oliver, W. T. Billups, Ben Schwertner, M. P. Turner, W. L. Porch, D. F. Hicks, George P. Hester, E. D. Farmer.

ROTARIANS DISCUSS GOODFELLOWS NEEDS

Local Rotarians at their regular weekly luncheon this week discussed progress being made here this year by the Goodfellows who spread cheer for needy families at Christmas. All the members expressed the view that the effort was needed more than ever this year and stated that they were willing to contribute.

In short talks members declared they believed donations were slow this year because citizens had neglected the duty. They endorsed the plan for collecting used toys and dolls at an early date, having them repaired, repainted, and made ready for distribution.

The club and its individual members will contribute money, time and toys to the movement this year and urge other citizens to help give comfort to those who unfortunately are unable to provide Christmas cheer for their families.

NEW PREACHER FOR NAZARENE CHURCH

Rev. and Mrs. I. L. Flynn and three daughters, of Brownwood, have moved here to make home. Rev. Flynn has assumed pastorate of the Nazarene Church of Ballinger, relieving Rev. E. L. Bonine. The new pastor and family will be at home at the old Chastain residence, corner of Eleventh Street and Park Avenue.

Ohio is thirteenth among the states in agricultural production.

Where Two Men Were Killed on Their First Job in Months



From this mass of crumpled stone the dead bodies of two workers were taken, and four others may die, after an aged wall fell. All the men, unemployed for months, had obtained work from the reconstruction finance corporation fund to demolish the old wall at Austin. They were getting \$125 a day, and had worked only two days when the disaster occurred. A. C. Reissig and W. L. Lamb are the dead men.

Chairman Thanks Red Cross Aides

In checking final results of the annual membership campaign conducted by the Runnels county Red Cross chapter, A. F. Brock, roll call chairman, today expressed gratitude for the public's response and cooperation during the enrollment period which was officially closed Thanksgiving Day.

"The generosity and unselfishness of the citizenship of this community again has been demonstrated," the roll call chairman said. "The outcome of such an appeal cannot be measured wholly upon a dollars and cents basis. The invaluable service rendered during the campaign by volunteer workers, the manner in which these solicitors were received on all sides and the faith in the Red Cross evidenced by the entire community are all as gratifying as the monetary results of the roll call."

"It must be remembered," Mr. Brock added, "that the Red Cross is only as strong as its membership. To the degree to which the Runnels county chapter was supported in the recent campaign, it will go forward in its mission of service to mankind."

"In behalf of the local chapter board members, the national organization and myself, I take this means of expressing profound appreciation and thanks to all citizens of Runnels county who gave so generously of their time or funds, or both, during the annual fund appeal."

"The Red Cross is an agency of and by the people. Its entire membership is not only entitled, but urged to take a part in the chapter's year-round activities as well as during roll call."

HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS COURTS FOR STUDENTS

For some time former students and others interested in tennis have been helping themselves to the high school courts, paying little attention to the time of day they use the grounds. In some instances outsiders began playing while school was in session and caused teachers and pupils considerable annoyance by the noise. Supt. H. C. Lyon stated Wednesday that hereafter none but actual students of the local school would be welcome to use the courts except on Saturdays and then only when they were not in use by the pupils. Students will not be permitted to use the courts while classes are being heard in the buildings.

For the past two years so many local students have come out for tennis and competition in the county interscholastic meet that the courts are not large enough to accommodate all who desired to play. School authorities ask those outside of the school who have been using the courts to take notice and refrain from playing there in the future with the above exceptions.

Japan's rubber footwear industry though mainly a post-war development, has risen fast enough to make the empire one of the world's leading producers.

Be wise and advertise.

Greer Residence Is Fire Damaged

Fire Tuesday afternoon practically destroyed the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Greer, 909 Ninth Street. The blaze was discovered about 2 p. m. by neighbors. No one was at the Greer home at the time and origin of the fire is unknown.

The interior of the house was badly damaged, all the paper being burned from the walls, the door and window facings scorched and the floor seared in spots.

Some of the contents of the house were burned, while books, clothing and other articles protected somewhat from the flames were water soaked.

Upon arrival at the scene the department found the flames had made such progress that it was necessary to combat them with water, using the big pumper.

SERVANT HOUSE BURNS

A servant's house at the residence of J. M. Simmons was partially destroyed by fire Wednesday. The blaze was discovered about 10:30 a. m. and firemen rushed to the scene in time to save the walls and roof. The interior of the house was considerably damaged by the flames.

Officers May Return Oklahoma Prisoners

Sheriff W. A. Holt received a message Wednesday stating that Neil Byers and another youth were arrested Tuesday afternoon at Arnett, Oklahoma. Byers was wanted in this county and local officers believe the man arrested with him is Durwood Pogue, also sought here. Oklahoma authorities said the second youth arrested refused to tell his name.

A telegram received later in the day said the boys were being held at Gage, Oklahoma, for Runnels county officers.

Byers, Pogue and three other prisoners escaped from the Runnels county jail several months ago. Two of the missing men have been apprehended and the case against the third was dismissed when the grand jury failed to return an indictment. Byers and Pogue had been at large since the "wooden pistol" jail delivery here and officers in several southwestern states have been watching for them.

A local officer will go to Gage in the near future to see the youths being held there and if they are the ones wanted here will bring them back. Sheriff Holt did not know Wednesday when the trip would be made as court affairs are very pressing at this time.

E. F. Batts left Wednesday morning for Dallas to attend a sales meeting and to see the new model Chevrolet which will soon be on display at all salesrooms.

Miss Deta Strobbe, of Fort Worth, came in this week to spend the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Strobbe.

Hogs on Iowa farms increased eight per cent in number from 1930 to 1931.

No Local Relief Fund This Month

Ballinger will receive nothing from the federal emergency relief fund for December, according to information received by the local chamber of commerce. The reason for the December application being refused was because the federal appropriation for this month is exhausted.

J. D. Motley, secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, stated Wednesday that application had been made for the months of January, February and March and that if they were approved it would be better for the city than to receive an allotment for December. There has been no real need for unemployment during December and the demand for work will be more during the succeeding three months.

Applications will be carried to Washington by a committeeman of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce who will act as a special representative of the governor of Texas. He will present the applications in person and appeal that they be granted.

Ballinger was late in making its first application for aid from this fund. Before the application could be approved and put through all money allotted to Texas had been spent but cities that received nothing for the month will be given preference in the January awards if their surveys justify aid.

A complete organization has been set up here for distributing the work when the money is received.

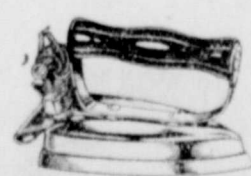
WAR BULLET DISCOVERED IN BODY OF CODFISH

EDINBURGH, Dec. 9.—While cleaning cod caught off the northwest coast of Scotland, a man of the Fleetwood trawler, Florence Bierley, found a live cartridge embedded in a large fish.

When the cartridge was scraped a bullet of the army rifle service type in use in the World War was found.

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City's Stores Ready For Christmas Rush

This issue of The Ledger brings you messages from a number of progressive Ballinger firms who are ready to serve you with Christmas gifts. With only 14 more days in which to buy gifts and very little Christmas shopping yet done, local firms are seeking to make your shopping problems easier by suggestion of gift items and also by naming prices of articles. We urge that you study these advertisements as we know they will be helpful to you in the remaining short period before Christmas.

Show windows are being decorated by local merchants to help visitors make up their minds in regard to what they will buy. In these windows will be found hundreds of gift items. These firms invite the public to carefully inspect their windows and to make inquiry inside the store regarding any article displayed that appeals.

Another feature to be found in Ballinger stores, previously uncommon, is that gift goods have been greatly reduced in price—which means a saving in dollars and cents to all who come here to trade.

Stores are employing extra clerks in order to take care of the throngs expected to jam their houses from now until Christmas eve. Come to Ballinger to look, is their slogan. After seeing you will buy.

Red Cross Meeting Friday at 2:30 p. m.

All members of the Runnels county chapter of the American Red Cross are asked to meet at the city hall in Ballinger Friday afternoon at 2:30. Edway Palmer, district field representative, will attend the special meeting. Officers will be elected for the county chapter and other business transacted.

A. F. Brock, chairman, who was making arrangements for the meeting Friday, urged that all who have paid dues be present and others who desire to join to attend and bring dues.

Officers of the Red Cross are disappointed at the small number of memberships received during the roll call campaign this year. The total to date is only about half that received last year.

The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce received a message Wednesday from St. Nicholas stating that he would arrive here Friday afternoon at 3:30 and would parade through the business district promptly at 4 p. m. He urged that word be sent the children in all sections of this and adjoining counties to be here so that he might greet them, give them some candy and find out what they wanted him to bring when he makes his mad rush all over the land on Christmas eve.

The hour of 4 p. m. makes it possible for all local school children to be downtown to meet His Highness. A committee will join Santa Claus at the outskirts of the city and escort him to the business district in a car. There a big white horse will be waiting for him to ride in the parade.

Santa Claus' escort for the parade will be a number of small children mounted on Shetland ponies. Secretary J. D. Motley of the chamber of commerce said Wednesday that all children who could secure a pony to ride would be welcome in this cavalcade. They are asked to ride their ponies to the city hall shortly after 3 p. m. and join other kiddies for the escort of honor. A number of children who have ponies have already been named on the welcome committee but everyone who owns a horse is invited to join the group.

After the parade the entourage will halt here long enough for Santa Claus to extend best wishes and throw candy "kisses" to the assembled throngs. He will then visit local stores who handle his gifts for children and see what the boys and girls have been longing for.

Everybody is invited to be here Friday afternoon. Stores will display gift goods in profusion and their attractive show windows will help shoppers make appropriate selections.

P.-T. A. MEETING IS WELL ATTENDED

The meeting of the Ballinger Parent-Teacher Association Wednesday was attended by more people than any held this year. The entire program was devoted to children, who presented Christmas numbers.

The adults enjoyed the little ones' efforts as demonstrated by the applause which greeted each number. Songs by little singers from various rooms in the primary building featured the program.

LIFE IS LIKE THE SEASONS

Budding springtime of babyhood, blossoming days of youth, fruiting autumn of manhood, womanhood—then winter, delightful or direful, depending on the preparations, the provisions, of the years of spring, summer and autumn.

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Runnels County Representative Standard-Times

MOVIES

Remarkable Football Picture Soon at the Palace

The two greatest football teams in the country will be seen in action on the screen of the Palace Theatre next Sunday and Monday—two days only.

These gridiron machines will appear in the Universal football drama, "The All American." One of them is the 1931 All America team, marking the first time that such a squad has ever been assembled on the playing field, and the other is an all-star team which includes in its line-up some of the greatest players of previous seasons.

"The All American" is said to be a highly dramatic story which follows the career of a football star after his graduation from college, and details the effect which the adulation of the multitude has on an impressionable young man. It is only when he sees his younger brother following in his footsteps that he regains his pride and takes steps to drive his brother to his senses before it is too late. This brings the picture to an unexpected conclusion in a rousing climax.

Richard Arlen, Andy Devine, Gloria Stuart, James Gleason, Preston Foster and June Clyde play leading roles in the "All American," and the roster of 30 football stars includes Carideo, "Red" Cagle, Ernie Nevers, Marchy Schwartz, Albie Booth, Jerry Dalmple, Erny Pinckert and "Moon" Mullins.

Savages Fought Over White Girl With Boomerangs

"The Blonde Captive," a motion picture record of Dr. Paul Withington's expedition into the wilds of Australia, will be the feature attraction at the Palace Theatre Tuesday and Wednesday. It is presented by Columbia and Lowell Thomas wrote the dialogue which he speaks throughout the film.

This picture, incidentally, marks a change in schedule at the Palace. For the remainder of this month the same picture will be shown Sunday and Monday, another Tuesday and Wednesday, a third Thursday and Friday, and a fourth Saturday only.

"The Blonde Captive" shows how a scientific expedition can turn into a surprising drama from real life. Searching the torrid wilds of northwestern Australia, riding dangerous rapids and treacherous shoals in a small pearling schooner, eating weird native foods, being broiled by the tropical sun and poisoned by terrible flies. Dr. Withington's expedition found many interesting animals, peoples and customs—and then, when he had finally found the descendants of the Neanderthal Man of fifty thousand years ago, he also found a white woman—a white woman who had been shipwrecked. She was thought a ghost and was won as the ghost bride by the best boomerang warrior in the tribe! Did she want to go back to

civilization? Was she content among those aborigines, living as they lived in their caves? The discovery of this woman is what gives to "The Blonde Captive" a romance of especially intriguing interest.

A Christmas Gift

—that won't be forgotten is a year's subscription to some good magazine or newspaper. We take subscriptions for all newspapers and magazines.

FRANK HOLLIDAY
News Dealer, at City Cafe 9-11

All-Stars Prepare For Charity Game

The Ballinger all-star football team is about ready to meet the San Angelo junior college Rams here Thursday, December 15. Coach R. W. Earnshaw has been putting the candidates for the local team through hard workouts to get them in condition for the charity game.

A number of former college and high school stars plus many members of this year's high school team are practicing each afternoon. Plays are being perfected and indications are that the local aggregation will be able to furnish plenty of competition for any eleven.

The San Angelo team is rated one of the best in this section. During the past season they have met some strong teams and maintained an excellent record.

The game will be played at Fair Park. Receipts will be split after expenses are paid and given to charity organizations in each city. Local football fans are urged to attend this game where they will see some of their favorites of former days in action again.

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Mrs. Mae West of St. Louis, Mo. writes: "I'm only 28 yrs. old and weighed 170 lbs. until taking one box of your Kruschen Salts just 4 weeks ago. I now weigh 150 lbs. I also have more energy and furthermore I've never had a hungry moment."

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Be wise and advertise.

Football Banquet Set December 19

Plans were begun Tuesday for the annual banquet for the local football team which will be held Monday night, December 19. The place is yet to be decided but will be announced as soon as the committee signs a contract. A number of organizations have asked for an opportunity to bid on serving the banquet and all will be given this privilege.

For several years the gridiron banquet has been one of the biggest gatherings in the city and is considered one of the most delightful entertainments of the year. The programs have been filled with fun and made short enough not to become boring.

Committees appointed by the general committee Tuesday morning were: program, Harry Lynn, R. E. White and R. W. Earnshaw; decoration, Charles Coombes, Dan Woodroof and Alex McGregor; ticket sales, J. D. Motley, and such helpers as he may enlist.

Prices of tickets have not been set but the committee announced that they would not exceed 50 cents each. An effort will be made to sell upwards of 200 which is about the same as purchased in the past two years.

This event has been delayed because of other conflicting city-wide affairs but the date of December 19 is open and should be an opportune time for staging the gathering.

In addition to entertaining the football boys an effort will be made to sell enough extra tickets for all members of the pep squad. To do this will require that extra tickets be sold to about 75 people.

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Appendicitis Rare Among Insane
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 8.—In Illinois there are few cases of appendicitis among the inmates of state hospitals for the mentally afflicted as compared with the same number of normal persons. Dr. S. W. McKelvey, of the department of public welfare, attributes this condition to regular meals and care of diet.

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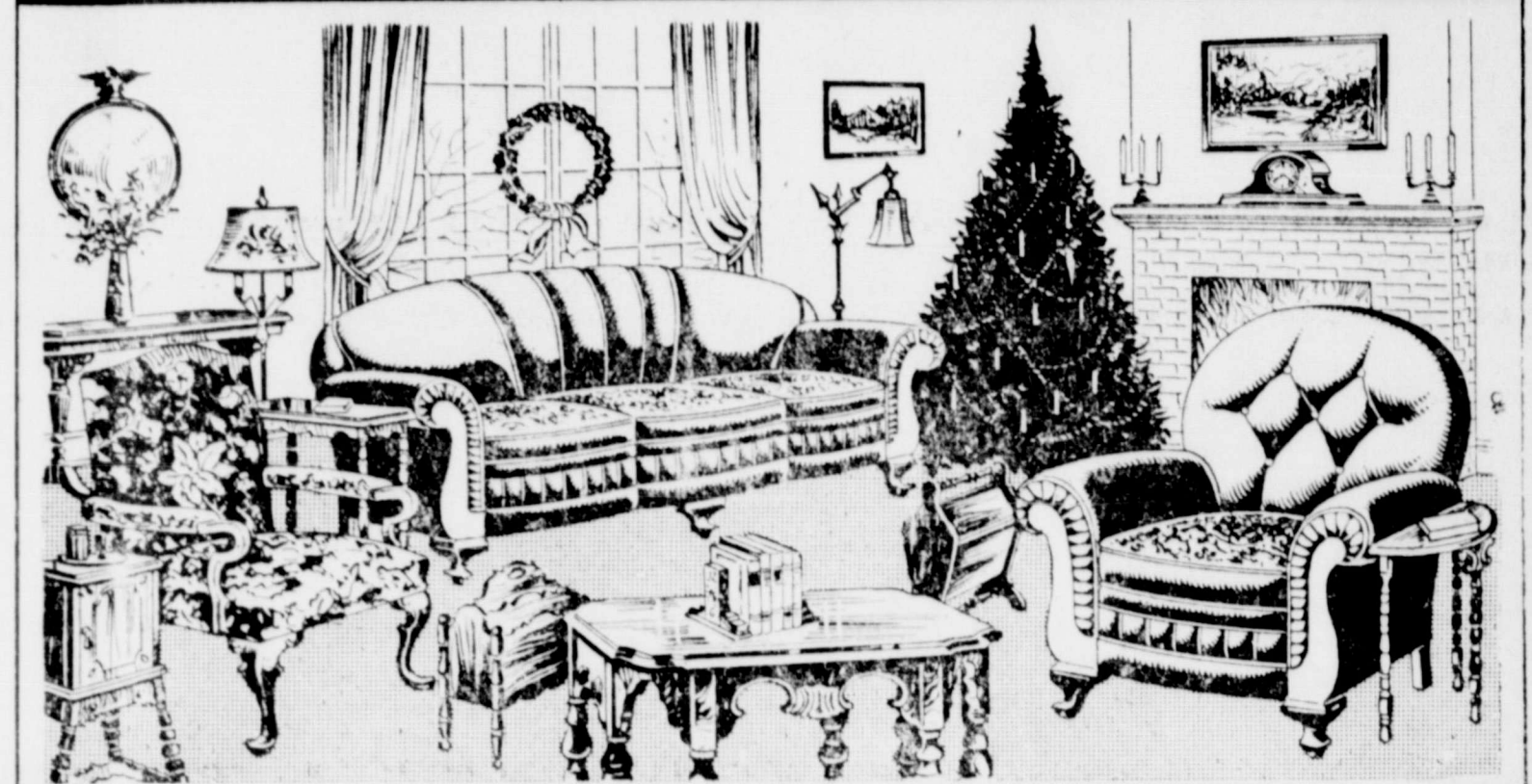
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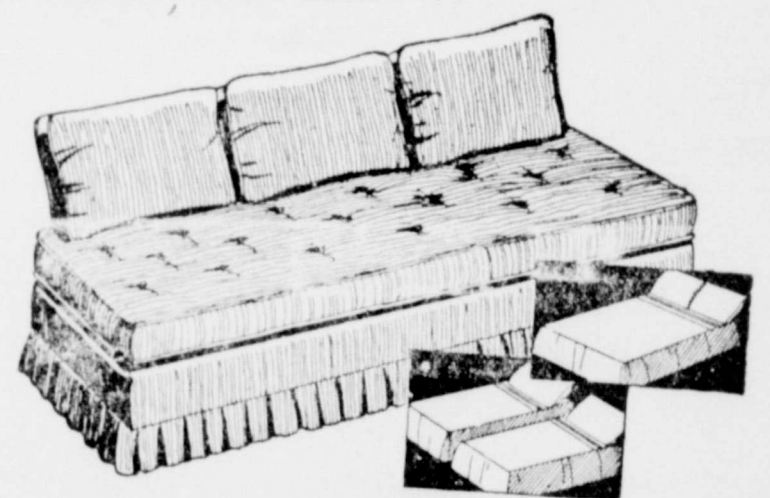
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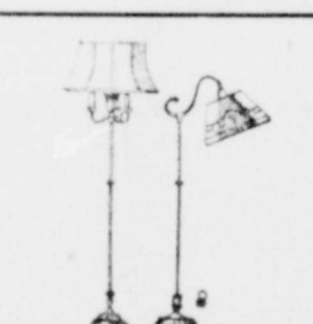
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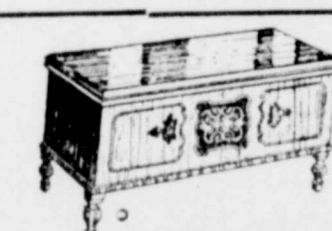
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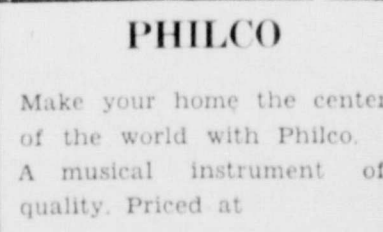


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of Bar-
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SWEATER COATS
Closing Out at
89c

Regular 75c and 50c
Men's Broadcloth
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SHIRTS
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LADIES' SILK HOSE
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LADIES' SILK LINGERIE
LADIES' BED ROOM SLIPPERS

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MEN'S SILK TIES
LADIES' PURSE
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HOW'S your HEALTH



GLAUCOMA IN THE YOUNG
Glaucoma is an important and common disease of the eye, which is characterized by an increased tension of the fluids within the eyeball.

The disease is classified according to varying circumstances and conditions, depending, for example, upon whether it follows pre-existing disease in the eye.

For a long time, however, it has been known that glaucoma is an hereditary disease in that it is observed to develop in succeeding generations of the same family.

Von Graefe, one of the great eye specialists of the last century, observed that not only is glaucoma hereditary but also that it tends to develop in succeeding generations earlier in the lifetime.

It has also been observed by various authors that dark-eyed persons are more prone to develop the disease.

In a study made by Drs. Courtney and Hill, glaucoma was found to affect five successive generations in one family.

They also found that most of these individuals had other and contributing developmental defects of the eye.

Juvenile glaucoma, or glaucoma in the young, appears to affect both sexes with equal frequency.

The highest percentage of cases develop between the ages of 15 and 20, and no race appears to be immune to the condition.

Juvenile glaucoma does not correct itself spontaneously, surgical treatment being required in practically all cases to save the retina from destruction.

The condition does not usually lend itself to effective treatment by medicines.

In view of the fact that the disease has an hereditary element and, if untreated, may lead to destruction of the optic nerve and consequently loss of sight, the young of families in which glaucoma has occurred should have their eyes examined before there are any symptoms of increased pressure within the eye.

BLANTON NEWS

Rev. Sparks filled his regular appointment here Sunday. He will preach on the second Sunday beginning in January.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Elkins returned home Monday from Austin, where they spent Thanksgiving and visited a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wood and family, and Mrs. Funderburk and children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Caffey Sunday.

The young son of Mr. and Mrs. St. Hale has been sick for the past week.

J. P. Booth and family were guests of the P. P. Holton family, of South Ballinger, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Forgey, of Ballinger, spent Sunday afternoon in the Lee Huddleston home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Elkins were

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dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Malone Sunday.

Misses Maydelle Wood and Oma Lee Tounget spent Sunday with Miss Arlyeen Boothe.

Sam Behringer wants to furnish your Christmas tree. 6-2t

FROM OUR FILES OF 20 YEARS AGO

Alex McGregor came up from Brownwood to spend the week-end with his parents and returned to school Monday.

Our young friend, Ralph McShann, went to Brownwood Monday to enter Howard Payne College.

E. V. Bateman received a carload of Metz automobiles which he will attempt to sell for Christmas presents.

J. R. Lusk has a new assistant city secretary. An eleven-pound boy was born this week to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lusk.

President Taft this week appointed H. A. Cady postmaster at Ballinger for a four-year term.

Clint Penn is here from Howard Payne College to spend Christmas with home folks.

Oscar Pearson attended the poultry show at Winters Saturday and as usual carried off first prizes on his chickens.

Frank Pearce is at home for the holidays from Galveston where he is attending school.

The high school presented an excellent program Friday evening. Those giving readings included Robert Bruce, Ralph Vancil, C. B. Conn, Arthur Giesecke, Jessie Ruth Nash, and Robert Louis Williams. A violin solo by Hammond O'Kelly and a piano solo by Mary Fleming were special instrumental offerings. The high school orchestra composed of Harry Lynn, Delbert Vancil, Roscoe Williams, Miss MacDearmon and Miss Hattie Miller furnished several musical selections. Those appearing on the program were pupils

of Miss May MacDearmon and Miss Pickard.

Higdon-Melton-Jackson Company is featuring a real live Santa Claus in its store this year.

Prof. Leslie Fowler was in from Red Bank to spend the week-end and returned to his school Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. H. D. Marlin came in Wednesday afternoon from Waco.

Judge O. L. Parish returned from San Angelo Tuesday morning after hearing a case there in 51st district court for Judge J. F. Sutton. He will be on the bench here the remainder of this term of 119th district court.

Eat dinner with the Methodist ladies Saturday, next door to the Jones Grocery on Eighth Street. 9-1t

G. M. Garrett, resident highway engineer, went to Austin Tuesday afternoon to attend to business.

RED BANK NEWS

Everyone seems to be taking advantage of the cold weather in butchering hogs.

Miss Nettie Lee Boatright spent the week-end with friends and relatives at San Angelo.

A number of the young folks of this community went to the Tennyson mountain Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Henry and baby, of Vancourt, visited Mrs. Henry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Tounget the past week-end.

Mrs. Joe Schwertner visited in the Frank Zak home Saturday night.

Miss Hazel Wade entertained the young folks with a party Saturday night.

J. P. Tounget, who is attending the school at Vancourt, spent the

week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Tounget.

The Methodist ladies will serve a chili dinner in the building adjoining Jones Grocery Co., Saturday, December 10. 9-1t

CAMP FIRE GIRLS WILL SERVE ROTARY LUNCHEON

The Ballinger Rotary Club will be served its next regular luncheon at the Camp Fire Girls hut near city park. The girls will also present a program, depicting interesting phases of their activities.

The Rotary program is under the direction of E. Shepperd, chairman of the community service committee, and he urges all Rotarians to be present at the hut promptly at noon. The guardians assisted by the girls will be ready to serve promptly at the appointed hour.

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Urge Christmas Fire Prevention

State Fire Marshal Raymond S. Mauk has sounded a warning to the entire state about fires at Christmas time. His views are endorsed by members of the Ballinger fire department who realize the danger of fires during the holiday season.

Nearly every year story after story of Christmas tragedies, caused by fires originating from decorations, fireworks, or use of candles on trees, appears in the newspapers. It was to prevent catastrophes of this sort that the statement was issued.

Local citizens are urged to watch for these hazards and prevent dangerous and possibly tragic conflagrations.

Following is the state fire marshal's statement:

"Be careful, don't let fire mar your Christmas joy. Fire prevention, like charity, begins at home. Business men and merchants are so engrossed with the idea of Christmas rush and business that they are not careful of the danger of fire and they should be reminded that it pays to prevent fires. Also, the average home is filled with the Christmas spirit and unless every precaution is taken, carelessness is likely to creep in and turn some house of merriment into a house of mourning."

"Do you know—
That evergreen trees decorated with highly inflammable materials often ignite?
That cotton or lighted candles should never be placed on the Christmas tree?
That the cotton beard of a Santa Claus frequently catches fire with serious results?
That the old Yuletide custom of placing a lighted candle in the window near curtains has cast many a cloud of gloom?
That small children should never be permitted to handle fireworks?
That wrappings from Christmas packages should not be allowed to accumulate?
That Christmas bonfires constitute a serious danger to both life and property?
That it is dangerous to start grass fires at any time?
That toy electric trains, motors and other appliances should not be attached to light sockets until all fuses and connections are in perfect order?
That pennies or wire should never be used in replacing blown-out electric fuses?
That the fuse is the safety valve on your wiring system to protect you against fire?
That the Christmas holidays which should be a period of un-mixed cheer, may become one of sadness because of the thoughtlessness of someone about fire hazards?
That about one fire out of every ten during the Christmas season results in a fatality?"

The total number of radio beacons to aid shipping reached 100 in the United States by the addition of two new navigational aids at Sandusky, O., on Lake Erie, and at West Quoddy Head, Maine.

Avent Praises Work Of County Agent

G. C. Avent, of the Herring community, who visited Ballinger Tuesday afternoon was loud in praise of the work of County Agent C. W. Lehmborg. Mr. Avent has been sponsor of the 4-H Club boys in the Herring section and through this work has come in close contact with the county agent and is well acquainted with his activities.

Mr. Avent is also a trustee of the Herring school and on a recent visit to the school had an opportunity to hear boys in the agriculture class recite. He stated that boys who were members of the 4-H Club were outstanding pupils of the class because of the work done under the direction of Mr. Lehmborg. He said one of the class gave a lecture on pecan budding and was well informed on the subject, having heard a lecture and seen a demonstration by the county agent the previous year.

Mr. Avent asserted that the work done by the county agent on his farm in saving soil and in increasing crop production had been worth far more to him than the cost which is paid by the county through taxation. He told of a sloping piece of land on his place that had never produced any crop well. Three years ago the land was terraced by the county agent and since that time has produced good cotton, averaging in yield per acre of from one-half to three-quarters of a bale.

Mr. Avent also has an orchard and berry patch and related a number of ways the county agent had helped him with his fruit, in some instances saving trees that were about to die because of insect ravages.

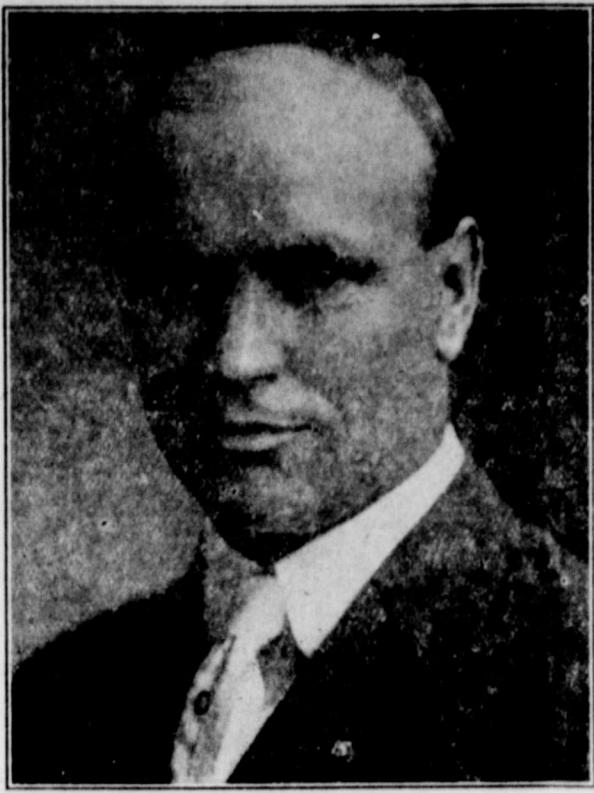
"I believe the people in the county who oppose the work of the county agent are those who have never used his services and who have given little thought to what has been accomplished," declared the Herring man. He said it would please him greatly if something were done which might cause the commissioners' court of this county to rescind its action and continue the office.

Miss Atkins Given City Hall Position

The city commission announced Thursday morning that Miss Griffie Atkins had been given the position in the city office to take the place of Mrs. Elmore Alexander, who had tendered her resignation. The commissioners carefully considered about 30 applications for the position before giving Miss Atkins the place.

It became known two weeks ago that the position would be vacated on the first of the year and many men, women and girls rushed to the city hall to make application. Mrs. Alexander will remain at the desk through December before retiring and Miss Atkins will stay in the office during the month to acquaint herself with the system used.

City Secretary K. V. Northington stated Thursday morning that city taxes paid on Wednesday alone totaled over \$2,000.



Evangelist Fred Ross, formerly of Abilene, will do regular ministerial work for the Church of Christ, Eighth Street and Bonnal Avenue. These arrangements were announced this week by members of the congregation. The new minister will arrive in Ballinger Friday of this week to make plans for starting his work here next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. He will also be heard Sunday evening at 7:30.

Mr. Ross is not a stranger to Ballinger people, having delivered several special messages to audiences here during the past several years. He is a preacher of ability and members of the local church consider themselves fortunate in securing his services.

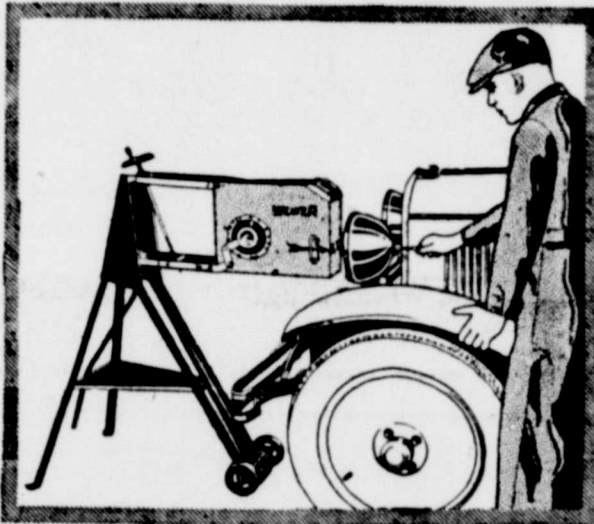
The new minister as well as the congregation invite the public to attend all services of the church.

Automobile drivers must keep on the right side of a road in one part of Austria and on the left side in another.

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With our new Weaver Headlight Tester we test, focus and aim your lights with scientific accuracy to conform with the law and to give the best possible road illumination. This new equipment enables us to do the job in a few minutes, while you wait, in daylight—at a very moderate charge. Regular Charge 25c



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Specials for Friday and Saturday

BANANAS	Dozen	12c
WHITE ONIONS	4-lbs.	15c
Chocolate Covered Cherries		23c
Dressed Catfish	Pound	22c
SALT PORK	Pound	8c
COMPOUND	Swift's Jewel 2 4-lb cartons	49c
SHELLED PECANS	Pound	29c
	Broken Halves, lb.	25c
SYRUP	Louisiana Cane, gallon	65c

CHRISTMAS TREES

All Sizes - Priced Right - Come in and Select One Now!
We Will Hold it Until it is Needed

CHRISTMAS GOODIES

We Have Everything for Your Christmas Baking.

Goodfellows Must Begin Giving Soon

To date only one Goodfellow in Ballinger has left a contribution to cheer the poor at Christmas. For more than ten years Goodfellows of this city have donated enough money to see that everyone in destitute circumstances had a few comforts on Christmas eve and something for dinner Christmas day. Small children have been happy with sacks of candy, fruit, used toys, and in some cases, clothing.

The need this year is greater than ever and a pre-Christmas survey disclosed that more families will need help than ever before in the history of the city. The time is short now and if the Goodfellows are to attend to this happy duty money must be forthcoming immediately. It is estimated that at least \$300 is needed for this purpose.

Leaders in the movement point out that it will not require any large sum from anyone but that small donations from many will better show the willingness of all the citizens to help.

Unless this work is done by the Goodfellows Christmas of 1932 in Ballinger will mean misery and hunger in a number of homes. A small donation from many will remove the misery, replant happiness in the hearts of parents, and bring joy to the hearts of children. Don't wait another day—do something now. Only \$5 has been donated to date.

WILMETH EVENTS

Mrs. A. B. Badgett and small son, born in the Halley & Love Sanitarium recently, are now in the home of Mrs. Badgett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Brown until Mrs. Badgett is able to be returned to her home at Drasco.

The box supper Friday night was a great success. About 50 boxes were sold by Albert Spill, of Winters, and a cake was awarded to the prettiest girl. The proceeds amounted to something over

\$80, and will be used to buy suits for both the boys' and girls' basketball teams.

The basketball boys went to Maverick one day last week to engage in a game with the team there. The score was 21 to 19 in favor of the Mazeland lads.

A number of people from this community attended church at Norton Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Cox and family and Mrs. Willie Witt, of

Ballinger, visited in the H. R. Dickinson home Sunday. Quite a number of Wilmeth citizens were Ballinger visitors Saturday.

The advent of sound films is blamed in Germany for a continual decrease in the number of legitimate theaters.

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Cranberries - Pumpkin - Turnips

Mincemeat - Potatoes - Oranges - Celery

Apples - Cauliflower - Cabbage

Lettuce - Almonds - Brazil Nuts

Walnuts - Pecans - Jellies - Preserves

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Flour - Cane Sugar - Karo Syrup

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Complete stock of kid fabric gloves, in new styles and colors.

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HOSIERY

And the best stock in Ballinger from which to make your selections

Wayne knit, extra fine sheer hosiery in all the new shades, Charlie foot, 45 gauge a hose that really wears the pair

\$1.50

Big assortment at \$1.00 the pair including Wayne knit, Danita, Dove down and Archer hosiery, new shades, fine gauge and the best values to be had at this price

\$1.00

Extra-forty-five gauge, full fashioned, every thread pure silk with Charlie foot, a real hosiery sensation, while they last the pair only

59c



Well, Well, I

Santa Claus has already communicated December 9th, at 4:00 p. m. In order to give number of appropriate and useful Christmas economize and at the same time buy gifts not retired to the frozen North—we have these hardly miss. This will really be headquarters

See Our Windows --- See

Save money on GIFTS

CHRISTMAS

New Christmas PURSES



Made of genuine leather in the finest grades, silk and poplin lined, with all accessories, all the new high colors as well as black and brown, and priced so reasonably, each now

89c

\$1.95

\$2.95

Extra Heavy Brazos Brown Muslin

Regular 10c grade, while it lasts the yard

5c

FOR THE KIDS

Child's hand bottom panties in excellent grade of rayon, just the thing the kiddies need, the pair

39c

NEW DRESS CREPES

40-inch, new high colors, tans, gold, red, blue—the prettiest ever and the price only, the yard

79c



In This Christmas Sale You'll Find Our Entire Stock of

COATS

And such an assortment to choose from—tailored models, others handsomely trimmed with rich deep furs—black, brown and all the new high colors—just anything you could wish for and all practical.

Group 1 includes all wool tailored coats, some scarf ties, brown and white tweeds, all brand new and in dandy styles, each now

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GIFT HANDKERCHIEFS FOR MEN

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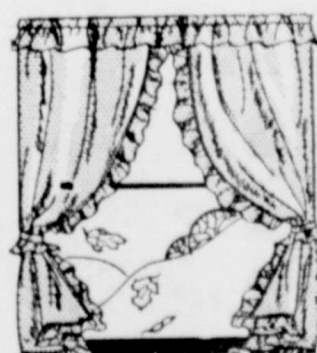
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 11 o'clock, morning worship.
 3 p. m., Young People's Society.
 7 o'clock, evening worship.
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 9:45 a. m., Sunday school, E. K. King, superintendent.
 11:00 a. m., preaching service by pastor.
 6:30 p. m., B. T. S., Ernest Moody, director.
 7:30 p. m., preaching service by pastor.
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 9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
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"Queen Citreanna I"



When the Pageant of Citrus depicts the development of the Lower Rio Grande Valley's \$125,000,000 citrus industry soon, Miss Marguerite Daniel, of Mission, Texas, will be crowned Queen Citreanna I. The coronation will be held during the first annual Texas Citrus Fiesta at Mission.

BETHEL NEWS

Most of the farmers are butchering hogs this week since the weather is ideal for keeping the meat, and they want to finish with work of this nature so they can begin breaking land the first of the year.

J. J. Faulkner and Archie Williams, of Lohn, were guests the past week in the Halley Howell home. Mr. Williams is a brother of Mrs. Howell.
 Mr. and Mrs. David Duke were called to Ballinger Wednesday to the bedside of Mrs. Walter Duke who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the sanitarium. She is reported to be resting well at this time.

Uncle Joe Fletcher, of Mullin, spent the week-end with his daughter, Mrs. Tom Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Greenhill and family spent Sunday in the Tom Paschall home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Halley Howell and children spent the week-end with relatives at Lohn.
 Miss Myrl Crockett left on the early Sunday morning train for Lubbock, where she will visit relatives. She also will visit at Leveland before returning home.

Rev. L. D. Hardt, of Paint Rock, met with his board of stewards here at the Methodist church Friday night when they made plans for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Mead McShan, Mr. and Mrs. Hedrick Shelburne, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bigby and daughters, Misses Mable and Ione, Mrs. Marion Hays, and Tom Crockett attended a church conference at San Angelo Tuesday.

Mrs. Halley Howell and Miss Myrl Crockett were among those who attended a musical program at White Point Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Tullos celebrated their wedding anniversary Sunday with a turkey dinner, inviting a number of their friends

any and all services of this church.
 H. D. MARLIN, Pastor

as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Buck White, of Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. Will Landers, Mr. and Mrs. Mead McShan, and Misses Clara Lange and Earlene Cox.

Mrs. Croch, who spent several months here with her daughter, Mrs. David Duke, has gone to Ft. Worth to spend the winter with a daughter there.

Grandpa Harrison is on the sick list this week; also Mary Ruth, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Duke.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll, of Marie, visited relatives here Friday night. Mrs. W. F. McShan is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. Sylvie, of Brownwood, and she expects to remain there during the Christmas holidays.

Walter Crockett visited relatives at Norton the past week-end.

The Bethel boys' basketball team defeated the Blanton boys, at Bethel, Friday. The score was 17 to 2.

Rev. F. R. Cole filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning and evening. Rev. Meadows, of Abilene, preached Saturday evening.

W. H. Wilde attended the funeral of an aunt at Rowena Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Deibert Davenport, of Ballinger, who formerly lived in this community, are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine boy.

Johnnie Nunley returned home last Wednesday from Petersburg, where he had been employed for some time.

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CREWS NEWS

Illness in various homes caused Sunday school and church services to be not well attended Sunday.

Most of the cotton is gathered and plans for next year's crop are being made.

The Parent-Teacher Association met Tuesday night in a business session. Only a small number were present. Supt. Beard made a strong appeal to the parents to attend and cooperate with the teachers. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, December 20. A program will be rendered at this time and refreshments served.

Claude Mathis had the misfortune to sprain his ankle while playing ball Monday night.

Mrs. Wallace Traylor was dismissed from the hospital Tuesday and returned to her home. She is

Heads Teachers



W. W. Stilwell, superintendent of Texarkana schools, was vice elected president of the Texas State Teachers' association, to serve during the coming year. The election was held at the annual convention at Fort Worth.

reported to be resting well but will be confined to bed for several days.

A number of relatives and friends have visited the sick from this community in the Santa Anna hospital recently. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wilkerson are reported improving.

Mrs. Cordell O'Neal was called to the bedside of her aunt, Mrs. Funtrell, of Glen Cove, Monday. Death was expected momentarily.

R. L. Lucas and Quincy Traylor transacted business in Bronte Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Queen, of Wingate, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. T. White Sunday.

Dewey Wilkerson, of Winters, is spending a short time in our community looking after the business interests of his brother, Leonard Wilkerson, who is in a hospital.

A number from here attended the singing at Ballinger Sunday.

Friends congratulate Miss Alma Phipps on winning first honors in the 4-H Club pantry contest. In addition to the honor large quantities of canned foods will be appreciated by the entire family for many months to come.

Another outstanding work is that of Mrs. J. W. Wood, whose pantry, on inspection, was valued at \$630. The women of the Methodist church will sponsor a bazaar Saturday night. Cakes, pies, candies, etc., will be sold. Also miscellaneous articles, suitable for Christmas gifts will be on sale. An invitation is extended to all to come with a well filled purse and help in a worthy cause.

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Cathedral Gets Throne

POZNAN, Poland, Dec. 8.—The throne of Emperor Wilhelm II, which still stands in his former palace here, has been presented by the president of Poland to Gniezo cathedral. The throne was used when this city was capital of the German province of Pozen.

Girls to Live on Coral Isle

MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 8.—Nearly a hundred Australian grammar school girls will go native—under strict control—on a coral isle off the coast of North Queensland. School lessons will be continued and their attire will be of the scantiest so that they may receive physical benefit from the Australian sun.

To encourage British touring in their country, Swiss hotel keepers have worked out a plan whereby English money stays in England and their attire will to meet Swiss purchases of British goods.

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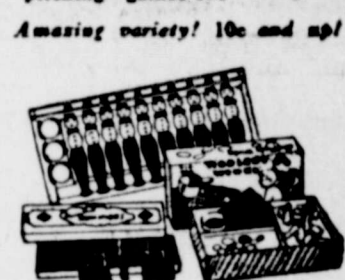
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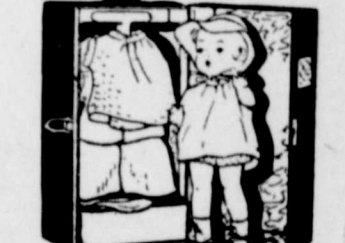
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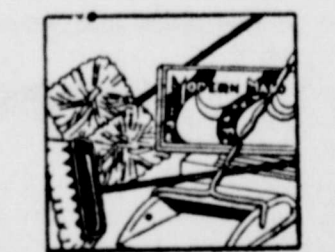


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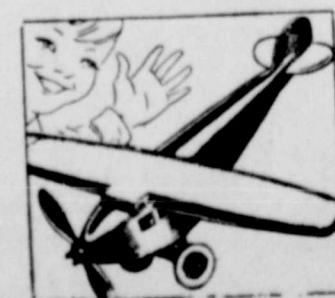


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Professor Reports Rare Art Find

AUSTIN, Dec. 9.—What is regarded by Samuel E. Gideon, associate professor of architectural design and architectural history at the University of Texas, as a rare find in Texas art was made recently, and it has served to again call attention to the world-famous designs that were carved on the doorways of the ancient missions near San Antonio.

"I found on sale in San Antonio shops beautiful photographs of an old painting of the west door of San Jose Mission," Mr. Gideon said. "Thomas Allen was the painter. Upon inquiry I learned that Frederic Chabot, San Antonio's scholarly historian, had run across the original in the Metropolitan Museum of Fine Arts in New York and has asked for permission to photograph it. Thomas Allen was born in St. Louis, in 1849. He studied under Professor Ducker in Dusseldorf, then for three years in France. He exhibited first at the National Academy in 1876. He exhibited in Paris. In 1884 he had a studio in Boston.

"The painting shows the doorway as it was many years ago. It is photographic in its detail and its careful draftsmanship of stone and wood carving makes it a valuable document for the contemplated restoration of its carved and paneled wooden doorways, now hopelessly missing, and the exquisite modeling of its stone details and statues, also now either mutilated or missing. The doors hang loosely upon their shaky hinges and a seated shepherd in cap and zarape patiently tends his flock.

"I was not sure that Mr. Allen had ever been to Texas and I thought perhaps he made the picture from a photograph so I wrote to his widow who lives in the exclusive part of Commonwealth Avenue in Boston. Her letter follows:

"Through the details about the painting of the west door of the Mission of San Jose are meager I shall be glad to give you what information I have: Mr. Allen was graduated from the Royal Academy in Dusseldorf in 1876 and he spent part of the winter of 1878-79 in Texas before returning to France. He painted the picture of the west door of the mission from the actual scene, and likewise his sketches for his large picture of 'The Market Place—San Antonio,' exhibited at the Paris Salon of 1882, were made on the spot. He was attracted to San Antonio as an artist, finding in its picturesque features a wealth of material. One of the best articles about his work is found in 'New England Artists,' by F. T. Robinson, published at Boston in 1888 by Samuel E. Cassino. Opposite page 16 of that book you will find a reproduction of 'The Market Place.'"

"Mr. Allen was a valued member of the board of trustees of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. He was largely instrumental in the organization and development of some of Boston's strongest art clubs and upon his passing, their obituaries were unusual for Boston, but as good as he was, they had to let one know that he was not a 'native son.'"

"No doubt all of Mr. Allen's Texas paintings are beautiful, but I believe that 'The West Door of San Jose,' 'The Market Place' and other of the artist's Texas work would be far more loved and appreciated here in Texas. At San

Juan Capistrano in California, there are some rooms whose walls are hung with paintings of that mission in the restoration, which I hope will be properly done, of our Texas missions—particularly San Jose, may there be space for the showing of good paintings and etchings of San Antonio's historic treasures."

Home made chili, pies, etc., will be served Saturday by the Methodist ladies next door to the Jones Grocery. Eat dinner with them. 9-11

HOW TO AVOID WINTER CAR TROUBLE IS GIVEN

DALLAS, Dec. 9.—"Almost human in their ability to obey the will of their owners, modern motor vehicles also have the human attribute of being susceptible to changes in the weather," a prominent engineer said in warning automobile owners to prepare for winter driving.

"People are warned of the approach of winter and instinctively put on heavier clothing and change their diet to assure their personal comfort and well-being in the cold months ahead," the engineer said. "Our automobiles need the same kind of care and protection, but they cannot provide for themselves. About the only way they can let us know they are suffering from the cold is to refuse to start easily on cold mornings and consume more fuel than they have been in the past summer. They have no way of telling us that their working parts are wearing out and deteriorating rapidly on account of our neglect. When the symptoms appear much harm may already have been done, so the prudent car owner prepares his car for winter driving at the same time he puts away his straw hat and begins to sleep under a blanket.

"With the approach of winter a complete check-up of the motor car is often advisable and certain mechanical adjustments may be necessary.

"A change in the grade of the lubricants used is necessary with the change in the season. For cold weather driving lighter lubricants are recommended by automobile manufacturers in order to avoid excessive wear, difficult steering, hard gear shifting and other evils.

"To adequately prepare the car for winter driving the cooling system should be cleaned and tested for leaks before antifreeze is added, the battery should be tested and it is often advisable to replace the spark plugs. Safety appliances on the car also will be called upon to perform greater service in winter. These include lights, horn, brakes, windshield wipers and steering mechanism. They should be carefully checked and replaced when necessary."

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CLAUD R. STONE, JR. BELIEVED IMPROVING

Word received from C. R. Stone at Temple stated that his son, Claud Jr., was believed to have slightly improved the past several days. The boy, still in a very critical condition, has been in a Temple hospital more than a month. Statements from attending surgeons last week were encouraging, however.

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Buckskin Bowden, Pioneer of West Texas, Tells of "Bad Nell," Noted Woman Outlaw

TAHOKA, Tex., Dec. 9.—Buckskin Bowden, who lived at old Fort Griffin in the hair-raising Poker Jack if he breathed her West Texas years between 1868 and 1880, is back with tales of "Bad Nell" and other bygone figures after an absence of fifty years as a prospector in Colorado and Arizona.

His first entry of West Texas was as a runaway 19-year-old in an ox wagon. His return at 84, gray-bearded and stooped, was in an automobile with a family of cotton pickers. Buckskin's advice to youth is not to run away from home and to be honest.

His bachelor life has taken him to many wild places in the Southwest, but the wildest, he said, was Fort Griffin when "Bad Nell," woman outlaw, "Poker Jack," Nat Buckham and Tol Bowers held sway. The fort was young, the country wild and the times dangerous.

"There were fights every night and killings were pretty common in spite of the soldiers being there," Buckskin recalled. "The soldiers had to keep a heavy guard all the time to keep from getting their horses and supplies stolen. They were afraid to leave the fort except in groups of at least three or four."

"I read in the papers last year about some noted women outlaws—'Calamity Jane,' 'Poker Alice,' Belle Starr and some others. I didn't know these 'ladies' but I knew 'Bad Nell' of Fort Griffin better than any man, I reckon."

"Nell was an outlaw, a thief and a poker player, a good shot with a pistol and as good a horse rider as any man—and she played her game solitaire. Otherwise she was a nice girl morally and had nothing to do with the hundred or more other tough women around the fort. I was her best friend, I guess, and just a casual acquaintance at that."

When Nell came to Old Man Johnson's ranch near the fort in 1876, Bowden said, she dressed as a boy, went under the name of Nell, rode herd all day and bunked in the same room with four men for six months before anyone knew she was a woman.

It was Poker Jack who gave away her secret, when Buckskin and Nell went together to a

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Malmo Intends to Improve Extensively

WASHINGTON, December 9.—Malmo, quiet, but busy seaport town of southern Sweden, announces an extensive city improvement program, including street and highway repairs and construction, that will take five years to complete.

"With the exception of brief periods when European wars have disturbed its shipping, Malmo has been one of the progressive ports of the Scandinavian peninsula for nearly 600 years," says a bulletin from headquarters of the National Geographic Society.

"Situating near the southern tip of Sweden, it was on the route of all shipping from the Baltic to the North Sea, until the completion of a hundred years ago of the Gota Canal, which links Stockholm and Goteburg. In spite of the large volume of commerce diverted from the Oresund, on the shore of which the city is located, Malmo has more than doubled its population in the past half century. It now has more than 110,000 inhabitants.

"Eight railroads link Malmo with the important commercial and industrial centers of Sweden and good highways radiate from its city line to highly productive agricultural areas of southern Sweden. Malmohus Province, of which Malmo is the capital, is one of the most fertile regions of Scandinavia.

"While Malmo's business eye has been focused largely on sea trade in recent decades, many of its inhabitants have found employment in the increasing number of local industries. Railway cars and street cars from Malmo factories are used throughout Sweden, and in many cities and towns. Malmomade gloves, shoes and textiles adorn smart shops. Malmo tobacco manufacturers are popular among Swedish smokers, and Malmo chocolate among the Swedish candy consumers. These articles as well as machinery and iron-foundry products, and agricultural produce from the south-

ern part of the peninsula, also figure in Sweden's volume of exports through the port of Malmo. "The high walls which were built around Malmo in the fourteenth century were demolished in the beginning of the nineteenth century and have now given place to shady promenades and public parks. Portions of the moats have been transformed into canals.

"The progressive spirit of Malmo has permitted few relics of the old city to remain. On the Stortorget (the Great Square) in the old part of the city is the old town hall which was built in 1546, and east of the square rises St. Peter's Gothic Church, which next to the Cathedral at Lund, is the largest church in southern Sweden. It was built in 1319.

"Malmo was a fishing village when it was first mentioned in the middle of the twelfth century. It was called Malmoghe, meaning 'sand bank.' It was a Danish city, ranking next to

Kogehaven (the harbor) in commercial importance until the seventeenth century. The Danish capital lies across the Oresund (seventeen miles) from Malmo, with frequent ferry service connecting the two ports."

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Ballinger, Texas

How Much Past Due Is Your Last Physician's Bill?

It is almost a certainty that if the average family will look in their files of unpaid bills that they will find the one with the oldest dates their physician's and dentist's statement. Why do you pay most of your other accounts before you think of your physician and dentist? It is because you feel that he will not press his claim? If this is the reason do you think it is quite fair?

Your physician and dentist is your friend and real folks treat their friends squarely. Only a friend would leave his family or his snug bed on a winter night to answer a call without complaint. And only a friend would give freely of his time and experience until the crisis was over, without thought of payment.

Your physician and dentist has the same problems that you have. They have an expensive overhead. They must have, to render the service they do. They must meet their bills promptly to retain their credit standing. They must maintain an elaborate library. They must attend special clinics, do special research work, attend post graduate courses. All of these things cost a great deal of money.

Yet they devote themselves almost unreservedly to the needs of others and place their skill and experience at their command on the shortest notice and at any hour.

Such men are entitled to your consideration. The least you can do to show your appreciation for a service whose value can not be measured in money, is to pay your physician and dentist promptly when a statement is rendered.

Treat Your Physician and Dentist Fairly. Pay Your Bill When it is Due!

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Greenwood Service
Station

Believe Taxes to Come in Better

Indications now point to the best tax collections in this county for several years. Offices of the city, school district and county have had better collections up to this time than to the same date last year by more than double and many are inquiring the amount of their taxes.

The city has mailed each property owner a notice informing him of the amount due for this year, to be paid sometime before January 31. A few have misinterpreted the statement as meaning that they owed the amount shown at this time. City officials mailed the statement merely to help property owners and the letter plainly states that it is the amount due for the current year unless otherwise specified in another paragraph of the letter, where there are delinquent taxes which will be due December 31 with interest and penalties remitted.

Here are a few dates that should be remembered by every taxpayer:

The last date for the payment of delinquent taxes, for any year, free of penalties and interest, is December 31, 1932.

The last date for paying taxes for the current year before they are placed on the delinquent list and penalties and interest added, is January 31, 1933.

The last date for paying a poll tax and being issued a receipt entitling holder to vote in any election, is January 31, 1933.

The last date to pay automobile registration fee and receive a license plate without penalty, is January 31, 1933. No motor vehicle will be allowed on the highways without a 1933 number plate after the last day of January, 1933.

When local taxation problems are settled citizens can begin to think about their income tax returns, franchise tax, capital stock tax, and numerous other levies that require the execution of special forms for state and federal departments.

"HOLY POOL" PLUNGE IS REVIVED IN INDIA

MADRAS, India, Dec. 9.—For the first time in seventy years the ceremony of bathing in the "holy pool" at the source of the sacred river Goadaveri at Trimbak, was observed recently. About 175 "holy men" clad only in ashes which they had smeared on their bodies, paraded two miles through the city streets in the early dawn, then lined up at the pool.

At a signal the fakirs plunged into the water, shouting "Har Mahaded," the war cry of the Mahrittas to the God of Destruction. As a result of riot in 1861 over the amount of clothing necessary for participants the government forbade the ceremony.

Permission to observe it again this year was granted in response to a petition, the government stipulating that not more than 175 men take part and that all be back in their monastery by 6 o'clock in the morning.

Collegiate Fads Taboo
COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 9.—Collegiate fads have disappeared from the Ohio State University campus this year because of the "economy wave." Corduroy trousers have been frowned upon, and freakishly painted automobiles are a scarcity.

Calling Cards, printed on short notice. Phone 27, we do the rest



CLEAN

And Ready for
Holiday Festivities

There are places to go and things to see, now that holiday time is here and it will pay to have all your best "bib and tucker" cleaned and ready.

Women's Frocks
Cleaned and Pressed 75c

Men's Suits
Cleaned and Pressed 75c

BIGBY'S
DRY CLEANERS
Phone 63

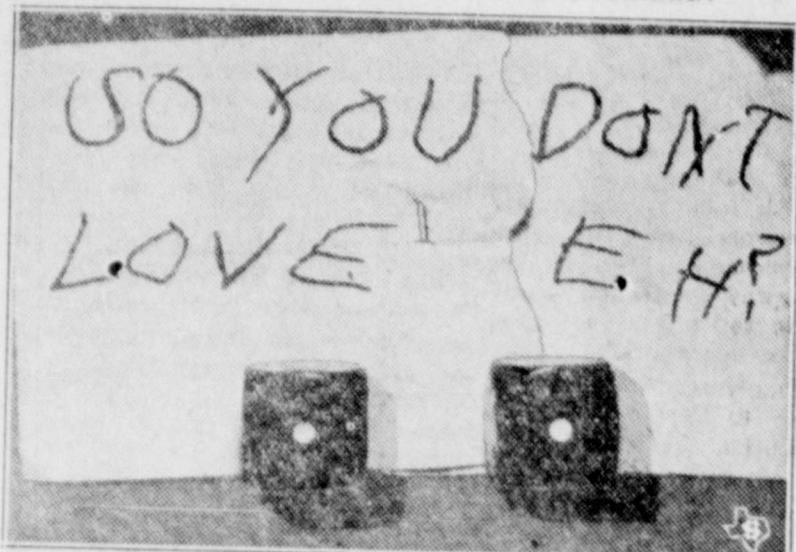
Strangled With Her Silk Stockings



MRS. LEONA BUCHANAN



H. K. BUCHANAN



The frail body of Mrs. Leona Buchanan was laid to rest Sunday, leaving behind one of the most baffling murder mysteries on police records. The pretty 34 year-old film booker was found nude and strangled to death Thursday in her Dallas apartment following a drinking party. Here is the mysteriously worded death note, with the dice which weighed it down beside her when her body was found. Upper left is the murdered woman. Her husband, who rushed to Dallas from Oklahoma when he learned of her death, is shown in upper right.

Weddings

Hamilton-Lewis

Mr. and Mrs. Jess McDonald announce the marriage of their daughter, Omaha, to Dr. Joseph Hamilton at high noon, Friday, December 2. The service was performed at the home of the bride on Eighth Street by Rev. Powers, of Brownwood. Rev. Powers is a long time friend of the groom.

The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hamilton, of Arizona. Mrs. Hamilton attended public school here and the groom is a graduate of the University of Arizona. He has taken medical and chemical courses for the past two and a half years.

Upon returning from San Antonio, Corpus Christi and other points the couple will be at home in Brownwood, where Dr. Hamilton is supervisor of the United States government experiment

station. He is one of Brownwood's leading citizens.

Friends of the couple present for the nuptials included: Mrs. T. A. Rape, Mrs. Carl Black, Rev. Golden, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moody, Mrs. Carl Smith, Mrs. Voelkel, Miss Ida Mae Voelkel, Mrs. W. A. Green, Mrs. R. L. Gripple, Mrs. G. A. Swann, Mrs. Lawrence Grier, Mrs. Lena W. Woodson, Mrs. J. A. Killough, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. McClain, Mrs. J. O. Thompson, all of Ballinger; Miss Ruby Venson, Mr. Pierce, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Lowe, and Dr. Powers, all of Brownwood.

Select your Xmas tree at Sam Behringer's and leave until needed.

During 1931, 282 manufacturers of all kinds and grades of hosiery in the United States made net shipments totalling 50,541,210 dozen pairs.

Buy your printing at home.

An Apology

This paper owes Archie Parr an apology which is gladly made. In reporting an account of court proceedings Tuesday Mr. Parr's name was listed as having paid a fine in county court when the name should have been Archie Reese. The error was unintentional and this apology is to inform readers of The Ledger that Mr. Parr was not in court but was busy at his garage in South Ballinger at the time.

Soon after the paper was issued Tuesday afternoon the mistake was discovered and the editor drove to Mr. Parr's garage to inform him of the error and apologize. After hearing the explanation Mr. Parr stated that it was all right, and to tell the people in the next issue that he had begun flying his airplane again.

Mr. Parr has been studying aviation for the past year or more and for several months has been flying. Recently he witnessed a plane crash at San Angelo and when he returned home declared he would quit flying. Upon reconsideration, however, he decided to continue his study of aeronautics and complete the pilot's course.

An expert mechanic, Mr. Parr has studied all types of motors and engines for many years. Recently he has made quite a success in equipping motor-boats, and won several speed classics in West Texas. He is among the first in Ballinger to take up aviation and study for a pilot's license.

GOAT ATTENDS WEDDING AS AN HONORED GUEST

HASCOMBE, England, Dec. 9.—Billy, the mascot goat presented by King George to the Welch regiment, was a guest at the wedding of Miss Brenda, daughter of Sir John Jarvis, and F. J. W. Williams at St. Peter's here. The bishop of Guildford performed the ceremony.

Billy, with whiskers and horns showing great preparation, marched with the regimental band as it passed under an arch erected for the occasion, and on to church, where he behaved as decorously as any other guest.

Land values in Palestine, coincident with a large population increase, are approximately 50 per cent higher than the price average a decade ago.

Beautiful Fir Christmas Trees, all sizes, just arrived at Sam Behringer's.

"My, but you are hoarse this morning, Mrs. Brown."
"Yes. My husband came home late last night."—Gentlewoman.

"What is your occupation?"
"It isn't an occupation, it's a pursuit. I'm a bill collector."—American Mutual.

duction in South Africa during the previous three years was climaxed with a record output in 1931 of 10,874,145 ounces.



Santa Will Be
Pleased if You
Visit

PERRY BROS.
TOY WORLD

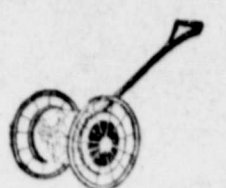
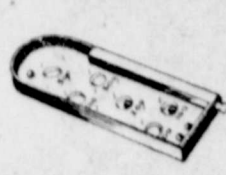
See Him in Person in Ballinger
Friday, December 9

Gifts for Everybody

TOYS FOR THE CHILDREN
LINGERIE FOR MOTHERS AND GIRLS
SHIRTS, SOX AND TIES FOR DAD
AND THE BOYS

Perry Bros.

5c - 10c and 15c STORES
Ballinger



IT'S A PLEASURE

To sit down to a meal you know
you're going to enjoy when you
know it cost you very little.

For Santa Claus Day
And Saturday We
Feature:

SUGAR

Granulated
10-lbs. 43c

ORANGES

Each 1c

APPLES

Dozen 15c

LEMONS

Dozen 12c

SPUDS

7-lbs. 10c

CATSUP

14-oz. Bottle 10c

RAISINS

Sunkist
Package 10c

FLOUR

Red & White
48-lb. Sack 99c

24-lb. Sack 54c

Good Food Costs Less Here

Quality at a fair price has never yet failed to win new patrons and friends to any store. Here you get really delicious, wholesome food at a saving not only in dollars and cents, but in health and pleasure.

Special Attention to Housewives

With Red & White Flour, Mrs. E. M. Lynn, of Ballinger, has for two years won many prizes at the Runnels County Fair. During the last fair she won a total of 5 prizes and used Red & White products entirely.

Ingredients for Fruit Cakes and Pies

We also offer all ingredients for fruit cakes, pies, dressing and other Christmas baking that you may anticipate and want you to investigate what we have to offer before you buy. See our circular for other specials.

SMITH'S

THE RED & WHITE STORES

STORES NO. 1, 2 AND 3 BALLINGER



Greeting Cards

For the Holidays

Now On Display

We are now showing a beautiful line of Greeting Cards for the holiday season which make it possible for you to select just the card you wish to send on this important holiday at moderate cost.

**Make Your Selections Now While
Our Stock is Complete**

Boxes of 25 Cards

Range in Price from

\$1.50 to \$6



Christmas Seals and Tags

2 Boxes for 5c

BALLINGER PRINTING CO.

Christmas Cards

These are highly attractive greeting cards that reflect the true spirit of Christmas. The envelopes are beautifully lined and the cards of wide variety. You will find in our big assortment many new and beautiful designs never before shown. We urge that you make your selections now and not be disappointed.

Want Ads

Rates and Rules

Two cents per word first insertion, no advertisement accepted for less than 25 cents. All subsequent insertions 1 cent per word each insertion.

All classified advertisements must be accompanied by cash unless advertiser has a regular account with the paper.

No classified advertisement accepted on an "until ordered out" basis. The number of times the ad is to run must be specified.

FOR SALE—Part trade; second hand clothing business. J. J. Frederick, 116 South Seventh Street, Ballinger. Phone 288. 9-2t.*

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Narangett Turkey Toms. Large and well marked. For sale cheap. Telephone 7. 9-2t

Beauty Shops

Special—this week—Henna Rinse 9c with Shampoo and Wave Set. Croquignole Permanents \$1.25 to \$3.50. Graduate Operator, 1209 Eighth Street. Phone 163. 1t

FOR RENT—Nice small bungalow, hot and cold water, modern throughout. Possession at once. Phone Joe Huffman. 9-2t

FOR RENT—5 Room House, modern conveniences, close in. Phone 179. 9-3t.*

LOST—Black Gladstone handbag between Ballinger and Norton, containing man's shirts, underwear and other articles. Will pay \$2 reward for return to Ideal Barber Shop. 6-1f

WANTED—Delivery Route Man with car to supply famous line of household goods to steady customers. Must be satisfied with \$27.50 a week to start. Write Albert Mills, Route Mgr., 757 Monmouth, Cincinnati, Ohio. 9-1t*

FOR SALE—Used all faced brick 1c each. Phone 137 or see Dick Ward. 6-3t

Just a Few Closing Out Prices
2-piece Tapestry Living Room Suite \$32.49
All Gas Stoves at Half Price and Less.
Beautiful Walnut finish Bed Room Suites \$39.50
Your choice of any Bed Room Suite \$55.00
L. E. BAIR FURNITURE CO. 9-1t

NORTON WOMAN GIVEN A SURPRISE PARTY

Mrs. W. D. Turner, of Norton, was entertained with a surprise birthday party at the family home Saturday evening, November 26. The occasion was the celebration of her 65th birthday.

Guests began to assemble at 8:30 p. m., but Mrs. Turner had already become suspicious, when just before the first guest arrived "Uncle" White Turner went into another room to don his "Sunday best."

Many useful and beautiful gifts were received by the honoree, among them a large angel food cake with candles given by Mrs. M. D. Turner.

Music was among the main entertainment features and was furnished by White Turner and his stringed band. A number of vocal quartets were also rendered.

Delicious sandwiches, coffee and cocoa were served to about 150 guests. Quite a number of guests were present from Ballinger and Winters. At a late hour all wished Mrs. Turner many more happy birthdays.

BENOIT NEWS

We have been having excellent weather the past week and everyone is making good use of it.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox, and Mr. and Mrs. Arch Brookshier and families visited in the W. T. Hill home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson were guests in the F. E. Clayton home Sunday.

Mrs. W. D. Lewis and daughter were guests of Mrs. S. H. Miller, of Herring Monday.

The Benoit team defeated the Blanton team Tuesday evening in a well attended baseball game. The score was 15 to 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Finley and families, of Ballinger, were dinner guests in the W. D. Lewis home Sunday.

Misses Faye and Leona Hill spent Tuesday night with Miss Edna Brookshier.

Legion Transacts Much Business

Pat Williams Post, American Legion, in a meeting at the city hall Tuesday evening transacted considerable important business among which were plans for handling the Goodfellow fund this Christmas. For the past ten years local Legionnaires have made this a part of their annual program and will again take the lead in the movement.

Pastors of the city will be asked to assist Legionnaires in making a survey of the city at once to determine how many families will need assistance this Christmas and what their wants are. As soon as this is done efforts will be made to secure the amount of money needed and to gather toys and clothing to supplement the cash.

The Ledger was asked to assist in raising the money needed by accepting and acknowledging amounts donated. H. J. Zappe was named chairman of the distribution committee, and with assistants will begin at once to plan delivery of baskets to the poor Christmas eve.

Post members voted to start a membership drive at once and teams commenced solicitations Wednesday morning. Dues are supposed to be in Austin not later than December 31. Sam Behringer, commander, urged that all present members renew immediately so that a good showing could be made to the state department by the first of the new year.

Plans were discussed for the presentation of the annual show on some date in January. The play, already selected, is a farce-comedy in three acts that pictures the modern American family. "A Dollar Down" is the title. Regular members of the Legion cast will enact most of the important roles.

A number of committees were appointed to look after other activities of the post.

Beautiful Fir Christmas Trees, all sizes, just arrived at Sam Behringer's. 6-2t

LEADER EMPLOYEE LOSES SMALL TOE IN ACCIDENT

Walter Atwell, employee at The Ledger office, Thursday morning sustained a painful injury as this edition was being printed. In some way his left foot was caught in the press, resulting in the loss of part of the little toe on the left foot, the fracture of another toe, and bruises on other parts of the foot.

Walter has been with The Ledger for about seven years. As soon as the accident occurred the youth was rushed to the Halley & Love Sanitarium where the foot was dressed and X-ray pictures taken to determine the extent of the injuries.

The latest report from the young man Thursday afternoon was that he was resting fairly well.

MAYTAG AGENCY IS ESTABLISHED IN CITY

H. J. Rogers has accepted the agency for Maytag washers in this territory and will have a show room and general service department in the McGregor Hardware Store. He is getting his show room ready and expects to be open the latter part of this week to greet the public.

Mr. Rogers has all of Runnels county in his territory and will carry parts and service washers at the store here.

To Make Leather From Wool
BRADFORD, England, Dec. 8.—The wool on the sheep's back soon may be the sole of your shoe. A secret process of making artificial leather from raw wool is claimed by the Wool Research Association operating near here.

Odd Texas



Estimate Cotton Crop At 12,727,000 Bales

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eubank, of Menard, are the proud parents of a fine baby girl, born to them Sunday morning. The young lady has been named Ruth Gail. She and her mother are doing nicely. Mr. Eubank is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Eubank, of Ballinger.

TO PRESENT PLAY AT BLANTON FRIDAY EVE

There will be a school play at Blanton school house Friday night, December 9. The small admissions of 5 and 10 cents will be charged. The public is cordially invited.

Buy your printing at home.

The nation's 1932 cotton production estimate made public Thursday morning by the United States department of agriculture was 12,727,000 bales. The forecast made public a month ago was 11,947,000 bales. This is an increase of approximately three-quarters of a million bales.

Cotton prices dropped 20 points immediately following the prediction but had made a slight gain at noon.

Ginning totals for the year were 11,631,351 bales.

Select your Xmas tree at Sam Behringer's and leave until needed. 6-2t

Addition of two members to the small family of United States television stations has brought the total to 27.

Monday Favored as Christmas Holiday

A number of Ballinger firms have signified intentions of closing their business houses Monday, December 26, in observance of Christmas. The announcement by postal officials last week that instructions had been received here to close on Saturday night and remain closed Sunday and Monday has caused business men also to consider Monday the Christmas holiday.

Christmas day has always been observed in Ballinger and this year the 25th falls on Sunday. Clerks who work late Saturday night (Christmas eve) will have little time away from their work if they have to return to the stores Monday morning.

A list probably will be circulated next week to determine the wishes of the business men of the city and if a majority decide to close Monday, publicity will be given the decision so that no one will be inconvenienced by coming here to transact business that day.

A few merchants have stated definitely that they will close Monday regardless of what the rest of the city does. Other nearby West Texas cities have announced that Monday probably will be taken as the Christmas holiday.

J. O. Roots, Former Citizen, Expires

J. O. Roots, national bank examiner and former citizen of Ballinger, died at Austin Wednesday afternoon. Friends here received word Thursday morning announcing his death after a brief illness.

Funeral services will be held and interment made at Sulphur Springs Friday.

At one time Mr. Roots was connected with the First National Bank of Ballinger. He made this city home for several years and had many friends here. Several years ago he accepted a position with the state banking commission and later was employed by the national banking department. Last summer he visited Ballinger and examined the condition of the First National Bank. He had been away from Ballinger since about 1906.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIAL POSTPONED A WEEK

The intermediate Sunday school department social of the Ballinger Baptist Church has been postponed from Friday, December 9, until next week. Full announcement will be made at Sunday school Sunday morning.

Committee

Completion of a highway gap of 15 miles in Peru will herald the first through motor route from Lima, on the Pacific coast, to the forest regions of the Amazon basin.

Friday and Saturday, December 9 and 10 In Ballinger

BREAD

Sliced or Unsliced A-Y Brand LOAF **4c**

Lemons Sunkist Dozen 23c	Onions Yellow, Sweet 5-lbs. 9c
Apples Nice Size, Winesap 2 Dozen 25c	Potatoes Extra Fancy, Even Size, For Baking 10-lbs. 15c

Raisins New Crop, Seedless 15-oz. Package **3 for 25c**
Dates Fancy Bulk 2-lbs. **29c**
Pork & Beans Van Camp's Brand 3 1-lb. Cans **19c**
Baking Powder K. C. Brand 25-oz. Cans Each **19c**
Catsup Stokely's Brand 2 14-oz. Bottles **25c**
Coffee Airway Brand, Always Fresh Lb. **22c**
Sorghum Pure East Texas Syrup No. 10 Pails **43c**
Shortening Swift's Jewel in 4-lb. Cartons 8-lbs. **45c**
FLOUR 48 Pounds **59c**

FOR YOUR Christmas Menu ask for Boler's Bakery Products At Your Grocer

Fluffy Loaf Bread, Rolls, Layer Cakes, Fruit Cakes, Buns, Etc.

Boler's Bakery

"A Home Institution"

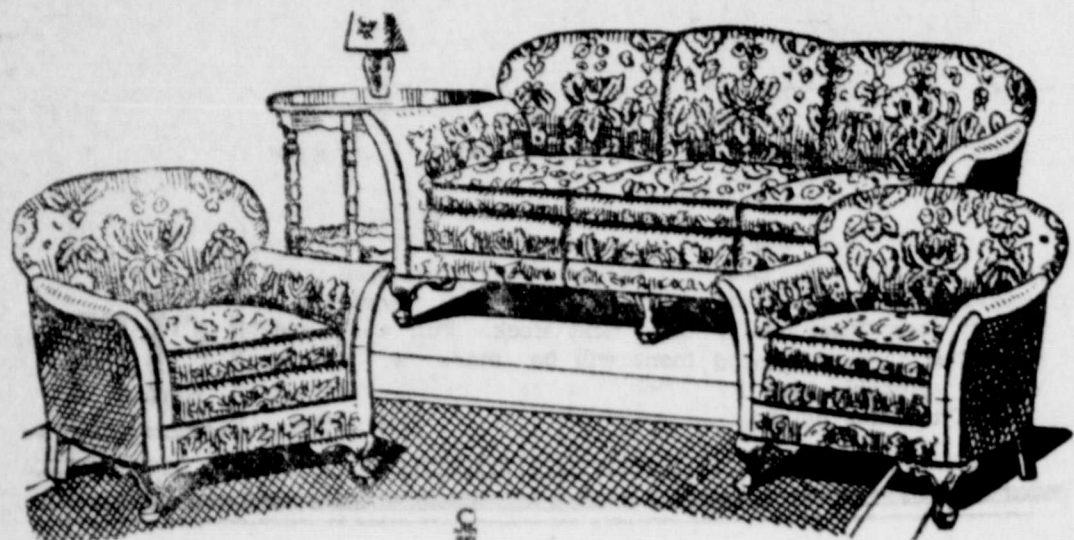
MEATS

Pork Chops Fancy Grain Fed Pork 2-lbs. **25c**
Pot Roast Shoulder Cuts, Baby Beef Lb. **10c**
Bacon Swift's Smoked Lean, Streaked **10c** Pound
Sliced Bacon Sugar Cured, Breakfast 2-lbs. **25c**
Pork Roast Shoulder Cuts, No Shanks Lb. **10c**

GIVE FURNITURE

EVERYONE NEEDS AND WILL APPRECIATE SOMETHING FOR THE HOME

We Make it Possible and Economical for You to Do So



Buy today, a beautiful upholstered suite in lovely jacquard materials—deep luxurious reversible cushions—truly this would be a gift supreme—and the price is only

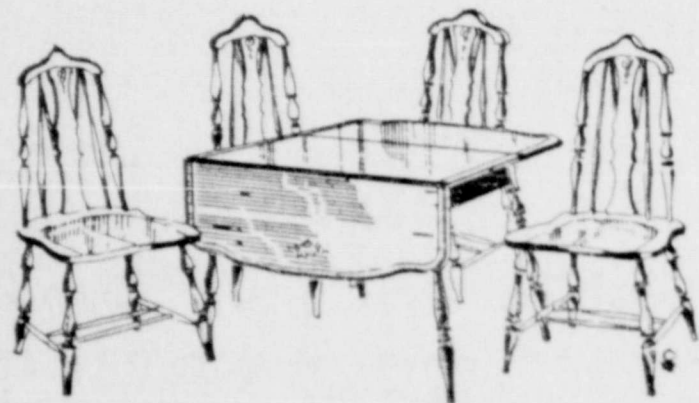
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Several Carloads of Furniture Just Received from Distressed Makers Gives Us the Latest Styles—Best Merchandise—and the Most Astonishing Values We Have Ever Offered.



Cash On the Barrel Head Turned the Trick—Savings are Yours! Select Now for Christmas Giving—We Will Hold for You. Terms May be Arranged at No Advance in Price. Give Furniture—the Practical Gift—the Lasting Gift—the Gift of Pleasure and Usefulness and During this Sale Especially an Economical Gift.

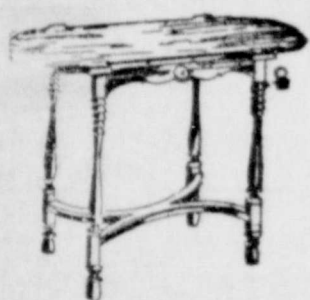
Added Attractions--Add Values to Our 50th Anniversary Sale



Breakfast Sets

At Our new Low Prices it won't cost you much to give one of our Breakfast Room Suites. We are showing them in Ivory and Green priced for Christmas selling as low as

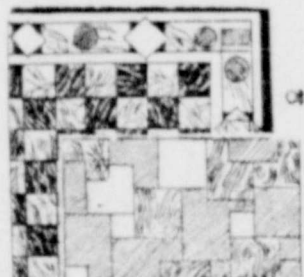
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End Tables

And Other Odds and Ends—all suitable for Christmas Giving—

\$1.95 and up



Linoleum Rugs

Complete stock Linoleum and Congoleum, 6 foot wide. As low in price as, per yard

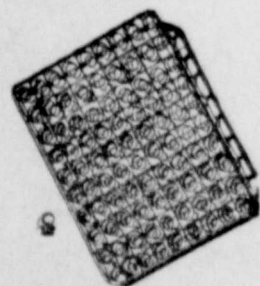
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Selling 9x12' Gold Seal Congoleum Rugs at

\$7.95

And 9x12 feet Felt Base Rugs, at the low price of

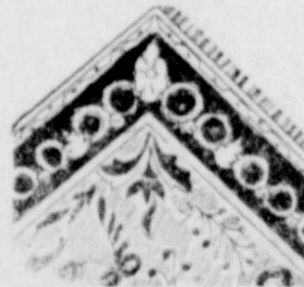
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Bed Springs

Variety shown. Every possible need here—from the heaviest to the lighter. Priced as low as

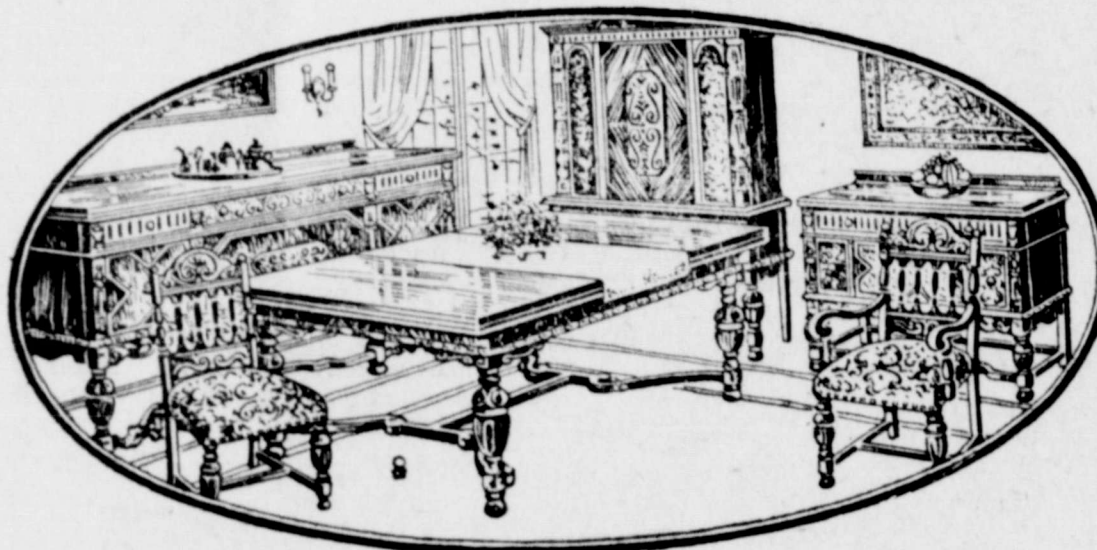
\$3.95



Axminster Rugs

Ideal Christmas Presents—Selling 9x12 foot Wool Rugs as low as

\$12.50



Dining Room Suite

The Dining Room

Economy prevails here! Nowhere else can you find a more complete showing of lovely dining room furniture, and our prices have been scaled down to the lowest point. Suites priced as low as

\$39.95



4-Piece Bed Room Suite

4-piece walnut veneer. Bed not exact picture, but similar. Suite consists of 4-poster bed, French table, top vanity, vanity bench to match and chest of 4 drawers

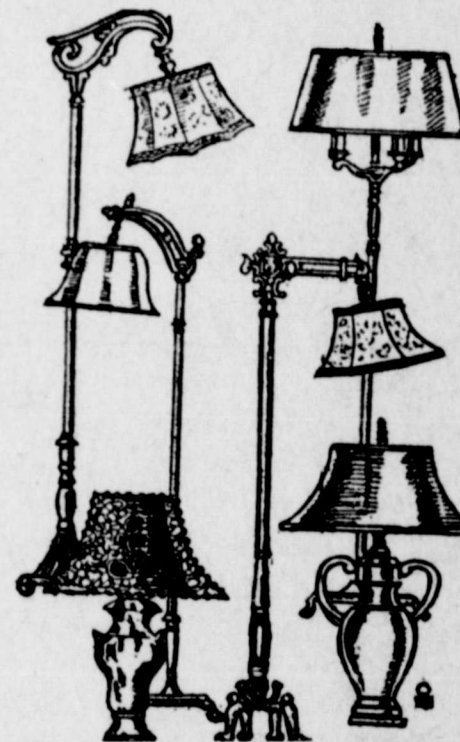
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Luxurious Bed Room Suite

Outstanding Value 37.95

4-piece bed room suite in walnut finish with the massive 4-poster bed, chest of drawers, bench and vanity. A very new and decidedly popular suite and at a very low Golden Jubilee price

\$37.95



Gift Lamps

Appropriate—Economical for Christmas Giving!

Showing an endless variety to select from. Lovely Table Lamps—the popular Bridge or Floor Lamps—one to three lights—and the loveliest of Parchment Shades. Priced as low as

\$2.45

Aladdin Lamp

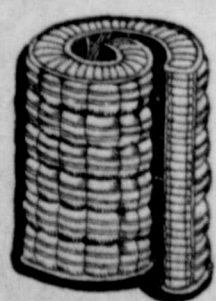
Over the radio—through magazines—from users—everywhere—you learn of the wonders of the Aladdin Coal Oil Lamp. All that you hear of it is even so—a sun-bright light with common kerosene oil—and our New Low Price is only about Half former prices

\$6.50

Kitchen Cabinet

Many New Styles Selling Kitchen Cabinets—choice of green, trimmed in ivory, and ivory trimmed in green—extension porcelain top—a big value and you will be pleased with them

\$22.75



One Third of Your Life is Spent in Bed! How is Your Mattress?

All cotton, roll edge mattress, beautiful art tick, assorted colors, weight 45-lbs. Golden Jubilee price

\$3.95



Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

Ballinger, Texas