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FIRE DESTROYS STORES AT HATCHEL

SIXTEEN KILLED WHEN METAL FURNACE BURSTS

(By Associated Press)
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 20.—Sixteen men were killed and seventeen others injured, some seriously, today, when furnace No. 2 in the Woodward Iron Company Works exploded near here. The explosion lifted the top of the furnace filled with molten metal and hundreds of tons of the hot metal spread over an area of several hundred feet. The men who caught the full force of the flaming cloud had no chance to escape. Scores of others employed in the metal works were at work just outside of the area covered by the scattered hot metal.

The cause of the accident has not been determined, but an investigation is being made. A number of those injured are believed to be fatally hurt. Two men are also missing.

Knitted Brows; Clenched Fists, Aids to Thought

(By Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, March 20.—Knit your brows and clench your fists and you can think better than when you relax and smile. This has been determined by the psychology department of the University of Southern California.

In every test the students showed they could think faster and more accurately when muscles were tense. Frowns speeded examinations. The experiments also disclosed that students used a different setting of muscles in concentrating on each subject of their courses.

16,085,905 BALES GINNED IN 1925

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, March 20.—The cotton crop for 1925 was officially placed at 16,085,905 equivalent to 500-pound bales, exclusive of linters, by the Census Bureau today in its final ginning report of the season.

The size of the 1925 crop has been the subject of much controversy. It was estimated by the Department of Agriculture last December at 15,603,000 bales. The department's forecast during the 1925 crop growing season brought numerous complaints from the Southern members of congress, and others, who contended that the estimate was too high and out of reason.

The 1924 crop totaled 13,267,936 bales, allowing five hundred pounds to the bale.

The number of gin plants operated in handling the 1925 crop was 12,482 as compared with 11,178 for 1924.

The Texas production was given at 4,164,569 bales.

FIRE FIGHTER'S LEG BROKEN; HIT BY FIRE TRUCK

Joe Foreman, an employe of the First National Bank, and one of the most popular young men of this city, is suffering with a broken leg as the result of a crash between the fire truck and an automobile in which Mr. Foreman was riding late Friday afternoon.

The accident occurred on Tenth Street near the Methodist church when the fire company was responding to a call from the home of Mrs. W. L. McAuley after fire had been discovered in a barn or feed shed at the McAuley home.

Mr. Foreman was in a Dodge roadster with Fire Chief Louis Cohen and L. C. Campbell. The fire truck had made a run up Tenth Street and was doubling back down Tenth to the scene of the fire just as the firemen in the Dodge car were crossing Tenth, and the truck side-swiped the automobile.

Mr. Foreman was riding with his feet hanging out the car door, with the door partly open. The bumper of the big fire truck struck the door catching Mr. Foreman's legs in such a manner as to break the bones of the right leg in two places. The limb was broken just above the ankle and again below the knee. The other leg was slightly mangled.

The injured man spent Friday night in the Halley & Love Sanitarium, but was able to be removed to his home on Eighth Street Saturday morning, and it was reported that he was getting along as well as could be expected.

The automobile in the wreck was the property of Mr. Campbell. The damage consisted of smashed fender, and slight damage to other parts of the car. Neither Mr. Campbell nor Mr. Cohen were injured.

The fire at the home of Mrs. McAuley did not do much damage. The fire was well under way when discovered, made quite a blaze and smoke and attracted a large crowd of spectators. The fire company smothered the flames in short order after arriving on the scene. An old barn, and a quantity of hay furnished the fuel for the quick blaze.

NA COGDUCHES—Bonita Steam Laundry contracts for construction of new \$20,000 home.

BEAUMONT—Dredging for 30-foot channel in Neches River, to be finished to Port Neches soon.

GAS FIRE LOSS IS \$200,000.00

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, March 20.—Fire which destroyed the engine room of the Brooklyn Union Gas Company, Nassau branch, in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn today caused damage estimated at \$200,000, and created much excitement on account of its proximity to large gas storage tanks. Three hundred families were driven from their homes and thirty firemen were overcome by gas fumes before the flames were extinguished.



Perfects Contract to Drill Oil Well North of City

It was announced Saturday that a contract for putting down a test well in the vicinity of Crews, eighteen miles North of Ballinger, had been perfected, and under the terms of the contract, drilling for oil is to begin within six months from date of signing of acreage contracts.

Rector, Elliott & Caston, of Corsicana, are back of the drilling contract, and this firm is reported to be able to carry out any contract they should enter into. The test is to be 3,000 feet deep, and is drilled on a location made by a geologist on a block of about 5,000 acres centering around Crews.

Some time ago the promoters of this test came here and it is reported deposited \$10,000 in a

local bank to guarantee the preliminary work, cost of acquiring acreage, perfecting titles, etc., and proposed to the land owners of the Crews country to put down a well in that territory for leases on 5,000 acres. Local citizens interested in the development of the section got busy and the acreage was soon under lease, and as stated above the contract for drilling perfected.

This is the first of two or three tests which are scheduled to be made in Russell county within the next six months, and by mid-summer it is expected that drilling will be well under way in different sections of the county. The other propositions are being worked out, and it is reported contracts will be perfected within the next few days.

'CYCLONE' DAVIS SNOW HEARSE MAY BE IN RACE BEARSCOOLIDGE'S FOR GOVERNOR BODY TO GRAVE

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, March 20.—Reports received here today indicate that "Cyclone" Davis, of Sulphur Springs, will be a candidate for governor. It is understood that Col. Davis will meet with the Ku Klux Klan at Midway on April 21st. Midway is between Temple and Belton, and a state-wide meeting of the Klan has been called to assemble there for a barbecue and open air meeting on April 21st. It is expected that more than 20,000 Klansmen will attend the meeting, according to Klan announcement.

"Cyclone" Davis is one of the pioneers in Texas politics. He was at one time noted as one of the best stump speakers in the state, and led the forces in prohibition campaigns of several years ago.

DENMARK QUEEN CRITICALLY ILL

(By Associated Press)
COPENHAGEN, March 20.—The condition of Queen Louise, of Denmark, is now considered critical and her children have been summoned to her bedside. The queen is 74 years of age. She is suffering with pneumonia.

Turkey Dinner at American Cafe Sunday.

(By Associated Press)
PLYMOUTH, Vt., March 20.—Snow storms swept over the Green Mountains in Vermont today, as President Coolidge traveled over the treacherous road from Woodstock to Plymouth to attend the funeral of his father. It was necessary for the president's party to travel over part of the way from Woodstock to Plymouth in snow sleighs.

Last minute arrangements are being made for the funeral of Col. Coolidge which is to be held at 2:00 o'clock this afternoon at the farm home of the Coolidge family.

On account of the heavy snow a hearse was mounted on runners and drawn by two black horses to carry the body of Col. Coolidge to the cemetery a quarter of a mile from Col. Coolidge's home.

A lane through the snow is being kept open for the funeral party and a detachment of Vermont National Guardsmen are on duty here. Six militiamen have been designated to accompany the body to its last resting place.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Welhausen returned home Friday from Belton, where they were recently called on account of the illness of Mr. Welhausen's aged mother. His friends will regret to learn that his mother passed away last Tuesday, and was buried Wednesday at Belton.

CORPUS CHRISTI—Permission granted for construction of a seven-mile-long dam across Neches Itd River.

Fire at 3:00 o'clock Saturday morning destroyed the mercantile store of A. D. Palmer at Hatchel and also destroyed a two-story building used as a store, apartment house and hotel, owned by Mr. Palmer.

Up to a few months ago the property which was destroyed was owned by the Hatchel Mercantile Company, with Frank Kemp as manager. The company sold to Mr. Palmer. A general stock of merchandise was carried in one of the buildings.

SHERIFF SHOTS JUSTICE

(By Associated Press)
CORSICANA, Tex., March 20.—A fight between Sheriff John Stewart of Navarro county, and George Crumbley, justice of the peace, in which the sheriff was struck with a court seal, resulted today in the death of Crumbley. Crumbley was shot in the fight yesterday, a bullet penetrating his abdomen, and he died today in the county hospital.

The trouble between the two officers occurred in Crumbley's office in the court house. There were no eye witnesses to the fight. It was said that in the midst of a heated dispute Crumbley picked up a court seal and struck the sheriff, and the sheriff pulled his gun and in the fight which followed Crumbley was shot in the abdomen.

Crumbley is survived by a wife and six children.

YANCEY STORY DENIED HEARING

(By Associated Press)
DALLAS, March 20.—A motion for a new trial for Yancey Story, of Depton county, who was tried and given 99 years in the penitentiary for robbery with firearms, was overruled today by Judge Pippen.

Story's attorneys gave notice of appeal. Story was convicted of robbing the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Krum on June 9, 1925.

John A. Williams, local contractor, is building a home on Ninth Street which he will use for himself. The bungalow will be modern and consist of five or six rooms. Mr. Williams purchased the lots some time ago and began the construction of the new house last week.

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Origin of the fire has not been determined. Those who discovered it first report that apparently the fire started in the store, and with wind whipping towards the other building, the flames rapidly spread and the two buildings were soon burned to the ground, destroying the entire contents, including the stock of goods, hotel furnishings and household goods of a family who occupied the rooms in the apartment house.

The local fire alarm was turned in when parties near Hatchel phoned to Ballinger for help. The Ballinger fire trucks responded to the call, but firemen were unable to render any assistance as the fire had practically destroyed the property, and there was no water within distance of the buildings.

Mr. Palmer estimated his loss at about \$13,000, with about \$8,000 insurance.

This is the second disastrous fire at Hatchel. Several years ago, a store building which was also used as a residence, was destroyed and one child burned to death. The business section of Hatchel at present consists of a filling station, which was out of reach of the Saturday morning's fire. Mr. Palmer has not indicated whether he will rebuild the property. The postoffice which was maintained in one of the buildings destroyed will probably be reopened in a residence until a store building can be constructed. The government's loss in the postoffice amounted to about \$300.

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Queen Theatre

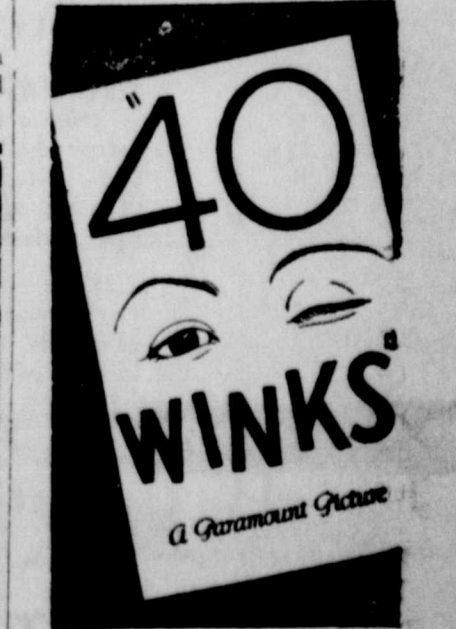
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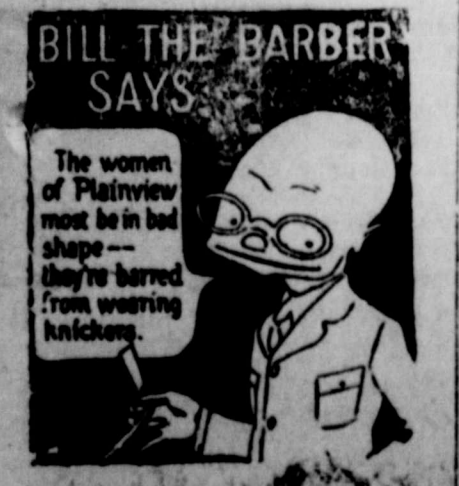
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we want. But that's fair. We
don't know what congressmen
want.

We talk about "free as air,"
and yet last year's radio pro-
grams cost \$15,000,000.—Jack-
sonville Citizen Patriot.

**Ontario Gold Find Brings
Scenes of Klondike Days**
(By Associated Press)

HUDSON, Ont., March 18.—
The old melodrama of the Klon-
dike gold rush is once more being
re-enacted with this little snow-
buried hamlet as its latest stage
setting.

The reported finding of gold
in the Red Lake district in
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thriller are to be seen in real
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the pack and the packer, the
snowshoes, the Ojibway Indians,
the bearded prospectors, the
dance hall, the hastily con-
structed stores, the log cabins,
shacks, and tents which house the
new arrivals.

Hudson is on the Northern
transcontinental line of the Cana-
dian National Railways some
240 miles East of Winnipeg and
12 miles to the West of Sioux
Lookout. It is the nearest rail-
way point to the Red Lake dis-
trict. Hudson was little more
than a name on the railway map
a short time ago.

LOCKHART—500-barrel oil
well brought in recently on Card-
well lease.

ALBANY, Tex.—Lynch No. 8,
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**SANTA FE OFFICIALS ON
AN INSPECTION TOUR**

The Santa Fe officials' special
train, consisting of four coaches,
made a short stop at Ballinger
Friday afternoon. Only one or
two of the officials left the obser-
vation car, being content with
looking over the yard from the
train.

The officials were not out on
any special mission, the trip be-
ing only one of their inspection
tours. W. B. Storey, of Chicago,
president of the Santa Fe, headed
the delegation, and the general
officers, as well as division offi-
cers, including Mr. Maxson, Mr.
Pettibone and Mr. Hall, were on
the train.

EASTLAND—Well in Cheney
district reported flowing 400 bar-
rels, at a depth of 3,265 feet.

PORT ARTHUR—\$150,000
bond issue drive will be con-
ducted here, to finance construc-
tion of Port Arthur-Galveston
Beach Highway.

**SAY BIRDS ARE
ECONOMIC ASSET**

(By Associated Press)
HOUSTON, March 18.—Birds
are an economic asset. Their
preservation means money in
pocket.

Various Houston agencies assert
it, including H. H. Schutz, govern-
ment crop statistician, the
Houston Outdoor Nature Club,
and L. H. Daingerfield, govern-
ment meteorologist.

A widely known Houston cotton
firm, departing from the routine
of business for the moment, in-
sists that "since birds are so
highly valued for their aesthetic
qualities, it is also gratifying to
find that most of them are econ-
omic assets with an important
share in making the earth a
habitable place for mankind."

Bugs, the statement says, is
their principal diet. "Of the
million known species of in-
sects," it continues, "many are
such devastating agents of de-
struction of plant life that they
have threatened nations with
starvation. It is not, however,
the number of injurious species
of insects which cause this so
much, as the appalling ability of
any single harmful kind to re-
produce to numbers almost be-
yond comprehension."

"When the known capacity of
each single insect to eat, and
therefore destroy plant food is
computed, we begin to glimpse
the possible destructive force of
any one species of insect in the
world. And when it is borne in
mind that some of these injurious
forms live upon certain plants
exclusively, we can see that the
very existence of grains, orchard
trees and other food plants defi-
nitely depend upon a constant
regulation of the insects which
feed upon them."

"It has been determined that
certain caterpillars consume
twice their own weight in leaves
daily through their larval exist-
ence. Some caterpillars in the
course of their 30-day develop-
ment period increase in size ten
thousand times as a result only
of leaf eating."

"When it is learned it is pos-
sible for a single female insect to
be the ancestor of sixty million
of its kind in a single season, we
can realize that regulating de-
structive forces must be ever-
lastingly at work, or the very
earth would soon be an impen-
etrable mass of insect life. The
Department of Agriculture has
determined that agricultural
losses through insects each year
amount, if they do not exceed,

ten per cent of the entire produc-
tion.

"Birds are a powerful factor
in the regulation of insects.
Young birds sometimes eat con-
siderably over their weight each
day. As a rule their food is in-
sects which are most plentiful in
the season when birds are
hatched. Therefore the increase
of birds by the production of
their young in the spring paral-
lels the increase of insects and
definitely prevents the develop-
ment of an insect scourge."

"In winter millions of insect
eggs and dormant forms of in-
sects are eaten by birds. This
winter consumption is an import-
ant part of the insect regulating
program of bird life."

"Woodpeckers, creepers, and
nuthatches, which are adapted to
a tree trunk existence, are cease-
less in their search for eggs of
various insects which are hidden
in the crevices and for larvae and
other forms of various wood-
borers, for which they sometimes
have to work hard."

"Fly catchers capture insects
principally on the wing, but they
capture the species which in-
habit the woodlands, and which
the swallows and swifts likely
would never see. Warblers, tan-
agers, vireos and other arboreal
birds search the leaves and outer
twigs for small insects; cuckoos
plunder the webs of caterpillars;
thrushes and some sparrows and
warblers patrol the forest floor;
meadowlarks, blackbirds and sim-
ilarly built species are more or
less confined to the open fields,
and there are particular species
which as a rule are to be found
in our yards, the orchard, or the
truck garden."

"Moreover birds eat weed
seeds of which there is a tremen-
dous overproduction in nature.
In certain seasons some birds are
restricted almost wholly to a
seed diet."

"Many sparrows eat nothing
else during the winter," it is
pointed out. "Bob whites,
mourning doves and various
smaller birds of the open fields
and bushy fence rows, depend
upon weed seeds for a portion
and sometimes for most of their
food. Therefore the farmer is
not to forget that his winter bird
visitors are helping him in his
problem of weed control to a re-
asonable degree."

"Many hawks and owls cap-

ture field mice and other small
mammals which are enemies of
the farmer. While the food of
such birds of prey is not often
strictly limited to these creatures
it is safe to state that whenever
field mice are especially abun-
dant, the food of all predatory
species at once consists chiefly
of them, and at such times, some
birds, like the crow, which do not
ordinarily figure prominently in
such matters, also include mice in
their diet."

"In a biological understanding
of the regulation of field mice
and similar pests, we should not
forget, however, that snakes and
certain carnivorous mammals also
have a share."

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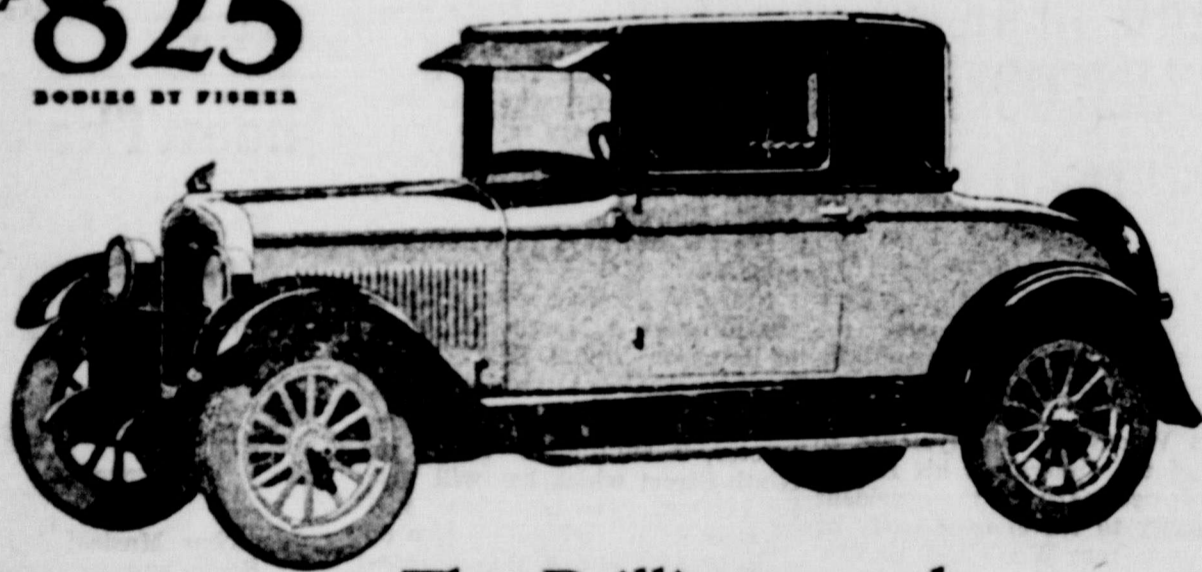
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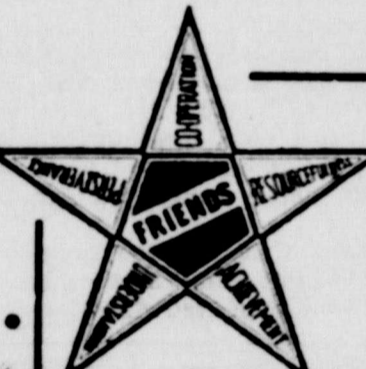
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For Public Weigher, Prec. No. 1:
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TOBE LITTLE
W. T. NICHOLS
J. D. COULTER
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SOCIETY NOTES

Party Series

Mrs. George Holman's lovely home on Eighth Street was the scene of two pretty parties recently. On Friday afternoon of last week she was hostess to the members of her bridge club and a few other friends with a one o'clock luncheon—and on Tuesday evening of this week Mr. Holman joined her in entertaining their night bridge club with a seven-thirty o'clock dinner.

Both were affairs of unusual loveliness. In the afternoon peach blossoms were used in bedecking the rooms and the beautifully linen-laid tables were centered with baskets of these chosen flowers, while the tables were adorned with dainty flower baskets. The delicious three-course luncheon further emphasized the chosen color suggestion of spring. In the evening jonquils furnished floral adornment and in all game accessories, the St. Patrick motif, which lends itself so beautifully to decorative effects was employed by the hostess. A unique feature of the evening's pleasure was the hostess' choice of assistants for the serving of the three-course dinner. At each of the six tables the guests cut for high, and the winner was given a package daintily wrapped in white and tied with green ribbon. On opening, a green apron and cap was disclosed. These were donned and those assisting Mrs. Holman were Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bogle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pearce, Miss Louise Orgain and Mr. Roy Reeder.

Those present in the afternoon were: Mmes. R. G. Erwin, Bruce Creasy, Will Doose, H. H. Thomson, Alex McGregor, Estes Lynn, D. Reeder, M. McGregor, Leslie Baker, Frank Pearce, Joe Simmons, E. A. Giesecke, John Guion, R. G. Parks, Victor Miller, Misses Louise Orgain, Winnie Trail, and Anna Belle Moore of Chillicothe.

In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Holman's guests were Messrs. and Mmes. H. H. Thomson, Joe Simmons, Will Doose, Alex McGregor, M. S. Karmany, Leslie Baker, W. R. Bogle, F. M. Pearce, R. G. Parks, D. Reeder, J. D. Motley, Miss Louise Orgain and Mr. Roy Reeder.

Church Society Entertained by Circle

The entire membership of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Broadway Presbyterian Church were guests of Circle Number 3 at a delightfully planned forty-two party on Wednesday afternoon at the apartment of Mrs. John T. Williams on Seventh Street.

In rooms artistically decorated in green crepe paper and shamrocks, suggestive of St. Patrick's Day, and with a profusion of lilacs lending beauty and fragrance the guests found their partners by means of divided Mother Goose rhymes.

Mmes. Williams, John Guion, Frank Pearce and Will Doose passed a delicious salad plate with tea at the conclusion of the games.

The complete invited list follows: Mmes. Harry Thomson, Victor Miller, Chester Cherry, Geo. Holman, Harry Lynn, Tom Trail, Elmer Batts, Malcolm Wardlaw, E. A. Trail, John Williams, John Guion, Will Doose, Frank Pearce, Ira Sims, Ross Murchison, Richard Zedlitz, Bruce Creasy, Leslie Baker, J. D. Motley, Jack McGregor, E. W. McLaurin, E. A. Giesecke, Edwin Day, Estes Lynn, Joe Simmons, K. V. Northington, Henry Jones, Bacon, G. M. Vaughn, C. R. Stephens, M. C. Smith, A. H. VanPelt, Warren Lynn, Townsend and J. M. Pyburn of Winters; Misses Mary Fleming, Walker, Mary yatte Smith, Jennie Bennett, Eula Key, and Mrs. Wm. Doose Sr.

Pleasant Affair at Country Club
Mmes. R. L. Stephenson and Chas. Cheatham were joint hostesses at a party of attractive appointments on Thursday afternoon, entertaining at the Ballinger Country Club.

The new assembly room was turned into a veritable flower

garden, with the addition of peach blossoms and lilac in graceful arrangement in every conceivable place of vantage. A decorative scheme suggestive of St. Patrick's Day, was used in all details of the affair. At fifteen tables with green covers, attractive tallies, also in green, designated places for the forty-two players. The score was recorded in hand-made shamrock booklets.

A chicken salad with lime ice was served in baskets artistically covered in green crepe paper.

Invited guests were: Mmes. R. W. Earnshaw, Henry Jones, J. R. Lusk, Cal Kirk, Jno. Weeks, A. B. Stobaugh, A. R. Jones, Alex McGregor, James Wear, Oscar Pearson, Clint Penn, Frank Pearce, R. A. Nicholson, Oscar Williams of Winters, Cecil Thorp, R. T. Williams, W. B. Woody, J. H. Barrow, M. H. Watson, J. B. Rainbolt, Harry Lynn, I. Vaneil, Louis Tigner, Geo. Holman, D. Reeder, A. J. Thorp, M. McGregor, John Guion, R. G. Parks, Harry Thomson, E. A. Giesecke, J. G. Douglass, Will Doose, Jno. Currie, Conda Wylie, J. J. Beck, Asa Cordill, Floyd Carr, Homer Carsey, Sim Cottelle, Bob Carsey, Paul Trimmer, Alfred Crager, Roy Cowart, Ira Sims, Ross Murchison, Claude Stone, Troy Simpson, S. P. Stone, Elmer Shepperd, A. K. Doss, Ed Walker, Velma Hale, B. W. Denny, Horace Murphy, E. L. Hagan, Dan Moser, W. C. McCarver, K. V. Northington, Leslie Baker, Joe Simmons, Ralph Erwin, R. L. Harwell, G. M. Vaughn, Estes Lynn, David Gregory of San Angelo, H. S. Strain, Earl Baker, Peyton Orgain, R. W. Bruce, Misses Louise Orgain, Alice Morgan, Fan Wilmeth, Nell Alexander, Lula McElroy, Winnie Trail, Mildred Herring, Felda Cathy and Minnie Johnson.

Sunday School Class Entertained

The artistic rooms of the home of Mrs. J. H. Barrow on Tenth Street were most inviting Thursday evening when the members of the Sunday school class of Mrs. J. G. Douglass were entertained by Mmes. Barrow, W. B. Woody, Boggs and Miss Nannie Mae Middleton.

A short business session was held, with Miss Anna Jean Sharp, the class president, in the chair. Rev. Culwell gave an interesting and inspiring talk after which Mrs. Joe Forman conducted various games and contests which caused much fun and merriment. During the evening vocal selections were given by Mmes. Ira Sims, R. W. Earnshaw, J. H. Barrow and Miss Anna Jean Sharp, with Miss Rama Guin playing the accompaniments.

The hostesses served delicious refreshments consisting of angel food squares embossed in green with brick cream molded in green

BILIOUSNESS

Retired Minister Tells How He Keeps in Good Form With the Assistance of Black-Draught.

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shamrocks on a white background, to the following: Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Culwell, Mmes. J. G. Douglass, Ira Sims, Joe Forman, R. W. Earnshaw, Horace Oliver, James Dankworth, Brown King, Vernon Webb, L. C. Henry, Townner Dickinson, Harvey Hays, Arch O'Kelly, LeRoy Nicholson, J. B. Rainbolt, Luella Hollwagler, Misses Helen Brewer, Eva Webb, Griffie Atkins, Rama Guin, Josephine Grant, Frances Moreland, Thelma Midgley, Anna Jean Sharp, Pauline Kellar.

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DeMOLAYS PRESENT PLEASING PLAY

The second annual DeMolay show, presented by a cast of clever young folks Friday night at the high school auditorium, was the week-end attraction and was well patronized. While the auditorium was not filled to its capacity, a large crowd was present to enjoy the play.

"Love a la Carte," presented in three acts, with specialties between acts, made up the offering, and the entertainment furnished fun for those who attended for a couple of hours.

The cast was made up of young people, and each performed his part in the play perfectly, and unusually well for amateurs. The various climaxes in the play were greeted with applause, and the specialties were all good and brought forth hearty applause from the audience.

Preceding the rise of the curtain and between acts the American Legion Orchestra rendered a number of popular selections. The orchestra is composed of ten pieces.

The DeMolay chapter of Winters have arranged for the play to be presented at that place Monday night, those taking part to leave late Monday for Winters to put on the production.

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MAEROY THEATRE

LAST DAY TO SEE—**HANDSOME REED HOWES** in

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Also the Super-Serial **'THE SCARLET STREAK'**

and Andy Gump in **'DYNAMITED'**

10c ADMISSION 25c

Movies

Buck Jones' Leading Lady Was "Baby Star"

Elinor Fair, who was a 1925 "baby star," is Buck Jones' leading lady again in "The Timber Wolf," which closes a two-day run at the Queen Theatre tonight. Miss Fair's work in "Gold and the Girl," the William Fox Western star's latest production, made such an impression that she was signed immediately for the feminine lead in his next one.

To be called a "fine trooper" by a motion picture director is one of the greatest honors that can be bestowed upon a young performer. Miss Fair has won this distinction in both Jones' pictures. "The Timber Wolf" is a virile Western picture adapted from Jackson Gregory's novel of the same name. It is directed by W. S. Van Dyke.

Notice—Reward

It having been reported to the Cemetery Association that flower thieves are again depredateing in the Cemetery and stealing flowers, shrubs, or bulbs, from the graves or lots, we hereby offer a reward of \$25.00 for the arrest and conviction of anyone so depredateing.

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—On The Screen—Raymond Griffith and Viola Dana in **'40 WINKS'**

PARISH HAS NO OPPOSITION FOR RE-ELECTION

Judge Overton L. Parish instructed that his name be placed in the announcement column as a candidate for the Texas legislature Saturday. He stated that he had no platform to put in print at this time, and was too busy to pay much attention to politics.

So far as known Judge Parish has no opposition for re-election. He has served only one term, and the three counties, Runnels, Cole and Concho, have put no one out to oppose him. Judge Parish stated some time ago that he probably would not be a candidate for re-election unless his friends insisted, and assured him that it would not be necessary for him to make a campaign against opposition.

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CHURCHES

Church of the Nazarens
 Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
 Preaching at 11:00 a. m.
 N. Y. P. S., 6:00 p. m.
 Preaching at 7:00 p. m.
 Ladies Missionary Society Monday afternoon at 3:30 p. m.
 Prayer service Wednesday at 7:00 p. m.
 We welcome you to worship with us.
 NELLIE A. HILL, Pastor.

First Christian Church
 Bible school 9:45 a. m.
 Communion 10:45 a. m.
 Sermon 11:00 a. m.
 Evening worship 7:15 p. m.
 Wednesday, mid-week service at 7:30 p. m.
 A cordial invitation is extended to the public to worship with us.
 ILLUS Q. McCORKLE, Minister.

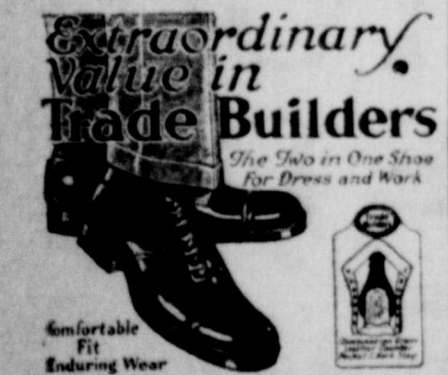
Church of Christ
 Corner of Eighth and Bonsel Streets.
 Bible study 10:00 a. m.
 Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.
 Prayer meeting Wednesday night 7:15 o'clock.
 Everyone is invited and urged to be with us.

First Presbyterian Church
 9:45 a. m., Sunday school
 11:00 a. m. morning service
 3:00 p. m. Intermediate Christian Endeavor
 8:45 p. m. Senior Christian Endeavor.
 7:30 p. m. evening service.
 Prayer meeting Wednesday evening followed by choir practice.
 You are cordially invited to worship with us.
 E. W. McLaurin, Pastor.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church
 Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
 S. P. Hathaway, Superintendent.
 The Men's Bible Class will have charge of the opening exercise. Let all members be present and on time.
 Morning worship 11:00 o'clock. Subject, "The Beauty of Service."
 Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m.
 Evening worship at 7:30 o'clock. Subject, "God or Mammon?"
 Congregational singing will be featured at the evening service, while there will be special music at both services.
 Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 and choir practice at 8:15.
 Visitors are welcome at all services. If you haven't a spiritual home we shall be glad to have you worship with us.
 ALVIN O. RUE, Minister.

Methodist Church
 Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
 Sam Behringer, Supt.
 "Worship and Service" will be the subject Sunday morning at 11:00 a. m.
 The pastor will use for his subject at 8:00 p. m., "The Time Element in Good Intention."
 Pre-Easter evangelistic services will be conducted the week before Easter, beginning Sunday, March 28th.
 The public has a cordial invitation to worship in all our services.
 S. L. CULWELL, Pastor.

Baptist Church
 Bible school 9:45 a. m.
 Preaching by the pastor both morning and night.
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SUDDEN SERVICE SHOE SHOP

Girls' Auxiliary will meet at 2:00 p. m.
 B. Y. P. U., 6:15 p. m.
 "Church Night," Wednesday, at 7:30 p. m. (1) Devotion; (2) Pastor's missionary talk; (3) choir.
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DEBATING TEAMS FAIL TO MEET
 A debate scheduled to take place between the Santa Anna and Ballinger debaters at the local high school Saturday night was called off Saturday morning. Superintendent Withers, of the Santa Anna school, notified those in charge of the program here that he could not bring his team here Saturday and the debate was called off.
 Superintendent Withers and Prof. Scarborough arrived Saturday with the track teams from the Santa Anna school, and the track team from the Miles school also came down for a three-cornered practice meet in various athletic events.
 The track meet was arranged for the purpose of practicing and getting the teams in trim for the county interscholastic meet in Runnels county in about two weeks, and in Coleman county at an early date. The tennis events were staged here Saturday morning and Saturday afternoon contestants in the other athletic events carried out their program.

Notice to Bidders
 The commissioners court of Runnels County will receive bids at Ballinger, Texas, on April 12th, 1926, for the purchase of one or more road graders.
 PAUL TRIMMER, County Judge.
 d-13-20-27-3

Turkey Dinner at American Cafe Sunday. 1td

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 Two cents per word first insertion and no advertisement accepted for less than 25 cents. All subsequent insertions 1c per word each insertion. All classified advertisements must be accompanied by cash, unless advertiser has a regular account with this paper.
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DEATHS

Mrs. Louise Josephine Harris
 Mrs. Louise Josephine Harris, wife of J. B. Harris, a Talpa druggist, died in the local sanitarium at 10:20 o'clock Friday night. The remains were carried to the King-Holt undertaking parlors and prepared for burial. The body was removed to the home of deceased at Talpa Saturday morning, and it was announced that the funeral would be held at Talpa Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Harris was 48 years, 4 months and 15 days of age. She was brought to Ballinger for treatment last Wednesday, and died following an illness of about ten days.

The deceased was a daughter of Mrs. Evans, of Talpa, and she is survived by her mother, four brothers and six sisters, and her husband. The husband and some of the other members of the family were at her bedside when she passed away. The brothers are Chas. W. Evans, who lives Northeast of Ballinger; H. E. Evans, of Talpa; Jim Evans, of Aspermont; David Evans, of Benjamin. The sisters are Mrs. S. E. Lowry, of Talpa; Mrs. Ethel Rucker, of Ranger; Mrs. Ester Hale, of Santa Anna; Mrs. Ollie Tripper, Mrs. Douglas Cameron, of San Saba; and Mrs. Alice Ground, of California. Most of the sisters and brothers will be present for the funeral.

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LAUNCHING NINE SHIPS AT NEWPORT NEWS TODAY

(By Associated Press)
 NEWPORT NEWS, Va., March 20.—Nine ships will be launched and keels laid for three others today at the yards of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company. In addition, three house barges will be delivered to the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company.

The ceremonies will center around the laying of the keel of a liner for the International Mercantile Marine Corporation, which will be one of the largest and most expensive vessels ever built in an American shipyard. It is the first of three craft similar in size and type which the I. M. M. has announced it will have constructed within the next year or so for its Panama-Pacific service. The other keels are for two Clyde Line steamers to be used for freight and passenger service between New York and Miami, Florida.

The "Dorchester," a combined freight and passenger vessel, will be the largest of the ships launched. It is one of three similar ships being built for the Merchants and Miners Transportation Company. The cabin accommodations are designed for the Florida traveling public.

E. R. Kilpatrick is at home from Temple, where he had been for more than a month recovering from an operation in a hospital. Mr. Kilpatrick is still unable to be back at his work in the market department of Piggly Wiggly.

but his friends will be glad to know that he is recovering and hopes to be back on the job soon.

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