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Pecan Growers Have Made Good Progress

The accomplishments of the Runnels County Pecan Growers Association during the past two years have already been effective. The account below by C. W. Lehmburg, county agent of this county, lists some of the most worthy achievements and shows the growth of the organization:

"The Runnels County Pecan Growers Association was organized two years ago with 18 charter members. During the past two years this association has increased its membership to 63.

"The first president of the association was Larkin Hayley, of Norton, with Bert Fletcher as vice-president and Mike Boyd as secretary. At the 1931 association meeting on the Bert Fletcher farm these officers were unanimously re-elected and have functioned efficiently during the past year. The association now has members in the five adjoining counties.

"The pecan growers association is a direct outgrowth of the five-year balanced farm program which was started in Runnels county eight years ago. In this five-year plan diversification was one of the major phases of the agricultural program for Runnels county.

"Through the activities of the association, the pecan industry in this section, has received quite an impetus. A close checkup on the activities of the association shows that since its organization approximately 5,793 trees of improved varieties, adapted to West Texas conditions, have been planted. Seven thousand and seventy-three trees have been seeded to improved varieties. Figuring ten buds per tree means that 74,730 buds have been placed during this time. A number of native groves have been greatly improved by pruning and thinning out native trees and cleaning out the underbrush, giving the trees a chance to yield heavier crops of better nuts.

"Some work in spraying for insects and fungus diseases has been done. The majority of the members have become interested in grading their pecans and in finding better markets for their product. Several members now belong to the Texas Co-operative Pecan Marketing Association.

"During previous years, like all other sections, this section has suffered considerably from insect infestations. During certain years the case borer has done quite a bit of damage, and fungus diseases have injured some of our trees.

"Another insect that has made inroads on crops here is the 'sack bearer.' This is a two-legged insect that carries off nuts not only in pocketsful, but by

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7 Rural Schools End 31-32 Term

Eight girls and four boys graduated from the Wingate school Friday evening in the final program of commencement. The Wingate school auditorium was packed for the program which honored the largest graduating class at that place in several years.

J. D. Sandefer, president of Simmons University, Abilene, was the principal speaker, delivering the class address. The message, while addressed to the graduates, was general enough to be enjoyed by all the audience.

County Superintendent R. E. White delivered the diplomas to the seniors as the closing number on the program.

The Wingate school has had a very successful term, having enrolled large attendance each month. Full eleven grades are taught in the school and eight teachers are employed. R. O. Martin is superintendent, and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Criswell and Miss Gladys Lehman are high school teachers. Grade teachers are Miss Eugenia Baskin, J. E. Alexander, Miss Irene McNeil and Mrs. Lula Hemmeline. All teachers were re-elected for next year.

Five students were graduated from the Bethel school in the commencement exercises held in the school auditorium Friday evening. Judge O. L. Parish delivered the class address. This also has been an outstanding school in the county this year. C. A. Womack is superintendent, and D. C. Hornburg, Miss Elsie Gilkerson, David Wood, Mrs. Leora Richardson, Miss Ada Simmons and Miss Pearl Holton composed the faculty for the term just ended.

Other schools in the county to close Friday were Mazeland, a four-teacher school, which held a closing program Thursday night; Dale, Sweet Home, North Norton, and Victory. All other schools in the county were previously closed.

ATKINS ATTENDS FIREMEN'S MEETING AT COLEMAN

M. C. Atkins, chief of the Ballinger fire department, went to Coleman Friday evening to attend a meeting of the department there and to confer with state officials visiting at Coleman. Raymond Mauk, newly appointed state fire insurance commissioner, and Eugene Sanders, chief of the fire prevention board, addressed the Coleman firemen on matters of interest to fire fighters.

S. W. Cooper, secretary of the Coleman Chamber of Commerce, acted as toastmaster at a banquet where 125 firemen and business men gathered to meet the visitors.

Miss Eugenia Baskin is at home following the closing of the Wingate school Friday evening.

Cotton Carry-Over 11,000,000 Bales; Twice that for Previous Seven Years

AUSTIN, May 30.—The supply of cotton on hand in the United States on May 1 was 11,722,000 bales, or 3,172,000 bales more than the supply on the same date last year, according to Dr. A. B. Cox, director of the Bureau of Business Research at the University of Texas. The comparative size of this supply is shown by the fact that it is more than twice the average for the previous seven years, which has been only 5,885,000 bales, Dr. Cox pointed out.

"During the previous seven years the average change in price corresponding to a change of 100,000 bales in supply has been 30.67 points," Dr. Cox said. "If this arithmetic average is applied to the 3,172,000 bales increase in supply in this country and then corrected for the decline of 357,000 bales decrease in European port stocks and afloat to Europe and then corrected for the spinners margin, it gives a calculated price of only 3.15 cents. This figure is not applicable, however, because the supply is so far from average. In the years when the supply is above average, the points change per 100,000 bales is less than average. In fact, in the four years when the supply was above average, the average price change per 100,000 bales was only 15.80 points. If this is applied to the increase this year and corrected, the calculated New Orleans mid-

dling spot price becomes 5.44 cents. Worked out on the principle of average per cent change in price due to average change in supply, the New Orleans spot price is 6.15 cents. When read from the supply price chart properly corrected, the New Orleans price for middling 7-8 inch spots is 6.20 cents. A fair range in price for New Orleans middling 7-8 inch spot is from 5.40 to 6.20 cents."

Textile news is very discouraging, Dr. Cox explained. Cotton consumption in the United States during April was only 367,280 bales, a decline of 141,411 bales from April of last year. The degree of stagnation is best shown by the May report of the Associated Cotton Textile Merchants of New York City. According to their report, cotton cloth sales amounted to only 102,307,000 yards during four weeks in April. In April last year, sales were disappointing, but at that reached 225,955,000 yards, or more than twice as much as this April. During the month, stocks increased from 259,231,000 yards to 302,216,000 yards, and unfilled orders decreased from 278,163,000 yards to 218,396,000 yards. At the close of April last year, unfilled orders amounted to 294,118,000 yards.

"Spinners margins in terms of percentage increased from 178 in the year ended March 31, 1931, to 185 in the year ended March 31, 1932. (Continued on page 2)

Picking the PRESIDENTS 1856 - 1932

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is one of a series of articles describing national political conventions and campaigns from the 50's to now.)

By Alexander R. George

WASHINGTON, May 30.—(AP)—Thirty-six years have passed since a young man in a black cutaway coat with a mop of hair hanging over his collar stood in a stuffy little \$2 room in a farmers' hotel in Chicago and shook hands with a multitude of "free silver" enthusiasts.

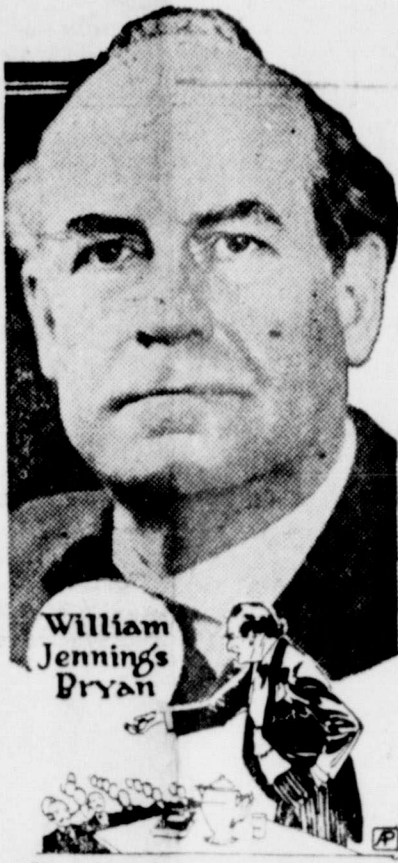
That silver issue carried that young man—William Jennings Bryan—to political fame and almost to the presidency.

Next month in Chicago the two parties in convention may recall Bryan's famous words—words that made 20,000 convention listeners back in 1896 sit "spellbound as the last period fell from his lips: 'You shall not press down upon the brow of labor this crown of thorns; you shall not crucify mankind upon a cross of gold.'"

Bryan was nominated by the Democrats, and the Republicans. Under the expert guidance of Mark Hanna, nominated William McKinley on a gold standard plank. McKinley won easily in the electoral vote but the popular vote was close.

The "great commoner," lambasting "corporate greed" before large audiences, hung up a record of 24 speeches in 24 hours. Even the less strenuous McKinley, inaugurating the "front porch" campaign style, made a total of 214 speeches. His high mark for a day was 21.

Four years before Bryan entered so strongly into the national political picture, "Honest Grover" Cleveland had emerged from retirement to reenter the White House. Cleveland had been defeated in 1888 by Benjamin Harri-



William Jennings Bryan, "the cyclone from Nebraska," rode to political fame in 1896 on the "free silver" issue. But he was unable to defeat William McKinley for the presidency.

son, only to stage a successful comeback in the 1892 campaign.

The tariff issue stood out in 1892, and the Democratic and Republican platforms of this year may carry tariff planks similar to those that made "the great issue" then.

Cleveland, standing on the Democratic platform pledging a reduction of the high tariffs enacted during Harrison's term, defeated Harrison who sought re-election as an advocate of pro-

tection.

Cleveland found himself in the famous depression of 1893, the business slump being the main front page news of the time. Cleveland stood for gold, but the Democrats decided to back Bryan and silver in the 1896 campaign. McKinley, the Republicans' choice, was known as the "Napoleon of Tariff" and he supported gold.

Leader of the pre-convention fight for McKinley in Illinois was none other than Charles Gates Dawes, young business man of Evanston, who later was to become the "Hell and Maria" director of the budget, vice-president of the United States and ambassador to the court of St. James.

Samuel Gompers was just beginning to hit his stride as an organizer of labor, and lady bicyclists had tool kits mounted in silver.

McKinley and Bryan bicyclists carried flambeaus and red, white and blue lights in night parades. trolley cars were embellished for pageant purposes.

In many staunch Republican households the popular inscription "There is no place like home" was supplanted by "Patriotism, Protection and Prosperity." When Bryan spoke at Martinsburg, W. Va., he was escorted by a cavalcade of Southern horsemen who gave the "rebel yell."

McKinley, wearing high silk hat and frock coat, sat in a rocking chair on his porch the day after election and "smiled graciously at the plaudits of his supporters." Frightened by the noise made by the celebrants, the sedate horse that drew the McKinley carriage ran away.

Bryan, seeming little fatigued by his strenuous campaign, said: "The fight has just begun."

Hasse Ready for Trip to Germany

Chas. Hasse, of the Dale community, was in Ballinger Saturday making final preparations for a trip to Germany this summer. Mr. Hasse will sail from Galveston on June 4 on the North German Lloyd line S. S. York, landing at Bremen and going from there to the province of Hanover, birthplace of his father. He expects to be away for about four months and will return here some time in September.

Mr. Hasse stated that it might seem funny to some that he was making a trip of this kind in these "hard times" but that he had saved during prosperous times and that this was a good time to spend a little when dollars would do their full duty and perhaps more. He has farmed for many years in this county but recently retired and having no dependents he feels free to do as he pleases.

His father, Henry Hasse, left Germany 86 years ago and came to Texas, landing at Galveston. He first settled near Austin, later moving to Columbus, Colorado county, where he resided most of his life. Mr. Hasse will go straight to the birthplace of his father and after a visit there will see other portions of Germany and perhaps other countries.

Mr. Hasse has already secured his passport and has a reservation on the steamship. He has never been in Germany before but knows relatives there through correspondence and speaks German.

ICE CREAM SUPPER AT OXIEB WEDNESDAY

There will be an ice cream supper given by the club women at the Oxieib Baptist church, Wednesday night, June 1. The public is invited and all candidates have a special invitation.

A. O. Strother, of Winters, was a business visitor in Ballinger Saturday, also attending the meeting of the county Democratic executive committee.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Arthburn and Miss Hattie Mae Dunlap have returned from Christoval, where they visited several days.

Hunter to Speak Here Saturday

Tom F. Hunter, of Wichita Falls, candidate for governor of Texas, will speak in Ballinger at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, June 4. Arrangements for the speaking date have been made here, advertising matter being distributed to many sections of the county inviting voters to hear this, the first state candidate to speak in Ballinger this year.

Mr. Hunter is inaugurating an aggressive campaign that will cover the entire state between now and the first primary. He is anxious to speak to a large audience of voters from Runnels county and will discuss planks included in his platform, particularly taxation.

"When the entire cotton crop of the state of Texas last year would not pay for its own ginning and the state taxes, how in the name of high heaven are we going to pay the city, county and school taxes?" is one question Mr. Hunter is asking in this campaign.

Mr. Hunter thinks state taxes should be reduced far less than expenditures of last year and that a greater part of this reduction should come from the abolition and consolidation of many of the 80 state bureaus, commissions and departments.

The gubernatorial candidate advocates a law to make it a penal offense for any state official to receive money or compensation from corporations, declaring that "no man can serve two masters."

RUNNELS MAN PAROLED BY GOVERNOR STERLING

T. H. Coleman, of Runnels county, was included in the list of 28 prisoners who received paroles from the state penitentiary Friday. Coleman was serving a one-year term for violation of the prohibition law. Another man paroled was W. L. Colton, of Tom Green county, who was serving a four-year term for burglary.

Mrs. F. H. Miller, of California, is here visiting her mother, Mrs. Jennie Kirk. Mrs. Miller was accompanied by Miss Jean Singletary who left here Saturday for Huntsville to visit relatives.

C. J. Lynn has returned from a week-end trip to Galveston.

Good-Will Trips to Start Last of July

The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce Monday set dates from the last week in July until the first week in September to make trips to communities in this county, advertising the Runnels County Fair. The trips were delayed until late in the summer because more will be known then regarding the fair program and also because the primary elections will be over and more interest will be shown in fair activities.

It was pointed out at the committee meeting Monday that many communities will hold political rallies during the next two months and that it would be difficult to talk fair at such gatherings. The local commercial body voted, however, to take an active part in all community rallies and send large delegations when invited.

Plans are being made to attend a community rally at Crews on June 7. The Ballinger Band will accompany the local delegation and special entertainment numbers will be provided for the program. Another invitation, from Herring, on June 17 has been accepted. That community will hold a social gathering and serve refreshments.

Arrangements are being made for a joint meeting of the Rotary and Lions club at Maverick in the near future. The clubs will be served by the Maverick women's club and a large number of guests from that community will be included at the banquet. Rural clubs are staging these socials to raise money for members to attend the A. & M. College short course this summer.

When invitations are extended by communities to attend gatherings.

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COLEMAN COUNTY CUTS TAX RENDITIONS

The commissioners court of Coleman county has cut ten per cent from all tax renditions, this action being taken by the court last week. At the beginning of the year the court authorized a 15 per cent cut while assessments were being made and the additions ten per cent makes a total slash of about 25 per cent for the year, where renditions are not obviously out of line.

192 Rural Students are Given Diplomas Sunday

\$50,000 Alienation Suit is Filed Here

A suit was filed in 119th district court here Saturday afternoon in which D. C. Middleton seeks damages of \$50,000 against Mrs. Lula Noyes and R. G. Erwin for alienation of his wife's affections. A lengthy statement filed with the district clerk sets forth the grounds upon which the plaintiff brings suit.

Mr. Middleton and Miss Aileen Noyes were married at Brady several years ago and after residing at Melvin a short while moved to Ballinger. For about two years Mr. Middleton was associated with the First National Bank of this city, he and his wife making home here with Mrs. Noyes a portion of the time. Following the separation Mrs. Noyes and daughter spent some time in Nevada and later went to their home at Orlando, Florida, where they now reside.

Since the death of Gus Noyes, husband of Mrs. Noyes, one of the defendants, Mr. Erwin has managed the estate for Mrs. Noyes and daughter and it is in this connection that he is made a party in the suit.

The petition sets out eighteen pages of history of the marriage and interferences which are alleged to have led to the separation and divorce for which recompense is sought by plaintiff. The plaintiff asks \$40,000 actual and \$10,000 exemplary damages.

Mr. Middleton is represented by two Abilene legal firms.

WHITE ATTENDS DINNER AT OLDFEN MONDAY

Supt. R. E. White was the guest of teachers of the Oldfen school Monday when a dinner was served to the trustees of the district. The Oldfen school, operating the first year as a state school, has made a fine record.

In checking up on grades made in the standard test given seventh grade pupils of the county it was discovered that a third pupil in the Oldfen school, Agnes Halfmann ranked with the honor students. Miss Halfmann answered 374 questions out of 418 correctly and was the fourth highest honor student in the county. In compiling the figures her grade was read as 347 instead of 374.

Shepperd is Named County Chairman

The Runnels County Democratic executive committee in session here Saturday afternoon accepted the resignation of A. O. Strother, of Winters, as chairman and elected Elmer Shepperd of Ballinger to fill the vacancy. Mr. Shepperd accepted the place and all files and records of the office turned over to him by Mr. Strother.

Mr. Strother resigned in order to enter the race for representative, 92nd district, which comprises Runnels, Coke and Concho counties.

The election of a new chairman was the only business to come before the committee and the next regular meeting will be on June 20.

A number of candidates have already filed for places on the ticket at the primaries to be held in July and August. The final date for state and district candidates to file is June 6, and for county candidates, June 18. The committee will meet here again on June 20 at which time assessments will be made against the candidates.

Election supplies, with exception of the ticket, have already been received and at the proper time will be mailed by the chairman to election judges of the 27 voting boxes of the county.

The Ballinger Baptist Church auditorium was well filled Sunday afternoon for the county-wide graduation of rural school seventh grade students. Each member of the class of 192 was presented with a diploma showing that he had completed his grade school courses and was ready for the freshman year in high school.

The students assembled with their teachers in the basement of the church at 2:30 and were placed in line to march by the altar and receive diplomas without loss of time. At 3 o'clock Mrs. L. Schermerhorn played the processional and the students marched to the center section of the church which had been reserved for them.

A choir of singers from various churches of the city rendered a special musical program. Rev. C. P. Jones, pastor of the First Methodist Church, offered the invocation, and Rev. E. W. McLaurin, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, read the scripture lesson.

Dr. Thomas H. Taylor, president and dean of Howard Payne College, Brownwood, was the principal speaker, delivering an address to the class on the subject of "Looking into the Future." The speaker said he wanted to tell the future of the class and recited many superstitious means used in telling futures. "The lines in the palm of your hand will not tell your fortunes but the corns placed there by hard work will," the speaker said. He pointed the pupils to a successful future, urging them to select a vocation, apply themselves to do their chosen work, to accept their responsibilities and strive for success. Dr. Taylor asserted he was glad that the change had come in the world when all college graduates could not step out of school into white collar jobs but that some must make a living by the sweat of their brow, declaring that it was good for a nation to have work to do and to be happy doing that work.

The speaker mixed humor with philosophy in a way that held the perfect attention of young and old during his entire message. R. E. White, county superintendent, in announcements before the diplomas were awarded, gave the audience an outline of the "standard achievement test" giving all seventh grade students in this county. The test consisted of 418 questions and each was graded on correct answers, allowing one point for each question answered correctly. He commended the entire group of 192 for their showing on this test which he declared would be difficult for many adults. The seven highest grades made in the county were announced and each student requested to stand as his name was called. Highest honor went to Mary Jacques, a Mexican girl of the Kristoff school, who answered 399 of the 418 questions correctly; second to Lester Gilbert Ray, of the Bell school, with 392 correct answers; third to Leelle Lange, of Oldfen, with 389; fourth to J. P. Wilson, of Cochran, with 381; fifth to Victor Mathiesen, of Oldfen, with 373; sixth to George Freeman, of Hagan, with 370; and seventh to Gilbert Behrend, of Gruenwald, with 366.

All honor students were present Sunday afternoon.

PUMP STATION ROOF IS BEING REPLACED

The city commission is having a new roof placed on the municipal pumping plant. The work being done by the Phillip Stroud Company is a guaranteed composition job. The old roof leaked badly, was beyond repair and could have permitted damage to the large amount of machinery housed in the plant. The new roof will be finished in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tindall Visited Relatives in San Angelo Over the Week-End

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Higginbotham Funeral Home

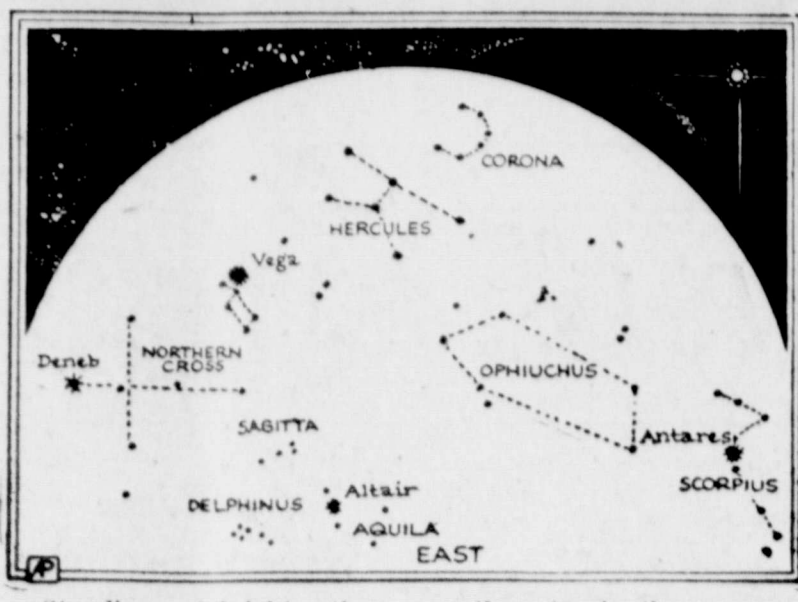
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Vega, Star of Zero Magnitude, Looms Brightest in June Sky



Standing out brighter than any other star in the summer skies is Vega, a star of the zero magnitude. The chart above shows how the eastern sky appears at 9:30 p. m. on June 1.

By Robert H. Baker (Professor of Astronomy, University of Illinois)

URBANA, Ill., May 30.—(AP)—When someone is referred to as a "star of the first magnitude" he is being praised only moderately after all. For there are still brighter. Vega is an example. This great blue star is visible in the east in the evening skies of June.

Vega is a star of the zero magnitude. It is the brightest star in the summer skies. There are three stars still brighter, but none of them is in view at this season. There are a million million stars fainter than Vega in our Milky Way system alone.

Astronomers designate the brightness of a star by giving the number of its magnitude. Their rule is simple. A star of zero magnitude is 2 1/2 times brighter than one of the first magnitude; a first magnitude star is 2 1/2 times brighter than a second magnitude star, and so on.

Altair is a star of the first magnitude. Below Vega and a little to the right in the eastern sky it is above the horizon after 9 o'clock. This bright star is recognized easily as the middle one of three in line rather close together.

The bright star Deneb, at the top of the Northern Cross in the northeast, is one of the fainter first magnitude stars. So also is

Antares which is seen rising in the southeast at 9 o'clock. Antares is the reddest of the bright stars visible at this season. It belongs to the constellation Scorpius, a formidable array of stars when it is completely in view in the south at a later hour.

The Northern Cross rises on its side, with the top toward the left. It is a beautiful constellation set in a fine region of the Milky Way. The star at the middle of the Cross, where the short axis crosses, is a second magnitude star.

The star at the foot of the Cross directly under Vega, is of the third magnitude. It is a yellow star with a blue companion of the fifth magnitude so close beside it that a small telescope is needed to separate the two.

Midway between the middle and foot of the Cross is a fourth magnitude star. Any star that is barely visible to the naked eye on a clear moonless night is of the sixth magnitude. By comparison with these stars whose magnitudes are given the magnitude of any other star can be estimated.

Stars whose magnitude have numbers greater than six can be seen only with the telescope. With the great reflecting telescope on Mount Wilson it is possible to catch a glimpse of twentieth magnitude stars, a star fully a hundred million times fainter than Vega.

Good-Will Trips --

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erings the local committee in charge of the trips will work to secure a large delegation.

The first invitation for a visit advertising the fair was received this week from citizens of Norton. The invitation was signed by a large number of citizens of that community who have always supported the county fair every way and in their invitation predict a successful fair this year. Following is a copy of the letter which will be acted upon at the meeting of the local chamber of commerce Tuesday and a date set for the trip:

"Norton, Texas. May 22, 1932.

"Ballinger Boosters, Ballinger, Texas. Ladies and gentlemen:—We the undersigned citizens of Norton community, acting in behalf of our entire citizenship, extend to you a special invitation to visit and render your program in behalf of the coming Runnels County Fair.

"The date to be named by you. We bespeak the most successful fair we have had since its organization and offer you full cooperation.

- "Sincerely, T. J. McCaughn, Clyde Gabbert, J. M. Jennings, W. L. Hayley, L. B. Hambricht, W. W. Glighorn, L. J. Simpson, S. M. Scarbrough, J. W. Crockett, Arthur Underwood, D. B. Underwood, J. F. Childress, D. M. Crockett."

Interstate Poultry Shipments Decline

AUSTIN, May 30.—Interstate rail shipments of poultry and eggs totaled 210 cars during April this year as against 334 cars during the corresponding month a year ago, a decline of 37 per cent, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research report, compiled from data furnished to the United States Department of Agriculture by railroad officials.

The drop was due to the curtailment in rail shipments of eggs which were only a little more than 26 per cent as large as in April, 1931, the bureau's report said. Poultry shipments were 5 per cent greater than in April, 1931. Included in the shipments to other states was one car of powdered eggs and a car of frozen eggs removed from the shell.

Two new developments in the interstate transportation of eggs appear to have taken place during the current year, the extent of which has not been fully determined; these are shipment by boat to New Orleans and Eastern markets and hauling by truck to New Orleans and other Louisiana points.

Interstate receipts of eggs during April amounted to 50 cars, against 26 cars a year ago. Of these shipments 47 cars came from Kansas, one from Missouri and two from Oklahoma.

GRAIN INSPECTOR AT 89 DRIVES HIS CAR TO WORK

(By Associated Press) MINNEAPOLIS, May 30.—At 89 Col. R. A. Wilkinson drives his own automobile 20 miles to work every day, plays chess every noon to relax from duties as grain inspector, and drives home again at eventide.

He is a Civil War veteran who 25 years ago was told he had "a year or less" to live. At that time he terminated his association with James J. Hill, the "empire builder" to whom he had been legal adviser for nearly a quarter century, and, regaining his health in farming, reentered politics.

Wilkinson says he has no thought of retiring.

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was 170 and the pence margin was 4.05 d (penny), the same as this year.

"The world's supply of American cotton on May 1 was approximately 16,364,000 running bales. Most of the supply of 11,722,000 bales in the United States, or 8,164,000 bales, was in public storage and at compresses. World's consumption of American cotton for the first six months of this cotton year, August 1 to January 31, amounted to only 6,117,000 bales, according to the International Federation of Master Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers Association. It is doubtful therefore if world consumption of American cotton for the year 1931-1932 will exceed 12,500,000 bales. If it does not, the world carryover on August 1 this year will be approximately 13,000,000 bales, or slightly more than a year's supply at present rate of consumption.

"According to unofficial reports, cotton crop prospects in the United States are about normal. The March freeze made the crop of most of South Texas considerably later than usual, but some other sections are apparently better than usual. The prevailing opinion now is that the cotton acreage in the United States will be reduced less than 10 per cent."

Miss Velma Paxton left Saturday for her home at Lone Wolf, Oklahoma, after visiting here for the past two weeks.

J. H. Young has returned from Big Spring and other points in that section of the state where he transacted business for the Runnels County Creamery.

MOVIES

Novel Comedy Expected to Please Theatre-Goers

The world chuckled at Edna May Oliver in "Cimarron." It probably will roar at her crazy as a "hold-out" juror in RKO-Radio Pictures' laugh sensation, "Ladies of the Jury," opening a two-day run at the Palace Theatre Wednesday.

Named by critics as one of the funniest comedienne in motion pictures, Miss Oliver gives a new meaning to comedy in a specially tailored role.

"Ladies of the Jury" is the story of a typical mixed jury of men and women who can only agree to disagree.

With this plot as the motivating theme, the film plunges into an amazing series of comic situations and reveals much of the inside workings of the jury system in the process.

The film tells the story of twelve different types of jurors who find themselves locked in a room for the purpose of deciding the fate of a pretty show girl accused of murder.

Fights, accusations and constant bickering revolve about the personality of Miss Oliver who finally wins the others to a verdict of not guilty by playing on their emotions and racial differences.

The film does not depend upon Miss Oliver alone to carry along the laughs. Among noted comedians in the support are: Ken Murray, Rosco Ates, the stutterer, Kitty Kelly, "Big Boy" Williams, Kate Price, Cora Witherspoon and George Humbert.

No Spouse for Will Rogers in "Ambassador Bill"

Will Rogers took his wife with him when "They Had to See Paris" and again he was accompanied by his "better half" in "So This is London," but in "Ambassador Bill," the Fox picture, coming to the Palace Theatre Friday and Saturday, he leaves his domestic consort at home, setting him free to become advisor to a queen, playmate of a youthful king and a poker player among the other members of the royal family.

Rogers, in commenting on this situation, declared it reminded him of the man who was asked if he took his wife with him when he went to Paris and who replied: "Would a man take a ham sandwich to a banquet?" In "Ambassador Bill" Rogers enacts the hilarious role of an American ambassador embroiled in the politics and royal loves of a glamorous kingdom in the Balkans. The stately Marguerite Churchill plays a leading role, while other favorites are Greta Nissen, Tad Alexander, Gustav von Seyffertitz, Ray Milland, Arnold Korff and Ernest Wood.

Cotton Carry-Over—

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March to 183 during April. This substantial increase in the margin was due to a decline in the price of raw cotton at a relatively faster rate than yarn prices. The pence margin in March was 4.25 d (penny); in April it averaged only 4.05 d (penny). During April last year, the ratio margin

Runnels county crops look good. Some farmers have planting to do yet, but a large percentage of the crops are up and thriving. Rains have been plentiful in all sections and there is no need for moisture. Prospects are encouraging and with several summer rains the harvest will be bountiful.

The city commission is to be commended on its request that only home labor be used on the curbing and gutters to be constructed on Park Avenue. It also should be praised for the recommendation that a living wage of 25 cents per hour be paid for labor. With a large number of men out of work it would be possible to secure labor at a lower figure but such work demands much and 25 cents an hour is considered low enough by officials who will let the contracts. Contractors who bid for the work should use this as a basis for labor they will employ.

Trips planned to communities of the county this year will be more like friendly calls than good-will trips. Ballinger has the good will of the citizens of this section and so has the Runnels County Fair. Trips made in the evening to nearby points will be gatherings of friends to exchange ideas and to enjoy the companionship of equals, working to a common goal. The world has been so busy for the past ten years that the spirit of neighborliness and friendship has been sadly neglected and many are just awakening to the fact that it is a big part of living. The trips to be made by the Ballingerites this summer will be open to everyone on this basis and the results can be observed after the first date, on June 7.

A number of Ballinger merchants are interested in a revival of the old time "First Monday." In recent months large crowds of rural people have gathered here, bringing their livestock and produce for trade or sale and with this interest being shown it is believed that with a little entertaining, considerable advertising and the cooperation of local merchants a big and profitable day could be made for everyone. First Monday in Ballinger at one time was an important date. Then prosperity came along and the desire to trade and otherwise seek bargains lost glamor, but now there is an indication that people would welcome such an event again. There are many possibilities in First Mondays and with a number of merchants' organizations and civic clubs backing the program there is no reason why it cannot be made a real event for Ballinger and citizens of this trade territory.

HOW'S your HEALTH



Edited by Dr. Inge Goldstein, Academy of Medicine

CHILDREN AND COFFEE

Children have for drugs a tolerance which differs from that of adults.

Thus the young can withstand proportionately large doses of depressant drugs, such as bromides, but they react rather quickly and strongly to comparatively small doses of stimulating drugs, such as alcohol or caffeine.

"Proportionate to its weight, therefore, the child can stand more of the sedative and less of the provocative drugs than can the adult.

A moment's reflection will enable us to understand in part, at least, why this is so.

The nervous system of the child and the young person represents a larger portion of the bulk of the body than does the nervous system in a grown person.

Also in its functions the juvenile nervous system is less steady and less set.

This is one of the reasons why coffee is not advised for children.

Caffeine, the drug part of coffee, is a mild stimulant and in a number of instances undoubtedly contributes to the over-stimulation of the child's nervous system.

Most children are subjected to excessive nervous stimulation by play and other forms of excitement.

This not infrequently leads to functional disturbances, particularly of the digestive system.

Then, too, children need an adequate supply of the materials essential to body building.

In so far as coffee displaces milk and other nutrition foods in the diet of the child it is objectionable.

In the household where coffee is used by all the adults and children and adolescents balk at being deprived of this beverage, a compromise may be entered into so that the children get a mixture made up mainly of milk with just enough coffee to change the color of the beverage.

WORRY—THE DRIVER'S BANE

Mental lapses are a far more important cause of automobile accidents than is commonly believed. While the reports of accidents may give physical causes, such as reckless driving, wrong side of the road, cutting in, etc., those may only be symptoms of a disturbed mental state, asserts Dr. H. J. Stack of the National Bureau of Casualty and Surety Underwriters, who says: "Extreme hurry or worry causing intense preoccupation, fatigue, elation, or excitement, or slowed down reaction as a result of the indulgence in stimulants may be behind an accident. Many of

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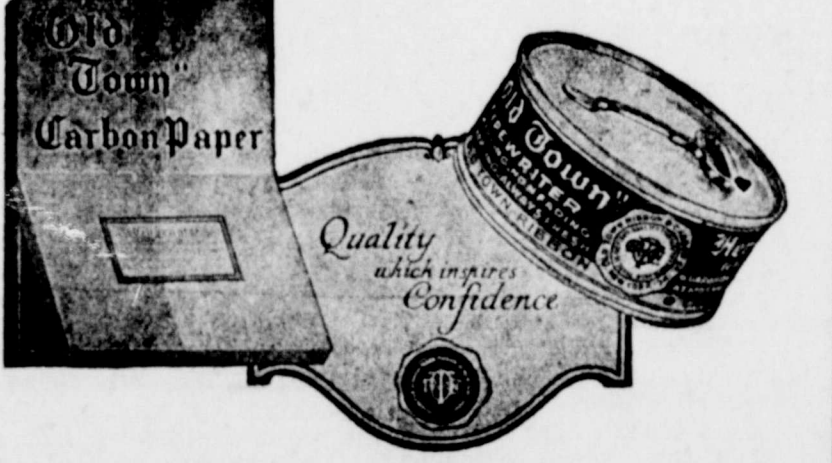
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HUNTERS SHOOT OFF TOP OF BURNING ELECTRIC POLE

(By Associated Press) BORGER, Tex., May 30.—A Borger utility company got a bill from some citizens of Durant, Okla., the other day for four boxes of shotgun shells "used in putting out a fire." The hunters explained they shot off the top of a power line pole, seven inches in diameter, which had been set afire by lightning. Thus they prevented disruption of electric service in the town.

Tommie Stallings has returned from Brownwood and Lometa where he had been for the past week on a fishing trip.



The delightful soft... Ivory toned appearance rendered to your skin is irresistible. Your complexion instantly assumes a new commanding beauty that inspires admiration wherever you go. Ideal for evening use...will not rub off or streak.

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By Charles McManus



Rural

BETHEL NEWS

This community had a good rain Tuesday evening and again Wednesday morning...

Mrs. Bill Wheatley and children, who had been visiting relatives here for two weeks...

Mr. and Mrs. John Batts and daughters attended church services at Wilmet Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Halley Howell and children visited relatives in Veribest Sunday.

W. W. Killam and family attended church services here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Greenhill entertained the young folks with a party Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Hedrick Shelburne had as their guests Sunday Mrs. W. F. McShan, Mr. and Mrs. Mead McShan and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bigby and baby, of Ballinger, were guests in the John Lee Simmons home Sunday.

The closing exercises for the Bethel school will be held Thursday and Friday nights, the lower grades presenting their program on Thursday night and the graduating class on Friday night.

The teachers have arranged a room and have on exhibit work done by the pupils during this term. The public is invited to inspect this room both Thursday and Friday nights...

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Crockett visited old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Legal McCormick at Eola recently. Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, home demonstration agent, met with the 4-H Club girls Tuesday morning...

The club and home economics girls held a style show Friday afternoon, sponsored by their teacher, Miss Elsie Gilkerson. Mothers of the girls and their elder sisters were invited...

Members of the Parent-Teacher Association have arranged with Miss Addie Alexander, county health nurse, assisted by Dr. C. F. Bailey of Ballinger, to give small-pox vaccine to all children desiring to take same...

Camp Fire Girls, Friends, on Picnic

Ballinger Camp Fire Girls, their guardians, mothers and fathers, enjoyed a picnic on Monday, May 23, in city park...

A number of local members will attend the camp this year which opens June 5. Mrs. O. R. Lasater is councillor for the local units...

A number of Ballinger girls visited the camp last year and were delighted with the daily schedule of work and play...

J. S. Caudle, of Hatchel, attended to business in Ballinger Saturday.

H. C. Lyon has returned from Houston, where he had been several days looking after business.

Mrs. H. F. Demmer left Saturday for Galveston to visit her mother and other relatives several days.

A. K. Doss and W. W. Hare, of Abilene, attended to legal business in Ballinger Saturday.

District Attorney Eugene Mathis, of San Angelo, attended to business in Ballinger Saturday.

Erskine Williams Is Visitor in City



Erskine Williams

Judge W. Erskine Williams, Ft. Worth lawyer, was a visitor in Ballinger last Wednesday in the interest of his candidacy for Congressman-at-Large...

While in the city, he was with his friend, Rev. C. P. Jones, who introduced him to a number of leading citizens and helped to organize and select a chairman for an "Erskine Williams for Congress" club...

Judge Williams was the first candidate formally to file for place No. 1, immediately following the ruling of the executive committee several months ago. He is a long-time resident of Fort Worth...

Besides his work in the legal fraternity, Judge Williams has been an active leader in the Methodist church and for four years was president of its general board of laymen's work and wrote the first constitution for that organization...

Boys, Girls Wanted For Band Students

H. H. Carsey, local bandmaster, desires to open a summer class on all types of band instruments. A number of interested persons have already been making inquiries...

"We need about thirty new members for the Ballinger Band," Mr. Carsey said, "and if I can get a large class started now I can have them playing within the next eight months as good as the regular band at present..."

Tuition for the summer class will be \$3 per month up for a class of twenty but for that number or over only \$2 will be charged for individual and class lessons...

Those interested in the summer class should see Mr. Carsey at once so that all can begin at the same time. It will require several days to get instruments and as soon as the class can be organized the first lessons will be given.

The local band is down to about 20 or 25 members and one of the busiest seasons is just ahead. Trade trips have been planned for the entire summer and the band will be the big feature on each of these...

Edgar Jayroe, of Crews, was in Ballinger Saturday looking after business and attending the meeting of the Democratic executive committee.

Dr. Don Peterson, of the state health department, visited in Ballinger over the week-end.

Religion Stifles Strife in Ireland On Eve of Eucharistic Congress

(By Associated Press)

DUBLIN, May 30.—Ireland and the sons of Ireland will forget bitter political disputes when, at the Eucharistic congress in June they join in the common bond of the faith that St. Patrick planted so firmly 1,500 years ago.

Before a high altar in Phoenix Park, under the blue crowns of the Dublin mountains, more than a million worshippers from many nations are expected to kneel when the papal legate celebrates the solemn pontifical high mass that climaxes the week of June 20 to 25.

Beginning with landing of the legate at Kingstown on June 20, all Dublin might be called a cathedral. There will be special services in all of the churches, and in the pro-cathedral throughout the week and meetings for men, for women, and a day for children.

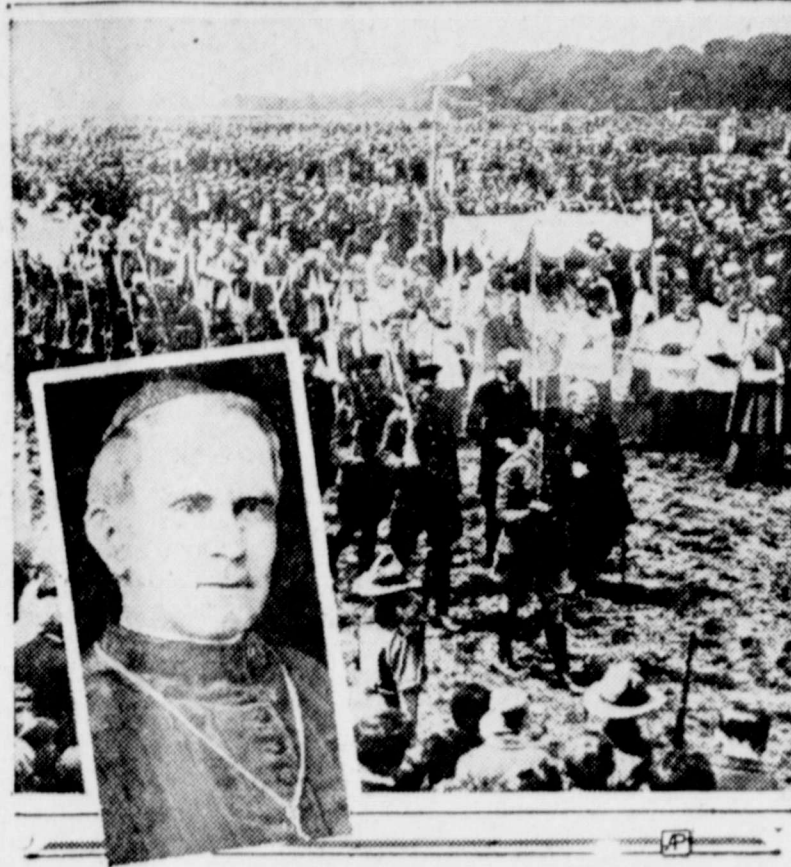
But the great religious moment will come on the last day when the great men of the church—the cardinals, the archbishops, the bishops—march in solemn procession from the altar in Phoenix Park to the O'Connell bridge.

Rich with the vivid scarlet and purple robes of the princes, and humble with the severe black and white of parish priests, the 17-mile procession with its hundreds of thousands of marchers, will color Dublin with a splendor it never has seen before, despite the many high celebrations of faith that have been held here.

More than a quarter of a million visitors are expected during the week, and from every county parish in Ireland will come more to augment the religious throngs.

From America alone 20,000 are expected, and other thousands from the continent. Colleges and seminaries have been turned into hostels to make sure that rooms will not be expensive, and 22 liners will harbor their contingents during the week.

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City Asks Bids on Curbs and Gutters

The city commission will let a contract on June 11 for the construction of curb and gutters on Park Avenue from Broadway to the A. & S. railway tracks on Fourth Street. This strip is the entrance of highway No. 23 to Ballinger. The city will be required to build cement curbs and gutters within the city limits and the center will be paved under the contract made by the state highway department.

The advertisement asking for bids is being published on May 31 and June 7 and bids will be opened by the commission at the city hall at 10 a. m., June 11. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of G. M. Garrett, resident state highway engineer, and any contractor desiring to bid on the project may get full details there.

In letting the contract the city commission will request that the contractor use nothing but bona fide home labor and recommend that a "living" wage of 25 cents per hour be paid ordinary labor. The plan for enforcing this request has not been decided but those eligible for employment will be certified to the contractor.

The bridge across Elm Creek is about completed and a contract for the topping of highway 23 is expected to be let at the June meeting of the state highway commission. This makes it necessary that the city do its part of the work at once and no time will be lost in beginning construction of the curbs and gutters on Park Avenue so that they will be in place when the other work is ready to be started there.

PAPER DROPS ITS POLITICS TO SUPPORT EX-EMPLOYEE

(By Associated Press) LITTLE SIOUX, Ia., May 30.—Because William P. Welch once was a hand-crank projectionist here, a newspaper that had been Republican for 2 years is supporting a Democrat.

Two decades ago Welch, now living in Logan and a Democratic candidate for congress, officiated at the Saturday night movies in a theater operated by Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Kerr, who publish The Hustler.

Kerr is a Republican, but now Mrs. Kerr, a Democrat, remembering that "Bill Welch was the best operator we ever had," has insisted that the paper support him.

So Kerr has surrendered his editorial pen, so far as the congressional race is concerned, to his wife.

Profit on Canned Hens

KINGSVILLE, Tex., May 30.—(AP)—Mrs. W. A. Richey believed the \$12 she was offered for 40 fat hens culled from her poultry flock was too little. She canned 32 and after deducting all costs found she had sold the meat for \$8 more than she originally was offered for the 40.

Andrew Hartman trundled a pumpkin, equipped with an axle and handle, from Columbus Grove, Ohio, to Columbus.

Memorial Program Is Well Attended

Decoration Day services held here Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock were a success in every particular. The audience was one of the largest since the day has been observed here and all numbers on the program were carried out with precision.

E. W. McLaurin, chaplain of the American Legion post, was in charge of the services, acting as master of ceremonies. The program opened with the playing of the national anthem by the Ballinger Band, after which Rev. C. P. Jones offered a prayer. R. W. Earnshaw, post commander, spoke on the honor due the dead and thanked those present for their attendance.

Thos. H. Taylor, president of Howard Payne College, Brownwood, delivered the principal address. Dr. Taylor declared that the observance should do the living more good than merely the honor paid those who had served honorably and passed on. He stressed patriotism to all Americans and stated that it took a really heroic character to make a good citizen and be worth something to his country today.

At the conclusion of the address the band played the great national march of John Phillip Sousa, "Stars and Stripes Forever," while members of the Auxiliary went to all parts of the Greenwood Cemetery where soldiers' graves were marked with small flags. A military salute was fired by a

Two Stores Suffer Damage from Fire

Fire discovered in the Joseph dry goods store about 5:30 Tuesday morning spread into the Sam Behringer grocery. The blaze is believed to have originated in the ceiling near the rear of the dividing partition of the building.

The fire department answered the alarm promptly and did a neat piece of fire fighting, preventing much damage. The Behringer store was only slightly damaged, some flour, a few boxes of soap and sacks of sugar being wet. Nothing else was damaged. Mr. Behringer stated that he would probably repaint the fixtures after a check was made and all merchandise damaged sold at reduced prices.

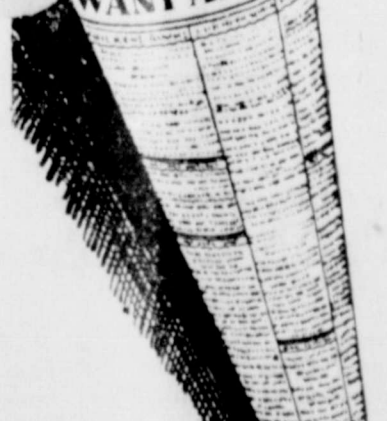
The Joseph store was closed Tuesday, awaiting instructions from the insurance companies. The damage in this store may be greater than first anticipated because of odor of smoke in dry goods and wet merchandise in the rear of the building.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Demmer have returned from a visit to relatives at Galveston.

Miss Jessie Mae Gates, of Dallas, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. D. McCoy.

squad from the national guard company with Capt. Ross Murchison in command. As the last volley was fired Graham Fowler and H. H. Carsey sounded taps.

THERE is another nicely furnished ROOM!



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WANT ADS



Coombes to Head Local Lion Club

Ballinger Lions elected officers for the year at their annual get-together Thursday evening, fourteen miles south of town on the Colorado River. The occasion was the club's annual fishing trip and "night out" on the river. Following the evening meal members gathered about the campfire to hear the report of the nominating committee and held a short business session.

Charlie Coombes was elected president of the club and will take over the duties of that office at the first meeting in July. By virtue of being the president-elect he will be the local delegate to the state convention this year. Other officers elected were: W. D. Scales, vice-president; F. D. McCoy, secretary-treasurer; Troy Simpson, lion tamer; and R. W. Earnshaw, tall twister.

Directors selected for the next year are: R. E. Bruce, F. D. McCoy, R. E. White and George Holeman. These men also will take office at the first meeting in July.

A number of Lions left here shortly after noon Thursday and pitched camp on the Colorado. Trot lines were placed in the river and in the evening these were baited and run every hour until enough fish for breakfast

had been caught. Those attending the party reported a very enjoyable meeting. A number of invited guests were present to increase attendance to over thirty.

Berries

I will have plenty of Picked Berries at Patch, Wednesday and Thursday. If you want berries better get them now, they will soon be gone.

MIKE C. BOYD 31-11

Miss Edna Edmondson, of Lorraine, is the guest of Miss Alicia Macune this week.

Chester Afferbach, accompanied by Merrick Spill, of Winters, went to Austin Saturday to attend the closing exercises of St. Edwards University, the first of this week.

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Want Ads

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

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

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

FOR SALE—Blackberries. Call 2702, Norton. B. F. Butcher. 31-2t*

FOR SALE—Cheap for cash, one Case thresher, complete; screened cook wagon and new range. Ira Sims. 17-6t

WANTED—Quilts to wash, five per dollar. Mrs. C. A. Compton, 401 Seventh Street. 3t-17-24-31-

Notice to Contractors

Sealed bids will be received by City Commission of City of Ballinger on June 11th, 1932, at 10 a. m., at the city hall, Ballinger, Texas, for construction of curb and gutter, drain box and widening street intersection on Park Avenue.

Plans and specifications may be seen for inspection at the office of G. M. Garrett.

Usual rights reserved.
W. C. McCARVER, Mayor
Attest: K. V. NORTHINGTON,
City Secretary. 2t-31-7

Card of Thanks

We desire to thank all our friends and neighbors who were so kind to us during the recent illness and death of our loved one. We feel that our devoted friends really shared our sorrow and it was a great help to us in this sad hour. May God bless each of you.

C. A. Rogers
Miss Velma Paxton
And other relatives. 31-1t

AIR-FIGHTING STRENGTH IS WORRYING BRITAIN

While claiming to have the fastest aircraft and best pilots, Britain is worried because figures just published show that it is rapidly being left behind in aerial fighting strength.

It has 706 first-line aircraft in the Royal Air Force, or just about half the number possessed by three other great powers—the United States, France and Japan. When the reserves are included, Britain is only fifth in the air-power list. France claims to have 3,000 aircraft, the United States 2,351, Japan 1,939, Italy 1,507 and Great Britain 1,434.

It is also a little disquieting to note that some of the smaller powers are building up strong air forces at a very rapid rate. Jugoslavia, for instance, has 627 first-line aircraft, Rumania 599 and Czechoslovakia 546.

Lawson Allen, of Norton, attended to business in Ballinger Monday.

It pays to read the ads.

At The Change

A Critical Time In Every Woman's Life.

"During a critical time in my life I took Cardui for several months. I had hot flashes. I would suddenly get dizzy and seem blind. I would get faint and have no strength.

My nerves were on edge. I would not sleep at night. "Cardui did wonders for me. I recommend it to all women who are passing through the critical period of change. I have found it a fine medicine."—Mrs. Hettie Murphy, Poplar Bluff, Mo.

Cardui is a purely vegetable medicine and contains no dangerous drugs.

CARDUI
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Society

Three Are Honored at Party

Walter Atwell and Henry Wootton, who were members of the high school senior class and of the Sunday school class of the First Christian Church of which Mrs. Floyd Carr is teacher, shared honors with David Baker on Wednesday evening, May 18, when Mr. and Mrs. Carr entertained for them.

The class colors of pink and green were effectively used in tallies and other party details. Salads and ices also reflected these color tones. Attractive gifts went to each senior.

Those present were: Messrs. Baker, Atwell, Wootton, Graham Fowler, Marion Connelly, Jack Deaton, Misses Jimmy Taylor, Mary Parks, Mary Copeland, Marcella White, Kathleen Connelly and Emmagne Jones.

Mrs. Pearce Entertains Club

The spacious home of Mrs. George Pearce on Ninth Street was the scene of a pretty party on Friday, May 20, when club members and a few additional friends were her guests at a bridge party of pretty appointments. Pink sweet peas and blue larkspur were used for floral adornment.

In the games high score award, a large decorated cake, went to Mrs. Joe Simmons, and a small cake went to Mrs. Alex McGregor, as consolation for her losses.

A refreshment plate contained a salad course with iced tea and tiny decorated cakes.

Guests included were: Mmes. Loyd Herring, R. G. Parks, Joe Neff, Frank Pearce, D. Reeder, Joe Simmons, J. Y. Pearce, John Guion, Alex McGregor, C. P. Shepherd, M. C. Atkins, Paul Trimmier, Leonard Stallings, George Holman, Ralph Erwin, R. L. Harwell, Malcolm McGregor, Sim Cottle, Victor Miller, J. F. Currie, Estes Lynn, Misses Winnie Trail, Louise Orgain, Florence Westbrook and Griffie Atkins.

Miss Eleanor Gates Complimented

Mrs. John A. Weeks and Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw were joint hostesses to honor Miss Eleanor Gates, a member of the high school senior class, on Tuesday morning, May 17, in the beautiful Weeks home on Eighth Street.

Five close friends of the honoree were bidden to breakfast. The affair was lovely in every detail. The graduation motif was combined with a pink and green color scheme to make a table of unusual attractiveness. Pink radian roses and lace fern in a low

silver bowl formed the centerpiece and were flanked with pink tapers in low silver candlesticks. Dolls cleverly dressed in caps and gowns were favors at each place.

Breakfast was served in three courses to Misses Eleanor Gates, Minnie Ola Cox, Jimmy Taylor, Kathryn Barnett, Nell Shepperd, and Wayne Byler.

Mexican Luncheon is Compliment to Bride-Elect

On Thursday of last week, Miss Ruth Holliday, charming bride-elect of Emmet Grantland of Colorado, was complimented by Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw in the lovely Weeks home on Eighth Street.

The affair took the form of a Mexican one o'clock luncheon and every detail stressed the chosen theme. Pomegranate blossoms in the Mexican red shade were used for floral adornment of the rooms and cacti in Mexican pots were used for table adornment. Place cards were señoritas and favors were gaily colored woven baskets filled with Mexican candies. The guest favor was a guest towel with floral design done in bright colors. An elaborate menu of Mexican dishes was served in four courses by the hostess, her mother, Mrs. John A. Weeks, and Mrs. Troy Simpson.

Included were: Misses Holliday, Evelyn Shepherd, Hortense Holt, Eleanor Hancock, Frances and Verda Nell Trail, of Paint Rock, Mmes. W. B. Woody, Robert E. Bruce, Fred Holliday, Loyd Herring, M. H. Watson of Colorado, Chas. Bailey, J. C. Sturges Jr., and Leonard Stallings.

Mrs. Woody Compliments Miss Holliday

A remembrance tea was a pretty compliment to Miss Ruth Holliday on last Friday afternoon. More than sixty friends of the honoree were bidden to call in two groups between the hours of four and six by Mrs. W. B. Woody in her attractive home on Seventh Street.

A pink and green theme was employed with bowls of pink sweet peas combined with tamarisk and Queen Ann's lace being supplemented with floor baskets of larkspur and asparagus fern. Mrs. M. H. Watson of Colorado, welcomed guests and presented the formal line headed by the hostess and Miss Holliday. Others in order were: Mrs. Frederick H. Miller of San Marino, California, Mrs. A. C. Bauer Jr. of Menard, Misses Frances Trail, Eleanor Hancock, Dorothy Chancey, Verda Nell Trail, Evelyn Shepherd and Leon Campbell of Miles, bride-elect of Carl Carr.

The tea table had for its centerpiece a low silver bowl of sweet

peas and tamarisk. Pink tapers in silver holders tied with green maline, silver services, and fancy cakes in silver trays completed the table appointments. Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw, Miss Griffie Atkins, Mrs. Loyd Herring and Mrs. Troy Simpson presided at alternate turns.

Mrs. Floyd Carr and Mrs. Leonard Stallings dispensed other hospitalities. The plate contained sandwiches in pink and green with iced tea. Plate favors were unusually attractive. They were made of pink and white Baby's Breath in gum drops to simulate a bridal bouquet in a miniature flower pot.

Mrs. Joe Forman invited guests into a back room where the beautiful and useful remembrances were on display. Mrs. J. C. Sturges Jr., graciously presided here.

Mrs. Chas. F. Bailey gave a group of appropriate readings. The first was "What Every Mother Wants to Know," by Guest; the last was a humorous one by Siviter entitled "The First Spat."

Mrs. Fred Holliday asked guests to register in a pretty hand-painted guest book, her own handiwork. Adieus were spoken on the patio by little Misses Mary Brian Woody, Zaidee Mildred Watson and Mary Simpson.

Pecan Growers—

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the sackfuls, during the absence of the owners, thus greatly reducing profits.

"Another insect, and that is a mild name—is the 'pecan tree bootlegger.' This is a sort of fly-by-night insect—what I mean by this is that the tree bootlegger drops in on an unsuspecting individual, puts up a rapid fire barrage of sales talk on healthy, vigorous, growing trees he has for sale," closes the deal, delivers the trees—most of them carry the trees with them in a truck—unloads on the unsuspecting buyer and is gone.

"An instance of this kind occurred in Runnels county last year. A pecan salesman—I shall not insult our honest pecan nurserymen by calling these fellows nurserymen—for this individual I am referring to I am sure does not know what a pecan nursery is—dropped into one of the towns in Runnels county, sold pecan trees to a few of the leading citizens of the town and was upon the verge of closing a deal for some 300 to 400 trees with one of the leading business men of the town.

"About this time one of the men who had bought some of these trees became suspicious,

called me over the phone and asked me to come out and inspect his trees.

"In company with one of the leading pecan nursery men of West Texas I went to this man's place. We inspected the trees and found that every one of them was a native tree. I then took this matter up with the department at Austin. They checked up on the fellow and found that he did not have a nursery at all, and they found further that he had gone into a native grove, dug up several hundred young trees, loaded them in his truck and sold them for improved varieties. This party is not in business any more.

"There are several matters about which the pecan growers' association should concern itself. I shall not take time to discuss these matters but just briefly mention them.

"(1) The association should concern itself about insects and disease control.

"(2) The association should use its efforts and its influences to see to it that only trees adapted to West Texas conditions be planted or propagated in this section.

"(3) The association should look into the matter of finding a better outlet and set up proper marketing facilities for our pecan crop.

"With proper attention given to these matters, I believe the association can do much toward making the pecan industry one of the leading commercial industries of West Texas."

INVESTIGATE CAR CRASH IN JUSTICE COURT

Automobiles driven by "Blondy" Doss and Horace Oliver were wrecked Saturday night on the Wingate road near the W. E. Allen ranch, two miles west of Ballinger. The cars were passing on a curve and in some manner crashed, both being badly damaged. The Oliver car had the engine dislodged, one side stripped off, and wheels broken from the axles. The car driven by Doss was also in bad shape. Both autos were taken to a local garage where they are being repaired. No one was injured in the crash. Investigation of the wreck is being made by officers.

Wesley Shelton was fined \$18.50 Monday on a vagrancy charge, and will work out the fine on the court house lawn. G. B. Goss was fined \$14.50 on the same charge Saturday, and is out on bond.

County court opened with a jury in the box Monday morning

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Veterans Want Silver

YERINGTON, Nev., May 30.—(AP)—The Nevada American Legion has endorsed a proposal that World War veterans of the state receive full payment of the soldiers' bonus in silver or silver certificates.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Brooks and Mrs. Lee Bowen, of Fort Worth, spent several days here recently, visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Forgy. Mrs. Brooks is a sister of Mr. Forgy. The group returned home Monday.

Mrs. L. R. Tigner, Mrs. R. E. Truly, Miss Elizabeth Truly and Miss Marjorie Lynn left Saturday morning for Dallas, where they will attend the graduation of Miss Marguerite Truly from the Baptist Hospital training school for nurses.

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