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Runnels Road Contract to Be Made Jan. 21

The contract for the building of the first part of Highway No. 30 will be let at Austin by the highway commission on January 21, according to advices received here Tuesday. The first contract will be for the building of the cement road from Ballinger to one mile north of Hatchel and actual construction will begin in the early spring or as soon as freezing weather is over. The time for completion is 100 working days.

This is a record for quick action and breaks all time records in the state for awarding of a contract from the time the election was voted.

Last September 1 the southern two-thirds of Runnels, with Ballinger as the hub, voted $525,000 for paving Highways No. 30 and 23, less $47,000 for refunding warrants, leaving $478,000 net.

At the coming session of the State Highway Commission, January 21-22 a $240,000 contract, approximately, will be awarded for construction of concrete pavement on the first stretch of the No. 30 project, extending from Ballinger 9 1-2 miles northward to the south line of the Winters road district, which is a point about 1 1-2 miles north of Hatchel.

Grades and drainage structures on No. 30 through Runnels county were completed several years ago, and nothing remains on this two-for-one project in the Ballinger district except to lay the pavement. It is both a state and federal road. Somewhat later a contract will be let for the southern end from Ballinger to Tom Green county line, 1[illegible] miles, to connect with the Tom Green pavement, now in construction.

The pavement on No. 23, macadam-asphalt, will be laid from the Coleman county line 15 1-2 miles to Ballinger, and from Ballinger 12 miles to the Concho county line. Grades and drainage structures are partly completed only, so this job will be later than No. 30. It is also federal and state, the Ballinger district to pay only one-third the cost.

House to Block Appropriations

(By International News Service)

AUSTIN, Jan. 9.—Any attempt to pass the appropriations bills at this session will be defeated by a bloc of the house members, it was disclosed today. This announcement was made by Representative Holder of Dallas county.

Northcott Jury About Complete

RIVERSIDE, Jan. 9.—The jury to try Gordon Stewart Northcott for the alleged murder of three youths on his chicken ranch near here, is expected to be completed today.

More Schools Closed Tuesday

Two more schools in the county were closed Tuesday on account of the influenza epidemic, according to information received from the county superintendent's office.

The school at Bethel closed and will not open again until January 20 and the Hagan school closed until January 16. At Bethel there is reported to be a number of cases of measles and other forms of sickness other than flu, while at Hagan the report stated that practically every family was affected.

The closing of these two schools brings the total of inactive schools in this county to four, two others having been closed on account of the spread of the influenza epidemic.

Murdered Saw Mental Pictures In Palm of Hand

(By International News Service)

YORK, Penn., Jan. 9.—John Blymyer, "pow pow doctor" on trial for the murder of Nelson D. Rehmeyer, say mental photographs of the man he killed in the palm of his hand for years, was the testimony today by Dr. Dulius Conroe of New York. Dr. Conroe said that the vision affected the man's health. "Blymyer had a fixed idea that he was being persecuted," the doctor said.

Blymyer and two companions, Wilbert Hess and John Curry, bludgeoned "The Witch" to death and burned him.

Indian Affairs Will be Probed

(By International News Service)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The senate Indian affairs commitee today planned to launch an investigation to learn why the grand jury investigation of the Jackson Bennett case was held up last summer. Charles B. Selby, special assistant to the attorney general in Oklahoma City, has charged that the probe was halted, as he planned an investigation that would lead to the indictment of Indian Commissioner Burke and others for fraud.

Geo. Epple of Kerrville, division commander of the American Legion, and actively in charge of the western part of Texas, was here Tuesday conferring with Legion officials.

Henry Yancey and wife have been visiting his parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Yancey.

Make more of what you have, and you cannot envy those who have more.

Clarence Smith Shot to Death; Plumber and Brother are Held

(By International News Service)

FORT WORTH, Jan. 9.—M. C. Smith, age 32, died in a hospital here today from gunshot wounds in the head. He was found wounded in a vacant house in which two pistols had been discharged.

FORT WORTH, Jan. 9.—John Y. Bain, age 30, a plumber, was arrested today in connection with the death of M. C. Smith, who was found mortally wounded in a vacant house here today. Bain's brother-in-law, Howard O. Hammett, is also being held pending an investigation by the district attorney's office.

The circumstances surrounding Smith's death is tangled by the finding of two pistols in the house where he was found wounded. Three shots had been fired from each but only one shot had taken effect. It pierced Smith's head from the left according to the investigators. The investigation led to the arrest of Bain.

Clarence Smith is the son of Mrs. M. C. Smith of this city and was reared to manhood in Ballinger. His many friends were thrown into gloom today when the news of his death reached Ballinger in a telephone message from Fort Worth.

No particulars were obtainable here Wednesday afternoon other than those given above.

Clarence has been making Fort Worth his home for several years. He was married there several years ago and has been employed since finishing school.

No funeral arrangements had been perfected Wednesday afternoon and it was not known whether his body would be returned here or buried in Fort Worth.

His mother, Mrs. M. C. Smith,

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Population Shows Interesting Gain

The report of the population of Ballinger on January 1, 1929, has brought forth many interesting discussions from many people. The figures of the number of people here was no surprise as the population was expected to hit the 5000 mark. The correct count missed the mark only 19 people. If Hillcrest alone could have been included in the city limits the number would have gone over the mark of 5000.

Another interesting feature to the report was the increase in families since 1920. At that time the federal census gave Ballinger 665 families and the new estimate placed that number at 1197. This seems high until it is taken into consideration the amount of new homes that have been built in the last two years alone. It will also be remembered that in 1920 when the federal census was taken, there were many business houses and many more dwellings in Ballinger empty. These houses are all occupied now and several hundred new homes have been built and today they are filled and in many homes are found two or more families.

According to the report there are only 21 more women in Ballinger than men. This same ratio runs true through all the ages and from the 10-year period on up the males and females run about even.

One-half of the entire population of the town is working for gain.

A courageous mind puts the "hop" in hope.

Flu On Increase In the South

(By International News Service)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Influenza showed a rapid jump in the Southern states and a gradual increase in New England for the week ending January 5, the public health service announced today.

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New Air Route To South America

(By International News Service)

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 9.—Eleven Central and South American nations are linked with the United States by rail, passenger and air service today. The inauguration of the first American international air service was begun today with high government officials and noted fliers attending.

Navy Dirigible Off for Florida

(By International News Service)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The navy dirigible Los Angeles, was six miles south of Wilmington, N. C., at noon today, Lieutenant Commander Rosendahl messaged the navy department that the ship was en route to Miami, Fla.

TOBACCO MAGNATE IS BURIED AT DURHAM

(By International News Service)

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—The body of Benjamin N. Duke, multimillionaire tobacco magnate, who died yesterday, will be taken to Durham in a hearse today for burial.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Skinner returned home Tuesday from Edinburg where they have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. Geo. McCulley.

Clemency Denied Angelo Murderer

(By International News Service)

AUSTIN, Jan. 9.—No clemency will be extended to Newton Byrnes who is awaiting electrocution at Huntsville Friday, for the brutal murder of 12-year-old Myrna Juergen, her mother and grandmother at their home in San Angelo. This action was announced today by Governor Moody.

Conference Will Talk Democracy

(By International News Service)

ALBANY, Jan. 9.—A conference between John J. Raskob, democratic national chairman and Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, will be held here soon it was stated today. "We expect to discuss the democratic party," Governor Roosevelt said.

Senate Settled For Bitter Fight

(By International News Service)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—All attempts at a compromise were swept aside and the senate settled down to a finish fight over the unconditional ratification of the Kellogg pact. Senator Blaine of Wisconsin launched a bitter attack on the treaty.

Mellon Likely to Remain In Cabinet

(By International News Service)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Herbert Hoover has apparently made a decision to keep Mellon in the cabinet, it was learned today. While no decision has been announced by Hoover in regard to Mellon, the retention of Mellon is regarded here as a settled thing.

Leaves $50,000 To Family Dog

(By International News Service)

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 9.—Miss Winnie M. Hoover, who recently died, left $50,000 to her dog "Dick" under the terms of the will filed for probate today. The will is likely to be contested by relatives.

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Court Reverses Criminal Case

(By International News Service)

AUSTIN, Jan. 9.—Because of an error by the trial court, the court of criminal appeals today reversed and remanded the case of Adam Bazan of San Antonio, who was sentenced to death in the electric chair in connection with the slaying of Antonio Garcia in 1923.

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Mass Meeting Thursday at 3:00 To Discuss Three Bond Issues

A mass meeting has been called for Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Queen Theatre by the citizens' committee at which time the three bond issues to be voted upon on January 15 will be discussed. O. L. Parish, chairman of the committee, will preside at the meeting and every phase of the three issues will be analyzed and all questions answered.

The citizens' committee, composed of O. L. Parish, C. P. Shepherd, Will Doose, F. M. Pearce and H. W. Lynn, met with the city commission Tuesday afternoon at the city hall together with a large number of others and went into the three issues in every detail. The committee endorsed the projects now before the voters and will start an active campaign to give the voters the facts relative to each issue.

It is the desire of the committee to get a large hearing to the mass meeting Thursday so that an educational program may be carried on and the public informed regarding the costs, the benefits and the exact work that is calculated to be done.

City Secretary J. R. Lusk Tuesday gave a complete outline of the three issues to be voted upon to the meeting at the city hall. He went into the water situation first and explained the location of the dam, the amount of water that the new lake would impound and the additional extension of the distributing system together with the new $250,000 water tank. Engineer Davis went into details regarding the new lake and showed maps disclosing the amount of masonry required to be added to the present lower dam, the amount of dirt embankment additional to create a lake approximately four and one-half times the size of the present water supply.

The need of the city was discussed at length and from many angles. The proposition was discussed from a civic standpoint and the majority of those present signified that they would vote for the issue if for no other reason. It was pointed out that the city's business in a large measure was unprotected on account of equipment. Delinquent tax records are unprotected, ordinances are without proper fireproof protection, and many other important documents are being stored on tables and in boxes without any protection from fire, theft and wear.

The biggest fact brought out to the meeting was that in the event all three issues were carried the tax rate would not exceed $1.30 on the $100 valuation to take care of the entire amount. This would be a 6 cent raise over the present tax rate. In the event that the city valuations increase, that rate might be reduced and still care for the issues.

With these issues voted and a new fire truck of 750 gallons capacity purchased the saving on insurance would be greater to the people of Ballinger than the entire raise in taxes would amount to. It is possible to save as much as 18 cents on the present key rate in the city which would amount to far more than the additional tax of 6 cents on the $100 valuation.

Elsewhere in today's Ledger appears a story arranged by City Engineer Davis in regard to the proposed improvements which will give all the facts and cost of the issues involved. Citizens are requested to study this article and attend the citizens' committee mass meeting and ask questions on any part of the report that they desire further information upon.

The citizens' committee appointed to serve with the city commission does not just mean putting over the bond issue, but they will also serve in an advisory capacity until the jobs are completed in case they are voted.

Mass Meeting Tomorrow

3:00 p. m. o'Clock

Queen Theatre

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Federal officers made another raid in San Angelo Tuesday in carrying out enforcement of prohibition.

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The rain Tuesday night should help purify the air and destroy some of the disease germs that are so numerous at present. The light rain was pretty general over this section of the country.

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The Runnels county cotton crop is not all out yet and some pickers are still working in the fields. Some cotton men estimate that it will require two more weeks of good weather to finish gathering the 1928 crop.

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Schools closing in the county indicates that the spread of sickness is greater than has been estimated. Closing schools will do no good unless other gatherings are also stopped and people stay at home and out of crowds.

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The park movement recently started in Ballinger by local service clubs has died down and not much has been heard of the plans recently. With the approach of spring will be a good time to revive the interest in making here a city park and getting the trees and flowers out and started to growing. The proposed location of the nark, near the upper dam, will be made better in case the bond issue now before the people carries. It will place a large lake within a short distance of the park and will make the irrigation of trees and shrubs an easy matter.

Heavily Loaded Truck Turtles

A truck belonging to the Taylor Trucking Company of Dallas, loaded with 54 cylinders of acetylene welding gas, was overturned at the intersection of Broadway and Hutchings Avenue in front of the courthouse at about 3:30 Wednesday afternoon without any serious results to the driver or the truck.

It seems that the truck, when the driver attempted to make the turn to the left, was overbalanced by the trailer and the heavy cylinders were strewn over the courthouse lawn. It was said that faulty brakes were to blame for the truck not being brought to a slower speed when the corner was turned.

Quite a crowd gathered around the scene of the accident and in a few minutes a companion truck was brought into action and the one in distress was righted and reloaded.

R. K. Brynat, Stamford, driver of the truck, stated that he lost control of the big vehicle as it came down the Broadway hill and that he could not check the speed of it because of faulty brakes. He was none the worse after the accident and the truck was only slightly damaged. The welding gas is being trucked from Dallas to Barnhart where the Schell Pipe Line Company is constructing feeder lines to the West Texas oil fields.

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Opportunity for Boys is Offered

Charles H. Dobbs, captain of the National Guard is in receipt of a telegram from Congressman Blanton at Abilene, which has reference to examinations for entrance into the military academy at Annapolis on March 22. The telegram follows:

Abilene, Texas.
10:37A, Jan. 9, 1929.
Charles H. Dobbs,
Ballinger, Tex.

To aid me in making three appointments to Annapolis I am having civil service hold competitive examination here Saturday. Have applicants mentioned apply to me immediately and will give them authority to take examination.

BLANTON,
Congressman.

A classified ad in The Daily Ledger will get results.

Clarence Smith—

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has just recently recovered from a severe case of influenza and the news of the death was a blow to her. She was reported to be suffering from the shock late Wednesday and it had not been determined whether she would attempt the trip to Fort Worth.

MAINE RAISES $15,000 TO INSTITUTE STUDY OF STATE POWER RESOURCES IN 1929

(By International News Service)

BANGOR, Me., Jan. 9.—Governor Ralph O. Brewster, of Maine and his council have made available the sum of $15,000 for the use of the Maine Development Commission to undertake a "fact finding" survey of the power resources of Maine, for utilization of the next legislature, according to announcement by Clarence C. Stetson, chairman of the commission.

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75c	By Gid Tanner and His Skillet Lickers	
15321	Shelby Disaster—Vocal, Guitar Accomp.	Dan Hornsby
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RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts		$419,807.35
School Warrants		7,395.60
Overdrafts		1,506.33
Banking House		25,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures		5,932.70
Other Real Estate		7,817.90
Interest Guaranty Fund		2,349.50
Cash and due from Banks	$184,904.50	
Bankers' Acceptances and Commercial Paper	203,805.75	
Bills of Exchange (Cotton)	35,167.72	423,877.97
		$893,687.35

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits, net	43,675.46
Deposits	729,818.52
Cashier's Checks	6,642.78
Dividends Unpaid	10,000.00
Reserved for Taxes and Contingencies	3,550.59
	$893,687.35

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at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1928, published in The Ballinger Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 9th day of January, 1929.

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts, undoubtedly good on personal or collateral security	$591,121.45
Loans secured by real estate, worth at least twice the amount loaned thereon	32,491.65
Overdrafts, undoubtedly good	1,506.33
Bonds, stocks and other securities	7,395.60
Real Estate (Banking House)	25,000.00
Other Real Estate	7,817.90
Furniture and Fixtures	5,932.70
Cash on hand	39,024.65
Due from approved reserve agents	132,631.88
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand	12,386.93
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	2,349.50
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange, undoubtedly good	35,167.72
Other Resources: Misc. Collections	861.04
Total	$893,687.35

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock		$100,000.00
Other Surplus Fund		43,500.00
Undivided profits, net		175.46
Dividends unpaid		10,000.00
Due to banks and bankers, subjcet to check		8,160.90
Individual Deposits, subject to check		502,391.14
Time Certificates of Deposit		78,516.80
Public Funds on Deposit: State $..... City $..... County $140,547.99 City $ 201.69	Total	140,749.68
Cashier's Checks Outstanding		6,642.78
Other Liabilities: Reserved for Taxes and Contingencies		3,550.59
Total		$893,687.35

STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF RUNNELS,

We, G. G. Odom, as President and J. L. Chastain, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

G. G. Odom, President.
J. L. Chastain, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of January, A. D. 1929.

(SEAL) Estes M. Lynn, Notary Public, Runnels County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
Fred Kiechle, J. F. Currie, J. A. Zak, Directors.

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Bankers' Acceptances and Commercial Paper	203,805.75	
Bills of Exchange (Cotton)	35,167.72	423,877.97
		$893,687.35

LIABILITIES

	$756,132.44
Capital Stock	$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits, (net)	43,675.46
Deposits	729,818.52
Cashier's Checks	6,642.78
Dividends Unpaid	10,000.00
Reserved for Taxes and Contingencies	3,550.59
	$893,687.35

City Engineer's Report On Coming Bond Issues

Honorable City Commission and Citizens Committee,
City of Ballinger, Texas.
Gentlemen:-

I hand you herewith an estimated cost of the proposed improvements to the present City of Ballinger water system and a summary of the city hall bonds and funding bond issues as they appear to me.

The estimated cost of the water system is based on raising the water level of the lower reservoir to the level of upper reservoir, which will impound about 366 acre feet of water in the lower reservoir instead of about 75 acre feet as is now the case. This will increase the available water supply by about five times which will, in my opinion, be ample for the next few years. The dam site selected is the site of the present lower dam and was selected after making a survey of Elm Creek from the Abilene & Southern railway track to the present upper dam. The site selected is by far the best location on the creek within the survey by reason of the fact that the formation required to bear the weight of the dam is at a much higher elevation at this particular point than it is at any other point within the survey. Insofar as the masonary part of the dam, which will be used as a spillway, is by far the most expensive part of the dam can be built at this particular location for about $15,000.00 less than at any other point, I would think that the present dam should be extended and enlarged to such an extent that we may impound the necessary amount of water. The dam to be built will be so built that we may at any time increase its height, thereby increasing the water supply with very little extra cost. The earthen embankment on each side of the masonary spillway will be about 12 to 14 feet higher than the spillway, which will take care of the run off on the watershed for a six-inch rain within 24 hours without endangering the earth work. Should the dam be moved up the creek it will be necessary to pipe the water down to the pumping station at a cost of approximately $10,000.00 per mile. The watershed of Elm Creek down to the proposed dam site is approximately 460 square miles which will in my opinion furnish any amount of water that the city will ever care to impound.

The extensions to the distributing system will be so planned that they will meet the requirements of the State Fire Insurance Commission and will be submitted to and approved by them before they are installed. This installation will result in a reduction of the key rate for the city which we think will be about 12 cents on the $100.00 in the insurance policies of the various insurance policy holders within the City of Ballinger.

The estimated quantities and approximate costs are as follows:

3,500 cubic yards earth embankment	@	$ .40	$ 14,000.00
2,000 cubic yards earth excavation	@	.40	800.00
400 cubic yards rock excavation	@	2.00	800.00
3,000 cubic yards rock masonry	@	8.00	24,000.00
2 pumping units			2,000.00
1,050 lineal feet 15" vit. pipe	@	1.50	1,575.00
9,710 lineal feet 8" cast iron pipe	@	1.60	15,536.00
18,200 lineal feet 6" cast iron pipe	@	1.20	21,840.00
Cast iron pipe fittings			1,200.00
Fire hydrants and connections			3,000.00
14 8" valves	@	35.00	490.00
30 6" valves	@	21.00	630.00
1 250,000 gallon elevated tank			14,000.00
175 acres of land			10,129.00
Total			**$110,000.00**

City Hall

The proposed $35,000.00 bond issue for a city hall will build a two-story, modern, fire-proof building large enough to house the fire department and city offices for some time to come. This statement is based on the cost of the city halls and fire stations at Brady and Coleman both of which were built for less than $35,000.00 each and the further fact that two firms of architects have said that the city could construct such a building and furnish it within the amount of the proposed bond issue.

The city is at the present time penalized one cent in its key rate for not having a reserve pumper of 500 gallons per minute in its fire department. The present fire station and home of the fireman will not take care of such a truck should the city buy one and it will cost the city approximately $10,000.00 to build a fire station alone to take care of the present equipment and a new truck and provide living quarters for the fireman. This would leave a balance of cost of $25,000.00 that would be directly chargeable to the city hall or home of the city which does not seem large for a $3,000,000 corporation.

Should the city decide to buy a 750-gallon per minute pumper instead of a 500-gallon per minute machine it will get a further reduction of 2 per cent of its total key rate. The city has on hand at this time a number of records among which is the delinquent tax roll, which are of no little value to the city and at the present time these records are in the city hall unprotected from fire. I venture to say that there is not another business in the city which is compelled to handle its records in such a way. Outside of being a matter of civic pride it seems that the present condition of city records should warrant the expenditure of the money necessary to build a suitable place to take care ofthese records.

Funding Bonds

The proposed funding bond issue is in the amount of $42,500.00 to be paid over a period of 40 years. These bonds are at 5 per cent interest and are to retire a like amount of outstanding warrants which bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent. This issue will not change the total bonded indebtedness of the city in any amount but will scatter the payments over a period of 40 years at 5 per cent interest instead of over a period of 28 years at 6 per cent. This change will make it possible for the city to go into any other project that might come up within the next year or more. The above mentioned warrants are paving warrants and are being held by the owner, as stipulated at the time of sale, pending the outcome of this election, after which, if successful he will take 5 per cent bonds instead of 6 per cent warrants, otherwise he is at liberty to sell or hold them as he may so desire.

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Mrs. M. E. Yancey of Maud, Okla., daughter-in-law of Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Yancey, is in the Trinity Hospital at Little Rock, Ark., and underwent a very serious operation. Her friends here will be glad to learn she is doing very nicely.

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ROTARY CLUB HEARS BOND ISSUE DISCUSSED

The Ballinger Rotary Club in the mid-week luncheon Wednesday listened to speakers on the coming bond issues for the enlargement of the water system, the city hall and the retirement of warrants. The speakers did not talk in a persuasive manner but simply presented the vital facts concerning the issue so that their members might understand the different issues.

R. T. Williams was the speaker on the regular program and talked to the club on "How I Should Treat My Employes." This was the fifth vocational program of the year and Mr. Williams brought out many good points for the consideration of any man at the head of a business.

Be wise and advertise.

Miami to Have 51-Day Winter Race Meeting

(By International News Service)

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 9.—After a lapse of a year, racing is coming back to Miami this winter. Under the auspices of the Miami Jockey Club, the Hialeah track will be operated for 51 days of racing, beginning January 17.

Three months ago it appeared that Miami would be without racing for another season. But the merchants got together and petitioned the jockey club to throw open its gates.

The club willingly complied with the request despite the fact that without the operation of mutuels it cannot and does not expect to reap any profits.

Immediately following the announcement that racing would be resumed, a citizens advisory board was formed to aid in promoting the meeting. This committee of 45 is headed by H. H. Mase, a prominent hotel owner.

The meeting promises to be one of the most interesting ever held in the southland. Already there are 250 horses stabled at the Hialeah course awaiting the starter's gun. At least 500 more horses are expected to be here by inaugural day.

Horses will be entered from such well known stables as those of Harry Payne Whitney, R. T. Wilson, W. J. Salmon, Bud Fisher, Frank M. Bray, Thomas R. Queen, W. A. Crawford, Willie Travers, A. W. Wentzel, Mrs. A. W. Harriman, Bob Odom, W. E. Caskey, Jr., George D. Widened, P. T. Chinn, Willis Sharpe Kilmer, J. E. Madden, Max Hirsch, W. B. Mitchell, J. F. Richardson, Audley Farm Stable, Bell Isle Stable, Jim Arthur, and John Oliver Keene. Incidentally, Keene's stable will include the crack colt, Jean Valjean.

The stake program for the season is an attractive one and includes seven good events, the Florida Derby, with $10,000 added, being the stellar attraction.

The Hialeah track, despite its season of disuse, is in fine condition and remains one of the most beautiful racing plants in the country.

Dr. B. L. Hill, Magnetic Masseur at West Hotel. Consultations free. Phone 434. 7-6d-1w

100,000 ACRES FOR GREEN MOUNTAINS FOREST SITE

(By International News Service)

BURLINGTON, Vt., Jan. 9.—A 100,000 acre tract of forest land situated among the higher peaks of the Green Mountains in this state, will be set aside by the Federal government as a national forest preservation, according to announcement by Senator Henry W. Keyes, of New Hampshire, member of the 376,000 acre tract charted out as the "Green Mountain Purchase Unit."

This action followed the acquisition of some 23,000 acres comprising the so-called Waterville tract of the White Mountain National Forest in New Hampshire.

The section to be acquired is located where the four counties of Windsor, Windham, Bennington and Rutland meet. The purchase was made possible under the Weeks Act, which was sponsored by the former Massachusetts senator, under which the federal government is enabled to protect the watersheds of navigable rivers. The streams having their sources in these forests feed the Hudson and Connecticut rivers.

At the recent New England conference at Portland, Me., the Vermont delegation passed a resolution urging the establishment of a federal forest purchase unit in Vermont.

In Connecticut, the policy of expansion for the state forest and park system has been continued with the acquisition of 160 additional acres of the "Sleeping Giant State Park" at Mount Carmel in Hampden, Conn.

This will increase the acreage in this state, making it the fourth largest in the state system.

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CAMBRIDGE AND HARVARD DICKER ON REAL ESTATE

(By International News Service)

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 9.—Mayor Edward J. Quinn of Cambridge has been carrying on negotiations with Harvard College authorities in connection with a "swap" in real estate.

The city of Cambridge would like to have the site of the old Germanic museum for a fire station and this site is owned by Harvard. On the other hand there is a piece of "common ground" at Holmes Place and Cambridge Street, which Harvard would just as soon have as the Germanic museum site.

It is reported that the "swap" has been arranged and now needs only the approval of the Cambridge city council authorities.

El Paso—A new $25,000 hangar will be erected and a municipal airport and aviation school established in this city in the near future.

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Ballinger Council No 122
Regular stated meetings held on 2nd Friday in each month
Members requested to attend
Visiting companions cordially invited.
J. McGregor, Secy. **Noel Penn, H. P.**

Ballinger Lodge No. 643
A. F. & A. M.
Regular Stated Meetings On Second Tuesday of Each Month.
Visiting Brothers Invited.
W. B. Halley, Secy. **Noel Penn, W. M.**

O. E. S.
Ballinger Chapter No. 266
Order of Eastern Star
Regular meetings Second Monday in each month at 7:30 p. m.
All members urged to attend. Visitors always welcome.
GRIFFIE ATKINS, W. M.
IONE TEAGUE, Secretary.

Charter No. 5533 Reserve District No. 11

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE

First National Bank

of Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31st, 1928.

RESOURCES

1.	Loans and discounts	$587,298.82
2.	Overdrafts	103.61
3.	United States Government securities owned	25,500.00
4.	Other bonds, stocks, and securities owned	62,837.50
6.	Banking House $47,520.00; Furniture and Fixtures $6,480.00	54,000.00
8.	Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	62,994.15
9.	Cash and due from banks	343,542.47
10.	Outside checks and other cash items	4,582.41
11.	Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
14.	Other assets: Acceptances (Cotton)	63,463.82
	TOTAL	$1,205,572.78

LIABILITIES

15.	Capital stock paid in	$100,000.00
16.	Surplus	50,000.00
17.	Undivided profits—net	12,305.52
20.	Circulating notes outstanding	24,650.00
21.	Due to banks, including certified and cashier's checks outstanding	125,028.82
22.	Demand deposits	892,888.44
23.	Time deposits	700.00
	TOTAL	$1,205,572.78

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss:

I, R. G. Erwin, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. G. ERWIN, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of January, 1929.
(Seal) JOE FORMAN, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest: D. M. Baker, F. M. Pearce, J. McGregor, Directors.

RECAPITULATION

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	$284,384.25	Capital Stock	$100,000.00
Bankers' Acceptances	302,914.57	Surplus and Undivided Profits	62,305.52
U. S. Bonds	25,500.00	Circulation	24,650.00
Stocks and Bonds	62,837.50	Dividend No. 80	6,000.00
Overdrafts	103.61	Deposits	1,012,617.26
Banking House	47,520.00		
Furniture & Fixtures	6,480.00		
Acceptances (Cotton)	63,463.82		
Cash and Exchange	412,369.03		
	$1,205,572.78		$1,205,572.78

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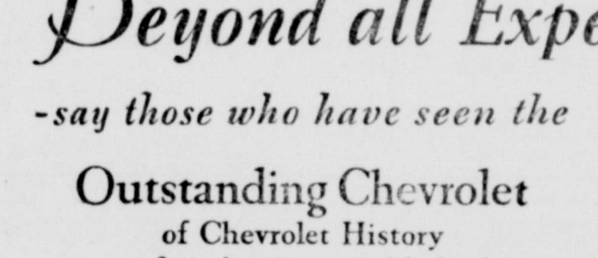
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The Sedan	$675			1½ Ton Chassis	$545
The Sport Cabriolet	$695	All prices f. o. b. Flint, Michigan		1½ Ton Chassis with Cab	$650



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New York World

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—Ray Priest
Detroit Times

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—Robert Henry Hall
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

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"THE GREAT SOUTHWEST" SADLER'S BILL FOR TONIGHT

The Harley Sadler company will present tonight at their big tent theatre, "The Great Southwest." This is the same play presented here recently by the local American Legion and many people are anxious to see the difference between professional and amateurs in the same production.

Mr. Sadler stated that his company would give a little different version of the play from the original script.

It is a good play in which Mr. Sadler will be seen in one of the best comedy roles of his week's stay here. He will play the part of Hank Walsh which was played here by A. R. Jones in the Legion show.

Crowds have been light at the show this week on account of the sickness here however they are expected to increase the latter part of the week. The big tent is aired each day and is made comfortable each night with five big stoves.

BARNETT NEWS

Mrs. Jess Drake and son, Marvin, who have been sick, are about able to be up again.

—x—

Mrs. C. L. Howell and children, who are sick at home with measles and flu, are reported to be resting very well.

—x—

Kirby Burks is over a siege of measles.

—x—

Messrs Pat Tyree and Carl Nelson returned home Wednesday from Comanche.

—x—

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nelson who have been suffering with influenza are improving.

—x—

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Bryan and little son, Demmit, of Norton, are here with Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Nelson this week as they have not fully recovered from an attack of pneumonia.

—x—

Miss Mabelle Frost was called to Ballinger Wednesday afternoon to nurse some influenza patients.

Mr. and Mrs. Minshew and their daughter, Irene, are home from a visit to their daughter and sister.

There were no services at the church here Sunday.

—x—

We are sorry to report that J. B. and Howard Hill have developed influenza. We hope they will soon recover.

—x—

Sunday is singing day at Barnett. Everyone is welcome.

"REPORTER."

BENOIT ITEMS

After experiencing the cold weather of the past week we are beginning to realize winter is here. But we know it takes all kinds of weather to make up the year so we are glad for each season to make its appearance.

—x—

We would be glad for a good rain now, believing it would do away with the flu which is sweeping the country as well as the state, although none of the flu victims have been seriously ill, so far, in this community.

—x—

We are sorry to report Mrs. Ethel Keith has suffered an attack of influenza.

—x—

There has been a great deal of moving going on in our part of the community. George Odom and wife are now located in the Arch Brookshire homestead. J. D. Tullos and family have moved near Ballinger.

—x—

Mrs. Joe Hoffman and children are confined to their home with measles this week.

—x—

Mrs. C. M. Gibson and Mrs. O. C. Cox were at the bedside of their sister, Mrs. Edgar Brannon, Sunday night, who has been ill at her home for some time.

—x—

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Kennedy, with Mrs. J. S. Reese, were shoppers in Ballinger Monday.

—x—

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Green of McGregor are now living in the old Connor house, the old home of Mrs. Green.

—x—

J. S. Rives and wife, who have been our neighbors this last year have moved to the Miller community.

—x—

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Williams of Talpa, visited L. B. Rampy and family Sunday.

—x—

Miss Louise Shipp spent Sunday night in Ballinger with relatives

Mrs. Edd Rockley and children are on the flu list at this writing.

"REPORTER"

HERRING TOPICS

We are sorry to report that everybody in our community has been sick with flu but at this time are improving. As everybody has had the flu there is no news.

—x—

Walter Hale of Houston is visiting his parents, W. A. Hale, and family.

—x—

Leslie Allcorn of San Angelo has been here waiting on Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Allcorn while in bed with the flu.

—x—

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Miller of Coleman, Mrs. Gidion and Mr. and Mrs. Pittard of Voss were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Miller Sunday.

—x—

Claud Odom of Oxien spent Saturday night and Sunday with Madon Avent.

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Miss Alice Foreman of Blanton was a guest of Bernice Hale Saturday night.

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Miss Alice Foreman and Miss Bernice Hale spent Sunday with Ozella Avent.

"REPORTER."

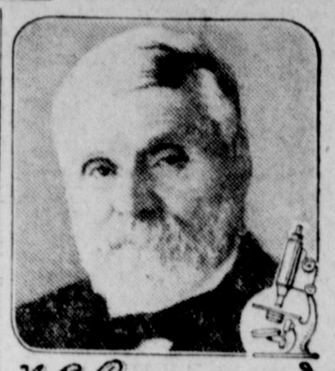
MOVIES

"Rookies" Deals With Another U. S. Military Branch

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer seems to have depleted the government army and navy branches as backgrounds for film stories. Ramon Novarro used Annapolis as a background for "The Midshipman," and John Gilbert had the co-operation of the army in the making of "The Big Parade." Then along came Lon Chaney with "Tell It to the Marines," which had the entire U. S. Marine Corps back of it. At the Palace Theatre today and tomorrow is playing "Rookies." It, too, was made with the co-operation of the government and is laid against a background of life at a citizens' military training camp, such as is held annually in most of the states.

The picture gives a real lesson in training camp life and depicts the work of recruits there. It is a riotous comedy featuring a new screen team, Karl Dane and George K. Arthur, with Marceline Day. Louise Lorraine has a prominent role, as have Tom O'Brien and Frank Currier. The picture was directed by Sam Wood, responsible directorially, for many of Wallace Reid's old thrillers.

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