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Runnels County Women Make Good Club Records

During 1934 Runnels county home demonstration club women canned 103,753 quarts of food and cured or dried 42,922 pounds of other food valued at \$26,975.29. Seventeen demonstrators and 584 cooperators did this work and at the time the annual report was made, 394 club women had winter gardens growing.

The 25 demonstrators and 576 cooperators in the wardrobe division in 1934 made 9,160 garments valued at \$12,028.20.

Yard improvements continued throughout the year, 17 demonstrators working on their yards which were planned in 1933.

Good reports were made on all other projects for both women and girls, according to Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, county home demonstration agent, who has just completed and sent to College Station her 1934 report.

High points in the summary of Mrs. Hollingsworth's annual report show that in 1934 Runnels county had 23 women's organizations with an enrollment of 601, and nine 4-H girls' clubs with an enrollment of 221.

The women conducted three major demonstrations during the year, farm food supply, wardrobe and yard improvement. For these special demonstrations there were 69 demonstrators and 532 cooperators.

Seven achievement days were conducted at which 16 demonstrators and 312 visitors made inspections.

The 4-H girls' clubs conducted three demonstrations, in which 27 demonstrators and 194 cooperators were engaged.

The women's clubs maintained a county home demonstration council and advisory board which had a membership of 46. They met regularly on the third Saturday afternoon of each month at Ballinger. A year book was published in which 148 individuals, business firms and organizations over the county contributed for advertising space, which financed the printing.

The 4-H bedroom contest was completed April 15. Jenna V. Setser, of Norton, winning first place and Velma Lee, of Maverick, taking second. All other girls' contests were completed July 11 and 12 at the annual encampment.

The club women of the county held their annual encampment in Ballinger August 15 and 16 with large attendance and a splendid program.

The 1935 program for club women includes continuing the yard improvements, completing wardrobes on July 31, and taking up bedroom demonstrations. The club girls will continue improving their bedrooms and gardens and preserving food.

COUNTY LEAGUE UNION HOLDS MEETING HERE

The Young People's League Union of Runnels county met Tuesday night at the Ballinger Methodist church with the young people of the local church as hosts. The program was presented by the Norton group, Rev. Call conducting the devotional. Attendance for the regular meeting was 120.

C. C. Sessions, of Ballinger, was elected vice-president of the organization to succeed Howard Turnidge, who recently moved to Austin.

Following the program and business session G. M. Garrett and Mrs. W. H. Vanderpool supervised a number of games which were followed by the serving of refreshments by the Ballinger young people.

Mrs. J. H. Mowrey, of Childress, who had been visiting relatives here several weeks, left Thursday morning for her home.

Mrs. Lloyd Nixon, of San Angelo, visited friends here Monday.

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First Culvert Unit On Eighth Street Has Been Finished

The first half of the box drainage culvert under Eighth Street was completed this week and a crew began removing the pavement and excavating for the other half. Most of the masonry in the large drainage ditch from Eighth Street to Tenth Street has been finished and many of the laborers will be moved to the east side of Eighth Street soon to begin work on that section of the line.

Other projects in the city to get under way at once include masonry on the lower Elm Creek dam which will be raised three feet in height. Stone for this work will be taken from the city quarry by men furnished by the relief office.

City collections were good in December, tax payments coming in steadily. Collections for the month are divided as follows: taxes, \$2,429.62; water rentals, \$1,569.41; sanitary service payments, \$790.30 and receipts from other sources, \$167.29.

During the past week the street department operated four days on dirt streets. The blader was used in smoothing the streets and clogged drain lines were opened. Rocks were removed from the streets six afternoons.

Other city work was reported quiet the past week, duties being mainly routine.

Rainfall Here in '34 More Than Gauged In Previous Year

According to the United States weather bureau gauge here kept by Mrs. E. M. Eubank there was 2.17 inches more rainfall in Ballinger in 1934 than in 1933. Throughout the past year there was a total precipitation of 17.76 inches, while in 1933 only 15.59 inches fell.

In October and December of last year there was not enough water from the clouds to register in the gauge. In April the greatest rainfall of any month during the year was received, 5.47 inches being recorded.

The average rainfall in Ballinger for the past 39 years, exclusive of 1934, was 22.97 inches. The 1934 report lowers the 40-year average to 22.84 inches.

During the past year precipitation per month was as follows:

January	.94	July	.15
February	.90	August	.10
March	3.55	September	1.05
April	5.47	October	Tr.
May	4.25	November	1.90
June	4.5	December	Tr.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stone were among Ballingerites who attended the presentation of "The Green Pastures" in San Angelo Tuesday night.

Jack Nixon and Bill Griffin, agents for Southwestern Life Insurance Company, attended an all-day meeting of agents of this district at San Angelo Monday.

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New Legislature Convenes For Vital Session



Photographed above is the famous capitol building at Austin, second only to the National Capitol in size! Here the new Texas Legislature convenes early this month to face problems considered greater in variety and importance than ever before. Action is anticipated promptly to halt natural gas wastage in the Panhandle. This wastage has grown so rapidly, that reports to the Railroad Commission reveal that each day it now equals the daily domestic and commercial gas consumption of the entire United States. Taxation, liquor laws, relief, oil control and other vital subjects demand early solution.

Work on Bronte Highway Is Started This Week

Date for Electing New Directors For C. of C. is Set

Directors of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce the past weekend heard plans for closing the year's work and starting the 1935 program. The annual membership meeting was scheduled at the city hall on January 15, at which time the nominating committee, composed of E. M. Lynn, Sam Behringer and Jack Rudd, will present the names of eleven men and suggest their election as directors for the year.

This meeting is strictly for business and all members of the organization will be notified and urged to attend. A report to be made on accomplishments during the past year includes some important projects. Secretary J. D. Motley will outline a proposed program for 1935 and recommend a number of standing committees to look after assignments throughout the year.

The directors also suggested that some time the latter part of this month, after the new directors were elected and had perfected their organization, the annual banquet be held and all residents of Ballinger invited to attend.

The chamber was operated on a very small income during the past year. One of the first tasks of the 1935 directorate will be to make a canvass of the city and solicit memberships from those who do not now belong to the organization. Since the last membership campaign here, a number of new firms have entered the business district, and these will be given opportunity to affiliate with the chamber.

Dr. R. H. Hensley, of Winters, transacted business in Ballinger Monday.

J. M. Nichols, of Guion, transacted business in Ballinger Wednesday.

Mrs. S. R. Fates, of Arlington, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. E. Bruce.

A crew of more than twenty men began clearing the right-of-way on highway No. 109, Ballinger-to-Bronte, Tuesday morning. The work was started northwest of Ballinger on the Allen Brothers ranch where the new route leaves the old road.

Most of the highway in the Allen ranch had been cleared Thursday morning and work was ready to start on the Dee Oliver place, which adjoins on the west. The crew of relief workmen is under the supervision of the state highway department and will continue clearing and grubbing the land in the right-of-way, to have it ready for grading as soon as possible.

All phases of the construction are being pushed as fast as possible and more men will be employed as additional work is available.

The large crew working on the annex to the old jail is making good progress. Masons began laying the stone walls Thursday and locally all excavation for the basement has been finished.

When completed this building will be used to house the county relief administrative offices. The old jail is already in use, housing the canning plant and sewing room which are operated by the relief administration.

COUNTRY CLUB KEEPER SUSTAINS INJURY TO EYE

C. B. Looney, keeper of the Ballinger Country Club, is in the Halley & Love Sanitarium recovering from a serious injury to an eye which he sustained last week. While repairing a fence, a staple hit his left eyeball, puncturing it, and causing an injury which may prove permanent. Surgeons believe he will have practically no vision left in the eye but that they may be able to save the eyeball.

Mr. Looney came here from Winters last summer to take over the maintenance and improvement of the country club property and has done excellent work in this capacity.

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Work Begins on Elevation Of Municipal Dam on Elm

Stockholders of 3 Ballinger Banks Reelect Directors

Annual stockholders' meetings of the three Ballinger banks Tuesday resulted in no changes in either directors or officers of the institutions.

Stockholders of the First National Bank met at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in the directors' room. The following directors were re-elected for 1935: J. A. Walker, J. Y. Pearce, R. G. Erwin, C. L. Baker, J. G. Douglass, Harry Lynn and F. M. Pearce.

Officers elected by the directors following the stockholders' meeting are: J. Y. Pearce, president; F. M. Pearce, vice-president; J. G. Douglass, vice-president; R. G. Erwin, cashier; Harry Lynn, assistant cashier; J. W. Patterson, assistant cashier; and W. R. Bogie, assistant cashier.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank the directors named are: Mrs. J. F. Currie, Fred Kiechle, J. L. Chastain, R. W. Bruce and C. H. Wylie. Officers re-elected by the directors are: Mrs. J. F. Currie, president; Fred Kiechle, active vice-president; J. L. Chastain, cashier; Edward Sommer, assistant cashier; and R. E. Bruce, assistant cashier.

Directors of the Security State Bank elected Tuesday are: E. F. Batts, W. B. Halley, William Halfmann, T. B. Saunders and Rufus Allen. Officers re-elected are: E. F. Batts, president; W. B. Halley, vice-president; William Halfmann, vice-president; T. B. Saunders, cashier; A. R. Murchison, assistant cashier; Miss Abie Kennison, book-keeper.

Approximately 25,000 men have been appointed to take the census in the nation. The huge task calls for listing data on 6,000,000 farms and ranches in the United States in what is probably the most important agricultural census in the nation's history, according to a statement released by Director William L. Austin, bureau of the census, department of commerce.

Plans call for completion of the census before the end of January. The fifteenth decennial census act, approved June 18, 1929, directed that a mid-decennial census of agriculture be taken January 1, 1935, for the calendar year 1934. Director Austin said, "Because of the tremendous upheaval in the great basic industry of agriculture, due to the depression, drought and other factors, new farm statistics are urgently needed in connection with the government's vast recovery program."

The department urges every farmer to give full cooperation to the taking of the census. The information to be compiled will be important in making allotments, rendering relief, and in other divisions of the government program.

The return made by each individual farmer is a matter of absolute confidence and will not be made public nor will figures be

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From information supplied by Paul Trimmer, secretary-treasurer of the organization, it was learned that the shareholders in the association number 193 at this time. Loans in force December 31, 1934, totalled \$885,933, as compared to \$638,883 on the same date one year before, an increase of \$246,050.

The prevailing rates of interest are 4 1/2 and 5 per cent, resulting in a saving of over \$5,000,000 in interest to borrowers in Texas alone. The money is loaned by the federal land bank, Houston.

Directors elected at the meeting here this week are: C. A. Dooze, R.

Construction was started Wednesday on the three-foot elevation of the Elm Creek dam. The first rock was laid on top of the dam Wednesday afternoon and a crew of twenty men will continue the work as fast as possible in an effort to get the addition completed before spring rains begin.

Ten men are being used in the rock quarry and ten on the masonry work on the dam.

H. C. Smith is supervising the masonry and looking after the city's interests. A large amount of stone has already been taken from the municipal quarry and trucked to the reservoir location where it will be fitted into the dam.

Those in charge think it will require from thirty to forty days to complete the job and be accepted by the city authorities. The increase of three feet in the dam will only have to be built on the main section as earthen dumps and the emergency spillway were constructed to the full height several years ago. The capacity of the lake will be increased one-fifth when the addition is finished.

Fire Destroys Barn On F. Kemp Farm

The large barn on the Frank Kemp dairy farm, 3 1/2 miles from town, was destroyed by fire late Tuesday afternoon. This probably was the largest barn in the county and practically all the valuable contents were lost. The local fire company rushed to the scene of the fire, but was unable to render much aid as there was not sufficient water nearby to extinguish the blaze.

It is thought that the fire originated from sparks in a feed grinder which was being operated in the barn. No one was in the room when the fire started as the operator of the grinder was doing some work in a granary nearby. When the flames were discovered the building was about half consumed.

Mr. Kemp, aided by several friends, saved about 1,000 bushels of feed, but nothing else was salvaged. The owner stated that he had approximately enough feed to last a year stored in the barn. No insurance was carried on the feed, but the barn was partially protected.

Ballinger people who attended the funeral of Mrs. Armstrong, the mother of Mrs. W. V. Connelly, at Brownwood Monday included: Mmes. Cal Adair, A. B. Stobaugh, Will Dooze and Malcolm Morgan, and Miss Oleta Crouch.

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W. Bruce, G. H. Dierschke, J. W. Bigby and M. B. Wardlaw. The directors elected Mr. Dooze president; Mr. Bruce, vice-president; and Judge Trimmer, secretary-treasurer.

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American Woman Reporter Relates Work in Mexico

AUSTIN, Jan. 9.—Miss Lillian Wester, instructor in romance languages in the University of Texas, has not always lived the quiet, retired, conventional life of a teacher in a university community. She was for six years diplomatic reporter on the Mexican Herald, during its life the largest English language daily in Latin America.

Miss Wester knew intimately three Mexican presidents and their wives, twenty foreign ministers, Mexican republics. She moved in the society of the once most glittering and pompous capital in the Western Hemisphere, and reported news coming from twenty foreign ministers, and she interviewed some of the world's most brilliant men who at one time or another found their way to the Mexican capital.

She saw Porfirio Diaz, Francisco de La Bar, and Francisco Madero in ascendancy. She witnessed their power wane as rebellions seethed in the Mexican hinterlands; she saw the first two fall. Senor Madero, described by Miss Wester as one of the gentlest of men, was murdered in the presidential suite shortly after she left the city.

Miss Wester described the tension of the capital city during the last few months of her stay there. "We were expecting the Zapalistas revolutionists to enter the city any day or night," Miss Wester said. "They came in sight several times, but never near enough to do much damage while I was there."

"But there was much turmoil in the city itself. The different cliques were constantly fighting to stir up trouble. It got so that it was dangerous to be on the streets at night."

Miss Wester said that it was not at all unusual for her to be escorted home from the Herald's office after working late at night by a mounted patrol of twenty men.

Because of her familiarity with the Spanish and French languages, Miss Wester was often called upon as an interpreter. She told of the time when she had to interpret for a young American aide of President Madero at his marriage to a daughter of one of Mexico's leading families.

"In those last days that I was in Mexico there was no lack of news," Miss Wester said. "There was a cabinet meeting every day and the diplomatic offices were always busy. One cannot be a diplomatic reporter in a foreign capital and say he has not lived."

When she came back to the United States, she became a feature writer on the San Antonio Express, a position which she held for two years. She has been teaching in the university for the last twelve years.

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NATIVE KILLERS TO DIE

DARWIN, Australia, Jan. 9.—Eight aborigines have been sentenced to death in Darwin for wantonly spearing two men at Fitzmaurice River, chopping up the bodies and throwing them into the river. Police traveled 1,000 miles to arrest the murderers. It is the largest number ever sentenced for murder in the history of the territory.

Girl at game (watching huddle on field): "There, they're at it again! I do hope Bill won't repeat that story I told him last night."

Fights Auto Deaths



The vital need for Texas to take some steps to reduce its horrible death toll on highways was stressed in a recent speech of W.S. Pope (pictured above) casualty commissioner of the Texas Insurance Board, before a representative group from all over the state, at Austin. Pope is the man who is daily impressed with the dangers of motoring—a ten-a-day death toll is the Texas average, with damages running millions annually.

Football Banquet Plans Completed

The annual banquet for the Ballinger high school football team will be held at the Central Hotel tomorrow (Friday) evening. The Rotary and Lions clubs will hold a joint meeting tomorrow, acting as host to the 1934 grid squad.

A committee representing the two service clubs completed the program for the affair Monday afternoon and also decided in regard to the sale of tickets. All members of the two organizations are expected to attend and will be accompanied by their wives or feminine friends. Tickets were placed on sale at local drug stores this week for any fans who do not belong to a service club and who would like to attend. The sale of tickets was stopped Wednesday night in order to instruct the hotel management how many plates to prepare.

C. P. Shepherd was named toastmaster for the occasion and will preside over the entire program. Numbers arranged for the evening include both entertainment and serious talks. Clarence ("Nig") McCarver was selected as the principal speaker. Mr. McCarver played on Ballinger high school teams several years ago and later developed as one of the greatest backfield men in the nation. The high school orchestra will offer musical selections while the banqueters are assembling and during the first course of the menu. The high school girls' trio will be heard in a group of numbers. Captain Denman White will introduce members of the 1934 squad.

H. B. Self, who recently resigned as head coach to become high school principal, will talk on the past season, its thrills, and those who made the team possible. George Stuke, assistant coach, will also be heard in a tribute to the lads who made up one of the most colorful teams in the history of the school. Coach Felton Wright will speak on prospects for 1935 and tell some of his plans for next fall.

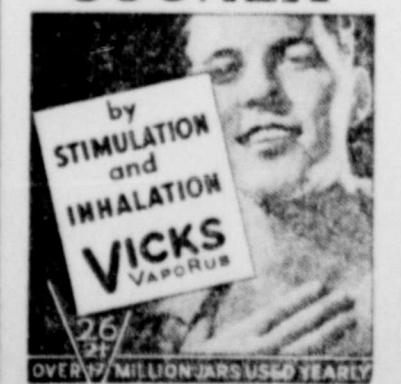
A decoration committee composed of Charles Coombes, R. W. Earnshaw and E. E. King, will arrange the dining hall for the banquet. A. L. Burden, Willard Schuhmann and Jack Rudd will attend to the arrangements and attendance.

LEPERS IN SPORT CONTESTS

SINGAPORE, January 9.—Only male lepers were permitted to enter the twenty-one events of a recent athletic meet in Singapore. More than forty lepers took part, and the championship was won by a former policeman who hopes to be discharged shortly as cured. The meet was held at the Malaya leper settlement.

Out of the Mouths of Babes Sunday School Teacher "Willie" can you quote something from the Bible to show that a man should not have two wives? Willie: "Yes; No man can serve two masters."

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Will Rogers Tops All Previous Roles as "Judge Priest" by Cobb

One of America's most noted authors, Irvin S. Cobb, has supplied Will Rogers with his latest Fox Film vehicle, "Judge Priest," which will come to the Palace Theatre next Sunday and Monday.

According to all advance reports, the film gives Will the finest and most human role of all those he has played on the screen. Preview audiences in Hollywood and New York have hailed it as the most notable of all Rogers' gallery of American characters and there seems little doubt that it will register throughout the country as the star's most successful picture to date.

The popular series of stories by Irvin Cobb has been used as the basis for this screen history of the shrewd and wise Kentucky judge who flourished in Paducah, Kentucky, in the late years of the past century.

Rich human interest, it is said, blends with laughter and tears in this tale of a sleepy southern town, which still is not too sleepy to cradle stirring drama. Millions of readers know this grand old jurist of fiction. Now millions more will know and love him.

Will Rogers, from all accounts, contributes to the film a memorable portrait of this former Confederate soldier, who dilutes justice with the milk of human kindness and who saves from disaster a helpless girl and the father whom she has never known.

The cast recruited for Rogers' support includes such names as Anita Louise, Tom Brown, Rochelle Hudson, Henry B. Walthall, David Landau and the ever hilarious Stepin Fetchit.

"Chained" Reunites Joan Crawford and Clark Gable in Tense Drama

In "Chained," at the Palace Theatre soon, Joan Crawford and Clark Gable are co-starred in a story written especially for them by Edgar Selwyn, noted writer, director and producer.

They are cast in the kind of roles which each has made famous—Joan as a vivid young lady of Manhattan, and Gable as a young American rancher in Buenos Aires.

With Otto Kruger as the "other man," a rich, gentlemanly, middle-aged New Yorker, also in love with Joan, the story takes on dramatic power.

Following the new trend of fast moving locale, the background against which the action takes place is as swift changing as the drama itself. Beginning with a sun-flecked motorboat sequence on New York bay, the locale swiftly

shifts to Manhattan, then to a luxurious liner at sea, then to Buenos Aires, out onto a great rancho, back to New York, and finally to a smart mountain resort in the North.

The story itself concerns a beautiful girl who deliberately breaks one man's heart to save a man to whom she is indebted from suffering. Then she bravely faces the dramatic consequences, with the surprise ending a happy one for all three.

Stuart Erwin, Una O'Connor, Marjorie Gateson, Paul Porcasi, Akim Tamiroff and Ralph Bushman are included in the support.

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SINGING CONVENTION AT CREWS JANUARY 13

Singers of this section are invited to Crews Sunday afternoon, January 13, for a meeting of the Tri-County Singing Association. This organization has been growing rapidly during the past year and the conventions attract some of the best vocalists in this section.

The public is invited to the Crews meeting.

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Simmons Beauty



Miss Mildred Richeson of Mansfield, Texas, who has been selected by student vote as the most popular co-ed on the campus at Hardin-Simmons university, Abilene, Texas. She will be crowned queen at coronation ceremonies in the spring. (Texas News Photos.)

New Official Begins Duties With Concho Area Scout Council

Additional Boy Scout service was assured the Concho Valley council this week when Jack Stone, former assistant Scout executive of Oklahoma City, was added to the executive staff. He assumed his duties January 1.

Stone completed a four-day trip Tuesday night, visiting every point in this area. He was accompanied by R. L. Billington, Scout executive.

The new executive will spend most of his hours in the "field," concentrating on the training of leadership, in the strengthening of troops and in giving a better program of Scouting to this area. He spent a year and a half in the central Oklahoma council, is a graduate of the thirty-ninth national training school for executives at Mendham, N. J., and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Oklahoma.

The newcomer to West Texas is a native Oklahoman, having been born in McAlester. He reached his Eagle Scout rank in Oklahoma City and was awarded the badge by Col. Charles Lindbergh in 1928. His camping experience was gained in numerous Oklahoma camps.

During 1933 and 1934 Stone directed the activities of the central Oklahoma council of 4,700 Scouts and Cubs, participating in two Scout circuses, a merit badge show and many council rallies. He is married and his wife and he will make home at San Angelo, working out of the council headquarters.

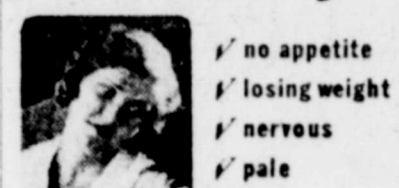
Definite plans are being pushed for the annual meeting of the

Concho valley council at San Angelo Thursday afternoon and night, January 24. Ted Logan, general chairman, revealed today. More than 300 Scouts, friends of members and their wives and sweethearts will through the St. Angelus Hotel for the banquet meeting which will start at 6:15 p. m. Election of the 1935 officers, the address by Dr. Bradford Knapp, president of Texas Technological College, and a pageant by Scouts, will feature the program.

A convention for Scouters will start at 4 p. m. according to Logan. Here scoutmasters, troop committees, finance men and all interested in scouting, will assemble in conferences for discussions and demonstrations. Logan's committee in charge of the meeting is A. M. Blackman, McCamey; O. C. Sykes, Ballinger; R. D. Trainer, Sonora; B. B. Burk, Menard; and Grady Skelton, Brady. The group conference of scoutmasters, assistants and commissioners will be headed by J. F. Reeves, Fort Stockton; troop committees by Dr. H. P. Bybee, San Angelo; district committees by C. B. Coulter, McCamey; ten-year program by Mims Jackson, and finance committees by H. C. Ragdale, San Angelo.

A reception for women is in the hands of Mrs. Hal Bybee, of San Angelo. The St. Angelus Virginia room will be the site for the

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afternoon gathering. Mrs. Bybee said. NORTH CAROLINA ROCKS OLD RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 9.—Scientists have classified rocks found in the mountains of western North Carolina as among the oldest geological formations known. Be wise and advertise.

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MAVERICK MUSINGS

Mr. Pounds of this community, is now in the Halley & Love Sanitarium for treatment.

to teach school the first of the week. Her sister, Miss Opal Covington, of Kaufman, taught as substitute.

Mrs. B. B. Smith, of Cochran, attended church here Sunday and was a guest in the home of her sister, Mrs. Ruben Kiser.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cox, of Cochran, attended services at the Baptist church Sunday and visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Cox, Sr.

Mrs. H. M. Burleson, Mrs. Lucian Gray and Mrs. Truett Billups visited in Abilene Wednesday.

J. Weaner, of Breckenridge, was a guest Sunday of Miss Nellie Dee Cook, in the C. B. Mosley home.

Mrs. Oren Mathis and children returned home Sunday afternoon from Winters. They spent a few days in the home of her mother, Mrs. E. A. Meadows, who has not been well.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Cox, of Ballinger, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Billups Sunday. Those calling in the afternoon were: Mrs. Cora Maddox, of Goldsboro; Mrs. H. M. Burleson, Mrs. Charles Smith, Mrs. Hart Phillips, of Winters; and L. C. Morris, of Novice.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Elders and children, of Winters, attended church here Sunday.

Mrs. Ellen White and baby, spent a few days this week in the home of her grandmother, Mrs. E. A. Meadows, of Winters.

F. L. Seals, Oren Mathis and W. T. Billups attended the trustee meeting at Crews Monday night, the purpose of which was to discuss the erection of a centrally located high school.

Sunday school and church services were well attended Sunday. Brother Funderburk preached a very interesting sermon.

A shower was given Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Avert for Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Miller, who recently lost their house by fire. They received many nice things which will be a great help to them.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Jackson visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Muller Hill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brevard and son visited Mr. and Mrs. Welby Fuller Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Faubion visited Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Miller Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rosford were guests in the M. F. Kerby home Sunday.

Naomi Brevard visited Doretta Schwartz Sunday.

Kinsfolks and friends of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Miller met last week and papered and worked on their house that they recently moved into. They wish to thank their friends and neighbors very much.

Little Zenobia Hill, who has been sick for 19 months, is able to be up in a rolling chair. We hope

she will continue to feel better.

Mrs. Poe and sons have been visiting her son on the plains for the past week.

On New Year's morning Miss Willie Hale, of Houston, came home to visit her parents. They gave a supper for her. All of the children and a few friends and relatives were present after supper. They had music, which everyone enjoyed very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brevard and son, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Bragg and family, Mr. and Mrs. Play Brevard and Noel and Miss Willie Hale played bridge in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hale Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldron Avert and baby have recently moved from our community to Oak Grove. We regret very much to see them move, but hope they will like their new location.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry Matthews have moved to Jim Wood's place near Crews.

Most of the farmers are breaking land while some have already finished and are looking forward to a good rain, which is needed at present on small grain.

Boyd Grissom was a guest of Sammie Doyle Faubion Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Alcorn were callers in the W. A. Hale home Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Avert were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Faubion Sunday.

Mrs. J. T. Brandon was the guest of Mrs. A. B. Alcorn Monday afternoon.

Miss Naomi Brevard visited Mrs. Welby Fuller Saturday night.

Mrs. G. C. Avert was the guest of Mrs. S. H. Miller Saturday afternoon.

Several of this community have been on the sick list this week. Earl Cooper is recovering from a case of pneumonia. Ralph Bradley is quite sick with pneumonia at this writing. Misses Lorena and Sylvia Bradley were out of school Monday with bad colds. Wayne Mitchell is also on the sick list, but is not confined to his bed all the time.

We are sorry that Mr. Jackson and family have moved from the

Wayne Mitchell place and left our community, but we are glad to have Mr. Mitchell and family, of Winters, move back on their farm here.

Visitors in the Corbett Cooper home Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Cooper and children, Henry Berry and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fisher and children, Mr. and Mrs. Brooks, and Bill Freeman and family.

Alden Watson and Raymond Hash, of Ballinger, were guests in the J. E. Talley home Sunday.

Miss Alice Watson, of Ballinger, spent the week-end with her aunt, Mrs. E. J. White and little daughter, Bobbie June, and Mrs. Edith Smith visited in the Victory community Tuesday.

Mrs. and Mrs. Raymond Freeman and baby visited Mrs. Freeman's sister, Mrs. Hooks, and family, of South Ballinger, Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Tooker and children, James Ira and Geneva Boothe, attended the golden wedding anniversary of Mrs. Tooker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Watson, of South Ballinger. The celebration was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reese. Mrs. Reese is a sister of Mrs. H. L. Tooker.

Mrs. Edith Smith was the guest of Mrs. Raymond Freeman Sunday.

Lee Wade and children have moved to the Spring Hill community. We regret to lose them from our community.

The Eagle Branch school board met at Crews Monday night with the boards of trustees of the Crews, Content and Harmony districts for the purpose of discussing the building of a high school somewhere near the center of these districts. Mass meetings will be held in the respective districts on the following dates, to wit: Harmony, Tuesday, January 15, at 7:30 p. m.; Eagle Branch, Thursday, January 17, at 7:30 p. m.; Crews, Tuesday, January 22, at 7:30 p. m.; and Content, Thursday, January 24, at 7:30 p. m. The trustees of each district urge that every citizen be present at their community meetings. In the event a centralized high school is built, the location will be designated by the county board, which is a matter of law.

The P. T. A. program committee met with the president, Mrs. Alva

Berry, Tuesday, to prepare their program for Friday night of next week, January 18.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill had New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Elam, of Miles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Henkhaus and daughter, of Spring Hill, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Werner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fonso Gressett Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Green visited Mr. and Mrs. J. Milton Clayton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Clayton were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pullin and boys attended church at Ballinger Sunday and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pullin, of Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Smith, of Ballinger, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mueller Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Parker and Mrs. W. D. Lewis were callers in the F. Gressett home Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hoffman visited Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Howell, of Ballinger, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox and Addie Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Cox and baby, Grafton Brookshier, Ray Gressett and Aubrey Cox were guests in the Arch Brookshier home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox and Addie Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Cox and baby were callers in the C. M. Gibson home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gibson and Sonny were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gibson, of Barnett, Sunday.

The Benoit home demonstration club met in an all-day meeting Tuesday at the home of Mrs. A. N. Hoffman. Thirteen members and five visitors were present.

As the year books have not been finished the program was turned over to the preparing of our monthly report. The club will meet with Mrs. J. L. Hoffman in an all-day quilting on January 22.

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31 day of December, 1934, published in The Ballinger Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 4 day of January, 1935.

Table with RESOURCES section including Loans and discounts on personal or collateral security, Loans secured by real estate, Overdrafts, Securities of U. S., any State or political subdivision thereof, Other bonds and stocks owned, Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures, Real estate owned, other than banking house, Cash and due from approved reserve agents, Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand, Stock and/or assessment Federal Deposit Ins. Corp., Other Resources: Interest accrued, Livestock, Interest in Bryson Estate.

Table with LIABILITIES section including Capital stock, Income Debentures sold, Total Capital Structure, Surplus Fund, Undivided profits, net, Due to banks and bankers, subject to check, Individual Deposits subject to check, including time deposits due in 30 days, Time certificates of deposit, Cashier's checks outstanding.

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS.

We, Mrs. J. F. Currie, as president and J. L. Chastain as cashier, of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day January, A. D. 1935.

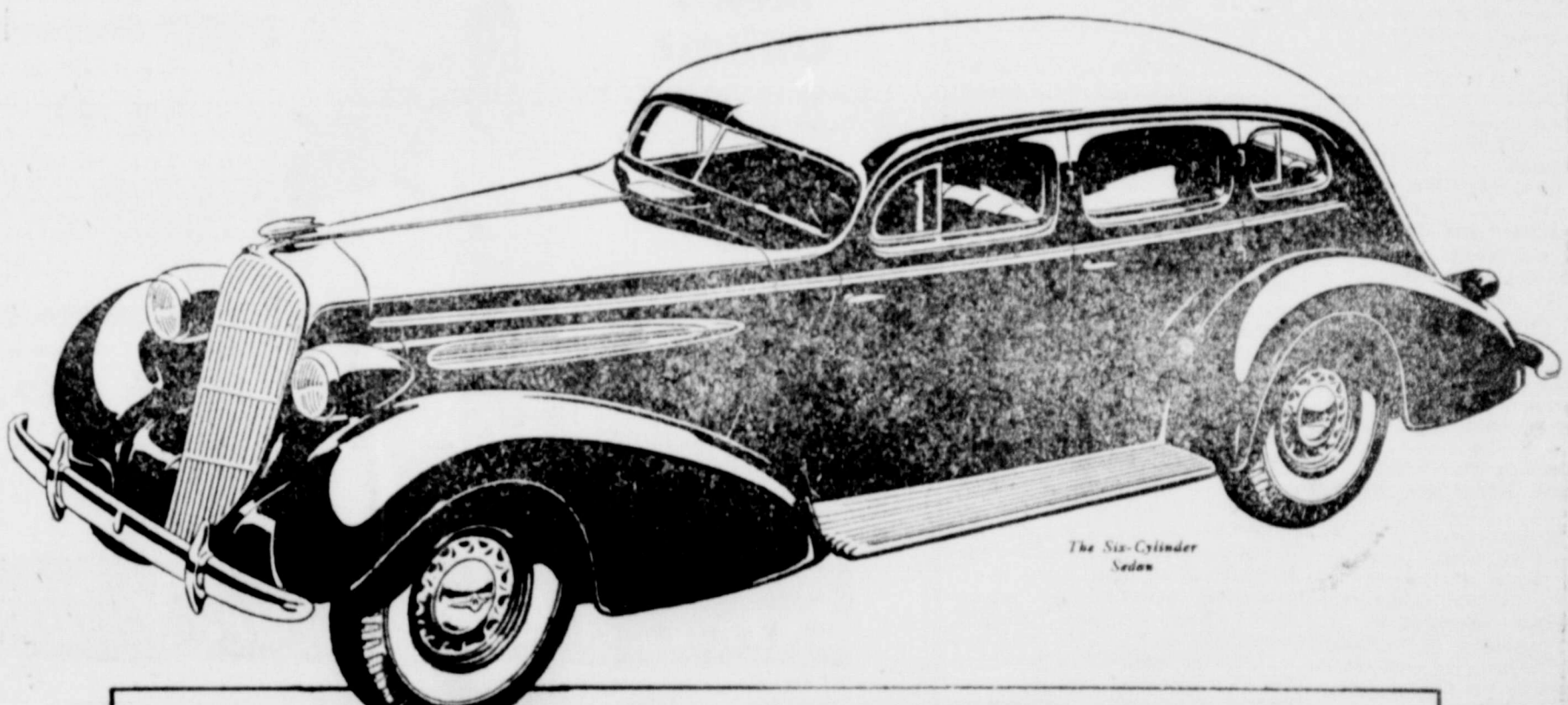
(SEAL) E. Shepperd, Notary Public, Runnels County, Texas.

CORRECT-ATTEST: Fred Kiechle, R. W. Bruce, C. H. Wylie, Directors.

RECAPITULATION

Table with Assets and Liabilities sections. Assets include Loans, Overdrafts, Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures, Other real estate, Federal Deposit Ins. Corp., Other assets, Interest accrued, Cash and Available Quick Assets. Liabilities include Capital Stock, Surplus and profits, net, Debentures, Deposits.

OLDSMOBILE announces A NEW CAR . . . A NEW DEALER for 1935 for Ballinger



Now On Display at PATRICK CHEVROLET COMPANY Ballinger, Texas

OLDSMOBILE takes pleasure in announcing a new dealer in this community—and also the new Oldsmobile for 1935. A cordial invitation is extended to all to come, get acquainted with this new dealer and see the new car. This new dealer will be equipped, both in personnel and facilities, to give Oldsmobile owners the finest type of service. The service department is complete with modern tools and machinery. The parts department is stocked with an adequate supply of genuine Oldsmobile parts. The new Oldsmobile offers everything you could possibly want in a new automobile: New Streamline Beauty. Greater size and roominess. Solid-Steel "Turret-Top" Bodies by Fisher. Built-In Knee-Action at no extra cost. Bigger Super-Hydraulic Brakes. Center-Control Steering. Ride Stabilizer. Syncro-Mesh All-Silent Shifting. A complete system of sound-proofing. Economy in the Six of 18 miles to the gallon at 50 miles per hour. Come visit the new Oldsmobile headquarters! See the new Oldsmobile for 1935.

\$675

"The Car that Has Everything"

- Solid-Steel "Turret-Top" Bodies by Fisher, Built-In Knee-Action At No Extra Cost, Center-Control Steering, Bigger, Super-Hydraulic Brakes, Syncro-Mesh All-Silent Shifting

STATEMENT of Condition THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER December 31, 1934. RESOURCES: Loans and Discounts \$202,665.83, Overdrafts 114.14, Banking House 37,500.00, Furniture and Fixtures 7,500.00, Stock Federal Reserve Bank 4,500.00, Federal Deposit Ins. Corp. (Paid \$1,240.82) 1.00, U. S. Bonds to Secure Circulation 100,000.00. RESERVE: U. S. Treasury Notes \$ 70,200.00, C. C. Cotton Loans 123,520.33, Bonds and Warrants 25,112.50, Bills of Exchange 1,957.62, CASH AND EXCHANGE 368,191.54. LIABILITIES: Capital Stock \$100,000.00, Surplus and Undivided Profits 57,248.10, Circulation 100,000.00, Reserve for Income Tax 1934 1,000.00, Dividend No. 86 (8% 1934) 3,000.00, DEPOSITS 680,014.66. Total \$941,262.76.

CHURCHES

Ballinger Baptist Church
 9:45 a. m. Sunday school, E. E. King, superintendent.
 11 a. m. preaching service by the pastor.
 6 p. m. B. T. S. meeting, Ernest Moody, director.
 7 p. m. preaching by pastor.
 7 p. m. Wednesday, prayer meeting.
 8 p. m. Wednesday, choir practice, R. E. White, director.
 J. H. McCLAIN, Pastor

Eight Street Presbyterian Church
 9:45 a. m. Sunday school, Carl Black, superintendent.
 11 a. m. morning service.
 4:15 p. m. senior Endeavor.
 7 p. m. evening service.
 7 p. m. Wednesday, prayer meeting followed by choir practice.
 W. H. F. MOORE, Pastor

Church of the Nazarene
 (North Street and Harrison Ave.)
 Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Classes for all ages. John Morris, superintendent.
 Morning worship 11 a. m. Devotional and inspirational. Preaching by pastor.
 Meeting of Junior Band 4 to 5 p. m.
 Young people's meeting 7 p. m. Evangelistic service 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.
 Come and worship with us. You are always welcome.
 R. E. CUMMINGS, Pastor

First Presbyterian Church
 9:45 a. m. Sunday school.
 11 a. m. morning worship.
 7 p. m. evening worship.
 If you do not worship elsewhere, you are cordially welcome at all of our services.
 E. W. McLAURIN, Pastor

Church of Christ
 (Eight Street, Bonnal Avenue) classes.
 Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m. with competent teachers for all. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Communion following services.
 Ladies' Bible class meets in the church building Monday at 4 p. m. Prayer meeting and young people's meeting at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday.
 The public is invited to attend any and all these services.
 HARVEY CHILDRESS, Minister

First Christian Church
 (Broadway and Murrell)
 9:45 a. m. Bible school. A class for every age. We are never too old to learn something new from the Bible.
 11 a. m. worship and communion service.
 7 p. m. preaching by pastor.
 LEE WHIPPLE, Minister

Church of God
 (Corner of Sixth and Strong)
 Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. S. E. Skelton, superintendent.
 Preaching at 11 a. m. by pastor.
 Young people's meeting at 7 p. m.
 Preaching at 8 p. m. by pastor.
 Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.
 Woman's Missionary Society each Thursday.
 W. S. HANCOCK, Pastor

First Methodist Church
 9:45 a. m. Sunday school, Sam Jennings, superintendent.
 11 a. m. morning worship.
 8:30 p. m. young people's meeting.
 7 p. m. evening worship.
 A cordial welcome awaits you at all our services.
 W. H. VANDERPOOL, Pastor

SWITZERLAND TO START NEW WORK ON BORDER

BERNE, Switzerland, Jan. 9.—Switzerland will shortly start construction which is intended to make its frontier impregnable. The program elaborated by the technical committee of the League of Nations Officers is expected to be adopted by the federal government. No additions to existing fortifications of a permanent character are suggested, but a network of artillery and machine gun emplacements commanding all vulnerable points is to be spread along the frontiers.

Strategic routes linking up the new emplacements with the main defense works are planned, and concrete sentry boxes are to be built at key points which could be held by a handful of men against greatly superior forces. Munition factories are to be enlarged and adequate accommodation will be provided for the increased air force.

Once an old dandy visited a doctor and was given definite instructions as to what he should do. Shaking his head he was about to leave the office when the doctor said: "Here, Rastus, you forgot to pay me."
 "Pay you for what, boss?"
 "For my advice," replied the doctor.
 "Now, ah! I ain't gwine to take it," and Rastus shuffled out.

Scientists Use Toy Balloons in Study of Man's Breathing

WASHINGTON, January 9.—Dignified scientists have been blowing up small toy balloons in laboratories here recently, and this innocent pastime has taught them some important new facts about how one man's breath may affect another man's health.

Blowing up the balloons with air from their lungs and then analyzing this air, the scientists have found that the average man scatters about 200,000,000 tiny particles in the surrounding area every time he exhales a breath. That makes about three billion particles per minute.

These particles are not well understood, but are believed to be something left over from the process by which the body turns food into energy—"ashes" of the burning of food by the body. Their scientific name is "condensation nuclei," and they are being studied at the Carnegie Institution of Washington under supervision of Dr. O. R. Wall.

The condensation nuclei are being investigated because it is believed they may affect human health in two ways—by being breathed into the lungs and nasal passages and by affecting the electrical condition of the atmosphere. Incidentally they are called condensation nuclei because water vapor from the surrounding air has a tendency to condense upon them in small droplets.

While a man is breathing out three billion of these particles every minute, he also is inhaling similar numbers of the same kind of particles which someone else has breathed out. These he inhales stay in. What they do to him nobody knows as yet.

The other health angle is that the number of condensation nuclei in the air affects the number of "small ions," or electrified atoms of air. The more numerous the condensation nuclei the fewer the small ions. The condensation nuclei seem to absorb them. Ventilating engineers have reason to believe that existence of plenty of small ions in the air is important to health.

Naturally, in crowded rooms or halls, with many people exhaling billions of condensation nuclei at the same time, there are far fewer small ions than in the free air outside. This may be one reason why crowded rooms feel stuffy, uncomfortable and produce headaches and sometimes faintness.

The air in large cities, even outdoors, is affected by condensation nuclei. City air is full of them, not only those exhaled by the breathing of many people, but others formed by coal smoke and automobile exhaust gases. All these nuclei in city air have the effect of cutting down the number of small ions, even out-of-doors. Country air contains many more small ions than city air, which may be one reason why it seems sweeter and healthier.

Recent figures, incidentally, show that farm workers have the lowest death rate of any class.

The scientists are able to count the condensation nuclei in a sample of air by an ingenious process. A sample of the air being tested is kept moist by a piece of damp blotting paper. Then by means of a pump the air in the chamber is expanded, causing it to cool and condense on the nuclei in the air in the chamber. A water droplet thus forms around each of the nuclei, and these are large enough to be seen and counted under a magnifying glass.

JAPANESE TO ASSIST CIVILIAN AVIATION

TOKYO, Jan. 9.—To speed the development of civil aviation, the government of Japan may grant additional subsidies to private lines. The program recently announced by the communications minister in addition to providing for the extension of air mail routes also includes the training of civilian pilots, the improvement of flying facilities and an increase in the number of civilian airplanes.

The cost of the entire program, which will probably not be completed for a number of years, is estimated at nearly \$35,000,000, of which \$6,000,000 will be required for the first stage of the development, and \$812,000 of this amount will be included in the budget for the next fiscal year.

Mount Colima in Mexico, is the highest active volcano in North America.



Declamation Rules For County Meet Given by Director

"There is one feature of interscholastic league work which comes down to us from old pioneer days, and that is declamation," said O. L. Conger who was recently elected director of declamation for the league in this county.

"Who is there among old-timers who does not remember the Friday afternoons of the pioneer school when the children were required to 'say pieces'?" Many will remember, also, the 'exhibitions' at the close of the school year when the best speakers declaimed "Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight," and "The Old Oaken Bucket."

"In the declamation contests of the interscholastic league we have a survival of this very fine school activity. Children learn by heart worthwhile selections in prose and poetry which they are trained to deliver as if they were their own. Emphasis is placed upon straightforward and sincere delivery, hence two very important and are served: first, the learning of the selection contributes to the mental enrichment of the child, and, second, the child gets valuable training in skill in public speaking which will be of use to him all his life.

"This contest is one of the most popular in the league program. Tens of thousands of children all over the state participate in this activity. There are divisions for

rural schools, for ward schools and for high schools, and also separate divisions for boys and girls. There is a further division on an age basis. This insures healthful competition." Mr. Conger pointed out. "Pupils fourteen or over are seniors in declamation," the director said, and added that the rules should be studied by those responsible for entries in this event.

METEOR'S STONES FOUND IN THE LIBYAN DESERT

WABAR, Arabia, Jan. 9.—Precious stones weighing as much as five pounds have been found in the Libyan desert. They are of a beautiful greenish-yellow color and extremely hard. It is believed that they were formed out of desert sand by the terrific heat of a great aerolite or meteor which fell long ago in that district.

Similar stones have been found around a meteoric crater. They are supposed to be remains of a broken planet. The crater is similar to the nineteen discovered in 1931 in the Central Australian desert. Blasted out by giant meteorites. Some of these craters are more than 200 yards in diameter. Scattered around are fragments of the meteorites, composed of pure nickel and iron.



Conoco to Increase Advertising Space in the Newspapers

Newspaper advertising will again form the backbone of Continental Oil Company's 1935 sales promotion program, the largest in the history of the company, it was announced here today by M. E. Boggess, Conoco's local manager, who stated that The Ledger has been selected to carry Conoco advertising.

"Proof of the value of newspaper advertising, backed by quality products and outstanding service," said Mr. Boggess, "is seen in the fact that our company during 1934 showed a gain of 65 per cent in the sale of Conoco germ processed motor oil as compared to the previous year.

"As a matter of fact, Conoco's gross sales in 1934 were better than for any year since 1929—a fact that leads us to believe that general business conditions are definitely on the upgrade. Of course, Continental Oil Company hasn't just marked time, but has gone out after business, backed by a larger advertising program year after year.

"This year marks the 60th anniversary of Continental Oil Company, and we expect 1935 to be the best in our history."

Willie: "Did Edison make the first talking machine, Pa?"
 Pa: "No son, God made the first one that could be shut off."

Electric Shock is Believed to Burst Brain Blood Ducts

LONDON, Jan. 9.—Evidence that people killed by lightning or by other shocks of high-voltage electricity die because their brain or blood vessels have exploded has been reported by Dr. Macdonald Critchley, nerve specialist of the King's College Hospital.

This is believed to be why shock victims who recover report that the sensation of such a shock is that of a violent blow. Specimens of nerve tissue taken from people who have been shocked, Dr. Critchley finds to be shredded or "ballooned," as though an explo-

sion had occurred inside them. Blood vessels in the brain are found to be burst so that blood has run out much as it does when one of these blood vessels bursts spontaneously and causes apoplexy. Small hollow spaces in the brain tissue frequently look as though they had been burst by violent explosions inside them.

A sailor after placing some flowers on a grave in the cemetery, noticed an old Chinaman placing a bowl of rice on a nearby grave, and asked: "When do you expect your friend to come up and eat the rice?"

The old Chinaman replied with a smile: "Same time your friend come to smell flowers?"

Get your Mimeograph Supplies from the Ballinger Printing Co.

White Goods

Still Drawing Big Crowds To Penney's!

MARQUISSETTES
Assorted—
10¢ yd.
 Big variety to choose from! Cream, ecru, or colors in some types! Values!

SPECIAL
Friday and Saturday Only
 Closing Out

Printed Percale
Odds and Ends 5¢ yd. Short Lengths

Our inventory showed us we had lots of short lengths in percales. We are closing these out at this price.

3 and 5 Yard Lengths

Men's Unions
 A value you will want a lot of. Winter Weight
59¢
 Each

WOMEN'S Oxfords
 Wide selection of leathers!
\$1.98

At this price you'll find the grandest values in sports shoes you've seen in a long time! Rubber compo or leather soles, black side leather or silk uppers, plain or trimmed! 2 1/2, 8!

NEW CRETONNES
 35-36-inch!
10¢ yd.
 Put a little new color in your home with these new patterns and colors!

Men's Handkerchiefs
 17-in. square!
3¢ each
 Good and big! Of soft all white cotton! They're marvelous BARGAINS!

Flat Crepe
 All silk crepe in a new assortment of colors. 39-inches wide.
49¢
 Yard

Extra! Added Feature Value!

Closing Out

All Silk Dresses

Have got to make room for new spring dresses. Have reduced every ladies' silk dress to half and in some cases more.

Just Two Prices

\$3.00 and \$5.00

Silk Hose
 Full fashioned Chiffon
49¢
 Pair

Slips
 Lace trimmed and tailored
49¢
 Each

Sani. Napkins
 One dozen to box
10¢
 Box

PENNEY'S

J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, Incorporated

Week-End SPECIALS

Friday and Saturday Specials

FRENCH OR SCHILLING'S	
VANILLA EXTRACT	22c
CHILI POWDER Eagle Brand	Can 15c
RAISINS Household	4 lbs. 36c
PALMOLIVE BEADS	4 Pkgs 25c
SUNBRITE CLEANSER	Can 5c
TAYON	
WHOLE APRICOTS No. 2 1/2	Can 23c
PEANUT BUTTER	2 lbs. 40c
GEDNEY'S	
PICKLES Sweet or Sour	Bottle 20c
CLUB HOUSE	
PRESERVES	Jar 10c
Spiced Cantaloupe, Watermelon Rind, Pineapple	
NO. 2	
GREENS Mustard, Spinach, Turnips	Can 10c
NOODLES Pure Egg, 5-oz. Cello Pkg.	10c

They Win Popularity

Del Monte

Quality Products

This Week's "Find Out" Offer Includes:

DEL MONTE Preserves, Blackberry or Peach 4 lbs. 8-oz. Can	75c
DEL MONTE Pineapple Juice 12-oz. Can	10c
DEL MONTE Fresh Prunes No. 2 1/2 Can	20c
DEL MONTE Salmon No. 1 Tall Can	25c
DEL MONTE Whole Kernel Corn	Can 15c
DEL MONTE Coffee	3 lbs \$1

SNAPPED OR SHELLED

BLACKEYE PEAS No. 2 Can **15c**

DAIRY MAID

BAKING POWDER 40-oz. Can **25c**

COFFEE Folger's or Hills Bros. 2 lbs. **75c**

SEASONABLE VEGETABLES

Market Specials

FLAT RIB ROAST lb. **8c**

CHUCK, PRIME RIB ROAST **11c**

LONG BOLOGNA lb. **11c**

PORK SAUSAGE lb. **17c**

We Deliver to Any Part of the City.

Bob Tunnell

GROCERY and MARKET

Telephone 107

SCHOOL NEWS
By Laura Edith Miller

Riddles for seniors: What girl told a certain boy to shut his mouth in what class? And has anyone ever seen him when he was shut up?

And who is the young man who thought the bar in "Crossing the Bar" was the place where Tennyson bought his drinks?

Miss Elkins was in charge of the chapel program Friday. The program was an athletic wedding. All the attendants were dressed for various sports, and the referee, Clarence Winans, officiated. Eleanor Williams, the bride, dressed in tennis garb with a tennis net for a train, was married to John Pearce, the coach, after a rather interminable search for the ring. The pep squad was the choir and Eula Mae Clark sang a solo.

Mrs. Lee is our official song leader, and Mary Edith Wellhausen our accompanist. After the "wedding" the assembly sang several songs.

The junior party was called off for various reasons.

Last Wednesday the regular senior girls' hike was held. Only a few attended.

Miss Parrish reports that about fifteen boys have come out for interscholastic league baseball.

From now on the teachers will rotate in getting up chapel programs. Mr. Self announced Friday.

"Los Aquiladores" met Monday at the fifth period. New officers for the ensuing term were elected. They are: Frances Lewis, president; Vestus Pruitt, vice-president; Laura Edith Miller, secretary-treasurer; J. W. Little, song leader. The new program committee is composed of Mickey Bishop and J. W. Little. After the election, the class practiced the song "La Cucaracha," which we intend to learn.

The 7-8 period home economics class is having a dinner Tuesday night with Camille Behringer and Mary Edith Wellhausen as hostesses. It will be a Spanish meal.

The band was organized Monday night. Melvin McMillan is the president; Ralph James Erwin, vice-president; Ruth Smith, treasurer and recording secretary; and Mary Edith Wellhausen, corresponding secretary.

The senior play has been cast, and rehearsals will begin as soon as the books arrive. It promises to be good entertainment.

A certain freshman, in answer to Mr. Sublett's question on what a star is, replied that it is something so far away you don't know anything about it. So that is the reason he doesn't know anything about it!

Cecil Justice, student of Abilene Christian College, spent Sunday here with his sister, Mrs. Clifford Rhoden.

1935 Auto Plates For This County Received Here

Tax Collector W. A. Forgey received the 1935 motor vehicle license plates for this county Saturday and they will be issued beginning February 1. Plates were received for passenger cars, trucks, farm trucks and trailers.

The plates for the passenger cars have a dark red background with white figures and range from 837,301 to 841,700. Commercial vehicle numbers range from 123,700 to 124,300; farm trucks from 35,600 to 35,800; and trailers from 29,976 to 30,085.

A total of 4,400 plates were received for passenger cars. The shipment was later than usual this year but registrations will not end until March 31.

Mr. Forgey stated that tax payments were brisk already and he expects steady payment of taxes during the remainder of January. He has employed a staff large enough to handle the work as fast as possible.

Tax payments have been made out and no time will be lost in issuing receipts for property and poll levies.

The number plates were delivered here Saturday in state penitentiary trucks with trustees driving. The prison trucks had large plates on the sides, similar to the license plates to be issued. These trucks, assembled at Abilene, are being used to make deliveries in this section.

RUMANIA TAKES STEPS TO BALANCE TRADE

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Jan. 9.—In an effort to guarantee a favorable trade balance, Rumania has passed a new law which provides that thirty per cent of all foreign monies received by Rumanian exporters must be handed over to the National Bank for use in paying external debts and in particular for meeting the service of the foreign debt.

It also provides that nothing may be imported into the country until a like amount, plus thirty per cent has been exported. It is thus expected to make ample provision for the payment of coupons on Rumania's foreign trade in accordance with the agreement recently concluded between the present government and the country's foreign creditors.

SOVIET AIR TRAIN RUNS ON MONORAIL

MOSCOW, January 9.—Russia's latest railway invention, an air train, is being exhibited in model form in the central park of culture and rest in Moscow. It is the invention of S. S. Waldner, of the Soviet Scientific Research Institute for Railway Construction. The train runs on an elevated monorail, and is said to be capable of a speed of 180 miles an hour.

During tests with ice-coated rails a model attained a speed of sixty miles an hour. Experts are showing great interest in the plans, and a full-size monorail train and track are expected to be under construction within a short time.

Chevrolet Announces Two New Lines for 1935



The Coupe model typifies the beauty and grace of Chevrolet's New Master De Luxe series for 1935. Improved performance and exceptional economy also characterize latest cars.

Right: Front view of New Master De Luxe Coupe, showing prominent and graceful lines. Below: The Sedan model in the New Standard series, which, powered by the time-proven Master engine, combines brilliant performance with its smartness and style.

Front, graceful lines also mark the New Master De Luxe Sport Sedan. Ample luggage space is provided by the built-in trunk, and a luggage compartment behind the rear seat cushion.

Another attractive model in the New Standard series is the Coupe shown here. Streamlined body and classic trimmings, in conjunction with the Master engine, unite to make these cars outstanding values in the lowest priced field.

Typical of Chevrolet's two new lines of cars are the models illustrated here. The Master De Luxe series reveals strong emphasis on beauty and style. Mechanically, the Master De Luxe series and the New Standard series have much in common, including the Master engine, in which numerous refinements have been made to ensure performance, durability and economy. As these pictures reveal, the New Master De Luxe departs distinctly from previous Chevrolets in the styling advance which has been made in body design and trim.

Dates Announced For Senior Play

The senior class of the Ballinger high school has started rehearsals on the 1935 play, "Hi Nellie," is the title of the play selected and eleven performers are cast in the production which Ernest Sublett is directing.

Supt. H. C. Lyon announced this week that Friday, February 8 had

been selected for the show date and that regular rehearsals would be held. Mr. Sublett chose the aptest actors from the large class of sixty-odd and will assign other seniors to specialty numbers between the acts.

"Hi Nellie," a three-act comedy, has been a popular offering for amateur organizations for the past several years. A well equipped stage with special lighting effects will make it a delightful evening's entertainment.

The class play is always the first number on the senior program. It is presented early in the last term in order not to interfere with the rush the graduates experience during the commencement period. The play is also the only class program for which an admission charge is made. Receipts from the play are used to defray other commencement expenses and to pay the royalty.

Advertized goods move.

DOG AND BADGER FRIENDS

BRIGHTON, Eng., Jan. 9.—A dog and a badger on the farm of Mrs. M. Faircloth, of Sussex, have become almost constant companions. The badger sleeps on a chair in the dining room and the dog rests on a rug nearby. The two follow Mrs. Faircloth wherever she goes. The badger was found in a nest on the farm after its mother had been killed, and was reared on milk. It is tame and unafraid of any human.

Runnels County Bar Association to Held Meeting at Winters

The Runnels County Bar Association held its regular monthly meeting at the Central Hotel Monday evening with most of the attorneys of the county present. It was voted to hold the next regular meeting at Winters on the first Tuesday evening in February with A. O. Strother and Smith & Smith hosts to the gathering.

Those present here Monday evening were: Frank C. Dickey, C. C. Sessions, Horace Sessions, Paul Petty, J. W. Powell, C. P. Shepherd, A. O. Strother, District Judge O. L. Parish, County Judge Paul Trimmer and Justice of the Peace B. W. Pilcher.

Judge Parish delivered the principal address, "My Observations of the Practice of Law During My Three Years on the Bench." The speaker described the methods followed by various lawyers and the practices of different individuals.

Attorneys of the county recently formed the association, a meeting of which is held once a month. The programs deal with this profession alone and the organization is expected to be beneficial to the members in this way as well as providing social relaxation around the banquet table.

All practicing attorneys in the county are eligible for membership in the association and are invited to attend the meetings.

SEXAGENARIANS PLAN PARTY

BERNE, Switzerland, Jan. 9.—Enthusiasm over their first collective birthday party, sexagenarians of Spiez are planning another meeting in 1938. The idea was started by two 60-year-old friends. All those born in 1873 were invited. Twenty responded and went in an autobus to a quaint old hotel at Faulensee, where the landlord of 62 was host. Dishes served in 1873 and Pickwickian wit featured the dinner, after which polkas and waltzes were danced until after midnight.

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Four Districts Consider A Central High School

A committee of citizens of the Crews, Content, Harmony and Eagle Branch school districts of Runnels county are working on a plan to build a centrally located high school to serve the children of the four districts.

To date very little has been done other than to have the boards of trustees of the districts mentioned study the plan and present the details to their patrons. Committee meetings being held are considering the location of the school, the type of building and equipment needed, and other preliminary specifications.

The four districts at present employ 20 teachers. They are so located that a bus system could be operated at very reasonable cost and all the students of the districts could attend one standard high school, an excellent faculty could be employed, and all necessary equipment needed for full high school courses purchased.

Trustees of the Crews district were in Ballinger Wednesday to confer with County Superintendent E. C. Grindstaff on the proposal and another meeting of the committee representing all the districts will be held soon.

A consolidated high school had been suggested for this section of the county for a number of years but until recently had not been accorded with much favor by the school patrons.

NEW GLOVE DEFIES FIRE

LONDON, January 9.—Because its wearer can handle fire without injury, a glove recently invented has been adopted by the British air ministry as part of the fire-fighting equipment of the royal air force. In a demonstration a man wearing one of the gloves picked up a blazing coal, held a red-hot steel bar and held his gloved hand in the forced draught of a forge fire for 30 seconds. Asbestos is used in the new hand covering.

Be wise and advertise.

Red-Headed Quail Found in Tennessee Indicate New Breed

WASHINGTON, January 9.—An instance of evolution caught in the act and promising additional understanding of its processes by biologists is reported in a recent announcement of the Smithsonian Institution about the mysterious red-feathered quail of Tennessee.

Seven years ago Hobart Ames, of Grand Junction, Tennessee, noticed a brick-red bird among a covey of the usual brown and white quail, often called "bob-white" because of their peculiar cry. A year later Mr. Ames was able to trap alive several of these red-headed birds that should have been brown. To his surprise, the red-feathered trait was found to exist in the offspring of these birds, even when the red quail were mated with birds of the ordinary brown and white variety.

Since then a considerable number of the red quail have been hatched and turned loose in game preserves in the neighborhood. Here they seem to get along just as well as their more conventional brothers and sisters, possibly even better, since the red-headed population seems to be increasing.

Recently one of the Smithsonian's bird experts, Dr. Herbert Friedmann, has begun to study the matter scientifically. No one knows how the red quail first originated. Presumably it was one of the peculiar sports or "mutations" which sometimes arise mysteriously in heredity.

Laboratory studies of the red quail now are planned, including microscopic examination of the tiny genes carried by reproductive cells and believed to be the units of inheritance.

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Mid-Texas Teachers CWA Workers Begin Association Meeting Running Terracing At Brownwood Feb. 1 Lines for Farmers

The regular annual meeting of the Mid-Texas Teachers' Association will be held at Brownwood February 1 and 2. Most of the teachers in the Ballinger schools and some of those in other schools of the county will attend both days.

While no action has been taken here by the board of trustees, it is probable that a holiday will be given Friday, February 1, so that the full faculty may attend. A number have already been assigned places on the program and are preparing their papers or talks.

Miss Carmen Demmer will address the intermediate section on "Methods of Developing a Vocabulary for Intermediate Pupils." Miss Katherine Todd will discuss a plan for teaching music to pupils in the first and second grades.

Supt. H. C. Lyon is chairman of the committee on future work of the association and will meet with other members of the committee to discuss this assignment.

All Ballinger teachers and a large percentage of those in other schools in the county are members of the association.

A complete program for the two-day convention will be mailed to all members within a few days. On the last day a place will be selected for the 1936 meeting.

Patent: "Doctor, is there any danger of the operation proving fatal?"

Doctor: "Really, my good man, considering that we are experimenting on you free of charge, your idle curiosity is hardly good form."

Dry: "There are fifty speak-easies in this town, and I'm proud to say, I've never been in one of them."

Wet: "Which one is that?"

Twenty-two states now have a sales tax levy in one form or another.

County Agent Elmo V. Cook announced this week that the terracing project, which is under his direction in this county, is progressing very nicely. A few weeks ago Mr. Cook gave special training in running terracing lines to several men who are doing CWA work and this week put them to running lines on several farms in the county.

Two crews of three men each began work Tuesday morning and have run lines on four farms. These crews are under the direction of a terracing supervisor who is thoroughly competent and farmers who have contours run on their farms by these crews are highly pleased with the type of work done.

This service does not cost the farmer anything. It is furnished by the CWA. All the farmer has to do to get this work done is to go to the county agent's office and sign a contract to have the terracing done within six months and provide transportation for the crew to his farm and to town.

Each crew is working three days a week and Mr. Cook requests that all farmers who would like to have this work done for them by these workers to come to his office and sign up so that he can make up a schedule and keep the laborers busy until all the terracing needed in the county is finished.

Any other information on this project, which is the first CWA work designed for direct aid to the farmer, can be obtained from the county agent's office.

A western stockman, who had mortgaged his cattle to the local bank, was called in by the banker and told that the note was due and must be paid the following day. The cattleman asked: "Were you ever in the cattle business?"

"No," answered the banker. "Well, you are now," replied the cattleman, and walked out.

Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Watson Celebrate 50th Anniversary

The golden wedding anniversary celebration for Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Watson, held Friday, January 4, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reese in South Ballinger, was a happy occasion, children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and a number of old friends gathering to honor this couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson were married 50 years ago near Brenham, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Will Bowers, a Presbyterian minister.

The children who reside in Runnels county prepared the dinner and were joined by friends to make the day a memorable one in the lives of the couple who have resided so long in Runnels county. Three children living in distant parts of the nation were unable to be present. Those residing in Runnels county are: J. M. Watson, Mrs. H. L. Tooker and Mrs. J. C. Reese, all of Ballinger and vicinity.

Besides the children and their families, long-time friends at the dinner included: Rev. W. H. Doss, Rev. M. C. Golden, Rev. E. W. McLaurin, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. McClain, Mrs. E. E. King, Mrs. C. C. Cockrell, Mrs. T. P. Brown, Miss Jae Royal, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Seipp, Mrs. Buchanan, Opal Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones; and Mother Tooker, 85, the oldest guest present.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson are the parents of six children, all living.

They have 26 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

Mr. Watson is still active, being sexton at Evergreen Cemetery, a position he has held for many years. Mrs. Watson's health has not been good for several years, but she is able to be up and about her daily household tasks.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson received many beautiful gifts and remembrances as well as numerous congratulations.

WOODMAN CIRCLE TO HOLD 35th INSTALLATION SERVICE

Members of the local Woodman circle are urged to attend a regular meeting January 15, which will be held at 906 Sixth Street. The meeting will be held chiefly for the installation service for the officers-elect for 1935.

Mrs. Laura Furgason, new manager of district No. 7, will have charge of the meeting and installation.

F. L. Gerhart, of Winters route 3, was in Ballinger Wednesday and entered his subscription to The Ledger for the thirty-third time. During this third of a century Mr. Gerhart has not missed a copy of the county site paper.

Heavily weighted silk is apt to crack and will not wear as well as other silks.

3 Girls Arrested For Drunkenness

Three young women, all of them San Angeloans, were arrested by Motorcycle Policeman Bradford on highway 30 west of this city, brought to Ballinger and lodged in jail. They remained in cells all night and this (Thursday) were fined in justice court on charges of drunkenness.

While in the jail one of the girls turned the water on in the shower bath and stopped up the drain. Before it was observed water had run over the shower guard and down the steps of the building. The water passed on to the first floor and into the basement, where several dollars worth of groceries were damaged. The only other damage done was to the rug in one of the rooms on the main floor.

The only other case in justice court this week is the suit of the Community Natural Gas Company vs. W. S. Hicks. In this case the gas company charges that Hicks unlawfully piped gas from its pipes around a meter. At the time this issue of The Ledger went to press no decision had been reached in the trial.


Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sommer received a message Tuesday afternoon announcing the serious illness of an uncle, Joe Sommer, of San Antonio. Mr. Sommer has visited here a number of times and is well acquainted in Ballinger.

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What tastes better after rich holiday foods than a big crock of home-baked beans? Or a steaming bowl of fluffy white rice? These simple nourishing dishes are so easy on the budget, too. Ingredients for old-fashioned dishes are featured in another one of Safeway's famous grower-consumer sales.



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TURNIPS, TOPS

3 bunches 10¢

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Cabbage lb. 2¢

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Round, Loin, T-Bone

Stew Meat 1 lb. 4¢

Meaty Ribs

Chuck Roast 1 lb. 5¢

Tender and Juicy

Sliced Bacon 1 lb. 25¢

Rindless

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Fine for Seasoning

Hamburger 1 lb. 5¢

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THE NEW FORD V-8 FOR 1935

Has Already Taken the Lead

The first showing of the 1935 Ford has made it the most popular automobile and the improvements and refinements are causing sales as never expected. Within a short time shipments will increase until every model will be available at the show rooms of all dealers.

The early showing of De Luxe models was a complete satisfaction to us and this week we show for the first time

STANDARD FORD V-8

Come and see this automobile which is a fulfillment of every motoring need. Can be delivered in all the desired colors and at a price surprisingly low. It will be our pleasure to show you these new models for 1935.

In the stock car races in San Antonio, Sunday, January 6th, four Fords were entered in a field of fifteen others and won 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

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BETHEL BEAMS

Mr. and Mrs. I. F. McMurry and son visited in the J. M. Nunley home Sunday.

Gerald McMurry spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Benfer and family.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Davison and family spent Sunday afternoon in the Sparks home at Ballinger.

Artelia Benfer, Colmena Phillips, Gerald McMurry, Reginald Cotton and Douglas Phillips went kodaking Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. L. C. Waldrop returned home Saturday from a visit in East Texas.

The play presented at the Methodist church Friday night, entitled "Haunted," was a great success. Everyone seemed to enjoy it very much even though it was "scary" in parts of the play.

George Yancey spent Saturday night with Foster and Leon Greenhill.

Freshman News

The Freshman Club held its regular meeting Friday, January 4. After the business session the meeting was turned over to the program committee chairman, the following program being presented:

Readings, Mr. Leach; quartet, G. J. Moore, R. D. Crockett, "Bill" Mapes, and Oran Bigby; joke, J. B. Yancey; joke, J. D. Tullos; and talk, J. C. Johnson. All the numbers were presented by the boys and Mr. Leach.

Next regular meeting date is Friday, January 11.

General School News

The basketball boys played two games Friday afternoon, one each with Maverick and Blanton. The Maverick team lost to our team. The seventh grade boys played Blanton and lost.

Mr. Simmons' indoor baseball team played Maverick and lost the game.

The volley ball girls are planning to play Paint Rock Friday. We hope to carry away the victory in high spirits.

CONTENT CONTRIBUTIONS

Several changes have been made on the tenant farms this year. A few families moved out of the community, others coming in to take their places.

Colds are rather prevalent, perhaps caused by the warm days following colder weather. We know of no serious cases of illness besides that of Mrs. Sam Jenkins,

who was taken to Abilene for an operation last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hutchins and family went to Clyde last Thursday to attend the funeral of "Shorty" Houston, nephew of Mrs. Hutchins. Mrs. E. J. Mitchell and daughter, Maude, remained in Clyde for a visit with Mrs. Houston, mother of the young man.

Bro. McClelland filled his regular appointment on first Sunday. Good attendance was had at Sunday school and B. T. S. A card of thanks was received from Buckner's Orphans Home for the two quilts sent by the people of this community.

Mrs. Dora Counts was buried here Monday, January 7. The funeral services were held at the Church of Christ in Lawn, where Mrs. Counts had made home for several years. Grandma Counts had a host of friends in this community, where she had lived for so many years. None knew her, but to love her. Several relatives from other places were here for the funeral, including: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mickle, of Port Lavaca; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Guyer, of near Bangs; Jim Counts, of Rotan. Others whose names we did not learn were here.

Mrs. John Parker is visiting a niece near Sweetwater.

S. E. Benton and family have moved to Coleman.

Mrs. C. C. Simmons returned Monday from Coleman, where she had been visiting relatives.

Mrs. Lena King and son visited Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Carter last week.

A very enjoyable time was had by the young people at a party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Palmer on Thursday night.

School News

Content girls lost to the Wingate team last week, but the boys won their game.

The boys' basketball team won second place at the tournament at Winters. The girls are to play at Novice Saturday.

We welcome the new pupils who have entered school since Christmas, but we sadly miss a number of our friends who moved away.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelton visited Mr. and Mrs. Lee Robinson, of Tuscota, Sunday afternoon.

Graham Fowler, son of Mrs. W. W. Fowler of this city, has been placed on the honor roll at North Texas Agricultural College, Arlington. Young Fowler completed a total of 28 grade points to earn a place on the honor roll.

Betty Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo V. Cook, was operated on for appendicitis, in a Waco hospital this week. The little girl is reported to be recovering nicely.

The best carbon paper for typewriters at Ledger office.

Harber Will Open Suburban Store This Week-End

O. C. Harber is preparing for the formal opening of Harber's Cash and Carry Grocery and Market at 1001 Broadway, Friday and Saturday of this week. This new suburban establishment gives Ballinger a modern grocery and market where parking space and a complete stock of quality merchandise are featured.

Mr. Harber has been in the grocery business in Ballinger for many years and is no stranger to citizens of this section. The arrangement of the new store is that that only an experienced retail grocer could plan. In addition to the regular features of a grocery store a modern market with refrigerator counters and an up-to-date vegetable rack are part of the equipment.

For opening days, Friday and Saturday, free coffee and sandwiches will be served all who visit Harber's. Included in the sandwiches will be samples of Mike's Pride jellies and jams, manufactured in Ballinger by Mike C. Boyd.

Mr. Harber will employ additional experienced clerks for the opening days and cordially invites all the citizens of this trade territory to attend.

GERMANS EXPERIMENTING WITH WELDED RAILS

BERLIN, Jan. 9.—Welded rails are being used in tests being made by the German State Railway to determine whether they can be used at high rates of speed and whether they cause any bad effects to the trains. A trial railroad line has been constructed of welded rails, each approximately ninety-eight feet long and so connected that there are practically no joints.

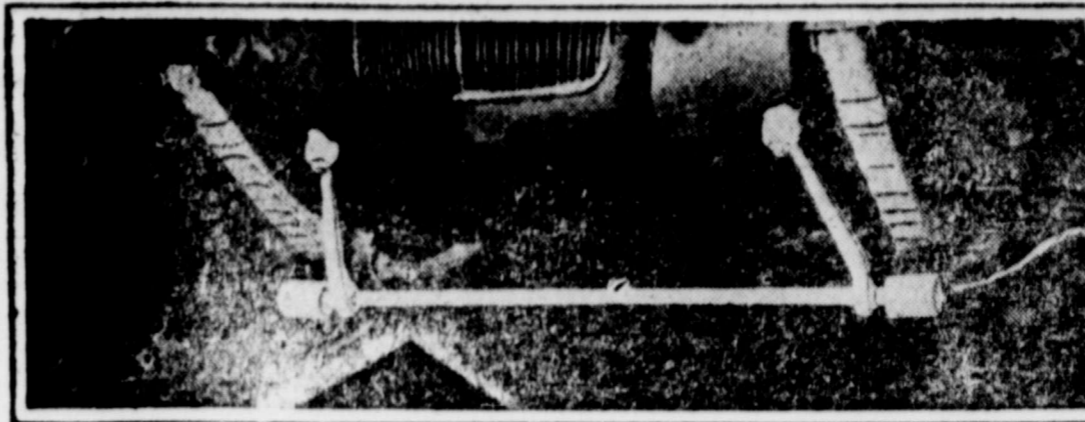
An express train, without passengers, will be driven over this line until a mileage of about 65,500 is attained. These tests are to last about three months with ten trips being made each day at a speed of from seventy-five to ninety-five miles an hour.

HIPPOS KILLED IN OIL BLAST

JOHANNESBURG, January 9.—A large number of hippopotamuses found dead recently in Lake Albert, South Africa, are believed to have been killed by a petroleum explosion under the lake.

She: "What shall I do if they want me to sing?"
He: "Why, sing, of course—it'll be their own fault."

New Spring Discovery for Next Year's Cars



A REVOLUTIONARY type of steel that has enabled automobile engineers to develop new tapered leaf springs for the 1935 Plymouth, has been perfected in Detroit, it was revealed today.

The new spring material is called Mola steel. It is a carbon molybdenum steel, combining unusual flexibility with great tensile strength.

With the development of Mola steel, automobile designers were able for the first time to create a short spring that is soft and resilient, as well as durable. The metal produces a spring leaf that can be used thick enough to give the required flexibility.

The above picture shows the new springs and the front and side-sway eliminators or side-stabilizer. The springs have the normal characteristic of tapering in leaves, each of which is wrapped around the shackle bolt. The lower leaf is augmented at the center for extra strength. The leaves are tapered down at the ends, so that more area comes into contact with the adjoining leaves.

The entire weight of the car has been re-distributed. It is the same on both axle now, whereas previously the rear axle supported 60 percent and the front axle 40 percent. Front end bounce is controlled by new double-action shock absorbers, which definitely add to the comfort of rear seat passengers. The side-sway eliminator is a torsion bar which acts as a third spring—when it is needed—to keep the car on an even keel.

LONDONER, FORMER RESIDENT OF AREA, VISITS FRIEND HERE

Godfrey Chetwynd, of London, was in Ballinger Wednesday, visiting old friends. Mr. Chetwynd came to Ballinger over 50 years ago and settled, with several other Englishmen, in Concho county near Eden. He entered the ranch-

ing business and stayed here for a while, but eventually went back to his native land.

The Londoner is in the United States on a pleasure trip and intends to be in this country for several more months. While here the first person he asked to see was Jack McGregor. The two had been friends while Mr. Chetwynd resided in this section, but had

not seen one another in 50 years. After quite a long talk with Mr. McGregor, Mr. Chetwynd stated he would return to Ballinger for a little longer visit after a trip into the Rio Grande valley.

For Marking Eggs and Butter—Rubber Stamps, Ballinger Printing Co., will give you 48-hour service.

Local School Officials Attend State Meeting

County Superintendent E. C. Grindstaff and R. E. White returned Tuesday evening from Austin where they attended a two-day meeting of school officials and county judges from all over the state. County officials present numbered 125 in addition to the deputy state superintendents and other educational leaders.

The program followed the general theme of "Possess Your Possessions," and a number of excellent talks were delivered. One of the most important addresses was made by W. A. Stigler, formerly of El Paso, on "The Texas Curriculum Revision." This movement is of paramount interest to teachers at this time and committees in nearly every county in the state are assisting in the campaign.

Another important talk, by Miss Nell Parmlee on public school music, outlined a plan for teaching music in every school in the state. If adopted, the plan will provide for this course in rural schools.

While in Austin Mr. White had the pleasure of attending a session of the legislature, during which Speaker of the House Coke Stevenson was re-elected, the Ballinger man witnessing the thrilling battle for this post.

The two local men were accompanied from Ballinger by Deputy State Superintendent E. C. Boynton, of San Angelo.

OPENING!

...Ballinger's New Convenient Suburban Store...

Friday and Saturday, Jan. 11 - 12

We will hold our formal opening Friday and Saturday of this week to which we invite all the people of Ballinger and Runtless county. This suburban store is ready to render service and we are proud of the plant, the stock of quality merchandise, the modern meat market, the parking grounds and the many other features which can only be offered by a store away from the dense traffic of the downtown section.

Tune In Friday at 12:30 on Light Crust Doughboys WBAP Ft. Worth	Friday and Saturday FREE COFFEE AND SANDWICHES <small>For both of our opening days we will serve FREE COFFEE and SANDWICHES made from other quality products which we carry. "Mike's Pride" products will also be served. BE SURE TO ATTEND!</small>	CONOCO STATION Use the Modern Service at This Convenient Station. CONOCO GAS AND OILS E. F. Lawless In Charge
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DEL MONTE Peas Early Garden No. 2 Can 2 for 33c	Snowdrift 3 lbs. 49c 6 lbs. 97c
	Peaches Well-Maid Brand Gallon Can 43c <small>Other Gallon Fruits at Low Prices</small>

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Parking Space <small>One of the main reasons for our new store was to have a location on a paved street with plenty of parking space. We have added a concrete driveway where you can park while you shop.</small>	Meat Market <small>The latest—most modern equipment available and nothing but the choicest home-butchered meats will be sold. We invite you to carefully inspect this department of our store.</small>	Vegetables, Fruits <small>Modern vegetable racks where a water spray keeps them fresh and crisp. All reasonable vegetables and fruits will be carried as a regular part of our stock.</small>
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Everything New—Every Article Standard Quality—A New Store Convenient to All Parts of Town on Paved Street. Come to See Us on Opening Days Whether You Buy or Not. Full Line of School Supplies. Everything in the House Sold as Cheap as the Cheapest Every Day in the Week.

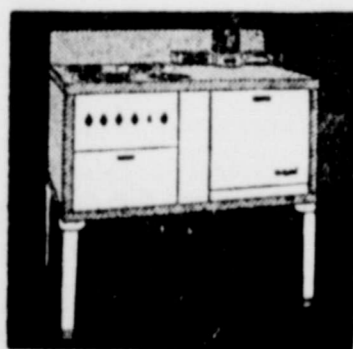
HARBER'S GROCERY CASH AND MARKET

1001 N. Broadway

We Want Your Eggs, Butter and Chickens—Highest Possible Prices Paid.

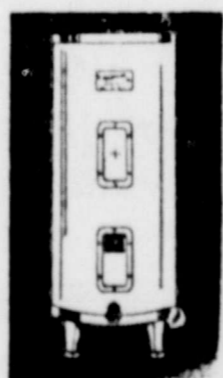
Now Enjoy--- MODERN ELECTRIC COOKERY AND WATER HEATING SERVICE At Low Cost!

Hundreds of West Texas women the past year have changed from old-fashioned methods of cooking to a clean, dependable and fast automatic Electric Cookery.



Electric Cookery produces consistently better results. No flames, odors or watching, waiting or pots and pans to scrub because electric cookery is automatic and clean. The beauty part of Electric Cookery is that it is not costlier than less convenient methods.

This beautiful electric water heater gives you dependable, economical service without the disadvantage of flame noise, fumes, soot or odors! This beautiful heater itself is controlled to use electric service when other major appliances are not in use. In this manner water heaters may be served without increased investment and at an extremely low off-peak energy rate.



Do you know that your increased use of Electric Service is billed on a surprisingly low rate schedule... and adds only a small amount to your total bill?

West Texas Utilities Company

Southwestern Life Makes Big Increase In Business in '34

Of all the indices of Texas business conditions, perhaps none offers more definite and specific proof of progress than the annual statement of a large life insurance company which for thirty-two years has done business in every nook and corner of Texas, but which writes no insurance outside of Texas. Such a company is the Southwestern Life of Dallas, the only one of the large Texas companies which does not go outside the state for business. It is by far the largest United States company operating in only one state. By reporting an increase of more than fifteen millions insurance in force during 1934, the first substantial gain since 1930, this Texas institution offers significant evidence of business improvement in Texas.

A record of the company's size for the past five years writes the history of the depression. Up to the end of 1929, the Southwestern had made large gains annually for many years, having doubled in size during the previous six years.

Early in 1930 losses and surrenders began to be felt, and the gain during that year was small—approximately one-third that for 1929. On December 31, 1931, the company had less insurance in force than it had at the beginning of the year. The next year, 1932, generally conceded to be the worst for nearly all lines of business, proved the most difficult for Texas policyholders. Notwithstanding the production of thirty-seven millions of new insurance by the company's agents, the total volume in force fell off more than fourteen millions. Recovery commenced in 1933 when a gain of about one and a half millions was recorded. The gain of fifteen millions for 1934 has just been announced in the annual report to policyholders of President C. F. O'Donnell.

A comparison of the annual statements for 1929 and 1934 reveals some interesting changes in the company's investment practice, due to the introduction by the "New Deal" of its government lending agencies. Prior to 1930 the Southwestern Life found a ready outlet for its reserves and surplus funds in the mortgage loan field, and 55 per cent of its assets were invested in loans on Texas farms and city property. At the end of 1934 only 35 per cent of its assets were in mortgages, while the bond item had increased from 8 per cent to 22 per cent.

The tendency toward increasing liquidity is revealed in the larger proportion of cash and United States government bonds, now more than five millions, or approximately 12 per cent of all assets, as compared to 8 per cent at the end of 1929. While the normal income of a legal reserve life insurance company far exceeds its normal disbursements, the companies have been called upon in recent years to meet heavy withdrawals of policy reserves or "cash values." Many millions of dollars have been loaned to Texas citizens on the security of their policies, and doubtless many a business and family budget has been saved by these emergency funds.

President O'Donnell says that the demand for policy loans has been steadily decreasing, however, and the life companies are turning again to long-term investments. With gradual retirements of the federal government from the real estate loan business, the companies are anticipating an improved demand for first mortgages. Properly selected Texas mortgage loans have given a good account of themselves during the depression. The Southwestern Life's figures for 1934 reveal that interest collected on real estate loans during the year yielded a return of six per cent on a total investment of more than sixteen millions. Since organization in 1903, the company has loaned approximately forty-six millions to Texas citizens on Texas real estate.

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KANGAROO STEALS RIDE ON AUSTRALIAN TRAIN

MELBOURNE, Australia, Jan. 9.—Animals are becoming stowaways on trains in Australia, according to recent railway reports. Among the latest free riders was a kangaroo, which was discovered on a train traveling from Bendigo to Melbourne. How he got on the train is a mystery, but he had chosen the most comfortable place, among the ice boxes, for Victoria has been having one of the worst heat waves ever experienced at this time of year. He was discovered by railway men, and has been presented to the Melbourne Zoo.

Another stowaway on another train was a large black snake. It had been living among the wheat-stacks at Barakee and was seen when the train was being loaded, but before it could be killed it shot into one of the trucks. Rather than unload the whole truck the station master telegraphed that truck 14,905 contained a big reptile.

SCOTCH BARBER LEADS IN ANCIENT RITE

ELGIN, Scotland, Jan. 9.—Robert MacDonald, a barber, led in the performance of the 700-year-old ceremony of riding the marches. The rite was conducted by the ancient incorporated Trades Guild, which is one of the largest landowners in the district, and MacDonald was chosen leader because of his inheritance of a membership in the Tailors Incorporated. He had an escort of five horsemen as he rode along the village boundary and tapped the boundary stones three times. Later he was presented the freedom of the village at a special ceremony in the town hall.

CROCODILE'S PARENTS CHASE INDIAN ANGLER

LONI, India, Jan. 9.—By hooking a baby crocodile in a late, an Indian angler nearly caused the death of two companions who were bathing near by. The two were attacked and chased by the baby's angry parents and escaped after a desperate race for the shore. M. Ross had reached deep water with his companions when he heard a cry from Perakh, the angler, and saw him frantically beckoning them to come back. Perakh had scented danger after he hooked the reptile and hardly had the warning cry left his lips when the most of a crocodile showed in the water fifty yards from the bank. The creature was joined by others which began to covage on the swimmers. But the two men managed to scramble ashore just as a pair of venomous jaws snapped behind them. Two crocodiles followed them up the bank. For Marking Eggs and Butter—Eusew Stamps, Ballinger Printing Co., will give you 48-hour service.

Parents of Coleman Woman Signed Bill of Sale to Negro Slave Girl

Among a number of interesting documents now yellowed with age which are owned by Mrs. R. L. Dunman of this city (before her marriage Miss Winfree) is a bill of sale signed by her mother and step-father, A. R. and Eliza Buck, of Liberty County, Texas, who were also the parents of Mrs. J. C. Jones, of Coleman. The bill of sale is for a negro girl who was about 17 years of age, is written in a perfectly legible hand on ruled paper and the ink used in the writing is apparently of walnut stain origin. According to Mrs. Z. D. Hayworth, daughter of Mrs. Dunman, the old account of the Buck's slave families show that the mother of this particular negro girl was a native African and that she was born in Texas after the mother arrived here with a shipment of slaves. A copy of the bill of sale dated 1838 is as follows:

Suicide's Brown Eyes Turn Blue After Death

LONDON, January 9.—Care in examining the eye color of dead persons as one way of identifying them is indicated by a recent case in which the sister of a dead man insisted that the corpse could not be that of her brother because it had light blue eyes while her brother's eyes had been brown. The man was found dead in his room in a hotel, apparently by a combination of poison, drowning in the bath tub and bleeding from razor cuts on the wrists. The police investigation disclosed that the man was wanted by the authorities in connection with alleged stock frauds. Suicide because of fear that he would be arrested seemed unquestionable but difficulties arose about identification. Among his papers was found a birth certificate in the name of Newman and a passport in the name of Newbold. Newbold was traced and viewed the body. She could not identify it, but not much stress was laid on this since the sister had not seen her brother for twenty years. More important was the sister's insistence that her brother's eyes had been dark brown, which also was the color mentioned in the passport. The medical report on the body agreed, however, with various lay reports in calling the eyes of the dead man light blue. In this dilemma the coroner ordered a more searching and expert examination of the eyes, which then turned out really to be brown, as the sister and the passport said. The false light-blue color was merely a thin film on the surface of the eyes, probably invisible during life and perhaps a sign of some diseased condition which gradually was making the surfaces of the eyes opaque, not unlike a cataract.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

of Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31, 1934.

ASSETS	
1. Loans and discounts	\$325,185.96
2. Overdrafts	114.14
3. United States Government obligations, direct and/or fully guaranteed	179,290.00
4. Other bonds, stocks, and securities	29,812.50
5. Banking house, \$37,500.00 Furniture and fixtures, \$7,500.00	45,000.00
6. Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	107,824.27
7. Cash in vault and balance with other banks	248,930.02
8. Outside checks and other cash items	6,437.25
9. Redemption fund with United States Treasurer and due from United States Treasurer	5,000.00
10. Other assets	1,958.62
Total Assets	\$941,262.76
LIABILITIES	
11. Demand deposits, except U. S. Government deposits, public funds, and deposits of other banks	\$631,519.72
12. Public funds of states, counties, school districts, or other subdivisions or municipalities	10,671.10
13. Deposits of other banks, including certified and cashiers' checks outstanding	40,823.84
Total of items 11 to 13	683,014.56
(a) Not secured by pledge of loan and/or investments	\$683,014.56
(b) Total Deposits	\$683,014.56
14. Circulating notes outstanding	100,000.00
15. Capital account	158,248.10
Common stock, 1,000 shares par \$100.00 per share	\$100,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits—net	7,248.10
Reserve for contingencies	1,000.00
Total Capital Account	158,248.10
Total Liabilities	\$941,262.76

Memorandum: Loans and investments pledged to secure liabilities

16. United States Government obligations, direct and/or fully guaranteed	100,000.00
17. Total Pledged (excluding rediscounts)	100,000.00
18. Pledged:	
(a) Against circulating notes outstanding	\$100,000.00
(b) Total Pledged	\$100,000.00

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss:
I, R. G. Erwin, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. G. ERWIN, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of January, 1935 (SEAL)
JOE FORMAN, Notary Public.
CORRECT—Attest J. Y. Pearce, F. M. Pearce, L. C. Baker, Directors.

RECAPITULATION	
Resources	
Loans and discounts	\$202,665.63
Overdrafts	114.14
Banking house	37,500.00
Furniture and fixtures	7,500.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	4,500.00
Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (Paid \$1,240.62)	1.00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	100,000.00
RESERVE:	
U. S. Treasury notes	\$ 70,200.00
C. C. Cotton Loans	5,920.33
Bonds and warrants	15,112.50
Bills of Exchange	1,567.62
Cash and Exchange	368,191.54
Total	\$683,014.56
Liabilities	
Capital stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	57,248.10
Circulation	100,000.00
Reserve for Income Tax 1934	1,000.00
Dividend No. 86 (8% 1934)	3,000.00
Deposits	680,014.66
Total	\$941,262.76

Residences Razed In San Luis Potosi Yield Gold, Silver

MEXICO, D. F., Jan. 9.—The engaging legend of streets paved with gold and houses lined with precious metals has been materialized in San Luis Potosi, one of Mexico's oldest and most picturesque communities. The town has become a modern Eldorado. The razing of venerable buildings and the excavation of old streets in the development of the civic improvements program have disclosed materials that are richer in gold and silver than are many mines. Furthermore, these precious metals are much easier, and cheaper, to extract from edifices and street debris than they are from ores.

Owners of edifices that were razed soon after the city was founded in 1539 by Spanish missionaries find it far more profitable to raze the venerable structures and retrieve gold and silver their materials contain than to rent or sell them. These buildings were put up when Mexico's post-conquest mining boom was at its height. Only the richest ores

were given consideration by the get-rich-quick people of those times. So builders obtained materials from the city's outskirts that but a little effort would make yield a deal of gold and silver. The San Luis Potosi zone is perhaps Mexico's richest mining center, with gold predominating, and has produced fabulous fortunes.

North America's greatest gold strike was made in 1590 in the San Pedro Hills, about 12 miles north of San Luis Potosi city. Amazingly rich yellow metal mines were opened up there, and as this surpassing wealth more than equaled the great gold-producing mines of Potosi (Bolivia), Spaniards with a fancy for naming things added that designation to the San Luis the Franciscan missionaries called the village they had established, and San Luis Potosi city was founded.

Armies of Spanish gold hunters invaded the community and it grew apace. They worked eagerly, but employed primitive methods. So much so that many of the workings caved in, some of them upon their enthusiastic and careless exploiters.

Now, San Luis Potosi is in touch again with its olden times, those rip-roaring golden days of the late sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries. From the debris of some old buildings of the town that have been torn down thirteen grams of pure gold and a large amount of silver per metric ton have been obtained. Many of the city's old streets have been found to be literally paved with gold. Materials that constituted their original shapings are rich in gold and silver. All debris of such excavations is most carefully assayed, and proceeds go to the civic coffers.

FIRST SANTIAGO WOMAN TO CAST VOTE HONORED

SANTIAGO, Chile, January 9.—Mrs. Lola Armstrong, an Anglo-Chilean, is being honored in Santiago for being the first woman to vote in a municipal election in this city.

Hundreds of other women cheered her as she placed her name on the ballot list. In the first of this year's municipal elections in Chile 10,000 women in Santiago voted for the first time.

As every voter in Chile must be finger-printed at the central identification bureau before registration, one hundred extra clerks were required this year by the bureau to handle the rush of women applicants. Chile's new electoral law enfranchises foreigners of both sexes.



Stronger Than Ever

On January 1, Southwestern Life filed with the Insurance Department at Austin the strongest financial statement of its history. In condensed form it appears below.

During the past year, the Company GAINED MORE THAN FIFTEEN MILLIONS Insurance in force, and increased its surplus by more than \$200,000.00. Southwestern Life has \$1.29 of assets for every dollar of net liability.

Gain Since 1929

While its reserve liability on all policies has increased only 31% during the past five years, the Company's capital and surplus (held for the additional protection of policyholders) have increased 45%.

Condition of the Company December 31, 1934 32nd Annual Statement

ASSETS	LIABILITIES
First Mortgage Loans on Texas Real Estate \$16,034,235.19	Legal Reserve on All Policies - - - - - \$36,559,998.31
Home Office Building - 1,500,000.00	Reserve for Interest and Premiums Paid in Advance - - - - - 424,913.42
Other Real Estate - - 1,380,019.00	Reserve for Taxes - - 81,000.00
United States Government Bonds - - - 2,110,734.78	Reserve for Sundry Liabilities - - - - - 319,010.77
Bonds Guaranteed by U. S. Government - - 2,285,852.76	Investment Reserve Fund - - - - - 250,000.00
State of Texas Bonds - 953,226.24	Surplus Funds Held for Additional Protection of Policyholders:
Texas Municipal and County Bonds - - - 4,601,840.26	Capital Stock \$2,000,000.00
Cash in Banks - - - 871,634.55	Unassigned Funds - - 4,803,515.54
Interest and Rents Due and Accrued - - - 1,320,123.35	
Loans to Policyholders 11,782,418.68	
Net Premiums in Process of Collection - - - 1,598,353.23	
Total Assets - - - \$44,438,438.04	To Balance Assets - \$44,438,438.04

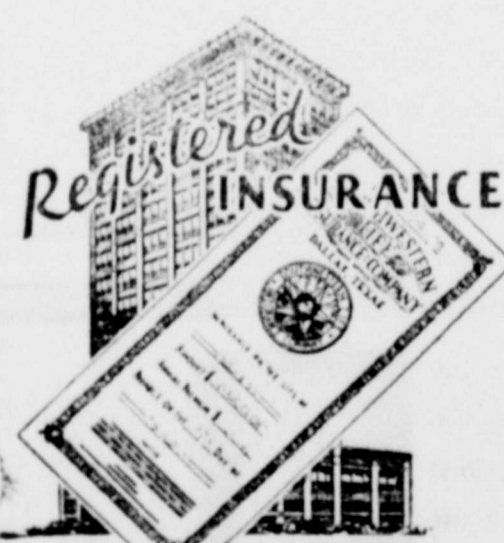
Added Security No Increase in Cost

The Company operates under the Registration Law of Texas. Securities are deposited with the Insurance Commissioner of Texas, the market value of which is greater than the net liability to all policyholders.

As evidence that the required deposit is maintained, the Insurance Commissioner is required to sign the following certificate on every Southwestern Life policy:

"THIS POLICY IS REGISTERED, AND APPROVED SECURITIES EQUAL IN VALUE TO THE LEGAL RESERVE HEREON ARE HELD IN TRUST BY THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS."

LIFE INSURANCE
IN FORCE . . . \$273,485,209.00



The Company Back of the Policy



Ballinger Representatives

Jack Nixon
E. R. Griffis

Telephone 368

C. F. O'DONNELL
President

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF

SECURITY STATE BANK

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1934, published in The Ballinger Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 10th day of January, 1935.

Resources	
Loans and discounts on personal or collateral security	\$59,911.74
Loans secured by real estate	8,318.00
Securities of U. S., any State or political subdivision thereof	7,832.68
Customers' bonds held for safekeeping	5,150.00
Banking House	12,500.00
Furniture and fixtures	3,564.94
Real Estate owned, other than banking house	2,115.96
Cash and due from approved reserved agents	21,283.91
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand	8,435.79
Other Resources: Car \$250.00, Rent \$503.32	753.32
Total	\$129,885.68
Liabilities	
Capital Stock	\$35,000.00
Income Debentures Sold	25,000.00
Total Capital Structure	\$60,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	3,884.21
Reserve for interest on debentures	625.00
Due to banks and bankers, subject to check	2,578.19
Individual Deposits subject to check, including time deposits due in 30 days	56,191.04
Time Certificates of Deposit	1,385.00
Cashier's Checks Outstanding	72.24
Customers' bonds deposited for safekeeping	5,150.00
Total	\$129,885.68

STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF RUNNELS,

We, E. F. Batts, as President, and T. B. Saunders, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

E. F. BATTS, President
T. B. SAUNDERS, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of January, A. D. 1935.

(SEAL) Able Kinnison, Notary Public, Runnels County, Texas.
CORRECT—ATTEST
Wm. Halfmann, Paul Petty, W. B. Halley, Directors.

IN SOCIETY

Jimmy and Marilyn Agnew Share Birthday Honors

An elaborate children's party was given last Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Tom Agnew, the occasion being a celebration for both Jimmy and Marilyn, whose birthdays come on the same date. Jimmy was eight and Marilyn four.

A large group of children were bidden to the Agnew home in Wilke Terrace, where a circus party had been planned. Colorful paper caps were given each child before entering the dining room where tables were laid in crepe paper covers adorned in art with all kinds of circus animals. The two birthday cakes with their candles, eight on one and four on the other, were also decorated with animal cookies. They centered the tables. Balloons in varied shapes and sizes were hung from every vantage spot while triangular streamers on cords hung from the four corners of the room crossed at the chandelier. Suckers were favors. Ice cream tubs and cake were served.

Mrs. Stewart and Miss Eugenia Stewart of San Antonio assisted in entertaining the following children: Marilyn and Jimmy Agnew, John Weeks Earnshaw, Theford Jones, James Lasater, James Striplin, Rothal O'Kelly, Francis and Wellington Pearce, Bobbie Agnew, Billy O'Neill, K. V. and Bobbie Northington, Charles Bailey, Jr., Carlton Galbraith, George Amery, Travis Daniels, David Caudle, Marvin Rubin, Harold Richards, Elaine Green, Dorothy Ann Holliday, Betty Cook, Marilyn Sommer, Mary Simpson, Dorothy Bruce, Mary Lou and Bonnie Davis, Moide Rubin, Jean and Bitsy Amery, Brookste Ann Rhoden, Mary Brian Woody, Evelyn O'Neill and Patricia Caudle, Eddie, Buddy and Bobby Mayer, Walter and Martha McCabe of San Angelo.

Shakespeare Club Elects Officers

At the regular first meeting in January last Thursday the Shakespeare Club held its election of officers to serve the club for two years.

Mrs. E. C. Baskin, retiring president, was in the chair for the election of the following: president, Mrs. H. C. Lyon; vice-president, Mrs. J. L. Stallings; secretary, Mrs. Horace Murphy; treasurer, Mrs. W. A. Green; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. W. Stasney; critic, Miss Margaret New; historian, Miss Eva Ruth

Forney; parliamentarian, Mrs. J. G. Douglas.

During the interesting program hour Miss Margaret New gave a review of Galsworthy's "One More River." Mrs. C. P. Shepherd gave a sketch of Galsworthy's life, and Mrs. W. A. Green a criticism of other works.

Mr. and Mrs. Sommer Entertain Club

Contract club members were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sommer last Friday evening in their attractive home on Ninth Street.

Light from red tapers gave a cozy glow to rooms where snowbird tallies marked places at the four tables. High score prize was won by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doss and high cuts by Mrs. Sam Dunlap and Cicero Smith. Mrs. J. E. Hays was awarded a consolation award.

A delectable plate containing chicken a la King in patties shells, sandwiches, fruit cake and salted nuts with coffee, was passed to Messrs. and Mmes. Hayes, Dunlap, Towner Dickinson, Rothal O'Kelly, Doss, Smith and Lawrence Grier.

Mrs. George Kirk Hostess to Club

Mrs. George Kirk was hostess to contract club members and two tables of tea guests last Friday afternoon in her pretty apartment on Seventh Street.

The New Year was suggested in the table and game appointments. High and second high score awards went to Mrs. Alex McGregor and Mrs. Loyd Herring.

At the tea hour Mrs. R. G. Parks assisted Mrs. Kirk in serving a molded salad course with coffee. At its conclusion little Miss Mary Brian Woody and Master Charles Bailey, Jr. presented Mrs. Homer Carsey a shower of gifts—a complete surprise to her.

Included were: Mmes. L. R. Tigner, Jack Rudd, Leslie Baker, Ernest Nance, W. B. Woody, Herring, Charles Bailey, Carsey, McGregor, R. E. Bruce, C. W. Cheatham, Ross Murchison, Delbert Vancil, Arthur Giesecke, I. Vancil, R. W. Earnshaw, W. W. Fowler, J. R. Lusk, John Currie, Ed Richards, Conda Wylie, B. C. Kirk, John A. Weeks, Misses Virginia Holman and Adda Ward.

High School Teachers Guests in Lyon Home

The birthday anniversary of Supt. H. C. Lyon was the occasion for a pleasant informal affair for the high school teachers Tuesday

evening in the Lyon home on Eighth Street.

Humorous group games, planned by Mrs. Lyon, were enjoyed and the pretty birthday cake iced in pink was cut by Mr. Lyon.

A salad course with coffee was served by Mrs. Lyon to the following: Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Self, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Levy Lee, Misses Marryatt Smith, Elizabeth Parker, Wynis Greer, Dena Myer, Vhelma Parrish, Genevieve Green, Sara Elkins, and Lucille Williamson, Messrs. Ernest Sublett and Jack McKay.

Rev. Vanderpool's Class Entertains Choir

Members of the Methodist church choir were guests of honor at a chili supper given in the church basement Wednesday evening by the men's class, of which Rev. W. H. Vanderpool is teacher.

More than forty were in attendance at the affair which preceded the usual weekly practice session.

PATRICK ACQUIRES OLDSMOBILE AGENCY

The Patrick Chevrolet Company announced this week that it has acquired the agency for Oldsmobile cars in addition to its regular line of Chevrolets. A demonstrator has already been received and is being shown on the exhibition floor at this time.

The Oldsmobile is a General Motors product and during the past year was a leader in sales over the nation.

ADVERTISING A NECESSITY

LONDON, Jan. 9.—"In the quickly altering times through which we are passing advertising is indispensable as the means of making improvements known to the public quickly and effectively." This was the explanation given by Francis d'Archy Cooper, presiding at the recent annual meeting of Lever Brothers, Ltd., for the increase in 1934 of 15,500,000 in the sales of high-class toilet soap.

"Jones had occasion to reprimand his wife, 'I think, dear,' he said soothingly, 'that you fib a little occasionally.'"

"She immediately became indignant.

"Well, I think it's a wife's duty," "Wife's duty?" he echoed, wondering what was coming.

"Yes, to speak well of her husband occasionally," came the reply.

"Confound you sir," said the general. "Why don't you be careful. Here, instead of addressing this letter to the intelligence officer, you have addressed it to the intelligent officer. You should know there is no such person in the army."

PIGGLY WIGGLY

Ballinger, Texas

Jan. 11 Through Jan. 16

Get the Most for Your Money in

SUGAR

Use Certified Pure Cane

Sea Island Sugar

25 lbs. \$1.25
10 lbs. 51c
2 lbs. 10c
Powdered or Brown 2 for 13c



Fruits & VEGETABLES

Bunch Vegetables 2 for 5c
Carrots 3 for 5c Grapefruit 10 for 25c

Apples
Oranges
Lemons
Bananas

1c

Each

Cereals

Ralston Wheat 25c
Raisin Bran 2 for 21c
Kellogg's Bran 2 for 15c
Gold Medal Oats 25c
Kellogg's Corn Flakes 10c

Dole's Pineapple

Flats 3 for 23c
Juice 2 for 17c
Mackerel 8c
Fancy Rice lb. 5c
Peanut Butter Qt. 30c
B. & C. Baking Powder 2 lbs. 18c

Bi American Tissue 3 for 13c
Bulk Coconut lb. 20c
Bulk Dates lb. 12c

Large 6c
Small 3c

Quart Pickles 15c
Sour, Dill

Mug Peanut Butter 21c
Matches 6 Boxes 22c

Mrs. Schlorer's Salad Dressing
Quart 25c
Pint 15c
1/2 Pint 10c

Ma Brown Grape Jam 4 lbs. 49c
Hammer Wheat or Cheese Thinnies 2 for 25c
Oval Sardines 3 for 25c
5 lbs. Celo Pkd. Prunes 41c
2 lbs. Celo Pkd. Apples 27c
2 lbs. Celo Pkd. Peaches 25c
Our Mother's Cocoa 2 lbs. for 17c

—Always Visit Piggly Wiggly First—Quality Merchandise—Lowest Prices—

Uncle Bob Syrup

1/2 Gal. 33c Gal. 55c

Libby 8-oz. Fruit 3 for 25c
Prunes Gal. 30c
Apricots Gal. 55c

No. 2 Galvanized Tubs 62c
Underwood Sardines 5c
Macaroni and Spaghetti Comet 3 for 14c

Coffee

Fancy Rio 2 lbs. 29c
Real Peaberry 2 lbs. 35c
Bright & Early lb. 22c
Bright & Early 3 lbs. 61c
World Over lb. 19c

Soaps and Cleaners

All 5c Toilet Soap 2 for 9c
P-G 6 Bars 23c
GIANT BAR Hypro lg. 16c
Lighthouse Cleanser 2 for 7c
Rinso, Small 2 for 17c
CAMEL LYE 2 for 13c
Mrs. Stewart's Bluing 16c
10c Faultless Starch 2 for 17c

Dial Baking Soda Deal

One 1/2 lb. Both 8c
One 1 lb. Both 8c
Satisfaction Guaranteed

5 lbs. Myles Table Salt 9c

Mazola Oil Pint 14c
Quart 25c

Tall Pink Salmon 2 Cans for 21c
No. 2 Red Sour Pitted Cherries 12c
Celo. Packed Chili Powd. lb. 29c

Canned Vegetables

Phillip's Tomato Juice Soup Pork & Beans 5c

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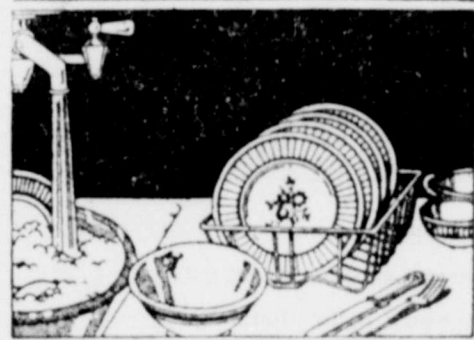
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HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED RECENTLY?

Ledger subscribers are requested to notify the publisher of any change in their addresses promptly.

The dazzling parade of 1933 automobiles is underway and practically every manufacturer has new models offered for sale by dealers.

The ginning season in Runnels county is about over and operators of gins are only steaming up for an occasional run, about once a week.

The best news received here in many months is the beginning of work on highway 109, Ballinger-to-Bronte.

Dee Oliver, newly elected commissioner of precinct No. 1, was sworn in at a busy time.

Don't Scratch

It is useless and may lead to serious infection. If your skin itches get a bottle of BROWN'S LOTION from your druggist today.

FIRST 1935 CONFERENCE HELD BY METHODISTS

Dr. J. T. McClure, presiding elder of this district, spent Sunday in Ballinger, preaching morning and evening at the Methodist church.

T. J. Layton, who formerly made home here, visited friends and attended to business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Odd Texas

First Man to found a Colony in Texas was ASSASSINATED BY HIS OWN MEN! Suer de LA SALLE WAS SHOT BY ONE OF HIS OWN MEN AND BURIED IN SOME UNKNOWN SPOT IN THE WILDERNESS ALONG THE NECHES RIVER!

WEST TEXAS NEWS NOTES

The Texas relief commission has definitely approved the construction of a stone physical education building at Junction.

The government ginning report for McCulloch county to December 13 shows 10,347 bales of cotton were turned out.

Drilling for oil in Menard county will be resumed within 90 days.

The Miles postoffice has been moved to a new location after occupying the same building for over 30 years.

Hannah & Hall, successful bidders on work on highway No. 9 in Concho county, has started moving equipment to Eden.

A large and modern high school building is being planned for the Cross Roads district in Coleman county.

Work has begun on a 25-acre roadside park just east of Santa Anna.

"Pains Gone," Says Lady, After She Had Taken CARDUI

In describing how her health improved after she had taken Cardui, Mrs. Ralph B. Courtney, of Wytheville, Va., said: "I was run-down and suffered from pain in my side."

Forty-five men are employed on this project, which is scheduled to be finished this week.

During the period of government livestock buying in Concho county 15,737 cattle were sold, 3,786 were condemned, 39,414 sheep were bought, 24,720 condemned, and 2,795 goats were bought.

H. L. Cravens, of Brownwood, has let a contract for drilling an oil well on his ranch in northern McCulloch county.

Drinking water with meals good for stomach. Water with meals helps stomach juices, aids digestion.

Joel Massie, manager of the local Piggly Wiggly store, left the past week-end for Oklahoma City where he will attend the wedding of a cousin and from there will go to St. Louis for a brief visit with relatives.

Be wise and advertise.

ON TEXAS FARMS

Because the work done by the farm demonstration agent in terracing proved so valuable to farmers in Montgomery county, the county court has employed a terracing assistant for a period of 90 days.

In the drought emergency of 1934, D. G. Vick, Young county rancher, found cotton to be the cheapest and best feed he could raise for his 17,000 head of sheep.

Tanning has taken firm hold in Runnels county according to Elmo V. Cook, farm demonstration agent.

Keeping records on her garden enabled Annie Piwetz, Fort Bend county 4-H club girl, to report for 1934 that her seeds and plants cost \$5.39.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kiechle and daughter, Ann, left Wednesday for Rochester, Minn., on a business trip.

"Perry" Smashed



The late, lamented patron saint, "Perry," of the University of Texas law school is pictured here. His passing is deplored by all grads and under-grads at law from Texas.

739 CARLOADS POULTRY SHIPPED FROM TEXAS DURING NOVEMBER '34

AUSTIN, Jan. 2.—Rail shipments of Texas poultry and eggs to interstate points during November totaled 739 cars, against 693 in November last year.

As usual, the dominating characteristic of November shipments was the large movement of turkeys, the report said. "A total of 677 cars of turkeys were shipped out of the state this year, against 628 cars in November a year ago, or an increase of 8 per cent."

increased prices which prevailed this year, the returns to growers were considerably greater than for several years.

"It should be noted also that the increase in shipments occurred in the southern prairie district centering about Cuero, and in East Texas. In the other principal turkey district, which centers Brady, Ballinger, Mason and Brownwood shipments were slightly below those of last year, while shipments from the Panhandle were about the same as a year ago.

"The wide distribution of Texas turkeys is evidenced by the fact that shipments were made this year to 24 states including the District of Columbia, New York led with receipts of 257 cars, followed by Illinois, 95 cars; Massachusetts, 81 cars; Pennsylvania, 75 cars; Ohio, 27 cars, and Connecticut, 21 cars."

B. C. Kirk and Dr. A. S. Love left this week for Pearsall, where they planned to spend several days on an outing.

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Dr. Cox Says Farm Laborer Is Now the 'Forgotten Man'

AUSTIN, Jan. 9.—Seasonal labor on the farm of Texas and other growing states has been reduced as a result of the operation of the government's cotton acreage allotment program. It is pointed out by Dr. A. B. Cox, director of the state university research of the cotton industry in Texas, who is an national authority on cotton agricultural economics.

"It has been pointed out frequently that cotton problems are tremendously complicated, and that the cotton industry is inextricably inter-woven into the economic and social life of the South," Dr. Cox said. "It is proposed to discuss in this and future articles some of these fundamental relations, especially as they apply in Texas.

"Specialized production primarily for market in agriculture as well as in industry has provided the means for raising the American standards of living enormously but has brought along with it an interdependence of agriculture, industry, and trade which defies separate treatment in the formation of workable policies.

"Agricultural development in Texas, in fact all the Southwest, has been on the basis of specialization, production, and operation on a large scale. This is particularly true in the production of the major commodities of cotton, livestock, wheat, and rice.

"Specialization in agricultural production, such as is found in Texas, means not only specialization on each farm but regional specialization and along with that regional interdependence even among agricultural enterprises themselves.

"Specialized agricultural production requires a large amount of seasonal labor. In cotton production the two seasons are the cotton plant thinning or chopping season from April to July, and the cotton picking season from September to January. Many of the people who do this labor live in the country on farms as tenants or small farm owners. A very large share of them live in towns and cities and go to the country during these periods of heavy seasonal work. At other times they work in crop processing plants such as cottonseed oil mills, feed grinding, and cotton compresses. The forceful cutting down of cotton production cuts out a large part of the demand for seasonal labor. Moreover, the fewer bales cotton to buy, to compress, to seed to crush, the fewer bales of cotton to buy, to compress, to handle and transport, the less work there is in the town and city for these people to do in the cotton industry.

"All these operations require a great deal of unskilled labor of the type negroes and Mexicans are admirably adapted to perform. If the labor is taken away, the relief roll is the alternative until a very radical change is made in Texas' economic organization.

"With few exceptions these people are not land owners. Many of them are farm tenants or one sort or another but operating less land than their capacity and thus depending more or less on daily wages for their living. The large body of laborers living largely in cities and towns who do most of the cotton chopping and picking and who work in the gins, oil mills, cotton yards, compresses and other handling operations connected with the cotton industry neither own nor operate cotton farms. These people have not participated in any benefits from the government's cotton program. Indeed, may it not be said truly that they are to a large extent the victims of it—they are the 'forgotten man'?" A detailed analysis of the relief rolls will have much to tell about the effects of the government's cotton program.

"It is evident from the set-up for cotton production in Texas that the government's cotton policy is having far-reaching consequences on the distribution of wealth in the cotton-production regions. If a program of substantial decrease in cotton production is continued, it will not only mean a fundamental reorganization in Texas agriculture but in its industries.

"In discussing the world market situation as to cotton Dr. Cox said that on December 1 the indicated supply of cotton in the United States was 13,867,000 bales. This is 2,100,000 bales less than last year. European port stocks and afloat to Europe of American cotton are 921,000 bales less than last year. Moreover, stocks and afloat of American cotton to the Orient are about 100,000 bales less than last year. This makes a total decline in the effective market supply of American cotton of 3,121,000 bales.

"Based on average change in relationship between supply and price over the past seven years, this decline in the supply should cause an advance in the price over this time last year of about 5.75 cents in the index price," he said. "When this price is adjusted by the bureau of labor statistics wholesale price index and the spinner's margin correction, the calculated price of middling 7-8 inch spot cotton in New Orleans, according to this method of figuring, is 14.95 cents. Figured on the basis of average percentage changes in the relationship between supply and price, the indicated price is 13.88 cents. These figures and calculations do not take into account the fact that world stocks of other growths of cotton are up over 1,000,000 bales from last year.

"Spinners weekly ratio margin for November averaged 156 compared with 157 in October and 179 for November, 1933. Both cotton and yarn advanced slightly during the month, but cotton a little more relatively than yarn. The price margin for November was only 3.66¢ compared with 3.93¢ in October and 4.07 in November last year."

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Mrs. S. O. Ramey, of Henryetta, Okla., writes that she has taken Theodor's Black-Draught about twenty-five years, when needed, and has "found it very good."

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Mission Nuestra Señora de las Purimas, Concepcion de Añua, better known as Mission Concepcion (pictured above) and Mission San Juan de Capistrano (below) are two of the five beautiful missions built by Franciscan friars in and near San Antonio. These two beautiful edifices, pictured as they appear today, were erected in 1731, more than 200 years ago. Both of these missions were first established in East Texas, near Nacogdoches, where crude churches of wood were built, but the original locations have long been lost. (Texas News Photos.)

\$300,000 LIPTON LEGACY DISTRIBUTED TO POOR

GLASGOW, Scotland, Jan. 9.—Distribution of the legacy of \$400,000 for the poor, under the will of Sir Thomas Lipton, the late tea millionaire and yachtsman, is to be started shortly. It will be in charge of the council of the Glasgow Society of Social Service. The fund is for the relief of poor children and children among the working class of Glasgow. Adult families will not be eligible for grants.

The children must be under 16

years to obtain relief from the fund, with the exception of mental cases. Block grants to kindred agencies cannot be made from the fund as in order to comply with the governing conditions it is essential that the aid given be based on the need of the individual applicants.

Sid Caskey, of Winters, attended to business in Ballinger Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Holliday, of Abilene, transacted business and visited relatives and friends here Saturday.

Texas Livestock Shipments Gain During Past Year

AUSTIN, Jan. 9.—Livestock shipments from Texas to Fort Worth stockyards and interstate points during November continued the wide margin of increase over the corresponding month last year, which has been noted in the month to month comparisons since July, according to the University of Texas bureau of business research. Shipments of all classes of livestock to the foregoing points totaled 6,063 cars, an increase of 48 per cent over the 4,052 cars during November last year. The largest increase occurred in cattle, shipments in this class amounting to 3,705 cars, an increase of 78 per cent over November last year.

"This large increase reflected the renewed purchasing by the government in areas with insufficient feed," the bureau's report said. "Shipments of calves, 1,228 cars; hogs, 225, and sheep, 815 cars, represented increases of 6 per cent, 25 per cent and 34 per cent respectively.

"Aggregate shipments during the first eleven months of the year were 71,957 cars, an increase of 46 per cent over the corresponding period last year. This increase was due entirely to the greater shipments of cattle and calves, a decline of 45 per cent having occurred in shipments of hogs and 2 per cent in sheep.

"Contrasts with last year were most marked in Fort Worth, with sharp increases in receipts of cattle and calves; Los Angeles, marked increases in hogs and sheep but sharp declines in cattle and calves; Kansas City, increases in cattle, sheep and hogs, but declines in calves, and Oklahoma City, increases in cattle, calves and sheep.

"Feeding and grazing states showing sharp contrasts with last year were California, which showed increases in numbers of cattle and calves but a decrease in sheep; Colorado, a sharp decline in receipts of Texas sheep, Illinois, declines in cattle, calves and sheep; Kansas, increases in

ST PETERSBURG OWES NAME TO FLIP OF COIN

ST. PETERSBURG, Florida, Jan. 9.—It was through an attack of asthma that this city of sunshine came into being.

Advised by physicians in 1874 to seek a more equable climate Gen. John Constantine Williams, wealthy Detroit land owner, came here and founded St. Petersburg. After establishing the community it was his wish to name the place Detroit, after his home city, of which his father was the first mayor.

Peter Demens, Russian exile, builder of the first railroad into St. Petersburg, disagreed with Williams. He wanted to name the infant resort after his birthplace, St. Petersburg, Russia.

The two pioneers flipped a coin. Demens won.

Gus Frozzard, formerly with the Higginbotham Brothers & Company store in Ballinger, has accepted a traveling position with the same firm in this territory. His headquarters are at Comanche.

WOMEN WHO ARE RUNDOWN

Mrs. C. A. Herwig of 839 N. Owaso Ave., Tulsa, Okla., said: "I was all rundown, felt irritable, and suffered from headaches. I had scarcely enough strength to do my work. Less than one bottle of Dr. Fayer's Favorite Prescription was all that I needed to take to restore my health." Sold by druggists. New size, tablets 50 cts., bottles \$1.00. Large size, tablets 100 cts., bottles \$2.00.

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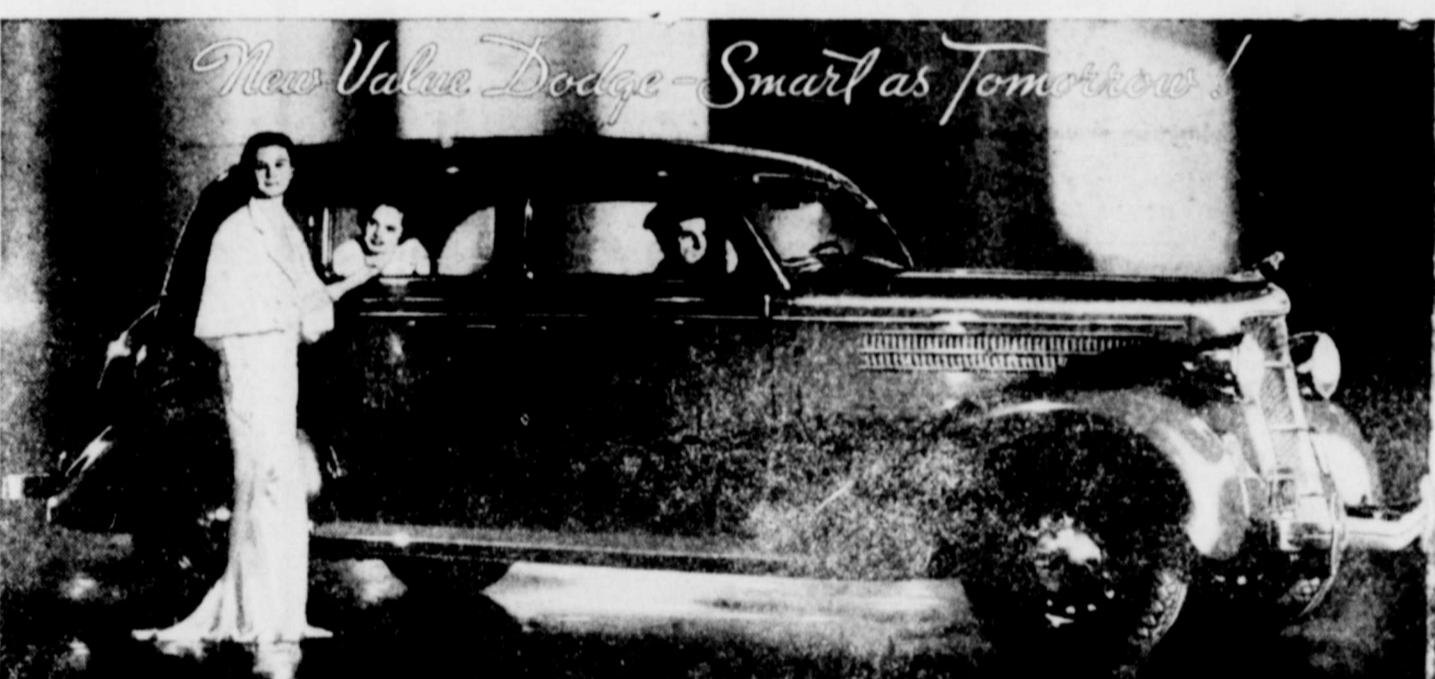
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