



IN SOCIETY

Miss Flynt is Hostess at Announcement Tea

Miss Janie Flynt was hostess at a beautifully appointed afternoon tea in her Fifth Street home Friday, to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Gladys Lee Morgan and Claude Mansell.

Mrs. Malcolm Morgan was at the door to receive guests who called in four groups from four to six o'clock. She presented the hostess, who, in turn, introduced Miss Morgan, Mrs. C. E. Jones and Mrs. T. H. Mansell.

Mrs. Clarence Morton directed guests into the dining room where Miss Tommye Mansell presided over the silver tea service placed at one end of the lace-covered table. A miniature bride and groom on a reflector surrounded by small blossoms and lace fern, flanked by tall white tapers in low crystal holders formed the centerpiece. At the other end were trays of cookies and sandwiches and small red heart favors. Entwined red hearts with the names Gladys-Claude written in white adorned small cards with the wedding date, February 22, written below. Miss Ruby Nance and Mrs. Elley Underwood of Dallas assisted in the dining room and Mrs. J. P. Flynt spoke adieu.

Others included: Mmes. E. E. Avey, Chester Cherry, D. G. Posey, J. H. Wilke, Arthur Dooze, Ed Jones, Lee Sykes, Dora Gressett, E. C. Grindstaff, Joe Flynt, Bill Moore, K. V. Northington, L. L. Stroble, Fred Holliday, Jim Duncan, J. W. Bladell, O. C. Sykes, Frank Flynt, J. A. Williams, Elmer Shepperd, Wisdom, Mattie Holliday, T. J. McCaughan, L. R. Tigner, Theo Isbell, H. J. Zappe, J. C. Cook, F. W. Wellhausen, L. Schermerhorn, J. H. Endacott, R. P. Tunnel, J. W. Wington, E. P. Talbot, O. T. Toney, Ruth Bankston, Drury Hathaway, H. W. Lynn, R. E. White, France Jones, C. J. Lynn, Misses Ann Morton, Ena Talbot, Neil Shepperd, Vhelma Parrish and Uva Rae Wisdom.

Birthday Dinner for Two

In continuing a custom of many years, Dr. J. G. Douglass and Mr. C. P. Shepherd shared honors last Thursday evening when Mrs. Douglass gave a dinner for them in her home on Broadway in celebration of birthday anniversaries.

The damask-laid dining table was centered with a low arrangement of red carnations and fern and sweet peas centered a smaller table. Small valentines were place cards and the heart motif was reflected in the three-course menu served by Mrs. Douglass, assisted by Mrs. C. R. Stephens and Mrs. A. A. Sledge.

Others included: Mrs. Shepperd, Mrs. Myrta Harshaw of Long Beach, California, Mrs. J. F. Currie, the Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Haynes, Dr. and Mrs. O. R. Lasater, Messrs. and Mmes. R. W. Bruce, Warren Lynn, John Weeks, and Mr. Stephens.

Dinner for Methodist Stewards

The Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Haynes and Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Denny were hosts Friday evening in the Methodist Church basement on Tenth Street to members of the official board of stewards and their wives.

One long table was laid in white with valentine place cards. In the exact center was a low rectangular white bowl filled with all red blooms and chenille hearts. At intervals along the entire length were small red hearts and tall red candles in crystal holders. Other room decorations were red potted plants. In each course of the delicious dinner menu, served by Virginia Denny, Mary Lou Davis, Dorothy Bruce, Marjorie McGregor and Mary Lynn, the red color note and the heart theme were suggested.

Included were: Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass, Messrs. and Mmes. R. W. Bruce, Sam Behringer, Hamp Byler, Myles Nixon, J. D. Forman, Robert Bruce, L. C. Adair, Troy Simpson, W. D. Scales, Ray Tisdale, Herbert Chabyssek, W. E.

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Mrs. Causey Hostess to Sew and Chat

Mrs. Ross Causey entertained the Sew and Chat Club last Thursday afternoon in her home on Tenth Street.

Following an hour spent in handwork and conversation, pal gifts were exchanged. Pretty colonial corsages of red and white sweet peas were favors accompanying the refreshment plate of ice cream molded as hearts and sand tarts served to: Mmes. J. E. Albright, Fred McKay, Gurthall Gilligan, M. A. Foy, Henry Moody and G. R. Murphy.

Mrs. Bishop Entertains Ace of Clubs
Ace of Clubs members were guests of Mrs. Royal Bishop last Thursday afternoon for contract games in her Ninth Street home following a no-hostess valentine luncheon at the Cactus Coffee Shop.

Pine burrs and leaves decked rooms where game accessories were in the Valentine theme in red and gold. Coca-colas were served. Mrs. Edward Sommer was winner of high score award and Mrs. W. E. Moss and Miss Mickey Bishop of bingo trophies in games with Mmes. J. D. Forman, H. G. Agnew, Rothal O'Kelly, Roy Miller and Mike Wright.

Mrs. Baskin is Shakespeare Club Leader

Mrs. E. C. Baskin was leader for the program given for the Shakespeare Club last Thursday afternoon at its room in the Carnegie Library on Eighth Street. She discussed "Motion Picture vs. Stage"; Mrs. Tom Agnew's topic was "Distinguished Actors"; and Mrs. Claude Collins' was "Broadway Tries God." Mrs. Edgar Boelache gave an interesting paper on Vivien Leigh, who is this year's academy award winner as a result of her portrayal of Scarlett O'Hara in the screen version of Margaret Mitchell's "Gone With the Wind."

Former Ballinger Girl in France

Miss Nell Russell, former Ballinger girl, in letters to friends here, tells interesting stories of her experiences in France.

The last one received here was a birthday letter written to Mrs. E. C. Baskin on December 31 and January 1. Miss Russell was on vacation in Paris at the time from student and teaching duties at the University of Grenoble. She said that things were very quiet and that except for the profusion of uniforms it would be easy to forget the war and that most of the lights on the Champs Elysees shine as brightly as "avant guerre."

Unusually interesting was an account of a New Year's Eve affair, in which toasts were drunk to the death of Monsieur Hitler and of foods such as trout cooked in brandy, and crepes stewed in champagne and then burned in it, and traditions always observed on such an occasion including a "snake dance."

Miss Russell sent a group of clippings from the Continental "Daily Mail"—some news stories, some editorials and cartoons. She made no mention of a return to the State at any early date.

Christian W. M. S. Circles Meet

Following the early afternoon hours spent in quilting in one group, members of the First Christian Woman's Missionary Society circles held programs in two circles.

Mrs. J. R. Lusk conducted the business period for Circle One and Mrs. W. O. Wallace directed the program on "The Value of Greatness." Assisting her were Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh, Mrs. W. V. Connelly, Mrs. O. P. Dorsey and Mrs. Frank Atwell. Others present were: Mmes. Horace Murphy, Oscar Pearson, B. W. Plicher, J. T. McKissick, Dick Geckert, James Hargett, and Miss Agnes Globber.

Mrs. Charles Bailey presided over Circle Two and gave the devotional. The program concerning the economic food problem of the world today was discussed by the leader, Mrs. Marvin Clark, and Mrs. M. A. Foy and Mrs. J. E. Albright. Others present were: Mmes. Bailey Mack, Riley Jackson, Elmer Sullivan, Misses Lula McElroy and Florence Westbrook.

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"Do you realize, John," she said icily, "that you have forgotten this is my birthday?"
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Women's Society and Club News

Abilene Woman to be Guest Artist

The Ballinger Music Club takes great pleasure in announcing the presentation of Lola Gibson Deaton, soprano, of Abilene, as guest artist about the middle of March.

Each year since its organization, the club has presented a concert to the public free of charge, the motive being a purely cultural one, the development of music appreciation in the community.

Mrs. Deaton is a teacher and director of recognition and suc-

cess. At present she is Professor of Voice and Choral Music in the Hardin-Simmons University School of Music, at Abilene. Together with the directors of other departments of this school she has succeeded in raising her department to the highest classification in the National Association of Music Schools.

As a composer of songs, she has received gratifying recognition. Her name is also listed in "Who's Who in the World of Music." She holds the Master of Music Degree from Chicago Musical College, Chicago, Illinois.

She has appeared in concert in such cities as New York city, Chicago, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Memphis, Tennessee, and is now on a tour in Arkansas and Tennessee. The concert will be given at the First Christian Church.

Mrs. Schnable Hostess to Sewing Club

Mrs. J. A. Schnable was hostess to her sewing club Tuesday afternoon in her home on Sixth Street.

Following the informal sewing and conversation hour, a salad plate in the Valentine theme and colors was served.

Included were: Mmes. George Stowe, E. C. Grindstaff, Levy Lee, Billie Cordill, H. J. Zappe, Neil McAlpine, K. V. Northington, J. D. Forman, J. G. Tuckey and Troy Simpson.

Tuscola Visitor Complimented

June Wilkinson of Tuscola was house guest of Patsy Doss over the week-end. On Saturday evening Patsy was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Henry Doss, in entertaining a group of friends informally in their home on Sharp Avenue preceding the midnight preview.

Baptist W. M. S. Meets at Church

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Ballinger Baptist Church held its regular monthly business meeting and general missions program at the church on Eighth

Eating to Health



Victim of beriberi, rare tropical disease caused by lack of vitamin B in the diet, six-year-old Laura Wolfrom of Philadelphia, Pa., is eating her way back to health. Laura takes her "medicine" in the form of fresh vegetables, milk and eggs. Beriberi is the only known case of beriberi in this country.

Street Monday afternoon.

Mrs. O. T. Toney presided over the business session. She laid special stress on the Brownwood district meeting to be held here April 9-10 with all the societies in the Rannels Association hostesses. Mrs. Elmer Shepperd is associational chairman. Notables to attend are Miss Juliette Mather, young people's secretary of the Southern Baptist Association and Mrs. B. M. Copass, State W. M. U. president. Mrs. Charles Sivells of Brownwood will preside.

Mrs. Toney gave the devotional and Mrs. Shepperd presented the Margaret Fund Missions work. Baptist women assumed the responsibility of the college education for all children of home and foreign missionaries. This specific offering goes to the Burney Fund,

which provides money for incidental expenses.

Twenty-five were present.

Christian Society to Present Passion Play

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Christian Church has announced March 12 as the presentation date for a sound movie of the Passion Play at the Ballinger High School Auditorium both afternoon and evening.

Mrs. Hollingsworth is Hostess

Mrs. John Hollingsworth entertained contract club members Tuesday afternoon in her home on Broadway.

Red carnations decorated rooms where names on mirror match boxes marked places at tables appointed in the Valentine motif for a dessert course with coffee served preceding games.

Miss Dorothy Lynn received high club award and Mrs. George Stengel high guest. Others included Mmes. J. C. Sturges, Jr., Tom Guin, Jack Scales, George Grandstaff, Buster Parrish, Gus Barr, P. A. Mixon, and Sam Malone, Jr.

Baileys Are Hosts to Club

Only contract club members were included by Dr. and Mrs. Charles Bailey last Thursday evening when they were hosts in their home on Harris Avenue.

A dessert course was served with coffee following games in which Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce won high score prize and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rudd the low. Others included Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Cheatham, Messrs. and Mmes. Arthur Giesecke, Ross Murchison, George Kirk, Alex McGregor and W. B. Woody.

Ballinger Woman Receives District Church Appointment

Mrs. E. C. Tinsley has been appointed chairman of interracial cooperation of the Methodist Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Brownwood district. Mrs. Tinsley is also an officer in the local organization and very active in other phases of church work here.

Four Are Hostesses to Baptist Dorcas Class

Baptist Dorcas Class members were entertained Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Joe Flynt, Mrs. J. T. Bickley, Mrs. Cam Blackmon and Mrs. J. H. Endacott in the Flynt home on Seventh Street.

Lovely potted plants decked rooms where games and contests gave diversion following the business session presided over by Mrs. Roger Jones. Mrs. J. G. Tuckey was presented a shower of gifts by Mrs. Malcolm Morgan in clever original rhyme.

A dessert plate was served with salted nuts and coffee to: Mmes. Jim Duncan, C. E. Maedgen, Jones, O. T. Toney, Clarence Morton, Claude Collins, Ernest Moody, Morgan, James Parrish, Frank Cameron, W. D. Davenport, E. F. Lawless, Howell, Clyde Gabbert, Ed Lengefeld, Oren Chandler, Jim Golden, Edgar Boelsche and William Gotcher.

Music of Norway and Sweden Studied at Club

The Music Club held its February meeting Tuesday evening in the home of Mrs. Arthur Giesecke on Broadway.

Mrs. Frank Pearce was in the chair for the business period. She appointed Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh, Mrs. W. B. Halley and Mrs. Troy Simpson, nominating committee members. Mrs. Giesecke, program committee chairman, announced that Mrs. Lola Gibson Deaton, soprano and teacher of voice at Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene, would be presented as guest artist about the middle of March.

Mrs. Horace Murphy and Miss Martha Louise Swenson were elected to active membership and Miss Lola Eubank was elected to fill the next vacancy. Mrs. J. E. Brewer became an associate member on the resignation of Mrs. Murphy.

Mrs. W. B. Halley directed the program on the music of Norway and Sweden and read a paper on the life and works of Sibelius. Miss Carmen Demmer's topic was the "Life and Works of Grieg." As examples Mrs. Jack Nixon, Jr., Mrs. Simpson, Joe Paxton and Mr. Simpson sang Sibelius' "Finlandia" and Halfdan Kjerulf's "Last Night" with Mrs. Paxton accompanist; Mrs. Frank Pearce sang Grieg's "Ich Liebe Dich" with Miss Maggie Underwood accompanist; Miss Demmer gave the violin solo "Romance" by Svenden with Mrs. Alex McGregor at the piano, and Mrs. McGregor directed the two-part choruses "A Song of Peace" by Lloyd Stone and "God Bless America," by Irvin Berlin. Clara Beth Lynn played accompaniments and high school girls singing were: Margaret Collins, Orelia and Vera Skelton, Vida Halstead, Vera Mae

Census Chieftain



Commander-in-chief of 150,000 census takers is William Lane Austin, whose army will compile essential facts about 132,000,000 Americans, 3,000,000 business firms, 33,000,000 homes and 7,000,000 farms during 1940. Austin, a native of Mississippi, began with the census bureau 40 years ago in a minor capacity and worked to the top.

Winans, Maurine Duncan, Creola Henderson, Helen Looney, Marguerite Best, Wanda Hoffman, Dona Lee Cole, Juanita Collins, Patsy Doss, Maide Rose Rubin, Betty Heavenhill, Gladys Block and May Belle Dean.

Others present were: Mrs. W. L. Dean of Ft. Worth, Mmes. Claude Collins, Sim Cottelle, R. W. Earnshaw, A. L. Fuller, John Guion, Levy Lee, L. Schermerhorn, J. A. Schnable, Stobaugh, Murphy, C. R. Stephens, J. Y. Pearce, L. R. Tigner, R. T. Williams, Misses Lola Clayton, Maggie Underwood, Eugenia Baskin, Swenson, Wynis Greer, Elouise Jones, Gladys and Mildred Hill.

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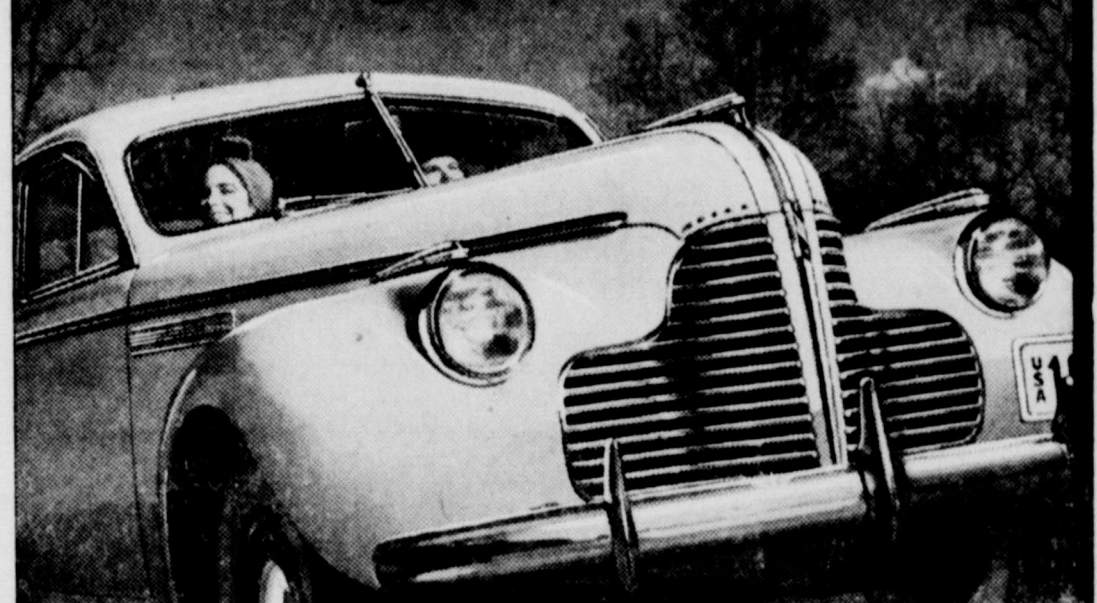
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During my previous campaign I asked that you elect me to the office, then if I proved worthy of your support that you give me a second term and I would not ask for the office again. I continue to make this statement, and will appreciate your vote and influence in order that I may be elected for another term.

Since I have been your Sheriff I have become better acquainted with the work of this office, and have had the privilege of meeting other law enforcement officers in various parts of the State who are ready to help us at any time. Without the cooperation of other officers we would not be able to enforce the law to the best of our ability here in Runnels County. I have tried to enforce the law

without fear or favor to anyone, and shall continue to do so at all times.

People have called at my office a number of times and failed to find me there, but, as you know I have work all over the County, and do not have much time to spend in the office and on the streets of the different towns. There is a city officer in most of the towns to take care of the offenses within the corporate limits, and we feel obligated to take care of the places that have no law enforcement officers.

If you care to investigate my record as an officer I shall be glad for you to do so, and you may examine the dockets of the courts of the County to see what has been accomplished since I have been in office. Also, the books of my office are a public record, and you may call at any time and my office deputy will give you any information you desire about the finances of the office.

You people are paying me to attend to the duties of this office, and I do not feel that I will be able to make a house to house campaign. It may be that I may not see each of you personally, so I will appreciate your considering this a personal solicitation for your support and influence.

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Poland's Conquerors Battle Cold Weather



Cold weather and blinding snowstorms in Poland have forced Germany's army of occupation in Poland to employ unusual methods to fight Old Man Winter. Left: A sentry on duty keeps warm with a sheepskin overcoat, which, according to the English censor, was stolen from a "poor Polish shepherd." Right: A German trooper's feet encased in woven straw overshoes in accordance with the Reich's "ersatz" campaign.

BALLINGER SCHOOL NEWS By Mary Simpson

Cue and Curtain Club
In the first Shakespearean theatres there were no actresses, and boys played the female parts. But in the Cue and Curtain Club's production of "The Merchant of Venice," two male parts are to be played by girls. Maurine Duncan is to be Lancelot, a comedian, and Alice Psenick is to be the father, Old Gabbo.

"Los Ositos" Meet
The first year Spanish club met Thursday, February 1. R. A. Smith was in charge of the program which consisted of reports given by Harley Goetz, Wanda Dee Hoffman and Robert Lowry. The period was completed with the playing of "La Loteria."

Basketball
The Bearcat basketball team went to a tournament at Baird last week-end. One game was a victory over Moran, one was forfeited by Baird, and Ballinger was defeated by Cross Plains in the semi-finals.

The Bearcats went to Paint Rock Monday night and won by a score of 40-27.

Senior Personalities
Lydia Ischar is a good grade student who has gone to school here eleven years. Her hobbies are reading and collecting stamps. After graduating she wants to go to Draughon's Business College in Abilene and then become a book-keeper or a stenographer. Book-keeping is her favorite subject, but she also likes English.

W. D. Wilson has spent all his school life in Ballinger. He began singing in a choral club, and now singing hymns is his hobby. He plans to go to Bethany Peniel College at Bethany, Oklahoma, and then become a song leader. He likes hunting and trapping (gets his prey one way or another), reading stories of the Bible, but best of all, he likes eating and, believe it or not, sleeping!

Lloyd's sister, W. D., has also spent the greater part of her existence in Ballinger schools. She belongs to the pep squad and has entered interscholastic league choral club and music memory. Like her brother, she plans to go to Bethany Peniel College, and then go into the business world. Before she graduates she would like to visit another school other than Ballinger, probably out of curiosity. She scorns "marriage at an early age" and likes traveling and eating.

Gerald Henderson is finishing his fourth and last year of school in Ballinger in May, 1940. He is a member of the "Billies" and was a Bearcat letterman this year. His hobbies are football, baseball, basketball, hunting, swimming and dancing. There should never be a dull moment for Gerald. He has rather high ambitions—West Point after a few months of preparatory school. He likes some things, and does his best to bear everything else.

RURAL NEWS

HAGAN

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Patterson visited relatives in Coleman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patton entertained a group of friends in their home Saturday night. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Williams, Robert and Billy Jack, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Ashton and son, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wood, Lorene and Florene, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl King, and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Linderman and baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cope and daughters, of Miller, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Turner Sunday.

were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bryan and daughter, Miss Minnie Hickman, Mrs. J. B. Dorsey and Mrs. W. M. Davidson.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burks and family Sunday were Mose Burks, of old Runnels, Misses Almedia and Pauline Norman and Mary Dorsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hambricht and son, of Norton, visited Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Newsom and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cooper visited Mr. and Mrs. Burtis Jones and son Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parks and family visited Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Straley, of Ballinger, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Rosemary Camp, of Hagan, spent Thursday and Friday nights with Miss Mildred Burks.

Miss Joe Cooper, Mrs. Burtis Jones and son, and Mrs. G. B. Jones spent Wednesday evening in the L. S. Nunn home at Hagan.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Tyree and son Sunday were Rev. Ernest L. Potter, of Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Stubblefield and son, and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Norman and sons.

Mrs. Roy Tyree and others visited in the W. C. Bryan home Friday evening.

Those who enjoyed a 42 party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Jones included Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Landers, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde James and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Burtis Jones and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burks entertained the young people of the community with a party Saturday night.

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BARNETT

Sunday school and church were well attended Sunday. Rev. Ernest L. Potter, of Brownwood, delivered wonderful sermons morning and night and we are glad to have the new members that joined the Sunday school.

Those who visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kirby and family Sunday

He: "Do you know, this is my forty-ninth crossing?"
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BLANTON WORKERS' CLUB

Mrs. W. F. James was hostess to the Blanton Workers' Club January 30 in the home of Mrs. R. L. Boothe.

A delicious covered dish luncheon served at the noon hour.

The day was spent quilting two quilts for the hostess.

Seventeen members and five visitors were present.

The club's next meeting will be held on February 13 in the home of Mrs. E. W. Gray.

Roy L. Hill was back at his office in the court house Tuesday after spending several days at home with influenza.

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Nazarene Pastor Announces Zone Missionary Rally



Rev. J. W. Montgomery

Rev. H. H. Spencer, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, has announced a missionary zone rally to be held at the Ballinger church on Friday, February 16, beginning at 7:30 p. m. Rev. J. W. Montgomery, superintendent of the

Northern Indiana district, will be the principal speaker for this occasion.

Rev. Montgomery is directly interested in missionary work in all fields of the church and because of his recent visits in numerous states, his lecture is declared very interesting.

Many Nazarenes from all over this section are expected to attend the rally in Ballinger and all who desire to hear the message are invited to attend.

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Cage Tournament Billed at Norton February 16, 17

The county basketball tournament will be held in the high school gymnasium at Norton on February 16 and 17. Coach Felton T. Wright, athletic director for the county meet, is sending out a questionnaire this week to determine the number of teams to be entered, arranging for the games and the time of each.

It is believed that Ballinger, Winters and Miles will all be represented by teams in the class A high school division. Five class B teams and several rural teams probably will be entered. After a champion has been decided in each class, the classes A and B champions will play for the county championship and the right to represent the county in the district meet at San Angelo.

This will be the first event in connection with the county meet. Most of the contests will be held at Ballinger on March 22 and 23. A week later playground ball will be scheduled on Saturday only. One-act plays will be presented in the Ballinger high school auditorium on March 29. To date only casts from Ballinger and Winters have been entered.

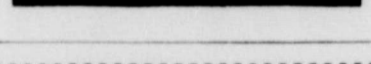


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WINDBREAK PLANTING TIME DRAWING NEAR IN TEXAS

COLLEGE STATION, Feb. 7.—In all parts of Texas where wind presents a serious problem, windbreaks are needed for the protection of the home landscape, says Sadie Hatfield, extension service specialist in landscape gardening, in urging rural people in Texas to plant windbreaks during February and March.

A good planting tree on the north and west sides of a house adds appreciably to the comfort of the home, lessens fuel bills, and makes it possible to do chores with greater ease by affording protection from disagreeable winds. The specialist adds that not only the home needs protection, but poultry, cattle and other livestock should have it. "They should have it not only from a humanitarian standpoint but from a monetary consideration as well, for it is well known that animals lose weight when exposed to winter winds," she points out.

Many trees are adapted to windbreak planting, and natives trees and other thrifty trees may well be used to form a barrier against cold, sharp winds. Among the trees which will serve for this purpose are desert willow, tamarix or salt cedar, native plum, vitex, native junipers or cedars, native pine and well adapted fruit trees. In areas free of root rot, the Chinese elm is favored because of its rapid growth.

The specialist adds that farmers may earn an additional \$30 benefit under the AAA program through planting trees about the farm for the purpose of providing windbreak or through planting shade trees for the increased comfort of the home and for protection of poultry, cattle and other livestock from extreme heat or cold.

INCOME TAX EXPERT WILL ASSIST CITIZENS OF AREA: HERE FEBRUARY 26, AND 27

W. A. Thomas, U. S. collector of internal revenue, Dallas, has announced that J. A. Miller, deputy collector, will be in Ballinger on February 26 and 27 to assist individual citizens and business men with their income tax returns. Mr. Thomas explained that the law does not require the furnishing of special help but that the new regulations present many complicated problems which the layman cannot easily solve, and for this reason experts are sent to many towns to give aid.

Mr. Miller will be at the Central Hotel on the above dates and will keep office from 8:30 a. m. until 4 p. m. He will advise with anyone who has difficulty in filling out the blanks.

Income reports must be filed not later than March 15 in the Dallas office.

Mrs. E. B. Underwood and son, Barton, Jr., of Dallas, are visiting in the home of Mrs. Underwood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Avey. Mr. Underwood has recently been transferred from Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Dallas where he is employed by the Greyhound Bus Company.

Frederick Kingsbury is in Oklahoma City this week at the bedside of a friend who is very ill.

Still Life Study



A familiar figure on the desert near Phoenix, Ariz., is Bob Zuppke, veteran University of Illinois football coach, who spends much of his time reproducing desert scenes on canvas.

BENEFIT PLAY TO BE STAGED AT NORTON

The play, "Cabbage or Dollars," is being presented in the new school auditorium at Norton tomorrow (Friday) night, February 9. The high school dramatic club is producing the play and the Norton band will furnish the music. Plenty of entertainment between acts is guaranteed.

The proceeds will be used to buy useful and up-to-date stage equipment.

Miss Maggie Herring, of San Angelo, was a week-end guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Vancil.

Local B. & P. W. Club Will Honor Eminent Visitor

Members of the Ballinger Business & Professional Women's Club are expecting a large number of out-of-town visitors here on Thursday, February 15, when a banquet is served in honor of Miss Marjorie Fiske, of Meriden, Connecticut, field representative for the national federation.

Club members at San Angelo, Coleman, Brownwood and Abilene have been invited to participate in the banquet and program. The dinner will be served at the Central Hotel at 7:30 p. m.

Miss Fiske is a graduate of Mt. Holyoke College. She majored in economics and sociology and during two of her undergraduate summers she studied psychology under Professor Hadley Cantrell, well known in the field of social psychology. She also spent two summers in social work at the Elizabeth Peabody Settlement House, Boston, while attending Harvard.

Upon receipt of a graduate fellowship she became assistant psychologist at the New York Institute for the Education of the Blind, and studied psychology at Columbia University where she received a master's degree in that subject.

Miss Fiske had considerable department store experience as a section manager in a large New York store. She spent one summer as assistant to Professor Cantrell at teachers' college, Columbia



Miss Marjorie Fiske

University, and afterwards became administrative secretary and research assistant on the Princeton radio research project grant of the Rockefeller Foundation to study changes in educational technique, social customs, et cetera, brought about by radio. She later served as supervisor of research for Market Analysts, Inc., a New York consumer research organization.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Halfmann, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Halfmann and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Buskemper returned Monday from LaGrange and Fredericksburg, where they had been to attend the funeral of Joe Munsch, a relative who died near LaGrange last Friday.

Mrs. R. E. George is back on duty at The Hub after being confined to her home several days with a light case of influenza.

CONTRACTORS NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for constructing 8.114 miles of Flexible Base and Double Asphalt Surface Treatment from Junction with U. S. 83 and 277 at Ballinger and 8.2 Miles Northwest of Ballinger on Highway No. 109, covered by F. S. A. 13-A(2) and C(1) in Runnels County, will be received at the State Highway Department, Austin, Texas, until 9:00 A. M., February 20, 1940, and then publicly opened and read.

The prevailing wage rates listed below shall apply as minimum wage rates on this project.

Table with columns: Prevailing Minimum Hourly Wage Rate, Prevailing Minimum Hourly Wage Rate (Including Work Day). Rows include Skilled Labor, Intermediate Grade Labor, Unskilled Labor, and various rates for legal holiday work and excess of maximum hours per week.

Baptist Workers To Meet Tuesday In Winters Church

The Runnels Baptist Workers' Association meeting will be held in the Winters Baptist church on Tuesday, February 13. This meeting is being held one week later than usual due to the conflict with the pastors' retreat at Coleman this week.

All church groups that have any mission funds on hand are urged to send the money in or take it to the meeting. Following is the program to be rendered:

- 10:00 a. m.—Devotional arranged by the pastor
10:15 a. m.—Exposition of Rom. 13:7-8—Roy Stuckey
10:45 a. m.—Exposition of Rom. 1:14—Sam Brian
11:15 a. m.—Song and announcements
11:25 a. m.—Sermon—H. H. Stephens
12:00 noon—Lunch at the church
1:30 p. m.—Song and praise service
1:45 p. m.—"The Hundred Thousand Club"—D. D. Gilmore
2:15 p. m.—Training Union, Sunday school and W. M. U. announcements
2:45 p. m.—Board meeting.
A patient in a lunatic ward insisted he was Adolph Hitler. "Who gave you that name?" the doctor inquired. "God gave it to me," said the patient. "No, I didn't," answered a voice from the neighboring bed.

Most prolonged cold spell in 41 years places greatest test on gas company facilities in its entire history... dependable, unfaltering supply during emergency due to modern, interconnected pipeline system bringing natural gas from 46 separate gas fields...

Snow Still Seen As Freeze Goes Into 13th Day Texas' Coldest Spell For 41 Years Shows No Sign of Letup; Thursday Top Is 24. Dallas headed into its thirteenth day of freezing weather Thursday night as the weather bureau issued snow signals for the section for Friday and Saturday. East rain for the month consecutive Texas. It was the ninth consecutive day of Dallas winter weather in a decade, and despite milder weather in West Texas, the weather still was gripped in freezing weather which extended near the coast.

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IN SOCIETY

Luncheon in Agnew Home
Mrs. Myrta Harshaw of Long Beach, California, who is house guest in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Tom Agnew, was assisted by Mrs. Agnew Wednesday when she entertained friends made on her visits here, with a one o'clock luncheon in the Agnew home in Wilke Terrace.

Beautiful red carnations, cyclamens and other red blooms decorated the living rooms while the dining room table and buffet were centered with red carnations and baby's breath in matching white holders.

Appointments for quartet tables were in the Valentine theme and the red color note was reflected again and again in the luncheon menu. Gifts for games of bingo played during the early afternoon hours were attractively wrapped in Valentine paper and tied in red with heart stickers.

Assisting the hostesses were Mrs. E. W. Stasney, Mrs. Claude Stone, Mrs. J. B. Striplin, Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw and Mrs. Troy Simpson. Others included: Mmes. E. C. Baskin, John Weeks, E. L. Hagan, Elmer Shepperd, J. G. Douglass, B. C. Kirk, R. W. Bruce, Hamp Byler, Warren Lynn, Ed O'Kelly, A. J. Thorp, M. B. Wardlaw, W. B. Helley, J. M. Skinner, James Wear, C. P. Shepherd, L. R. Tigner, J. E. Brewer, Robert Bruce, J. P. Montgomery of San Angelo, John Currie, G. G. Odom, A. C. Haynes, J. Y. Pearce, and Miss Nell Alexander.

Mrs. Joe Eubank is Club Hostess
Lovely tulips and azaleas in varied shades were used for room decoration Wednesday afternoon when Mrs. Joe Eubank was hostess to her contract club in her attractive Seventh Street home.

Mrs. W. B. May was winner of high score trophy and Mrs. Gene Galbraith of high cut.

A plate of sandwiches and cookies was served with coffee. Included were: Mmes. Ralph Payette, R. J. Hawk, Galbraith, G. A. Swann, O. L. Huddleston, P. A. Mixon, May, A. C. Glover and James Parrish.

Junior Woman's Club to Have Valentine Benefit

The Junior Woman's Club will hold a benefit bridge and forty-two tournament Wednesday afternoon, February 14, at three o'clock at the City Hall auditorium.

Baptist J. O. Y. Class Meets

The Baptist J. O. Y. Class met Wednesday afternoon in the home

of Mrs. Wix Currie, Jr., on Third Street, with Mrs. Fred McKay as joint hostess.

Following a joint business session conducted by Mrs. Jack Bridwell, vice-president, and the devotional by Mrs. Currie, games were played by members of the class. A dessert course with heart candies was served with coffee. Valentines were given as plate favors.

Others attending were: Mmes. Jones Parrish, Claude Collins, George West, Otis Jacob, Douglass Barnett, France Jones, Davis, Fred Walter King and J. C. Wilson.

Double Wedding Told

Announcement has been made of the double wedding of Miss LaRue Clack to Lee Roy Smith and Miss Christine Wood to Roland Linderman, on January 15, in Paint Rock.

Mrs. Smith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clack, of Benoit, and was a student in the Ballinger High School.

Mr. Smith, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Smith of this city, also attended the Ballinger schools. He is in business with his father. The young couple will make home here.

Mrs. Linderman is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wood, of the Eagle Branch community, and was also a student in the Ballinger High School.

Mr. Linderman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Linderman, of the Blanton community, where he is a prominent young ranchman and farmer and where the couple will make home.

After spending the week-end in Sweetwater the couples returned to their homes here.

Supper Club Entertained in Spreen Home

Miss Zeldia Spreen, Miss Grifflie Atkins, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Hill and Jack McKay were joint hosts when they entertained their supper club and added guests Wednesday evening in the home of Mrs. Mary Spreen on Seventh Street.

The Valentine theme was stressed in decorations and appointments. The linen-laid dining table was centered with a white potted hyacinth on a reflector and on either side red tapers burned in blue holders which were also on reflectors. Four quartet tables were laid in denison valentine covers and centered with small red pots filled with white feverfew. Place cards were small valentines.

Following the three-course spaghetti supper served in brightly colored pottery, partners were chosen for games of bridge, rummy and forty-two by matching sentiments on candy hearts.

High score award for bridge went to Miss Louise Batts. Miss Sarah Harwell won the forty-two prize and the rummy award went to Leland McWilliams.

Included were: Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Cheatham, Messrs. and Mmes. H. G. Agnew, F. A. Lawrence, Jack Nixon, Jr., T. A. Parrish, Misses Harwell, Pearl Currie of Paint Rock, Wayne Byler, Batts, Betty Stuart, Bobbie Johnson, Messrs. Paul Gibbs, Clebert Kincaid, Bill Carter, Jack Sublett, Fred Kingsbury, McWilliams and Carroll

Men at Work—They're Fighting Freedom's Cause



Three national leaders whose independence efforts have made news around the world: Left: Mohandas Gandhi, Indian independence leader, whose demands for autonomy from Great Britain have increased since the British request for Indian support in the war. Center: Manuel Quezon, president of the Philippine islands, who told the national assembly it must choose now between permanent subservience to the United States or an insecure independence in 1946. Right: Ignace Jan Paderewski, famed pianist and former premier of Poland, who has been named president of Poland-in-exile, with headquarters in France.

BENOIT POSTOFFICE CLOSED FEBRUARY 1

The postoffice at Benoit was closed February 1 and people who had received mail at that place are having addresses changed to other postoffices and rural routes. All Benoit mail was sent to Talpa at first but many of the Benoit citizens have had their mail routed to the Ballinger office and will come here for it until a route can be established to cover their community.

A request has been made for a route extension for which all former Benoit patrons would put up boxes at one location. The extension would add only a few miles to Ballinger route 2 or Talpa route 2.

Only 10 per cent of Texas' 5,228,000 grapefruit and orange trees are in full production.

APES PROVE HELPFUL IN ENGLISH ZOO

CHESTER England, Feb. 7.—When a cage was built at the zoo here the question was how to break down the wall between the cages so that the chimpanzees might enter their new apartment, which adjoined the old one. The problem was solved by letting the apes do the work themselves.

A workman pried a brick loose while the occupants of the other cage looked on with wise glances. He threw down his brick and his tools into the old cage, and retired from the scene. The chimpanzees at once set to work, and threw down as many bricks as necessary to allow them to get into the new cage.

Typewriter ribbons at Ledger office.

PARROT STARTS TRAIN IN BRESLAU, GERMANY

BRESLAU, Germany, Feb. 7.—In the railway station here the engineer heard the usual guard's whistle to get under way. Accordingly he started, but heard such an outcry from the platform that he looked back, and saw the utmost confusion of open doors and passengers in trouble.

A guard ran up to say that he had not blown the whistle. Inquiry revealed that the culprit was a parrot belonging to a passenger, which had whistled so perfectly that the engine driver was deceived.

Mrs. J. A. Schnable and Jon are spending the week-end in Sweetwater while Mr. Schnable is attending a convention at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Taylor spent week-end in Brownwood at the home of Taylor's mother, who is critically ill.

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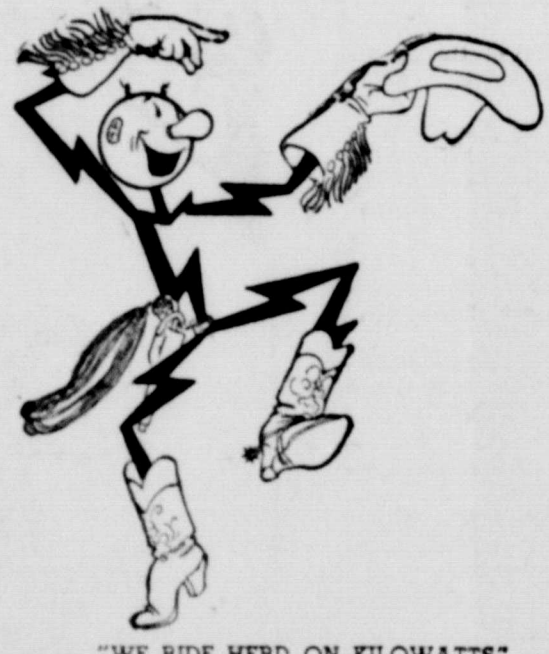
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Rural News

HARMONY

Sunday will be preaching day at the Baptist church. Mrs. Fred Rhoads was called to

Waco Friday, to be the bedside of her father, who was seriously ill. Mrs. Rube Kiser and little daughters are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tunnell, of Oplin.

Those on the sick list last week were: Mrs. Will Porter, Mammie Jean Gerhart, Mrs. Tab Morris, Mrs. Fletcher England and Fred Cummings.

Claude Pearl and Gladys Smith, of Winters, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Derden. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Worthington and family, of Cochran; Mr. and

Mrs. B. Smith and children, of Winters; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Worthington and Carley Jo; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Billups and family; Mrs. Cora Maddox, of Coleman; and F. L. Seals were callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Green Sunday.

Mrs. Lena Derden and Mrs. Russell Derden spent Monday with Mrs. Bob Bailey, of Hatchel, while Frank Laird and Russell Derden were attending to business in Ballinger.

Mrs. J. S. Neely, of Baldwin, is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. McCreery, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith, of Winters, visited Mr. and Mrs. Eugene White Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Bishop, of Winters, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Bishop.

J. Edmund Dial attended the Mid-Texas Teachers' Association convention at San Angelo the past week-end.

Mrs. Chester McBeth and Mrs. Ervin Phipps and son visited Mrs. Dial Tuesday.

School News

Mrs. Frank Laird and children and Mrs. Derden were visitors in Mrs. Kruse's room Thursday afternoon.

Candidates attending the pie supper Thursday were as follows: W. W. Chastain, Buster Caudie, John Rayburn, E. C. Grindstaff, and F. D. Bedford. Oscar Batts, of Ballinger, also was a visitor. The 4-H club girls had quilted a quilt, which they sold for \$4.00.

Be wise—advertise.

Harvard Thespian



Peter Saltontall, 18, son of Gov. Leverett Saltontall of Massachusetts, makes his debut as wit, mimic and actor in the Harvard dramatic club play, "Too Late to Laugh."

EAGLE BRANCH

Those attending the tenth anniversary of St. John's Lutheran Church Sunday were: H. Jacob, R. C. Kurtz, Marvin Kurtz, J. H. Kurtz, A. J. Kurtz, Tee Berry, Robert Gerhart and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell visited Jeff Hargrove, of Winters, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kurtz visited Sunday evening with Mrs. Kurtz's sister, Olga Deike, of the Cochran community, who is in the Winters hospital.

J. D. Stinebaugh spent Tuesday night with Vernon Mitchell.

The Crews Willing Helpers' Club met with Mrs. Tee Berry Tuesday. Those visiting from this community were Mrs. Charles Berry, Mrs. R. C. Kurtz, Mrs. A. J. Kurtz, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Price and Mrs. R. A. Hunt.

Mrs. R. Hodges and J. D. Stinebaugh attended the teachers' meeting at San Angelo Friday.

Hildegard Kurtz spent Sunday night with Gwen Berry.

Adeline Kurtz is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Travis Cummings, of Winters.

Viola Grissom is working in San Angelo.

Rosemary Bradley missed school Tuesday because of illness.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kurtz Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Tee Berry, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kurtz and their families.

CREWS SCHOOL NEWS

The boys' basketball team will play two games tonight at Norton against Norton and Maverick. Although the boys haven't played any star basketball this year they have developed good sportsmanship, which is worth much to them.

The girls' basketball team will also play Norton tonight and they may play their first game of volleyball.

The honor roll of the Crews school, as reported by Supt. W. T. Gassiot, is as follows:

First Grade—Billie Dee Lee, Jo Nell Vinyard, Melba Joe Lollar, Ruby Gene Jenkins, Everal Berry, Royce Neal King, Eldon Joe Hambright

Second Grade—Gleay Rowe, Melvin Jenkins, LaVonda Jenkins

Third Grade—Lavoy King, Elvita Faubion

Fourth Grade—Christine Hambright, Wanda Jean Cummings, Sybil McBeth, Lillian Ruth Keithley, Therin Osbourne

Fifth Grade—Mary Frances Poin-dexter

Sixth Grade—Dovey Mae Boatright, Effie Osbourne, Waldene Schwartz, Charles Campbell

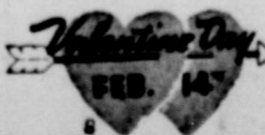


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Ninth Grade—Florene Wood

Tenth Grade—Florene Berry

Eleventh Grade—Sybil Bruce and Doris King.

Tests Show Sixth Sense

NEW YORK.—A sixth sense—extrasensory perception—governs to a certain degree the accuracy of guesswork, tests conducted by Columbia university psychologists indicate.

The research workers, after conducting a series of 1,000 tests with hidden cards, said even the average man or woman had some sort of mental prompting which tended to bring forth higher than chance guesswork on the part of some of the subjects.

"Something other than chance is at work," the psychologists said, but offered no opinion as to what the extra-chance factor might be.

In every test the cards were shuffled and set out of range of sight and hearing, and in about half of the tests the subjects were a quarter of a mile away.

"The records indicate, contrary to chance expectation, that there is a definite relation between the scores on some of the sets of cards," Professor Gardner Murphy said. "Control series and statistical analysis suggests that something other than chance is at work. . . . There are several phases of the distributions of the data which are difficult to interpret and it is considered wise to continue the experiment, using new subjects as well as continuing with the old."

Season Brings 700,000

To Shrine of Ste. Anne

STE. ANNE DE BEAUPRE, QUE.—Nearly 700,000 Roman Catholics, some from Europe, India and Australia, came here to pray at the shrine of Ste. Anne de Beaupre this summer. The pilgrims came to pray for intercession, seek healing of their ailments, and to give thanks for cures that have already occurred—far from the shrine but through novenas of prayers to "La Bonne Sainte Anne."

Officials here estimated that more than 100,000 automobiles, carrying more than \$15,000 people, visited the shrine during the summer. About 47,000 people came by train and bus, and another 82,000 came in 148 organized pilgrimages.

Among the reasons advanced for the exceptionally large number of visitors were the favorable summer weather and the unsettled conditions in Europe.

Mrs. H. A. Bauman and Rev. and Mrs. R. M. Blanchfield, of Miles, visited friends and shopped here Tuesday.

The city council of Troup, Smith county, Texas, has abolished the city poll tax after it had been in effect 36 years.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Petty are entertaining a fine seven-pound boy, named Phillip Mackey Petty, at their home. The young man was born Saturday morning at the Halley & Love Sanitarium and went home with his mother the first of the week. Mother and son are doing nicely.

R. T. Williams was able to be back at his office Tuesday after being ill for several days with a slight case of flu and a throat infection.

J. A. Schnable left this morning for Dallas to attend the funeral of L. B. Denning, president of the Lone Star Gas Co. Mr. Denning died there Tuesday afternoon

after being in failing health for the past two years.

Mrs. J. P. Montgomery, of San Angelo, visited Wednesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Agnew.

Mrs. W. L. McMillan is seriously ill with pneumonia at her home on Tenth Street.

Mrs. W. L. Dean, of Fort Worth, has returned home after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Paxton.

E. R. Sublett spent the week-end in Brownwood, visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Eugenia Baskin visited relatives and friends at Abilene Sunday.

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Salmon 2 cans 27c	Sardines 16-oz. tall 10c	Mackerel 16-oz. tall 10c
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Pure Granulated Beet 10 lbs. 48c **Pure Cane** 10 lbs. 55c
25 lbs. \$1.20 **SUGAR** 25 lbs. \$1.39

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HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED RECENTLY? Ledger subscribers are requested to notify the publisher of any change in their addresses promptly.

Zero weather, snow and ice have apparently done little damage to small grain in this section and farmers here this week stated that the grain was coming out fine and would soon afford good pastureage.

Another contract is to be let this month for paving on the Ballinger-Bronte highway. This road has been a No. 1 project for Ballinger many years and each job that is completed is a step nearer the final goal of a connecting link between Ballinger and Sweetwater and a series of highways that run in every direction.

Ballinger citizens can kill two birds with one stone tomorrow (Friday) evening. They can show their support of the Ballinger Board of Community Development by attending the banquet at O'Brien and they can pay the people of O'Brien a visit, witness a good program and enjoy a delicious meal.

Eligible voters of Runnels county have been determined by the poll tax payments and the political campaign is ready to get underway. There is little difference in the number of qualified voters this year and in 1938 when approximately 4,400 took part in the first primary.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SCHEDULED TOMORROW

Women from nearly all Ballinger churches will meet for the "World Day of Prayer" program tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church.

This program has been observed in Ballinger for many years and is held at a different church each year. The programs are arranged all over the world so that there will be prayers every hour of the day.

All Ballinger women are invited to attend the program tomorrow afternoon.

Mistress: "I've asked Mr. and Mrs. Smith to dinner at seven, Mary. I think we'll give them a quarter of an hour's grace."

Mary: "Well, ma'am, I'm religious myself, but I think that is rather overdoin' it."

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Reports Atrocities—Wages War—Heads Navy



Headliners in recent European news include three men whose activities are of world wide interest. Left: Cardinal Hlond, primate of Poland, who reported to Pope Pius that German authorities are expiating the Polish people and the Roman Catholic religion in the conquered area of Poland.

WEST TEXAS NOTES

A ten-year record for payment of poll taxes was established in Erath county this year. The exact number was not available last Thursday but enough had been checked to know that it would exceed any total for the past ten years.

A large crowd was in Miles last Saturday to attend the F. F. A. livestock show at which a large number of lambs, calves and hogs were shown by the class. In all 120 animals were entered in the show, which was judged by E. E. Young, San Angelo vocational agriculture teacher.

The assurance of the completion of highway 158 between Bronte and Robert Lee was given by the state highway department last week. Part of the work on this five-mile stretch of road has already been finished and the new contract to be let soon will provide asphalt topping. One bridge as well as several smaller drainage structures have been built.

The board of trustees of the Paint Rock independent school

is added to the staff. A survey, to be begun soon, will cover about 14,000 square miles of territory in several West Texas counties.

Work on the community center at Melvin will start March 1. The building, to be erected by the national youth administration, will be on the public square. It will be so arranged that a number of organizations can use it for a meeting place. The large assembly room will be 25 by 37 feet. E. H. Sassman, NYA district supervisor, will have charge of the construction.

The lunch room being operated by the Rising Star schools, at which approximately 500 students are being fed daily, has been praised as the best in West Texas. H. B. Self, superintendent of the schools, is supervising the service with the aid of regular WPA workers and meals are being served at a cost to the sponsor of about 5 cents per head.

Brown county's oil allowable has been raised and in February 52,924 barrels may be produced. This represents a decided increase over the 36,414 barrels registered in January. All week-end shut-downs were lifted and wells are allowed to produce seven days a week.

Menard county had the largest number of poll tax payments in its history. A coincidence was that poll tax payments and exemption certificates totalled 1,940 for the year 1940. With the "overs" the county's voting strength will be above 2,000 for the Democratic primaries.

McCulloch county turkey raisers

started shipments of eggs to other producers of the nation last week, 15,800 being included in the first consignment. Many other orders have been booked and for some time shipments will be made from a pool assembled by the McCulloch countians. The eggs are bringing about 18 cents each.

Kimble county goat raisers have begun contracting their spring mohair at from 50 to 60 cents. This bears out the belief that prices would be strong for 1940 and a large amount of the spring clip probably will be contracted in advance. One sale of 60,000 pounds of fall wool was made at Junction last week for 28 1/2 cents a pound.

Andrew Konzeak, of Clyde, last week celebrated his 103rd birthday. He was born in Germany in 1837 and left there to keep from spending his life fighting for the fatherland. He had already participated in three wars when he emigrated at the age of 30 years. He moved to Clyde in 1938 to make home with a son.

Notice to the Creditors of the Estate of E. M. Setser and Jennie Setser, both deceased. Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration with the will annexed upon the Estate of E. M. Setser and Jennie Setser, both deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 21st day of December, 1939, by the County Court of Runnels County, Texas. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time described by law. My residence and post office address are Norton, Runnels County, Texas.

MRS. ALPHA MILLER, Administratrix with the will annexed of the Estate of E. M. Setser and Jennie Setser, both deceased. 1-41

FRANCYS FRASER HONOR GRADUATE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL

Announcements received here last week told of the graduation of Miss Francys Fraser, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stroble of Ballinger, from the Arlington Heights high school in Fort Worth. Miss Fraser was one of the honor graduates of the January class, being listed with two others who finished "Magnacum Laude."

Miss Fraser began her schooling in Ballinger but left here several years ago with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fraser, to make home in Fort Worth.

Traffic Cop: "Hey you can't make a turn to the right."

Wise Guy: "Well, why not?" Traffic Cop: "Well, a right turn is wrong here—the left turn is right and if you want to turn right turn left and then turn—aw, go ahead."

Your communism is stupid. If everything were divided today, in a very short time your portion would be gone. What then? "Divide again."

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Since the federal government began, back in 1923, to collect and publish information as to crop conditions, livestock marketing, and so on, and to sum this up each year in a forecast in the "Agricultural Outlook," farmers have had an even break with speculators.

Another reason for the outlook report of the USDA's bureau of agricultural economics is that in theory, at least, it tends to level out the highs and lows in production and to stabilize consumer prices and agricultural income.

The Agricultural Outlook is not just a guess, according to Tyrus R. Timm, economist in farm management with the Texas A. & M. College extension service. Six-year check on the accuracy of the forecast shows a low of 84 per cent correct in 1928 and a high of 90 per cent in 1929, with an average of 8.3 per cent over all.

The forecast lists the supply in sight and probable demand for all major agricultural products, plus information as to agricultural credit and production costs for the coming year. The information

is relayed to Texas farmers and ranchmen through county agricultural agents.

INFLUENZA PREVALENT OVER MUCH OF STATE

AUSTIN, Feb. 7.—Reports from widely separated parts of Texas to the state health department indicate that influenza is on the increase. Recent snows and markedly colder weather account for the upswing in influenza prevalence, according to Dr. George W. Cox, state health officer.

Influenza is believed transmissible from person to person through mucous discharges from the nose and throat. To protect yourself and others from contracting influenza or colds, here are precautions to be followed:

Influenza is highly infectious. Practically everyone is susceptible to it. No matter how many times you may have had influenza, you may contract it again. Therefore, keep away from people who are sneezing, coughing or sniffing, or who are actively ill with colds, influenza or pneumonia.

Keep away from crowded places. Never use towels, glasses, or personal articles other than your own to which the cold germs might adhere, and always wash your hands before eating.

Keep yourself as fit as possible. Drink plenty of water, eat simple, nourishing food, exercise out of doors every day, dress according to the weather, and get plenty of sleep in a well-ventilated room.

If you feel an attack of flu, or even what you may think is an ordinary cold, coming on, go to bed. If the cold becomes worse, send for your physician and follow his directions. A cold can too easily develop into a fatal mistake.

Be wise—advertise.

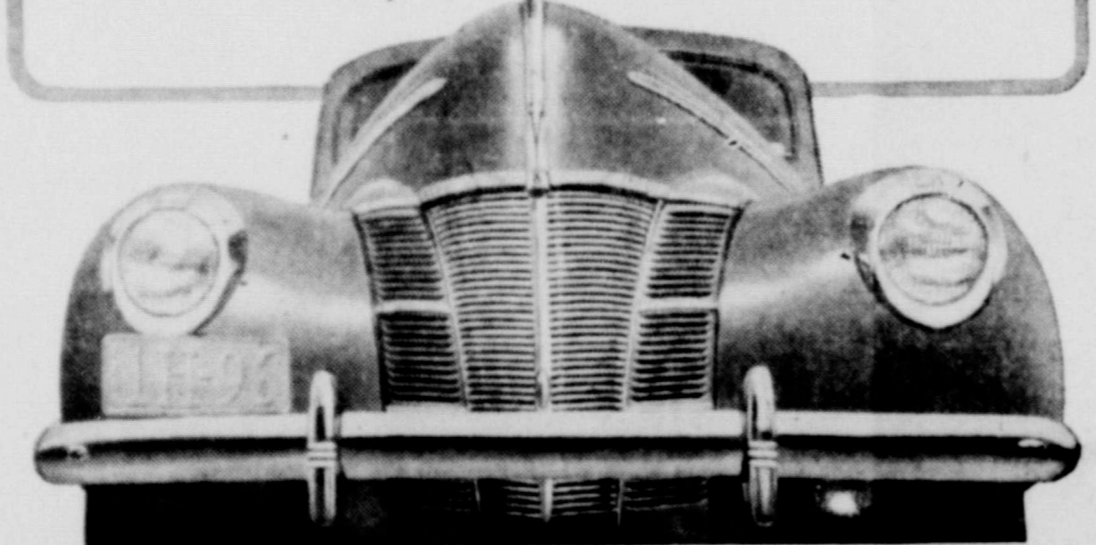
Mentho-Mulsion advertisement featuring a 'STOP' sign graphic and text: 'That COUGH Due to Colds COST LESS THAN 25 PER DOSE. It takes a real medicine to help most coughs due to colds and genuine BEECHWOOD CREOSOTE, combined with CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP can only be found in MENTHO-MULSION. Guaranteed by Druggists. Now only 75c. ask for MENTHO-MULSION Recommended, Sold and Guaranteed by Weeks Drug Store

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Tyrone Power, Linda Darnell Romance in 'Daytime Wife'

The season's smartest get-together of romance and revelry with a top comedy cast in a story that's as modern as the world the day after tomorrow is scheduled for the Texas Theatre in midnight preview Saturday night, and in regular presentations Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, February 11, 12 and 13, when "Daytime Wife" will be shown. This 20th Century-Fox film stars romantic Tyrone Power with lovely Linda Darnell, the new "find" who has won top billing with her second screen appearance.

Screen fans will delight in seeing Tyrone in the type of light comedy role in which he excels. He's a perfectly swell guy, married to a peach of a wife, but he's in trouble up to his neck because there's something about a secretary! Tyrone smashes across the gayest, most intriguing performance of his career in portraying the hilarious goings-on of a husband who goes whistling under the wrong balcony.

In the supporting cast are Warren William, Binnie Barnes, Wendy Barrie and Joan Davis—all of whom are just about tops for this type of gay story.

"Daytime Wife" opens on the second anniversary celebration of Tyrone and Linda, but Tyrone's not there. He's had to "work late at the office!" When the gay party swarms downtown to drag the "worker" from his den they find the office deserted and then the fun begins. There's a secretary in it, of course, but Linda's

not going to give up her husband too easily. So she decides to find out what secretaries have that wives haven't and gets a job. A delicious situation results when Linda's boss takes her to a dinner party to meet and "talk business" with Tyrone and his secretary.

Alice Faye and Warner Baxter in Film of Perilous Adventure

With fierce bandits battering the gates of a remote American consulate, two Americans live a startling drama with death seemingly but an hour away. The film is 20th Century-Fox's "Barricade," starring Alice Faye and Warner Baxter, which is to be shown at the Texas Theatre tomorrow and Saturday. Alice is cast as an American entertainer on an international hotel circuit who gets in trouble in China as eye-witness to an assassination and flees from the danger only to land right in the midst of a savage battle. Baxter plays a newshawk hot on her trail who follows Alice to the American compound to find himself in love with her in the face of extreme peril. Featured in the cast are Charles Winninger, Keye Luke, Arthur Treacher, and Willie Fung. "Barricade" was directed by Gregory Ratoff.

Mr. and Mrs. Oakley Clark, of Austin, are here for a visit with Mr. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Clark, who are both down with the flu.

Relief Ship on Way to Pitcairn Island



Escadants of the ship Bounty, slowly starving on lonely Pitcairn Island in the south Pacific, will get help from a relief expedition which sailed recently from Portland, Maine. Left to right: Kenneth Simpson, captain of the relief schooner, Liberty; Mrs. Simpson and Granville Lindsey, head of the expedition. Since the outbreak of war the islanders have been living on tropical fruits and vegetables.

'Village Barn Dance' Is Scheduled At Palace

A new and refreshing comedy-drama is booked at the Palace Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, February 11, 12 and 13, in "Village Barn Dance," a Republic picture.

A blue ribbon cast of radio and screen personalities was assembled for portraying a bright and engaging story about a group of youngsters who take over a national broadcast and secure financial independence for their town, not to mention saving one of their number from marrying a young man whom she does not love.

Lulubelle and Scotty, long popular radio team, are prominently featured. Lulubelle as the comic soda fountain girl, and Scotty her equally comic barber boy-friend.

Don Wilson, celebrated radio announcer on the Jack Benny program, portrays himself on the screen, and Barbara Jo Allen, more familiarly and affectionately known as "Vera Vague," presents one of her hilarious characterizations which have placed her among the ranks of the radio headliners.

Richard Cromwell and Doris Day have the romantic leads.

Two teams of jive-cats, the "Kidoodlers" and the "Texas Wanderers" provide hot music for "Village Barn Dance."

SCARCITY OF MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS HAMPERED WEST TEXAS PIONEERS

LUBBOCK, Feb. 7.—Scarcity of musical instruments and the consequent inability of early settlers in West Texas to develop their musical talents and thus contribute to the social, religious, and educational phases of pioneer life is given as one of the most keenly felt hardships of the time.

The absence of musical instruments is exemplified in Larry Chittenden's poem, "Cowboy Christmas Ball," as suggested by Mrs. C. R. Wilson in a contribution to the history of music in West Texas being collected by Prof. Julian Paul Blitz, head of the music department at Texas Technological College. The poem reads:

The boys had left the ranches and came to town in piles,

The ladies—kindergarten—had gathered in for miles. And yet the place was crowded, as I remember well. 'Twas got for the occasion, at the Morning Star Hotel.

The music was a fiddle and a lively lambourine. And a viol came imported by a stage from Abilene.

Jim Meador, still a resident of Cottle county, attended the first Christmas ball in 1889 and attended with a fellow employee referred to in the poem as "Windy Billy," as follows:

"I came from Swenson's ranch. They called him 'Windy Billy' from 'Dead Man's Branch.' The first piano was brought to the county in 1894 by Mrs. Ola Neff. In 1896, George Bowman opened a music store in Paducah and a number of families bought pianos so their daughters could learn to play the piano."

Singing conventions followed advent of pianos and the first talking machine was brought in about 1905. In 1914, Mrs. Wilson says the first player piano made its appearance. The proud purchaser, she says, "loaded the instrument into his wagon, tied up his lines and the gods that look after drunk men protected him and guided the horses home. He sat upon the stool and pedaled the piano furiously all the way home."

Canada Was Good to Him, He Enlists in Regiment

WINDSOR, ONT.—Mayor David Croll received kills and colorful accessories as he became Private David Croll of the Essex Scottish regiment. The one-time Russian immigrant who shined shoes on Windsor streets as the first step on the path toward a provincial cabinet post said it was his duty to join "because Canada has been mighty good to me."

As long as the regiment stays here, the 39-year-old mayor will continue to serve the city. Controller George Bennett will be acting mayor, but Private Croll will preside at night meetings except when he is on guard duty.

The mayor will follow British practice and not resign from his seat in the Ontario legislature, where he sits as a private member representing Windsor-Walkerville. He said he realized joining the army was serious business and he would have to drill hard each day to emerge from the awkward squad.

Passenger: "Do boats like this sink often?"
Captain: "No, only once."

Ayres, Lionel Barrymore In 'Secret of Dr. Kildare'

Romance in a great hospital, baffling mystery in a beautiful girl's mysterious terror, and thrills of amateur detective work are blended in "The Secret of Dr. Kildare," scientific detective romance which is to be shown at the Ritz Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, February 11, 12 and 13, with Lew Ayres and Lionel Barrymore.

The story deals with a mental mystery. Ayres, as Dr. Jimmy Kildare, is called on to diagnose the mental state of beautiful Helen Gilbert. Employing detective methods he traces her terror to the suggestions of a fanatical nurse who insists she has a brain tumor and takes her to a quack doctor (Grant Mitchell). The dramatic denouement is Ayres' cure of the girl's blindness under the guidance of Lionel Barrymore, as the veteran Dr. Gillespie, by practical mental suggestion.

Based on the popular story by Max Brand, the picture shows many interesting modern medical discoveries as sidelines to the central plot. Barrymore demonstrates the use of prostygmim in a strange case of paralysis, a seeming miracle, in one dramatic highlight. A scientific apparatus, one of the latest miracles of science, is seen on the screen for the first time. Many comedy episodes, such as Barrymore's game of "craps" with George Reed, playing his servant, enliven the thrills and heart interest.

Harold S. Bucquet, who directed "On Borrowed Time," piloted the production. Settings include the interior and exterior of a great New York hospital, gay night clubs, the home of a millionaire, and a high tower from which a view of New York is photographed.

Supporting players new to the "Dr. Kildare" series include Lionel Atwill as the millionaire father of the "mystery patient"; Helen Gilbert, who scored as the dramatic teacher in "Andy Hardy Gets Spring Fever"; and Sara Haden, playing the fanatical nurse. Among those who continue the characterizations of earlier pictures in the series are Nat Pendleton, as the fast-fisted ambulance driver; Laraine Day, as the attractive nurse; Samuel S. Hinds and Emma Dunn, as Lew Ayres' parents; Walter Kingsford, as the hospital superintendent; Marie Blake, as the wise-cracking telephone girl; Grant Mitchell, Alma Kruger and Robert Kent.

One of the largest and most complete pathological laboratories ever assembled for a picture, an elaborate collection of electro-therapeutic equipment, and other scientific details are used as background for the action.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Sims, of Orient, visited Mrs. Sims' sister, Mrs. C. W. Lacy, here Sunday.

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Remember Linda Darnell in "Hotel for Women." Lovely Linda is the screen's new "find." A Texas girl who is just past 16, a sophomore in high school.

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February 18, 19 and 20
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"THE FIGHTING 69th"

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BE MY VALENTINE

Say, now there young feller!
Looks like things is fine
For you to up and tell her
You'll be her Valentine!
If you want to make her happy
Just come on down the line,
And get a Doris Dodson
For your darlin' Valentine!

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All used cars priced to sell fast in order to make room for more trade-ins.

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Buy now—before prices rise—and save the difference.

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Save depreciation on your old car. Trade up now.

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Save winter conditioning expense.

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Only Chevrolet dealers offer used cars with an "OK that Costs" tag.

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Ballinger, Texas

CHURCHES

First Presbyterian Church
(301 Broadway)
Sunday, February 11, 1940:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.
Sermon, "Lost Articles."
Evening worship, 7:00 p. m.
Sermon, "The Winning Testimony."
Wednesday:
Mid-week service at 7:00 p. m.
DWIGHT A. SHARPE, Pastor

Church of the Nazarene
(Ninth at Harris)
Sunday, February 11, 1940:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock.
Sermon by the pastor
Young People's Society, 6:30 p. m.
Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock.
sermon by the pastor.
Monday:
Woman's Missionary Society, 2:30 p. m.
Wednesday:
Mid-week prayer service, 7:30 p. m.
H. H. SPENCER, Pastor.

Ballinger Baptist Church
(400 Eighth Street)
Sunday, February 11, 1940:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Sermon, 11 a. m., by the pas-

tor.
Training Union, 6:15 p. m.
Sermon, 7:15 p. m., by the pastor.

Monday:
Sunbeam Band, 2:30 p. m.
Royal Ambassadors, 4 p. m.
Woman's Missionary Society, 4 p. m., meeting in circles.

Tuesday:
4 p. m., Junior Girls' Auxiliary.
6:30 p. m., Young Women's Auxiliary.

Wednesday:
"All-Church" Night.
5:00 p. m., Intermediate G. A.
7:15 p. m., Sunday school council.
7:45 p. m., prayer services.
Choir rehearsal follows.
Regular Associational Workers' meeting at Winters Tuesday February 13.
CLARENCE A. MORTON, Pastor

First Methodist Church
(Tenth Street)
Sunday, February 11, 1940:
9:45 a. m., church school, Sam Behringer, superintendent.
11 a. m., morning worship.
The pastor will be able to be back on the job and all members are urged to attend and hear his sermon on "Living Big"
6 p. m., Fellowship groups in special meetings.
7 p. m., evening worship. Dr. S. W. Williams, district superintendent, of Brownwood, will visit

the church and deliver the evening message.

Monday:
Meetings of the Woman's Division of Christian Service at 4 p. m.

Wednesday:
7 p. m., Church Night. Bring a covered dish and enjoy the program. Choir rehearsal afterwards.
You are always welcome at this church.
AUBREY C. HAYNES, Pastor

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church
Sunday, February 11, 1940:
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11 a. m., preaching by pastor.
7:00 p. m., senior young people.
Wednesday:
7:30 p. m., prayer meeting.
FRED CLARK, Pastor.

First Christian Church
(Broadway and Murrell)
Bible school rally at 9:45 a. m.
O. P. Dorsey, superintendent.
Special music under the direction of Mrs. W. O. Wallace.
Preaching at both hours by the regular minister.
All are cordially invited.
"Come thou with us and we will do thee good."
JAS. T. MCKISSICK, Minister.

Church of Christ
(Eighth Street, Bonsall Avenue)
Sunday:

To Rule England?



Adolf Hitler's choice to rule Britain—if Germany wins the war—is reported to be Ernst Wilhelm Bohle. Bohle is the leader of the Reich's foreign organization which maintains contact with Germans living abroad.

Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Preaching and communion service, 11 a. m. Subject, "The Difference in Religion and Christianity."
Preaching, 7:15 p. m. Subject, "Getting Acquainted with Our Lost."
Monday:
Ladies' Bible class, 3 p. m.
Wednesday:
Prayer meeting services, 7:15 p. m.

A friendly welcome awaits you. Your minister is now located at 1212 Eighth Street and is ready to serve you.

L. H. OUSLEY, Minister

Grace Baptist Church
(Eighth Street)
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning service, 11 o'clock.
Evening service, 7:45 o'clock.
Wednesday evening prayer service, 7:45 o'clock.
JOE HULL, Pastor

Foursquare Gospel Church
(104 N. Twelfth Street)
Sunday:
Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Evangelistic services every night at 7:30 with Rev. Gordon Cobb, of Minneapolis, as special speaker.
E. N. MURGATROYD, Pastor

Church of God
(Corner of Sixth and Strong)
Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Preaching, 11 a. m., Rev. G. B. Walters, of Sweetwater, preaching Junior meeting at 5 p. m.
Young people's meeting at 7 p. m.
Preaching, 7:30 p. m., by Rev. Walters.
Prayer meetings Wednesday, 7 p. m.
Bible study, Friday, 7 p. m.
LYDIA COUVISIER, Supt.

TRAPPED IN THEIR CAR ALL NIGHT IN JUNGLE

BROKEN HILL, Union of South Africa, Feb. 7.—All night in a stranded automobile, with lions blocking the roadway, with wear on the nerves of C. W. Abbott, and a youth who accompanied him on his trip.

On his return from Nkana, he found himself stalled when the engine went wrong. As he got out to repair it, the lad saw a lion and lioness coming toward them. Hastily they cleared out the luggage compartment, climbed in and closed the lid.

Occasionally Abbott glimpsed the lions lying just in front of the radiator, but he could do nothing as he had no gun. In the morning the beasts moved off and a traveler helped fix the engine.

Old Lady: "Now, do either of you little boys ever say naughty words?"
Little Boy: "Well, mum, I ain't much of a hand at it myself, but young Bill is a wow. Cuss for the lady, Bill."

The current building program of the United States navy includes eight battleships.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Representative, 92nd District: H. G. HAMRICK
For County Clerk: W. W. (Bill) CHASTAIN
JOHN B. RAYBURN
For County Judge: E. C. GRINDSTAFF
For County Tax Assessor-Collector: W. A. FORGEY
For County Treasurer: MRS. AURELIA WEBB
For Sheriff: J. L. (LEE) MORELAND
C. R. (Calvin) ROBERSON
For District Clerk: M. S. ("BUSTER") CAUDLE
PRICE MIDDLETON
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1: E. J. JACK CARROLL
DEE OLIVER
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3: H. L. (Hank) LANDERS
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4: WALTER W. SCHWERTNER

McGregor Accepts Position With State Insurance Concern

A. McGregor, for the past two years associated with McCarver & Lynn in the insurance and loan business has accepted a position with Floyd West & Company, Texas general agents at Dallas, and will begin his regular work with this firm Monday. This week Mr. McGregor is in Dallas attending a training school preparatory

to taking over his new position. The agency is one of the largest operating in the Southwest and the Ballinger man will be engaged in the farm department with a territory in West Texas and the South Plains. He did special work for this company about two years ago and when a vacancy occurred was one of the several selected to investigate for the place. The past week-end he was accepted and instructed to come to Dallas for the special courses. The family will continue to reside in Ballinger at least for a time, and Mr. McGregor will be at home on week-ends and in the

field the remainder of the time. E. M. Lynn, manager of McCarver & Lynn, announced that a young man would be trained to take over in Mr. McGregor's place with his firm. Bill Sykes will be employed after school and on Saturdays at the present, training for the insurance business, and when he graduates in May will go on duty with the company full time. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Sykes and president of the 1940 senior class. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Paxton spent the week-end with relatives and friends at Fort Worth.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS



Must Be Trained in highly efficient schools to meet the growing demands of farm and business.

TEXAS OIL plays a vital part in providing our boys and girls with school buildings and other educational facilities that are among the finest in the world.

Oil taxes collected and used only for Texas public school purposes during 1938 amounted to \$21,425,773.00.

Based on the per child educational cost of \$55.30, this sum provided education for 387,446 children—or 25% of our entire 1938 scholastic enrollment.

To No Better Cause Could This Tremendous Sum Be Dedicated

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Every Week is THRIFT WEEK

When You Buy Food at Tunnell's

Sugar . 25 lbs. Imperial \$1.39

Crustene . 4 lb. Carton 49c

Bananas . 2 Dozen 25c

Del Monte Prunes . 2 lb. Pkg. 25c

Pecan Valley Green Beans No. 2 Can 10c

Hearts Delight Spinach 15-oz. Cans 2 for 25c

Grape Nuts Reg. 20c Pkg. 15c

Ground Meat . lb. 11c

Beef Roast Chuck or Seven lb. 15c

Sunshine KRISPY Crackers 1 lb. Box 18c

Onion Sets Extra Nice 2 lbs. 25c

Pillsbury Cake Flour 2 1/2 lb. Pkg. 30c

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Have Made a Big Surplus of



Now we are stressing GOOD USED CARS for long trades on your old car. If you are in the market for a better car, we want to show you some of the exceptional values we have on hand. We are pricing these cars LOW and will offer our usual LONG TRADE in order to move them.

This special promotion does not affect our trading on new cars. We have a big stock of DODGE CARS, DODGE TRUCKS, PLYMOUTH CARS and are ready to make you a big saving on your old car that will interest you.

LOOK AT THE USED CAR VALUES WE ARE OFFERING THIS WEEK AND WE WILL TRADE WITH YOU ON THESE TO SAVE YOU MONEY.

1938 Dodge 4 Door Touring Sedan\$598
Exceptionally low mileage, exceptionally clean and new Goodyear DeLuxe tires

1938 Chevrolet 4 Door Touring Sedan\$495
A car you would like to own

1938 Plymouth DeLuxe 4 Door Touring Sedan\$495
As clean as you like. These and many other bargains

SYKES MOTOR CO.

9th St. and Hutchings Ave.

Ballinger

Wildlife Briefs

Illegally killed deer confiscated by the Texas game, fish and oyster commission are never wasted and added to the total number of bucks and does donated to charitable organizations...

An indication of how the game department seeks to prevent waste in wildlife in Texas is found in the report of the game warden of Bexar county to the executive secretary of the department...

If motorists would report killing does and bucks to the nearest game warden more of the animals could be put to good use.

The Bexar county warden's report also shows a total of 1,625 pounds of undersize fish confiscated from various fish dealers in San Antonio were donated to orphanages in that city.

Coyotes are the natural enemy of deer, but a state game warden, on vacation, recently had a morning's hunt spoiled in an unusual manner. The warden first noticed a coyote when its baying scared off four bucks...

Trapping of fur-bearing animals in Texas hit a new low for recent years during the season just closed. The season was not satisfactory, according to reports to the executive secretary of the state game department...

The shrike, often called the butcher bird because of its habit of impaling small snakes and other bits of food upon thorns or placing them in forks of trees to be saved as a future supply of food...

The biologists observed a shrike carrying a female cardinal, a bird fully as large as itself. So heavy was the load that the shrike never got more than 3 feet off the ground. However, it was able to carry it burden twenty yards at a flight...

A turtle which weighed more than 500 pounds after being dressed was caught recently in the Gulf of Mexico off Port Isabel. It was the first trunk back turtle seen at Port Isabel in several years and one of the few of the species ever found in the Gulf...

The state game departments traps deer for restocking purposes, but Bud Evans of Llano county doesn't need traps. His employer, Mark A. Moss, wanted a buck recently to place in another pasture so Bud roped a two-year-old buck...

Employer: "Biggs, you have now been in our employment for 40 years. To mark our appreciation of your length of service and unswerving loyalty, you will henceforth be addressed as 'Mr. Biggs.'"

PRaised for BRONCHIAL COUGHS

Acts Like a Flash Makes Breathing Easier

Spend a few cents today at any good drug store for a bottle of Buckley's CANADIOL Mixture (Triple Acting)—take a couple of doses at bedtime—feel its instant powerful purgent action spread thru throat, head and bronchial tubes...

J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

Chili for Ballinger Lions While Winters Club Enjoys Turkey

The entire Ballinger Lions Club will go to Winters on the evening of February 13 for a joint banquet with the Lions Club of that city. The only thing that is aggravating the Ballinger Lions is the fact that they must pay 50 cents per plate and eat nothing but chili while the Winters Lions feast on turkey and the trimmings.

The one-sided affair is arranged following a membership contest in which the local club lost by heavy odds. Several weeks ago the Ballinger Lions issued a challenge to the Winters club for such a contest and named the penalty for losing. The deft was accepted and last Thursday night when the contest ended the Winters club had received 30 new members and the Ballinger club 16. There was no argument as to which was the winner and arrangements are being made here to take about 60 members of the local club to Winters Tuesday night and enjoy a good bowl of red chili.

Both clubs profited from the contest and each has the largest membership in its history. Much new activity has developed since the contest was launched and the Ballinger Lions feel that even if they lost, the contest served the purpose and Lionism has been advanced in this part of the district.

A good program will be presented at the close of the banquet, each club furnishing a part. At the meeting of the Ballinger Lions last Friday about 60 men were present and a new group received their cards for the year 1940.

POULTRY FOURTH HIGHEST IN TEXAS FARM INCOME

COLLEGE STATION, Feb. 7.—Poultry production in Texas is a \$45,000,000 industry.

A check-up of figures from the USDA of agricultural economics and the bureau of census shows that poultry ranks fourth as a source of agricultural income in Texas, behind cotton, beef cattle, and dairying, but ahead of hogs, horses, mules, sheep and goats, wheat, oats, grain sorghum, rice, peanuts, potatoes, onions, pecans and citrus.

Cotton brings in around \$125,000,000, beef cattle \$100,000,000, dairy products \$80,000,000, hogs \$30,000,000, sheep, both wool and lambs, \$30,000,000, goats \$7,000,000, mules \$6,500,000, and horses \$4,000,000.

Texas ranks first in the United States in turkey production and fifth in chicken production, including eggs.

"Poultry in Texas is a \$45,000,000 industry and still growing," George P. McCarthy, poultry hus-

City of Flint Crew in Home Waters



Members of the crew of the City of Flint turn thumbs down on the banner with the pinwheel cross. The City of Flint arrived in Baltimore, Md., recently after an epic cruise which lasted 114 days. This Nazi flag was hoisted by the German prize crew put aboard to take the ship to Germany after its capture by a sea raider. The ship was later freed by Norway.

bandman of the Texas A. & M. College extension service, commented. "Back in 1912 we ranked down in seventh place."

A break down of the poultry business shows that eggs brought in \$30,182,000; poultry meat, including turkeys \$13,619,000; and miscellaneous items, including ducks, geese, turkey hatching eggs, breeding stock, etc., came to \$6,199,000.

Local Banks to Observe Holiday February 12

Ballinger banks will not be open for business on Monday, February 12, observing Lincoln's Birthday. Patrons are requested to take notice of this closing date and arrange a any necessary banking business prior to that time.

The Farmers & Merchants State Bank
The First National Bank

LIVESTOCK SHIPMENTS IN '39 ONE PER CENT LESS THAN '38

AUSTIN, Feb. 7.—With a total movement of 88,820 cars, 1938 livestock shipments from Texas ranches to interstate points and to the Fort Worth stockyards stood only 1 per cent under those of 1938, the University of Texas bureau of business research reported today.

Due to earlier loadings this year than last, December shipments fell off 34.4 per cent from those of a year ago, to total 4,462 cars. Hog shipments alone showed a gain during December, totaling 532 cars as compared with 422 cars in December a year ago. Cattle shipments dropped 43.3 per cent, calves 8.1 per cent and sheep 49.5 per cent.

Annual movement of cattle dropped 4.6 per cent to 54,961 cars in 1939, and sheep declined 14.9 per cent, totaling 10,227 cars. Calves and hogs, on the other hand, gained 12.2 per cent and 28.8 per cent respectively. There

Army Officer Will Inspect, Instruct Local Guard Unit

Major Oscar B. Abbott, of Fort Worth, will be in Ballinger tomorrow (Friday) to meet with company C, 142nd infantry. A special order has been issued calling the company to assemble Friday and the officers and men will receive special instructions from the regular army officer.

Within the next few days, Captain B. C. Caldwell, of the state adjutant-general's office, will be here to check the property in the local armory over to First Lieutenant James Parrish. This will be done because Captain Murchison, company commander, is preparing to leave February 20 for Fort Benning, Georgia, for a three months' course in the infantry school.

Information is expected within a short time regarding federal inspection which will be held here in the near future. All the men

are getting ready for this event, the exact date of which has not been announced.

Lieutenant Parrish will take command of the company on February 20 and is to have charge while Captain Murchison is away.

Moved
Since closing of McNutt Shop, I am located in Martin's Barber Shop, where I will appreciate the business of all former customers and new ones.

GEORGE V. MADER
8-11-39
A. E. BELL WILL BUILD HOME NEAR BALLINGER

A. E. Bell, of Rowena, has purchased five acres one mile west of Ballinger and has let a contract for a modern five-room dwelling. The purchase was made from G. E. Kemp and papers were perfected this week.

Mr. Bell stated that he would continue to work at Rowena but was building his new home near here and would place his children in the Ballinger schools next fall. A son, Alvin Bell, has been

attending school here the past two years. The past season Alvin played on the Bearcat team and was named all-district center by coaches at the end of the season. Mr. Bell stated that he had an abundance of water on the place and will have his home piped for use in the kitchen and bath, will have electric service, and intends to install a butane gas system.

"How did you make all your money?"

"I formed a partnership with a rich man."

"How did you do it?"

"He had the money and I had the experience."

"And was it a successful business for you?"

"Immensely so. When we dissolved a year later, I had the money and he had the experience."

A negro couple applied for a marriage license.

Clerk: "Married before?"

Bride-to-be: "Yessah."

Clerk: "Husband deceased or divorced?"

Bride-to-be: "I deceased him."

TO THE AGES

Lincoln's boyhood years, spent amid the dangers and difficulties of the frontier, gave him a clear understanding of the problems of the common people. He was of the people, and always for the people. Fame did not change his native simplicity or mar his integrity. He was ever humane and sympathetic. It was these qualities that made him truly great.

At the time of his death, someone said, "Now he belongs to the ages," meaning that his name would ever be remembered and revered by future generations. It was a true prophesy. The passing years have only added to the luster of his name.

THE WINTERS STATE BANK

Winters, Texas
Member Federal Reserve System and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
This Bank Will be Closed Monday, February 12th, in Observance of Lincoln's Birthday.

A LOT LOWER PRICED THAN MOST PEOPLE THINK!

9 OUT OF 10... HERE'S WHY SO MANY THINK PONTIAC HIGHER PRICED THAN IT ACTUALLY IS!... BIG CAR DIMENSIONS AND APPEARANCE... THE "TRIPLE-CUSHIONED" RIDE... EXQUISITE, WIDE-VISIONED INTERIORS... THRILL PERFORMANCE

IT IS DIFFICULT to make people realize that Pontiac is priced just a few dollars above the lowest.

They simply haven't been used to associating low price with a car that has the reputation, looks, size, luxury and performance of cars costing up to several hundred dollars higher.

Come in and take a look at this sensational new money's-worth of motor car. See how much bigger and roomier it is. And don't leave without trying its new "Triple-Cushioned" ride and the flashing performance of its power-packed Pontiac engine.

For the best ride on four wheels and the best miles of your life, get a 1940 Pontiac!

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Ballinger, Texas

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FOR SALE—1938 model, 110 voltage, cabinet style, Silver-tone Radio. For less than half price if sold at once. W. J. Halfmann, phone 3304, Rowena. 8-21*

FOR RENT—Good four room house in Hillcrest. Charles Cunningham, 519 Twelfth Street. 8-11

FOR SALE—6,000 bundles cane, 3¢ per bundle, any amount. W. L. Kadlack at Oifen, Rowena, Texas. 8-31*

POSITION OPEN to man J. R. Watkins dealership. See Mrs. I. D. Thompson. Phone 338. 8-21*

Wanted
Hatching eggs and custom hatching. We set each Monday. REESE'S HATCHERY, South Ballinger. 1-31

SORE-THROAT! TONSILLITIS!
For prompt relief try Anesthesia-Mop, our guaranteed throat mop. If the first bottle does not relieve pain and discomfort of sore-throat or tonsillitis purchase price will be refunded. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. Ap 1

WANTED—To buy or lease place suitable for filling station. Location must be on West Hutchings Avenue or two blocks west of river. Price must be reasonable. W. M. Godbe, Colorado City, Texas. 1-8t**

FOR SALE—Baled Sudan grass hay. A. Knoff, one and one half miles southwest of Ballinger. 1-2t*

FOR SALE—34 model Ford 1½ ton Truck. Kendrick Bros. 1-2t

FOR RENT—Two-room furnished apartment. Mrs. D. C. Simpson, phone 179. 25-1f

DON'T SCRATCH
Our Paracide Ointment is guaranteed to relieve itching associated with Eczema, Athlete's Foot, ordinary itch and other minor skin irritations. Large jar only 50¢ at Weeks Drug Store. Ap 1

UNDERWOOD ROOFING CO.
Bonded roofing, built up roofs, composition shingles, free estimates, three years to pay, no down payment. Phone 187, Ballinger, Texas. 4-1f

FOR SALE—Tenmarq treated wheat seed. Seidel Implement Co. 14-1f

We buy old newspapers, magazines, rags, rubber, toesacks, mattress cotton, in bundles. In building across street from Ballinger Ice Co. 29-1f

FOR SALE—Maize Heads, \$17.00 per ton. See H. J. Zappe, phone 146. 8-11-H

FOR RENT—Two- and three-room apartments. Call 288. After 5 p. m. call 81. 8-11

LITTLE SUPREME COTTON SEED, at \$1.00 per bushel. There is no better seed. Also cotton seed grading with hand-turned machine. C. H. Eubank, Winters Route 3, Phone. 8-8t

FOR RENT—Nice unfurnished rooms. 900 Twelfth Street. Mrs. Coile. 8-11*

FOR RENT—Furnished two large rooms, Hall, front porch, private entrance. Hot water. Garage downstairs. Children welcome. 301 Thirteenth Street. 8-11*-H

FOR SALE—Used washing machine. Mrs. A. N. Wiley, two miles west of country club. 11*

FOR RENT—Three room furnished apartment. 1007 Broadway. 8-11

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment with private bath. 808 Sixth Street. Phone 28. 8-21

FOR RENT—Three room nicely furnished apartment. 502 Twelfth Street. 8-11

Small house for rent, and stock farm for lease. A. M. King, Ballinger. 8-11*

INHABITANTS KEEP VILLAGE FROM CLOSING DOWN

ABERCRAVE, Wales, Feb. 7.—Confronted with ruin, a mining village has been saved by the sacrifices of its inhabitants and an offer of \$150,000 by Lord Nuffield. Liquidators announced that unless outside interests took over the mines they would have to close them down.

The miners pledged their savings of \$90,000 if industrialists would help. An additional \$30,000 was promised by Major T. P. R. Richards shipping and coal magnate. Moved by the action of the miners, Lord Nuffield heeded the appeal of the liquidators and offered a sum sufficient to keep the mines going. The village has a population of 3,400.

His Wife: "So your client was acquitted of murder. On what grounds?"

Lawyer: "Insanity. We proved that his father had spent five years in an asylum."

His Wife: "But he didn't, did he?"

Lawyer: "Yes. He was a doctor there, but we had no time to bring that fact out."

Seventy-nine Texas counties recorded no traffic deaths in the first six months of 1939.

Suits and Plain Dresses

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35¢

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ATNIPP'S

Landers Candidate For Commissioner No. 3

To the Voters of Precinct No. 3, Runnels County:

I take this method of announcing to the voters of Precinct No. 3 that I will be a candidate for county commissioner at the Democratic primaries this year.

I have lived all my life in the Wingate community and believe that I realize the needs of the precinct and have the ability to look after the work for the people of the entire precinct. It is the first time I have ever asked for a public office and in doing so I have had the support and encouragement of many friends who have talked to me regarding the matter. If elected, I will devote all my time and my best judgment to looking after the road work in the territory and believe that I can render a service in this that will be satisfactory to everyone. In meetings of the court I will at all times attend to the business and do so for the best interests of the taxpayers whom I represent.

During the campaign I will see everyone in person and discuss the affairs of the precinct with them, but I use this announcement as a personal appeal to each voter for his support and if possible his vote.

Respectfully,
H. L. Hank LANDERS
(Political Advertisement) 8-11*

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jobe, of Odessa, arrived Wednesday night to visit in the home of Mrs. Jobe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Forgey. Mr. Jobe returned home Thursday and Mrs. Jobe remained over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Davis and son, C. C. Jr., left Tuesday for a vacation trip. They will be away about two or three weeks, most of the time to be spent at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, visiting Mr. Davis' parents. They will return via Houston.

"Halt, who goes there?"
"Friend with a bottle."
"Pass friend. Halt bottle."

Angel Puss



"The Angel," fearsome Russian wrestler, was a New York visitor recently when he stopped there en route to Buenos Aires. He claims a lack of European opponents.

Old Document Beclouds Origin of Wild Horse

ANN ARBOR, MICH.—A new explanation must be found for the wild horses of the western United States, according to Professor Arthur S. Anton, University of Michigan historian.

The vast herds of roaming horses, from which the nation for many years drew most of its supply, had been held descended from horses left behind by the Spanish explorer Coronado four centuries ago. But a document discovered and translated by Anton tends to disprove this. A muster roll of the Coronado expedition, drawn at Compostela, Mexico, February 22, 1540, shows only two mares in the list of 960 horses taken by the Spanish explorer on his search for the mythical seven cities of Cibola. Scientists were informed by Anton that the two mares, even if both were among the horses that escaped to roam the prairies, could not possibly account for the extensive herds.

Their cars having collided Jock and Pat were surveying the situation. Jock offered Pat a drink from his bottle. Pat drank and Jock returned the bottle to his pocket.

"Thank ye," said Pat, "but aren't ye going to have a 'nip yourself?"
"Aye," replied Jock, "but not until the police have been here."

HOSPITAL NOTES

W. B. Woody is reported improving but a broken leg will confine him to the Halley and Love Sanitorium for several weeks longer.

Mrs. Bun Morgan is improving. She was taken to the hospital with a broken arm, sustained last week in a fall at the J. C. Penney Co. store here.

Mrs. Pat Fox is a patient in the sanitarium and is doing satisfactorily.

Miss Edna Taylor left the hospital today and will go to Brownwood to spend a few days before resuming her work in the Ballinger schools.

Mrs. Billie Nash is recuperating from an operation performed the first part of the week. She came here from San Antonio for the surgery.

Miss Anna B. Mapes, a medical patient in the hospital this week, is said to be improving.

Mrs. J. C. Cox, of the Winters section, was dismissed from the local hospital Tuesday after convalescing from an operation last week.

BALLINGER GOLFERS TO WATCH "BIG SHOTS"

A group of local golf players will leave here Saturday afternoon for San Antonio to watch the "big shots" who are there in the Texas Open tournament. H. G. Agnew, Joe Forman, Charles Thorp, J. G. Tuckey, R. J. Hawk and Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass will spend the week-end in the Alamo City, returning to Ballinger Monday night.

The figure of Freedom surmounting the dome of the national capitol weighs 7½ tons.

BANANA CARRIES BID FOR SOUTH WALES MAN

TWEED RIVER, New South Wales, Feb. 7.—In search of a wife, F. Brett chose a banana to tell the world of his desire.

He selected a big triple fruit with three bananas growing inside one skin and scratched on it the following message: "Mr. F. Brett, Nth Tumbulgum, Tweed River, N. S. W. View to marriage. Please send photo. Age 28, height 6 ft. 1 in. My hobbies are swimming, dancing, reading, cricket, tennis, pictures."

The banana, bearing its romantic message, finally reached a suburb of Adelaide, South Australia, where it was read—by a man. He took it to a local newspaper, however, which has published the appeal.

George V. Mader, under recently with three bananas growing inside one skin and scratched on it the following message: "Mr. F. Brett, Nth Tumbulgum, Tweed River, N. S. W. View to marriage. Please send photo. Age 28, height 6 ft. 1 in. My hobbies are swimming, dancing, reading, cricket, tennis, pictures."

Rev. E. N. Murgatroyd visited several days in San Angelo last week with Rev. C. R. Dunaway, Foursquare pastor there.

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