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PREPARE BUDGET FOR YEAR 1921

The Executive Committee of the Young Men's Business League in charge of the Membership Campaign met in the League office last night and prepared the 1921 budget for the organization, and also outlined a tentative list of members and suggestive ratings. The committee consists of W. C. McCarver, Noel Penn, Rufus Wheeler, Chas. Northington, R. E. George, W. A. Francis.

The budget will take care of the expenses connected with the proposed Retail Credit Association; the special oil publicity campaign; the Runnels County Poultry Show; convention entertainments; irrigation promotion; campaign to secure cotton pickers; and other similar activities; as well as salaries, office expense etc.

The most important decision arrived at by the Executive Committee was that no donation list of any character will be presented to the business men during the year if the proposed budget is financed.

It was also decided to collect the dues, monthly on a bank order which will be signed at the time the member signs his application blank.

The result of these two decisions will be that the business men will suffer no annoyance during the year from collections for civic-commercial enterprises.

The membership campaign will be conducted by ten teams of two men each, and will extend over Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, closing with a membership meeting and luncheon on Wednesday night. This meeting will likely be held in the Nance building opposite the Court House. The principal speaker of the evening will be W. T. Wheeler, Assistant Manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Russell were here from the Winters country, Thursday.

After Christmas

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48 NEW CONGRESSMEN IN U. S.; 3 FROM TEXAS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The House-Senate joint committee agreed today to report out to Congress, favorably the Siegel bill fixing the membership of the House at 483, which will be an increase of 48 over the present membership.

The committee also agreed to recommend the passage of a constitutional amendment limiting the membership of future Houses at 500. The basis of representation for the above number is fixed at one member for every 218,979 inhabitants.

Under the terms of the bill increasing the number of representatives Texas gains three new members, Oklahoma one and no state loses any.

SAYS GAMBLING HURTS FARMERS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Legislation to prevent gambling and speculation in future sales of grain and cotton and food products, was urged today by witnesses testifying before the House agricultural committee.

Senator Elect Garoway, of Arkansas, and W. O. Eckhard, director of the grain markets of the Illinois Agricultural Association, declared that the present system of marketing was injurious to the farmers.

HOBBY'S MOTHER RESTING EASIER

DALLAS, Jan. 6.—Mrs. Dora Pettus Hobby, mother of Governor Hobby, is resting slightly easier today, although her condition is critical and there is little hope for her recovery, according to doctors who are attending her. Mrs. Hobby has been ill for several days and her children, including the governor, are remaining close by her bedside.

LANKFORD BAKERY CHANGES POSSESSION

A deal was closed a few days ago in which J. Q. Lankford sold his bakery, located in the old express building North of The Ledger office on Hutchings Ave., to A. F. Graf, of New Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. Lankford have retired from the bakery and Mr. and Mrs. Graf are now in charge. Mr. and Mrs. Lankford will move to New Mexico.

Elgin Davidson was on a rush trip to Ballinger Wednesday, looking after business and getting an even start with the year.

BIG DEMAND FOR FOREIGN LABOR

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Representatives of the National Immigration Council will go before the Senate committee on immigration at Washington next week to urge that unskilled laborers be encouraged to enter this country, rather than to restrict the coming to this country of this class of workers, it was announced today.

F. C. Harley, secretary of the organization, says that there is practically no idleness in the ranks of unskilled workers in the United States, and that if the bars are put up against the coming of unskilled laborers this nation will suffer a labor shortage and a high wage scale which will make it hard to compete with foreign markets.

MAIL BOAT AND 7 MEN MISSING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The United States mail boat, Pulitzer, when last seen had seven men on board, and which has been missing since December 15th, may have been lost on the Straits of Shelkoff, Alaska. Secretary Payne was advised today by Gov. Riggs, of Alaska.

Both the navy department and coast guards have been asked by Mr. Payne to send out searching vessels.

GRANTS CORK MAYOR PAROLE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Secretary Wilson, of the labor department, announced today that he had granted parole for Lord Mayor O'Callaghan, of Cork, Ireland, who has been detained at Newport News by immigration authorities.

O'Callaghan will be released upon his own recognizance, pending a decision on request that he be permitted to enter this country. The Irish mayor landed in Newport News as a stowaway, and as he had no passport the authorities refused to permit him to land.

SAN ANGELO COUPLE COME HERE TO WED

County Judge Parish performed the ceremony Wednesday which united in the holy bonds of wedlock, one of Ballinger's former citizens and a pioneer West Texan, in the person of J. A. Allen, to Mrs. D. A. Usery. Mr. Allen is now living in San Angelo. He formerly lived in the Oak Creek country, and later in Glascock county. He was here in the early days and helped to build the Runnels county court house. The couple drove over from San Angelo, were married here, and returned home.

MEXICANS TO BE AT INAUGURAL

WACO, Jan. 6.—Governor Elect Pat M. Neff has been notified officially that Mexico will be well represented at his inauguration on Jan. 18th. Mexico is to be represented by the governors of the states of Nuevo Leon, Coahuila, Tamaulipas, and probably other states.

President Obregon, who is unable to come to Texas on account of ill health, has named a delegation to attend the inauguration of the Texas governor as representative of the Mexican republic.

OIL REPORTED FOUND IN WELL FT. STOCKTON

Information received at Ballinger Thursday morning stated that a 1200 barrel oil well had been brought in at Fort Stockton. The news came in private messages to parties here.

A phone message from Sam Crowther of San Angelo to W. O. Schultz here stated that it was reported that the oil was found at a shallow depth and that the well was making about 1200 barrels. According to Mr. Crowther, a large crowd from San Angelo was hurrying to Fort Stockton, and interest in the oil game had jumped a thousand per cent in a few hours.

Wild eating has been in progress in the Pecos section of West Texas for several months, and oil finds in the Ft. Stockton country had brought that town into prominence and considerable trading in acreage and royalties has been going on.

Several local citizens are interested in the Fort Stockton field, and there are chances yet for Ballingerites to become millionaires over night.

15,000 RABBITS MAKE ESCAPE

(Brownwood News)
The big rabbit drive pulled off in the Brooksmith community last Friday proved a failure because of faulty management. There were drivers enough, and rabbit enough to have made it a big success had the operations been carried out as planned.

County Agent Griffin estimates that at one time they had no less than 15,000 rabbits started and running in the direction of the trap, and then, due to the big expanse of territory taken in, one wing of the drive forged ahead of the other, and an account of hundreds of spectators flocking at the entrance to the trap, the bulk of the rabbits were driven past the trap. Some two or three hundred rabbits went into the trap, but many times two or three thousand rabbits were driven past the trap by one wing of the drivers forging so far ahead of the opposite wing.

The best thing learned from the drive is that the rabbits may be readily driven and that shorter drives, covering a lineal course of five or six miles, rather than 15 or 20, will be more successful.

ROAD ENGINEER AT TENDS ROAD MEET

It was U. Stephens, highway engineer, and not Representative Stephens, who attended the good roads meeting in company with County Judge Parish, at Winters Tuesday night. Engineer Stephens is in charge of the Colorado bridge job for the state highway commission and also on the road work now in progress on the Winters link of the Tex-O-Kan highway.

Buy your Groceries where you can get them at cash system prices, with an extra 5 per cent discount. E. A. Jeanes & Co., "Great is the Power of Cash."

PENROSE FAVORS EMERGENCY BILL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Senator Boies Penrose, of Pennsylvania, Republican, and chairman of the Senate finance committee, announced today that he would support the House emergency tariff bill, although he had hoped for a certain modification of the rates.

It was announced that Mr. Penrose would oppose the bill when he returned from Washington a few days ago after an absence of one year on account of sickness.

SCOTT TO GET A SPEEDY TRIAL

No time will be lost in trying George Scott at Brownwood for the murder of J. N. Weatherby, according to the Brownwood Bulletin. The grand jury returned an indictment against Scott Tuesday, charging him with murder with malice aforethought of J. N. Weatherby, on the evening of Oct. 18, 1920. The Bulletin says:

It can be stated on authority that Scott or Hornsby, will be brought to Brownwood and tried here and that the time will be during the present term of district court. Judge Woodward may order the prisoner, who is now confined in the Tarrant county jail at Fort Worth brought here any day now, and on his arrival he will enter a plea to the charge against him. If he has no lawyer or is unable to employ one, the court, following the law in the case, will proceed to appoint one or more attorneys to defend him and the case will proceed along the usual lines of such cases.

A special venire of perhaps 120 men will be summoned and from this it is believed that an unbiased jury may be obtained for the trial of Scott or Hornsby.

CHRISTIAN MEETING WAS GREAT SUCCESS

The business and social meeting of the First Christian church held last night was a big success. The house was full and encouraging reports were made from all departments. The church raised about \$3,000 by all departments for all purposes last year. Every department has money in the treasury after all bills are paid. The church property is in good condition with no debt whatever. Unity and harmony in the church and hope in the future are strong in this church.

Sandwiches, pickles and cocoa, were served to the audience on a shingle.

Officers were elected for 1921 as follows: Elders; Scott H. Mack, C. R. Crews, A. B. Legate, E. D. Walker, J. W. Powell, J. W. Bladdell; Deacons; Oscar Pearson, O. R. Dorsey, Claud Wilmoth, R. E. George, W. B. Halley, Jas. Clayton, E. M. Eubank, M. C. Falls, Horace Strain, and Dan Moser. Scott Mack was re-elected Bible school superintendent. The pastor made some definite recommendations for future progress. The meeting adjourned about 10:30, a happy group.

Use Ledger Classifieds.

HARLINGEN, Texas, Jan. 6.

—Two families of Japanese arrived here last night, coming from the West, intending to settle on farming lands, were met at the railroad station by a committee of citizens who informed the Japs that their presence in Harlingen was undesirable. The foreigners were told that they could remain over night in Harlingen, but would be expected to leave on the first train out Thursday. No threats were made against the new comers.

This is the second demonstration against Japanese here during the week. Another family of Orientals stopped here earlier in the week, but were told to move on, and did so without waiting for a second invitation to depart.

Five posts of the American Legion met at San Benito last night and organized the "Lower Rio Grande Valley Council American Legion" for the announced purpose of effecting a system of opposition to Japanese colonization in this section, and it is freely stated that no Japanese will be permitted to settle here for the purpose of making their homes and cultivating lands.

OFFERS \$100,000 FOR A PERMIT

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Lawrence Malawista, agent for the National Surety Co., was arrested today by secret service men, charged with offering government agents large bribes.

It is alleged that Malawista offered to pay government agents more than \$100,000 for their assistance in securing liquor permits in order to fraudulently sell whiskey.

ANTI LEAGUERS MEET HARDING

MARION, Ohio, Jan. 6.—Another Senate irreconcilable, Senator Sherman of Illinois, Republican, is among those with whom President Elect Harding had engagements today for the purpose of discussing plans for the organization of the association of nations.

It is understood that various domestic problems, including relief for farmers, was also up for consideration at the conference today.

Albert Beveridge, former Senator from Indiana, and one of the leaders of the Roosevelt Progressive party in 1912, was also on Mr. Harding's engagement list today. It is said that Mr. Harding sought the advice of Mr. Beveridge on both international and domestic problems.

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The man who says the irrigation project is only a dream is just a common everyday knocker. Dreams often come true.

The farmers in Brown county let 15,000 rabbits get away in a twenty mile drive. The effort was worth while and will be tried again Saturday.

Neff's supporters say that the state government will be placed on a business basis. We trust that the promise will come true and that the stockholders will receive a reasonable dividend.

We are not in sympathy with the "blue law" fanatics, or extremists, but we are in favor of Sabbath observance. Any country which does not observe the Sabbath can not prosper in those things which are for the uplift of mankind.

The traffic officer should make it his duty to keep the blocks in their proper place, or move the dangerous eyesores to the rock crusher, where they can be converted into material and used for filling some of the chug holes.

Touch elbows with your neighbors tomorrow and spend the day at the irrigation mass meeting. A day away from the business cares will be time well spent, to say nothing of the benefit your presence might be to the cause.

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they can not reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless, the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Circulars free. All Druggists, E. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

R. L. Clary, gin man in the Goldsboro country, had business in Ballinger this week. Mr. Clary stated that ginning would not be so rushing in his country next fall, even though a good crop is made, as the farmers were cutting acreage at least fifty per cent.

Mrs. Robert Bailey left for San Angelo Thursday at noon, and will visit her sons in Schleicher county, after spending some time here with her daughter, Mrs. Scott H. Mack.

Aching joints, rheumatic pains, neuralgia, can be relieved quickly by a rubbing application of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It is a powerful penetrating remedy. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Had Cold and Cough Cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

Several years ago C. D. Glass, Gardiner, Me., contracted a severe cold and cough. He tried various medicines but instead of getting well he kept adding to it by contracting fresh colds. Nothing he had taken for it was of any permanent benefit, until a druggist advised him to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He says "I was completely cured by this remedy and have since always turned to it when I had a cold and soon find relief."

CHAREY DEAN PLACED IN JAIL

Sheriff Flynt has placed Charley Dean in the Runnels county jail. Charley, however, will not occupy a cell, but will be comfortably domiciled in the lower story of the building, and he has been charged with the care and keeping of the inmates of the upper story of the building. He will carry the keys to the jail, and it will be his duty to see that the prisoners are served with good eats, and waited on in the proper way.

Ex-Sheriff Perkins is moving from the jail to the home just vacated by Mr. Evans, on Eleventh Street between the home of J. McGregor and George Vaughn. Mr. Evans is moving to San Saba. Mr. Dean succeeds Mr. Perkins as jailor.

Mr. Dean served as jailor under Sheriff Flynt several years ago, and Mr. Flynt says that he made a good jailor, and he selected him from a number of applicants to look after the prison again. The new jailor will move into the jail today or tomorrow.

LAUGHED AT SEAL

"Hell-Diver" Refused to Figure on Pursuer's Menu.

Curious Speed Contest Reported by Nature Student, Who Witnessed the Incident, on Maine Coast.

Seals are quick of movement, and anyone who has ever watched them feeding cannot but marvel at the speed with which they dart about in the water and the apparent ease with which they are able to overtake their prey, says a Bulletin of the American Game Protective association, and likewise there are few duck hunters who have not had the opportunity of witnessing the speed of the grebe, commonly known as the hell-diver. He can easily protect himself by diving and swimming under water, and "fighting is slow as compared with the speed with which a hell-diver submerges when he sees the flash of a gun headed in his direction."

Which of the two is quicker in the water becomes a nice question, to the discussion of which Arthur L. Pennington contributes the story of a contest he witnessed on the Maine coast, in the Penobscot bay region, between a seal and a pied-billed grebe, when each contestant was apparently doing his best, "the seal looking for his supper and the hell-diver intent on seeing that he didn't make up the menu."

"While we were engaged in studying the habits of a fish hawk," Mr. Pennington writes, "our attention was attracted by a great commotion in the water off shore. From our blind we could see that the splashing was caused by a seal performing the most curious antics in his attempts to catch a bird which we later identified as a pied-billed grebe."

"The seal made rapid progress, porpoising in and out of the water in quick diving leaps and was fast overhauling the bird, which was swimming frantically to escape his pursuer, but, however, made no attempt to fly. After a straight-away race of some fifty yards or more, it seemed as if the chase was over, as both bird and seal disappeared in the same splash as the seal struck the water. When the splash subsided we saw that the grebe had cleverly dodged to one side and, after twisting and turning quickly around a very small circuit to elude the seal, he headed straight for shore."

"The bird now began to use its wings and, skittering rapidly over the water, soon distanced the seal, which continued the chase until within 30 feet of the beach, where the water was no more than knee deep."

"There he sat with his shoulders out of the water, watching the grebe as the latter ran along the edge of the shore. Then, as though he hated to give up his meal, he slowly pursued the bird on a parallel course in the water, paying not the slightest attention to the men on the beach until he was frightened off by our intervention in the contest."

Developing Guatemala. President Herrera of Guatemala, has undertaken to increase foreign capital in the development of some 15,000 square miles of unexploited territory in Guatemala which still awaits the hand of the pioneer and the invader to transform it into productive fields. As the first step he has created a new department of agriculture with a minister in his cabinet and has appointed as head of this department Antonio Bonaccayal.

Both the president and the new minister have devoted the main part of their lives to agricultural development and are therefore keenly interested in providing encouragement to the farmers and planters. Both realize foreign investment must be encouraged to accomplish this end and believe that such aid should be expected as a result of diffusion of the knowledge that Guatemala has a safe and sane government, is a fit place to live in and has much territory as yet undeveloped.

Pains Were Terrific

Read how Mrs. Albert Gregory, of R. F. D. No. 1, Blufford, Ill., got rid of her ills. "During . . . I was awfully weak . . . My pains were terrific. I thought I would die. The bearing-down pains were actually so severe I could not stand the pressure of my hands on the lower part of my stomach . . . I simply felt as if life was for but a short time. My husband was worried. . . . One evening, while reading the Birthday Almanac, he came across a case similar to mine, and went straight for some Cardui for me to try."

TAKE CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

"I took it faithfully and the results were immediate," adds Mrs. Gregory. "I continued to get better, all my ills left me, and I went through . . . with no further trouble. My baby was fat and strong, and myself—thank God—am once more hale and hearty, can walk miles, do my work, though 44 years old, feel like a new person. All I owe to Cardui." For many years Cardui has been found helpful in building up the system when run down by disorders peculiar to women.

Take Cardui

MEXICAN CHARGED WITH STEALING FEED

A Mexican was arrested Thursday and a charge of theft filed against him. It was alleged in the complaint that the Mexican stole a quantity of feed from Frank Wood. The case had not been disposed of up to a late hour, but it is alleged that the Mexican was caught in the act and a plea of guilty is expected to be made.

Daily shipments of Fresh bunch Vegetables, from South Texas gardens, E. A. Jeanes & Co. 3-d&w-11

John and Jim Cavitt returned to Moody, Wednesday afternoon, after a few days stay here on business.



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CLASS FIGHT IN U. S. IS RAGING

In response to messages sent to Congressman Blanton and the two Texas senators by the Y. M. B. L. yesterday, endorsing the passage of the war finance corporation resolution, and asking that the board be clothed with power to protect the producers, Congressman Blanton immediately wired the Y. M. B. L. and The Ledger as follows:

"Yours just received. Notwithstanding that both the Senate and House overrode the president's veto and revived the Senate finance corporation as the only hope of saving our producers from ruin, the millions of Eastern city consumers and large financial interests are bringing such pressure to bear upon the president that I doubt whether he will let it adequately function."

"Moreover Senator Penrose, aided by the interests of the city consumers and big manufacturers is stifling to death the emergency tariff measure, passed by the House to relieve the producers. The South and West must stand together like a set of phalanx if the producers are saved."

"Kidney weakness, bladder troubles and digestive disorders are all within the curative power of Prickly Ash Bitters. As a tonic for the kidneys and urinary organs it has proved its value. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Jno. A. Weeks, special agent."

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Willard Batteries

BALLINGER LOSES A GOOD FAMILY

L. B. James and family left Thursday morning for Malaga, New Mexico, where they will make their home. Mr. James came to Ballinger from Mississippi eight or ten years ago, and he has prospered here, but thinks he has a better proposition in New Mexico, where he recently invested. He has not turned loose his holdings here, and is not burning his bridges behind him. We will have him as a visitor at least from time to time, and there will be no surprise among his friends if he returns here for keeps again. We regret to lose them.

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Farm and Ranch Loans Wanted Strong Connections Good Service TRIMMIER, MCCARVER AND LYNN Corner Eighth Street and Hutchins Avenue Bennett Abstract Building

What Shall We Give the Children for Xmas? This is a question that many parents are asking themselves. Why not give them something worth while? Open a bank account in the little one's own name and put the bank book in his stocking! YOUR LAST CHANCE December is the last opportunity to get Uncle Sam's Government Savings Securities of the 1920 issue. Do Your Christmas W. S. B. Shopping Early. Commencing January 1, 1921, Uncle Sam's new 1921 Government Savings Securities may be obtained through our Bank or the Postoffice. The 1921 securities are 25c Thrift Stamps, \$1 Treasury Savings Stamps, \$5 Savings Stamps and \$25 and \$100 and \$1,000 Registered Treasury Savings Certificates. Thrift Stamps bought in 1920 are good in 1921. We Co-Operate With Uncle Sam! P. S. A bank book is a nice present for the grown up children too The FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

WAS OUT TO SAVE MONEY

Mrs. Newbride Had It All Figured, to Her Own Satisfaction, at Any Rate.

"Yes, it does, as you say, give rather an air to the flat," agreed the almost new husband. His wife had seated herself on the arm of his chair surveying their latest acquisition, the baby grand piano, which filled three fourths of the living room.

"And now if we only had one of those nifty one-arm floor lamps," mused the almost new husband's bride.

"Why, Bettina, it was only yesterday that you argued the piano would finish the room without buying another thing," protested the almost new husband. "That was one of the arguments you used to wheedle me into buying."

"Well, of course. It saves us buying a luscious blue plush bed-davenport, or a graceful chaise longue or a library table," she defended. "There simply isn't room in this apartment for much besides the piano. It really is an economy in the end. But a lamp is different. You know that a grand piano is not complete without a floor lamp. And while we are at it we might as well get one of the newest kind. Just think how cozy we would look with you sitting peacefully under the new lamp while I play to you every evening!"

"Hum!" groaned the almost new husband. "The next thing you'll be telling me that a grand piano requires an oriental prayer rug under the pedals, a Persian scarf thrown across the bench and a vase of dollar-a-smell roses in constant attendance. I'm rather surprised that you haven't mentioned another apartment with a piano room for your pet!"

"It would be nice," agreed the bride failing to note the touch of sarcasm in the voice of her husband. Then she rallied her forces once more. "But think how much money it will save us on movies. By staying home to play and sing we save—let me see—exactly 66 cents a day!"

"By the way," said the almost new husband, "we mustn't forget our serial on Friday night. Last week left Harry Hairbreadth in an awful fix. Do you think the piano would mind if we left it alone just once?"

"Oh, I guess not," answered Betty absent-mindedly. Then she launched her final attack. "You know, Billy, I can't expect you to give up going out entirely, at least until I learn to play better. I have heard of a splendid teacher at \$10 an hour and I really think, to be worthy of such an instrument, I should take lessons!"

"It's not the original cost, it's the upkeep!" said the almost new husband. "Come along, my dear, to the movies."

House of 1,000 Rooms.

A maze which forms a happy hunting ground for robbers, is the house formerly occupied by the ministry of war in Vienna, says a correspondent. The great size of the thousand roomed house evidently attracts the attention of thieves and the military and police seem unable to keep them out. Ornaments, pictures, typewriters, everything and anything, even to the door knobs and knockers are constantly being carried away. When a thief, in the course of his wanderings, meets anyone, he simply pretends to have come on business, and goes on until he comes to an unoccupied room, there he quickly gathers together anything he can lay his hands on, and departs. In many cases the robbers have an accomplice in the street to whom articles are thrown from the window.

Cream-Colored Moles.

It is rather curious to find dead moles lying about dykesides when mole-fur prices are so high, writes a correspondent from Scotland. I crossed a field, and at the exit I counted no fewer than 22 moles in a heap. These had evidently been thrown there by a local trapper as useless lumber. More curious still, I came on what may be called the unique in moles. A gardener had trapped four of these rodents of a decided cream color. No portion of the bodies gave signs of normal coloring. The gardener said he surmised there were more on his premises, but he had failed to catch them at the date he exhibited the four referred to.

Continental Camp Rediscovered.

"Connecticut Village," one of the camps of Washington's soldiers in the Hudson highlands, the site of which has long been unknown, has been rediscovered by members of the New York Historical society. The unearthing of a bayonet blade, a grapeshot, buttons of the Continental infantry and artillery, bullets, gunflints and other military relics, together with topographical characteristics that tally accurately with records in Continental documents, have placed the camp on the farm of James Smith, about a mile and a half from Cold Spring village.

Cow Gives 42 Tons of Milk.

A British Friesian cow, owned by an English farmer, gave more than 2,000 gallons of milk during 1919, and promises to repeat the performance this year. In the two years her output of milk amounted to considerably more than 4,000 gallons and weighs more than 18 tons. In less than six years Moss Rose has had seven calves and given more than 42 tons of milk.

More Trouble.

A firm of music publishers have produced what they describe as a three-quarter one-step. It will soon be impossible to get a dance without being accompanied by a professional arithmetician.—London Punch.

STAGE SET FOR IRRIGATION MEET

The Ballinger delegation to the irrigation meeting of the Colorado Valley Irrigation Association at San Angelo will leave the office of the Y. M. B. L. at ten o'clock in the morning. All those who can go are requested to meet at the office of the Y. M. B. L. A number of autos will make the trip. If you can go and take some one, you should arrange all plans today—don't wait for a personal invitation.

The meeting at San Angelo will be called to order at one-thirty, and will adjourn in ample time to make the return trip home. Quite a number have declared their intention of being present at the big mass meeting.

The big conference has been advertised extensively and that the stage is well set for the important meeting is shown by the following from the San Angelo Standard:

"Plans for financing the proposed irrigating of 500,000 acres of fertile land in Coke, Runnels, Tom Green and Concho counties through the damming of the Colorado river near Bronte will be considered in San Angelo Friday afternoon at a meeting of citizens from the counties mentioned. The session will be called to order at 1:30 o'clock at the St. Angelus Hotel by Carl S. Guin, of Ballinger, president of the Colorado Valley Irrigation Association.

"Representatives from the State Board of Water Engineers, a personal representative of Pat M. Neff, governor elect, officials of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and legislators, are expected to be present, indicating the importance of the project not only to this section, but to the entire state because it will increase farm production.

"C. R. Stephens, of Ballinger, legislative representative from 11th district; State Senator J. H. Baugh, of the district in which Ballinger is located; and probably W. F. Kellis of Sterling City, legislative representative from the 13th district, will attend the meeting. Ballinger and Miles expect to bring a representative from each business house. The local promoters are urging that citizens attend in large numbers.

"When the Colorado Valley Irrigation Association was organized at Miles on December 9th, a committee on ways and means was appointed. It is expected to make a report here Friday. Three courses of action are said to be open: the raising of money thru private subscriptions, bonding a company under the state irrigation law or applying for government aid. In any event, it is likely that an appropriation thru the Federal reclamation service will be sought.

"Plans of the association, in the making, call for a dam 70 feet high, 300 feet thick at the base and 2,000 feet long. Such a barrier would impound water for a distance of twenty-three miles, it is said, and would be sufficient to water 200,000 acres. Col. C. M. Stanley, a Dallas engineer, launched the project before the war, and had a survey made with \$16,000 which was raised in towns along the river. The engineers' report revealed the wonderful possibilities in the plan, whereby an immense territory could be rejuvenated and farm products of all kinds increased, benefitting all towns in this territory.

"Officers of the association are C. S. Guin of Ballinger, president; W. R. Knierim of Bronte, first vice-president; Thomas F. Owen, of San Angelo, second vice-president; and S. L. Williams of Ballinger, secretary. Six towns at present are represented in the association by two or more directors: Bronte—R. S. Williams, E. G. Walton; Miles—W. D. Jennings, H. W. Robinson; Rowena—W. A. Halimacek, N. K. Freeman; Robert Lee—J. L. Tubbs, W. J. Adams; San Angelo—J. G. Murphy, T. F. Owens; Ballinger—W. M. Doose, R. T. Williams.

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Mrs. C. R. Stephens went to Coleman Wednesday afternoon, where she spent the night with friends and joined Mr. Stephens en route to Austin Thursday morning.

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Friday night, as usual, will be "Library night" at the Maeroy Theatre, and a liberal percent of the receipts will go towards the support of the institution.

This liberal policy adopted by the management should receive the hearty co-operation of Ballinger people.

Emmett Dalton in the six part feature, "Beyond the Law" will be the attraction.

Bad digestion robs the body of the nourishment it needs to maintain health and strength. To restore tone in the digestive organs there is no better remedy than Prickly Ash Bitters. It is the remedy that men use for purifying the stomach, liver and bowels. Price \$1.25 per bottle, John A. Weeks, special agent.

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HOME FOUND FOR BALLINGER BABY

The baby boy left at the Salvation Army hall on South Chadbourne street has been placed in a home of a family living in the Northeast part of Tom Green county, according to Envoy G. W. Watkins of the Salvation Army. The baby was recently left in the hands of the Army by a woman who had resided for several months in an old dilapidated house in Ballinger. The woman claimed to be the mother of the child and said that she wanted to find a good home for the baby because she was unable to support it. She claimed that her husband had deserted her several months ago and the last she had heard of him he was on his way to Oklahoma.—San Angelo Standard.

Herbine corrects biliousness, indigestion and constipation. It is a fine herbal medicine that drives out impurities and restores healthy conditions in the system. Price, 60c. Sold by all druggists.

W. R. Clark was stricken with appendicitis Thursday, following a slight illness Wednesday, and was carried to the Halley & Love sanitarium, where a hasty operation was performed Thursday morning.

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FIERY, ITCHY ECZEMA HEALED RIGHT UP BY APPLYING SULPHUR

Any breaking out of the skin, even fiery, itching eczema, can be quickly overcome by applying a little Mentho-Sulphur, says a noted skin specialist. Because of its germ destroying properties, this sulphur preparation instantly brings ease from skin irritation, soothes and heals the eczema right up and leaves the skin clear and smooth.

It seldom fails to relieve the torment and disfigurement. Sufferers from skin trouble should get a little jar of Mentho-Sulphur from any good druggist and use it like cold cream.

Dr. A. G. Marquison, a veterinary from Berkeley, California, has located in Ballinger, and will open offices at once. Dr. Marquison came here prospecting a few days ago and decided that Ballinger was a good field for a veterinary, and he will set up housekeeping here as soon as he can find a house or rooms.

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BRUNK'S PLEASE BIG SHOW CROWD

Last night the tent was full to its capacity and every one present appreciated the bill presented by Brunk's Comedians. Mr. Sadler was especially very pleasing in his part and proved more fully to his friends in Ballinger that he is perfectly at home on any end of a part.

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ville fills up the time between the acts and from the opening overture until the final curtain you will be entertained by clean, wholesome amusement. One big reason for this company's popularity is the clean show they present.

The bill for tonight will be "The Fighting Parson."

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G. W. Ash, of the Crews country, was looking after business here Wednesday.

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