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Hill Will Submit Only Nine Cases To Grand Jurors

County Attorney Roy L. Hill will submit nine cases to the grand jury for investigation Monday when the body is sworn in for the spring term of 119th district court here. This is the smallest number of cases to be submitted in many years. Mr. Hill stated that crime among adults was less the past several months than at any time since he had been in office but among minors was greater. Several charges against youths have been heard in county court.

Cases which will be handed to the grand jury Monday include the following:

State of Texas vs. E. D. White, forgery

State of Texas vs. Milford Baker, forgery

State of Texas vs. C. F. Burleson, driving motor vehicle while intoxicated

State of Texas vs. Elceterio Rodriguez, seduction

State of Texas vs. George Richey, wife and child desertion

State of Texas vs. Manuel Ortega, removing mortgaged property out of county

State of Texas vs. Raymond Santos, seduction

State of Texas vs. Early Roberts, theft

State of Texas vs. Eugene Pringle, forgery

John Rayburn, district clerk, stated that 39 new civil cases have been filed since the last term of court and most of these are for divorce. There are 17 civil and 21 criminal cases on the docket continued from the fall term.

SMALL GRAIN PROSPECTS GOOD IN THIS COUNTY; GENERAL RAIN IS NEEDED

Ballinger men who toured Runnels county on an inspection tour this week stated that the small grain crop had a good opportunity to make one of the best yields in many years, provided a general rain fell by May 5. Wheat, oats and barley are doing fine and growing rapidly. Some of the small grain is beginning to head and all indications point to a big crop unless cut by dry weather or injured by hail or other disaster.

Small grain is reported doing well all over this part of Texas. Announcement was made last week of new grain elevators being built at Eder and Melvin to handle anticipated heavy shipments. An elevator is already in operation in Ballinger.

Hugh Campbell stated Tuesday that his wheat was looking good and that one more rain would insure a good crop.

Mrs. C. C. Prater, sister of Mrs. C. L. Baker, is critically ill in a Sweetwater hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Baker will return to her bedside this week-end to be with her during an operation next Monday.

FUTURE FARMER GROUP ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The Future Farmers of America chapter here in a meeting last week elected officers and attended to other business. J. M. Williams was re-elected advisor for the group and new officers will be inducted as soon as they learn the duties and the opening procedure for meetings.

Norbert Halfmann was elected president; Jack McAden, vice-president; Andrew Block, treasurer; LeRoy Wisepape, secretary; Robert Lange, Jr., reporter; B. M. Batts, parliamentarian; Wallace Wilson, watchdog; Bruce Kennedy, historian.

Following the meeting Mr. Williams served punch and cookies to the members.

The F. F. A. chapter softball team defeated another team of senior high boys Friday afternoon by the score of 6 to 5. This same team defeated the young farmers earlier in the year and the championship game will be played tomorrow (Friday) afternoon.

Buddy Penn, who is attending North Texas Agricultural College, Arlington, was a visitor here the past week-end.

Powell Wear, student of North Texas State Teachers' College, Denton, spent the past week-end in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Wear.

Louis Ruhmann, who is attending North Texas Agricultural College, Arlington, visited relatives and friends here the past week-end.

35 Join Baptist Church at Close Of 8-Day Revival

The eight-day revival at the Ballinger Baptist Church closed Sunday night. During the special evangelistic campaign congregations were large and all members of the church were delighted with the work of Dr. J. B. Tidwell, of Waco, and Singer Carl Head, of Houston.

Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor, announced Monday that 35 additions had been received into the church during the eight days, 12 coming by letter and 23 for baptism. Candidates for baptism will attend the services Sunday evening and at the conclusion will receive the ordinance by the pastor.

The two closing services of the revival Sunday drew the largest attendance. The large auditorium was filled at each service and Dr. Tidwell delivered stirring messages which gained results.

Church leaders were highly pleased with the results of the meeting and the interest shown by the membership of the entire church.

The regular schedule was resumed this week and the pastor will be in charge of the services Sunday with leaders meeting the various departments of the church at announced hours.

ALL-AROUND BOY AND GIRL OF TALPA SCHOOL CHOSEN

TALPA, April 25.—The all-around boy and girl of Talpa High school was selected Monday morning by the student body. They were based on four requirements: morality, honesty, athletics, and school ability. Murry Summers was selected as the boy with a total of 53 votes out of 57 cast. Mary Smith was selected as the girl with a total of 48 votes out of 57 cast.

Both of the winners are seniors. Their names will be engraved on the honor roll plate in the Talpa high school.

Miss Eulalia Nicholson, who is a student of McMurry College, Abilene, was a visitor here the past week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Truitt, of Sonora, spent the past week-end in the home of Mrs. Truitt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Canady.

Two More Blocks To be Paved Here; Asphalt on Way

The city paving crew started on two additional blocks of paving this week and will lay caliche base and start wetting and rolling preparatory to topping. These blocks are on Harris Avenue between Ninth and Eleventh streets.

A carload of asphalt is expected here the first week in May and five blocks are ready to be topped as soon as it arrives. Crushed rock has been prepared for the work and the city plant will be operated soon after May 1.

Blocks ready for asphalt are: one on Tenth Street, two on Seventh Street, one on Honsall Avenue and another on Murrell Avenue. All five blocks have been ready for some time after having been rolled and wet weekly.

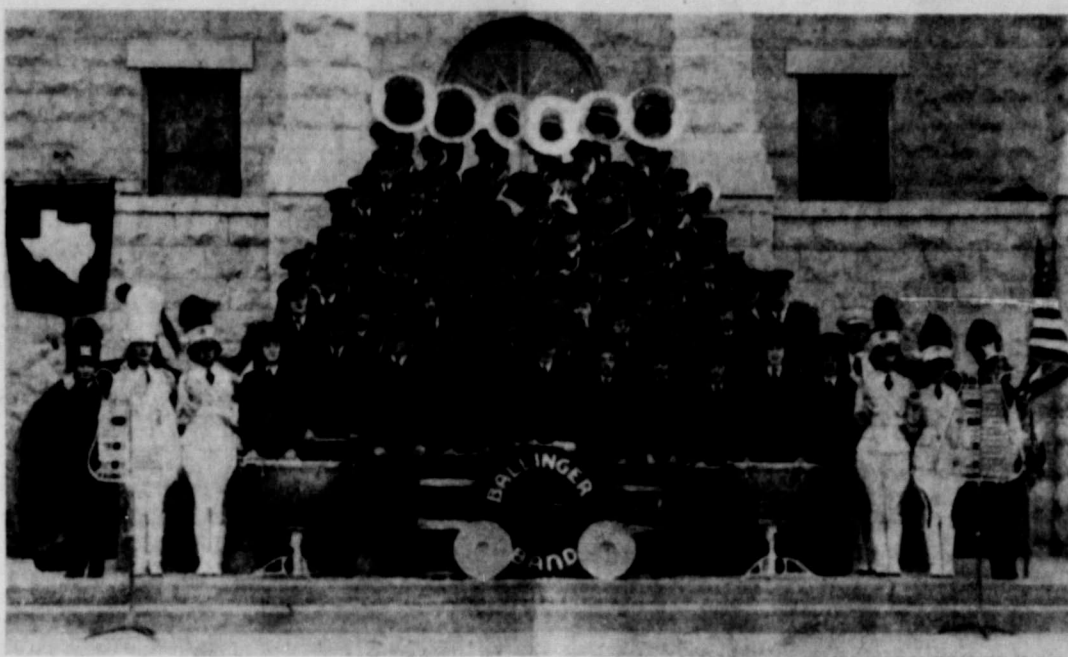
The city street department has given dirt streets attention the past several weeks, bladed surfaces and opened drainage lines.

SIGNS BEING PLACED AROUND CITY LAKE

The city is placing signs along both sides of the municipal lake warning against hunting, fishing and camping within half a mile of the pump station. This meets the requirement of a state law. Pump station operators and the city park keeper are charged with enforcement of the regulation.

The signs are made of sheet metal so they will stand the weather and are large enough to be seen from some distance.

A. N. Dow, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, came in the first of the week for a visit with relatives and was accompanied home by his wife and young son, who had been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Truly several weeks.



National Cotton Week Program Planned in Ballinger May 17-25

Pioneer Festival Slated at Moro; Public is Invited

The Pioneer Festival at the old B. M. Burk place at Moro will be held on Friday, May 10. Arrangements are being made to entertain the largest crowd in many years and Ballinger has been invited to send a delegation.

Moro and the Burk ranch are located 8 miles northwest of Bradshaw and 6 miles due north of Drasco. The program will commence at 1 p. m. Candidates from all over this part of the state have been invited and will be given an opportunity to speak, beginning at 4 p. m. An announcement by the promoters says every office seeker from justice of the peace to governor will be given time for an announcement.

After the speaking a musical concert and an old fiddlers' contest are slated. The fun and entertainment will continue until midnight.

No action has been taken on a Ballinger delegation to the celebration, but annually many from here attend this gathering.

J. W. Burk is in charge of the arrangements and invites the public to attend.

Legion Post Will Be 21 on June 28; Frolic is Planned

The Pat Williams Post of the American Legion will celebrate its 21st birthday on June 28 this year. Plans have already been launched for the get-together on the date the post becomes of age and all members of the post are expected to take part.

The program will include a barbecue and night on the river on the Frank Krc place south of Ballinger. Officers stated this week that one sheep and one goat had already been donated by members and that a pit would be dug and the meat cooked over the coals.

The program committee will arrange an after-supper program that will remind the veterans of the days when they were actively in the World War. Following the program the rest of the evening will be just fun, including swapping of experiences on how the veteran's service was spent.

The only other event being planned by the local organization is the observance of Decoration Day on May 30. A special program will be planned to honor the soldier dead of all wars and a complete announcement will be made in a short time of the time and speakers for these rites.

GASOLINE IS STOLEN FROM LOCAL STATION

Chief of Police Lee Moreland announced today that thieves again visited the Simpson filling station on Broadway, breaking locks on the pumps and stealing a quantity of gasoline Wednesday night. A check-up this morning revealed nothing else missing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stitt, of Truscott, spent the past week-end here, visiting friends.

Archie O'Kelly of Lubbock, was here Friday to visit his mother, Mrs. E. J. O'Kelly, and other relatives.

Mrs. Newton Key and daughters, Ann and Peggy, of Odessa, have been here visiting several days in the home of Mrs. Key's mother, Mrs. Ida Guion.

Rex and Tony Nixon, students of John Tarleton College, Stephenville, visited in their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nixon, Sr., the past week-end.

Work is Underway On Three FSA Farms; To Make Mattresses

Two of the homes purchased through the Farm Security Administration tenant plan are under construction and work will be started soon on another contract to be let Monday.

The Gus R. Redman place near Norton will be completed in about two weeks. This construction includes a new residence and modern improvements on the tract.

Work on the Joseph F. Droll farm began this week with the building of a new home and additional improvements and the place will be made ready for the new owners in several weeks.

A contract will be let Monday on the Marvin N. Patterson place three miles west of Hagan. There are 210 acres in the newly purchased farm and improvements will include a new dwelling, barn, garage, tractor shed, windmill and pit toilet. Improvements and repairs will be made on the poultry house, cellar, turkey shelter and other outhouses. One acre is to be planted in fruit trees, and water will be piped into the house. New fencing will complete the work on this place.

The FSA will inaugurate a mattress making program at once. This is in conjunction with the general program to be conducted in Runnels county and will be along the same lines. A survey has already been made to determine how many mattresses and comforts are needed by FSA families and as soon as the material arrives from the commodity surplus corporation, actual work will commence. As in the general program, needles and thread will be the only requirements from those receiving the finished products.

SCALES BUYS ROBINSON PLACE ON EIGHTH STREET

A deal was closed this week in which W. D. Scales purchases the C. C. Robinson residence on Eighth Street. Mr. Scales will remodel the place, add concrete porches, a new roof and modernize the interior as soon as he gets possession.

Supl. Nat Williams and family are living in the house at the present time but will soon move to their recently purchased home on Tenth Street.

Mr. Scales and family have been residing in the Ben Guin dwelling on Seventh Street, which will again be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Guin as soon as vacated.

H. G. Agnew left today for Mineral Wells to attend an invitation golf tournament.

Chief Chester Cherry is fourth vice-president of the state association and will be elevated to the third vice-presidency this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Grant, of Itasca, visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Underwood over the week-end following a visit with relatives and friends at Norton.

Mimeograph Supplies—Ballinger Printing Co.

Bearcat Band Ranked One Of Best at Abilene Meet

Shepherd Books Political Rallies In This County

E. Shepperd, Democratic county chairman, has been designated to book events in Runnels county at which candidates are invited to attend and make talks. This arrangement was followed last year so that communities holding special entertainments might see him and set dates when there would be no conflict.

Mr. Shepperd has discouraged the holding of any rallies before May 1 but will book dates for any community of groups after that time. When a date is booked, all candidates will be advised of the time and place and invited to attend.

It was stated Wednesday afternoon that only one booking had been made to date. This is a gathering at Crews on Friday night, May 3, to which all candidates are invited to attend.

The county chairman is expecting a large number of similar affairs to be held during the next few weeks as many schools will be holding programs in connection with commencement.

184 Applications Are Booked Here Asking Mattresses

Wednesday morning 184 applications for mattresses had been filed at the Runnels county AAA office. Thomas B. Hill, manager, stated that applications were being checked as fast as possible and when 120 were approved the county would be certified to the federal surplus commodity corporation and a request made for cotton and ticking.

This material will be shipped here for the approved applications, allowing 50 pounds of cotton and 10 yards of ticking to the mattress. Those receiving mattresses will be required to provide needles and thread for the making in the work centers.

Last week six work centers were announced and more may be established as soon as applications indicate where the most need is. Applications to date have been received from Miles, Bethel, Cochran, Content, Dale, Drasco, Franklin, Harmony, Hatfield, Independence, Norton, Poe, Pumphrey, Victory, Wilmeth, Wingate and Winters.

Taking 184 applications is continuing, community committees doing the work. Those eligible are farm families whose annual income is \$400 or less and half of that coming from farm work.

SCHERMERHORN RECITAL CHANGED TO APRIL 29

Mrs. L. Schermerhorn has announced a change in her recital date and the class will be presented Monday evening, April 29, in the Ballinger Baptist Church. The change was made in order not to conflict with the joint "ladies' night" program for the Ballinger Lions and Rotary clubs, which will include the "My Home Town" speakers.

FIREMEN WILL ELECT DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION TONIGHT

The regular monthly meeting of the Ballinger fire department will be held tonight, the principal business at which will be to make plans for attending the state convention at Houston on June 11, 12 and 13. Delegates and alternates will be elected.

The Ballinger department will be allowed four voting delegates at the Houston convention. These are to be two members of the department and the fire chief and fire marshal.

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The Ballinger Bearcat Band started today on its first section of the contests at the state meet in Abilene. For three months the two local bands have been working on concert numbers and go to the meet this year with a chance to meet every requirement for a first division grade. Some of the soloists have been training for the entire school year and this morning about thirty left for Abilene to enter the various solo divisions. Mmes. L. Schermerhorn, A. McGregor and J. E. Paxton and Miss Hattie Mae Dunlap are to play accompaniments for the soloists.

A large audience of Ballinger citizens heard the bands in concert at the high school auditorium Tuesday evening. It was the first public appearance for the sixty youngsters in the tonette band and the more than 50 in the junior high school band.

The thirty soloists will return tonight after playing at Abilene today and the junior band will leave tomorrow (Friday) morning and will play a short time after 8 a. m. in the municipal auditorium. They will have the remainder of the day off and will take part in the marching events tomorrow night. Some will remain in Abilene and the others will return with the Ballinger delegation.

The Ballinger Bearcat Band of 88 pieces will leave here at 6:30 Saturday morning and assemble at the Abilene municipal auditorium at 8 a. m. for the main contest concert. After playing they will have the afternoon off and will take part in the marching at Hardin-Simmons University football stadium at night.

The instrumentation of the band has been increased and all necessary instruments are included. The grade will not be lowered because of the required instruments which have not been in the band before this year.

Marching has received much attention during the past several weeks and the band showed excellent drilling in its entry at the football field last Friday night. The stunt performed here Friday will be presented at Abilene Saturday night.

Tom Caudie this week received an appointment as postmaster at Ballinger for a term without limit. His first appointment was for a one-year period but a communication this week from Congressman C. L. South makes the continued appointment effective.

Dillard Adair visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cal Adair, the past week-end. Dillard is a student of McMurry College, Abilene.

J. D. Reneau, of Hamilton, visited relatives and friends here the past week-end.

Robert Fowler, student of John Tarleton College, Stephenville, visited here last week.

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IN SOCIETY

Birthdays Anniversary Celebration for Mrs. McAden

Mrs. H. G. Stokes was assisted by her daughters, Miss Ann L. and Mrs. Leonard Luedtke, in planning a complete surprise birthday celebration for her mother, Mrs. J. E. McAden, on her seventy-fifth anniversary Sunday afternoon.

The Stokes home on Ninth Street was beautifully decorated with roses and other spring blossoms where informal congratulations were extended and gifts presented. The Rev. A. C. Haynes read the honoree's favorite Scripture and led the group in singing well-known hymns.

Two decorated cakes, baked by loving friends, were cut and served with punch.

Others included: Messrs. Stokes and Luedtke, Mrs. Clarence Armstrong and daughter, Mary, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. White of Winters, Hugh and Francis McAden, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McAden and family, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Jennings, Donald and Glenn McAden, Rev. and Mrs. Haynes and Hugh, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Webb, Mmes. F. W. Wellhausen, Mattie Holliday, E. L. DeWitt, J. D. Coulter, Paul Best, W. B. Dunlap, Viola Allison, C. C. Thomas, W. F. McKown, J. M. Skaggs of Winters, R. E. Hunt of Midland, J. C. Meredith of Lubbock, J. F. Lusk, O. R. O'Neill, R. A. Dickinson, Jim Jones, Misses Bessie Smith and Leah Williams.

Mrs. Russell Jones is Honoree
Mrs. J. Dexter Eoff and Mrs. Ross Smith were hostesses in the Smith home on Tenth Street last Thursday afternoon to compliment Mrs. Russell Jones. Mrs. L. H. Ousley, Mrs. LeRoy McAuley, Mrs. Troy Reese, Mrs. Dee Saylor, Mrs. Allan Hamilton and Mrs. Edgar Tune assisted in receiving guests and in dispensing other hospitalities in rooms decorated in lovely spring blossoms in the soft pastel tones.

Following a program of vocal music by Dana and Genevieve Conaway and a group of cornet solos, Bobbie Marie Eoff presented a shower of gifts.

Others registering in the pretty hand-painted guest book were: Mmes. Elmer Greenwood, J. C. Boothe, Martin Cooke, O. K. Jacob, Arlie Miller, Malcolm Morgan, Lee Moreland, Beulah McMillan, Alvin Neely, S. V. Parrish, Ed Farley, Max Phillips, Horace Attnip, D. B. Crockett, Dick Ayres, Bankhead, Howard Williams, Johnnie Baker, Harvey Pearce, Sargent, George Stewart, J. A. Williams, R. L. Williams, R. L. Sutphen, D. R. Davis, P. A. Conaway, and Miss Bessie Smith.

Virginia Bell is Honoree
Mrs. C. J. Bell included members of the T. B. Q. Club and added friends of her daughter, Virginia, last Saturday evening in her home on Tenth Street in celebration of Virginia's twelfth birthday anniversary.

Following games and dancing, guests were invited into the dining room where the pink and white birthday cake, surrounded by roses and fern, centered the table. It was cut and served with pink and white brick cream by Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Layne Moreland.

Others included: Peggy McGregor, Patricia Richards, Gwen Morgan, Dorothy Bruce, Betty Jean Harper, Natlyne Williams, Sheila Moreland, Betty Lovelace and Nancy Connor; John Weeks Earnshaw, Harlan Dorsett, Wellington Pearce, J. H. Parrish, Jr., Bobby Parr, Wilbur Redwine, Roger Jones, J. Frank Nance, Rothal O'Kelly and Eldon Moody.

Methodist Women Meet in Circles

The beautiful new home of Mrs. Jack Holt on Eighth Street was the scene of the Monday afternoon meeting of the Ettie Gressett Circle of the Methodist Woman's Missionary Society with Mrs. Claude Stone co-hostess.

Roses, corn flowers and baby's breath decked rooms where Mrs. W. E. Midgley gave the devotional. Mrs. R. A. Dickinson and Mrs. Jack Nixon, Sr., discussed "In Great Britain" and "In the Netherlands" from the mission study, "Women and the Way," and Gwen Morgan gave readings.

Rosebuds were favors for the dessert plate passed: Mmes. L. M. Lovelace, Nixon, Dickinson, Hamp Byler, Midgley, W. W. Chastain, M. S. Marchbanks, J. B. Stripplin, E. C. Baskin, Davis R. Hall, Rothal O'Kelly, Faye Boehme of Fort Dodge, Iowa, Tom Caudie, John Lovelace; Misses Alice Morgan, Thelma Midgley and Gwen Morgan.

Mrs. Cecil Jones and Mrs. Nat Williams entertained the Eta Burrows Circle in the Jones home on Eleventh Street. Roses, irises and verbenas gave added attractiveness to rooms where Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw presented the study following the devotional by Mrs. John Barton.

A dessert plate, with rosebud favors, was served to: Mmes. Barton, O. R. Lasater, W. C. Redwine, Viola Allison, J. W. E. Meaders, Troy Simpson, A. T. Campbell, Sam Behringer, J. L. Davis, O. R. O'Neill, Jess Jones, W. F. McKown, Earnshaw, J. M. Skinner and J. A. Reese.

Mrs. A. B. Fields and Mrs. Ross Causey entertained the Sally Odum Circle in the Eighth Street home of Mrs. Causey.

Roses, pansies and irises decorated the living room and pink roses flanked by blue tapers were used for the dining table centerpiece. Mrs. Fields gave the lesson.

A salad plate with cake and iced tea was served to: Mmes. A. C. Haynes, W. O. Middleton, W. E. Moss, Bill Clark, Fred Winston, E. C. Tinsley, Wilson Middleton, W. R. Clark, Joe Paxton, Ray Tisdale, E. L. Rampsy, Miss Fern Killam and Mary Frances Clark.

Program on Christian Education for First Presbyterian Auxiliary
Mrs. Paul Trimmer, cause secretary of Christian education and ministerial relief, directed the program for the Woman's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian Church Monday afternoon.

Roses in profusion were given vantage placings about the church parlors, where a panel discussion of the relation of Christian education to the Christian home was given by Mmes. Trimmer, E. W. Stasney, Victor Miller, J. C. Sturges, Jr. and Dwight Sharpe. Mrs. Harry Lynn gave the devotional.

Mrs. Alex McGregor and Mrs. Harry Lynn, social hour hostesses, served a salad plate with iced tea. Others present were: Mmes. Frank Pearce, Jack McGregor, P. A. Cobden, Tommie Hall, Estes Lynn, C. R. Stephens, E. A. Trail, Tom Hill, M. E. Boggess, Child, Warren Lynn, Grace Thomas, W. B. Woody, Alex Saunders, L. J. Campbell, Chester Cherry, A. L. Fuller, George Holman and J. Y. Pearce.

Additional society items on next page

More than 285,000 acres are included in the Mason County Livestock and Game Protective Association.



Ballinger, Texas

April 26 and 27

Tomatoes

Limit

No. 2 Cans **5c**

Acme Flour
24 lbs. **79c**
48 lbs. **\$1.53**

Blue Cross Milk 3 Tall or 6 Small **17c**

Chocolate Drops Candy 2 lbs. **15c**

Matches 6 Boxes **15c**

Good Luck Margarine lb. **19c**

Fresh Picked—Direct from the Grower
Strawberries 3 Boxes **25c**

Green Beans lb. **8c**

No. 1 New **Potatoes** 3 lbs. **10c**

Apples Winesap Doz. **9c**

Carrots 3 Bunches **5c**

Spuds U.S. No. 1 10 lbs. **25c**

Grapefruit Texas Seedless Doz. **19c**

Lettuce Head **5c**

Shortening

4 lb. Carton **35c**

8 lb. Carton **65c**

Corn Dodger Meal 20 lbs. **43c**

Jell-O All Flavors **5c**

Sun Ray Crackers 2 lb. Box **15c**

Pickles Sour 7-oz Jar **5c**

Choice Recleaned Pinto Beans 10 lbs. **45c**

Texas New Pack Kraut No. 2 Can Limit **5c**

Seminole Tissue 3 Rolls **23c**

Seminole Towels . . . **10c**

Sem Tissue . . . Roll **10c**

Del Maiz Niblets Corn 12-oz. Can **10c**

Green Giant Peas 2 Tall Cans **29c**

Roast Fancy Tender Chuck lb. **18c**

Bologna Sliced or Piece lb. **10c**

Steak Loin Baby Beef lb. **25c**

Bacon Sliced Decker's Iowana lb. **25c** Plymouth lb. **23c**

Cheese No. 1 Full Cream lb. **20c**

Bacon Dry Salt lb. **10c**

French's Mustard . 6-oz. Jar **9c**

Campbell's Soup . . . 3 Cans **25c**

Candy--Gum 3 for **10c**

Pillsbury's Flour 6 lbs. . . . **29c** 12 lbs. . . . **49c**

Raisins 2 lb. package **15c** 4 lb. package **29c**

Pork & Beans 3 Tall Cans **14c**

Rosemary Grape Juice Pint **15c** Quart **25c**

Great Northern Corn 3 Tall Cans **25c**

Plymouth Coffee For a Better Cup The Taste Tells 2 lbs. **25c**

Apricots Gallon Can **39c** | **Grapefruit Juice** 46-oz. Can **10c**



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Women's, Society and Club News

Sunday School Class in Douglass Home

The Virginia Douglass Class of the First Methodist Church was entertained Monday evening by Mrs. J. G. Douglass, Mrs. Vernon Dankworth, Mrs. J. B. Arthur and Miss Maurine Tipton.

Lovely irises and roses from the Douglass gardens gave floral adornment to rooms where clever group games gave diversion after the devotional and business period.

A dessert course was served with coffee to: Mmes. H. G. Agnew, J. D. Forman, D. R. Causey, Fred Middleton, Jack Nixon, Jr., Ray Tisdale, W. E. Moss, Fred Winston, Bill Clark, Price Middleton, E. L. Rampy, E. C. Tinsley, W. O. Middleton, W. R. Clark, Myles Dixon; Misses Wynis Greer, Fern Killam, Eugenia Baskin and Fay Clark.

Wiener Roast for Baptist B. T. U.

Members of the Baptist B. T. U. and their sponsor, Mrs. Clarence Morton, enjoyed an informal get-together and wiener roast in the Nook in City Park Monday evening.

Present were: Ann Morton, Ruby Rice, Odena Parrish, Jeanne Endacott, Creola Henderson, and Sybil Kenley; Joe Coleman, Sam Wellhausen, O. L. Golden, Robert Lowry, Howard Lee Thompson, and Melvin Witter.

Methodist Young People Have Picnic

Boy members of the Methodist young people's department were hosts to girls Monday evening with a picnic supper and wiener roast in City Park. The Rev. A. C. Haynes, W. C. Redwine and Bill Clark were adults present along with 30 young people.

Gift Tea for Bride-Elect

Miss Marcella Jonas was honored at a prettily appointed gift tea last Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. G. P. Teague on Eighth Street with Mrs. Teague, Mrs. L. B. Rudder and Mrs. M. C. Wilson of San Angelo hostesses.

Texas' own flowers, the beautiful bluebonnets, were used in profusion to decorate the spacious living room where guests registered. Roses were combined with corn flowers in the pastel tones to center the lace-laid dining table and buffet. Mrs. Charles Cheatham and Mrs. Royal Bishop laid punch and Mrs. Billie Bishop and Miss Norman Vicks of Cisco passed cookies and green and pink satin candies.

Humorous replies given in answer to questions were concluded when the guest of honor started to tell of her experience with "April showers" by the shower presentation.

Others included: Mmes. S. M. Jonas, Dee Oliver, Roy Johnson,

Horace Atinpp, W. L. McMillan, A. D. Barnett, Dora Mapes, Oscar Harber, W. B. Thompson, Fred Mapes, Otis Harber, Jess Jones, Albert Afflerbach of Winters, Harry Mapes, L. Afflerbach, G. A. Swann, F. C. Dickey, L. R. Tigner, J. F. Owens, John McKay, A. H. Wiesepape, Ernest Moody, Ruel Boswell, J. H. Parrish, Simeon Cottle, George McMillan, Guy Middleton, J. E. Dankworth, Troy Simpson, John Weeks, R. W. Earnshaw, Max L. Phillips, Leyton Hill, O. C. Sykes, Paul Best, Lee Sykes, Ernest Aycock, Hugh Parrish, A. O. Bartlett, Ruth Bankston, George Thompson, Elliott Lowry, Weidon Howell, Tommie Hall, Misses Anna B. Mapes and Mary Krc.

Mrs. Victor Miller Hostess at Dessert Bridge

Mrs. Victor Miller was assisted by Mrs. Victor Miller, Jr., in entertaining her club and a few added friends with a dessert bridge Friday afternoon in her home on Sixth Street.

Fancies formed the centerpiece for the dining table laid in Italian cut-work, where colorful Mexican scenes made of flat reed straws adorned place cards. The dessert course was served with coffee. Other living rooms were decorated in roses, irises, columbines and snap dragons.

Mrs. Dwight A. Sharpe was a

Drum Majorette



World's champion drum majorette is Miss Jeanne Ladd of Swampscott, Mass. She is pictured leading the annual festival of states parade in St. Petersburg, Fla. She won her title at the American Legion convention in 1939.

luncheon guest. Others included were: Mmes. Estes Lynn, Frank Pearce, George Holman, Harry Lynn, R. G. Erwin, Bruce Creasy, Paul Trimmer, Malcolm McGregor, G. G. Harwell, P. A. Mixon, and Miss Winnie Trail.

Mrs. Jack Scales Entertains Club

Mrs. Jack Scales entertained the Thursday Contract Club last week in her Sixth Street home.

Roses and pansies decked rooms and roses in Japanese vases centered quartet tables where a salad course was served with iced tea preceding games. The Japanese theme was given further emphasis in matched bridge accessories.

Mrs. Buster Parrish received high score award. Others were: Mmes. Sam Malone, Jr., George Grandstaff, Tom Guin, John Hollingsworth, P. A. Mixon, Gus Barr, and Miss Dorothy Lynn.

B. & P. W. Club Meets

The Business and Professional Women's Club held its regular monthly dinner and program meeting last Thursday evening in the banquet room of the Central Hotel.

The bluebonnets, combined with roses for the centerpiece and individual corsages, together with replicas of the Alamo, suggested San Jacinto Day. The club emblem was featured on place cards. Misses Anne McFarland and Gladys Davis were hostesses for the three-course dinner.

Miss Elouise Jones will serve as president for the rest of the year to fill the vacancy made by Miss Alida Macune's resignation. Miss Wynis Greer is vice-president.

A paper on ways of raising standards of living for low income groups written by Miss NanEll Jones was read by Miss Davis. Miss Bettie Stuart discussed the work of the F. S. A. among the low income group; and Miss Myra Tankersley talked of the AAA mattress project.

Others present were Mrs. F. A. Lawrence, Mrs. Fayette Parker and Mrs. U. S. Daniel.

Contemporary Poetry Shakespeare Club Program Subject

Mrs. Edwin Schuchard directed an unusually interesting program on contemporary poetry for the Shakespeare Club last Thursday afternoon. Mrs. George Clements read a group of poems by Mrs. Schuchard's son, Robert Liddell Lowe. Mr. Lowe is considered one of America's outstanding young poets and the poetry editor of the Dallas News in a recent article said that soon his works would be well known to all lovers of serious poetry. He writes with much depth and real sincerity. Miss Pauline Morley read a number of her poems; Mrs. F. C. Miller read some of her own compositions; and Mrs. Leonard Stallings read poems written by her mother, Mrs. E. B. Gilliam, Sr., of Brownwood.

A written note of appreciation was sent to Mrs. Robert Bruce for her recent review of "The American Way" and it was voted to rejoin the Fort Concho Federation.

Picnic and Swim for Peppy Peppers

Peppy Peppers enjoyed a picnic supper and swim at the second crossing on Elm Creek Saturday evening.

Miss Vhelma Parrish, Frederick Kingsbury and Ernest Sublett accompanied the following: Mary Lynn, Virginia Denny, Mary Lou Davis, Clara Beth Lynn and Marjorie McGregor; James Stripplin, Bob Wright, John Miller, Donald

McGregor and Bob Richards.

Mapes-Jonas Nuptials Saturday at Catholic Rectory

Miss Marcella Jonas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Jonas and Royce Mapes, son of Harry Mapes, were married Saturday evening at eight-thirty o'clock at the Catholic rectory on Sixth Street with the Rev. A. J. Tallon performing the single ring ceremony.

The couple was attended by Miss Erma Roberson and Willie Joe Mapes, brother of the groom.

The bride wore a two-piece bolero model of dusty pink alpaca sheer with blouse of lace. Her shoulder corsage was fashioned of blue German iris and tied in blue. She carried a handkerchief of point lace, which belongs to Mrs. L. B. Rudder, and has been a treasured possession in the Stallworth family for many years. Her matching bag and shoes were of white snakeskin.

Mr. Mapes is employed by the Mueller Tin Shop. He is a graduate of the Ballinger High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Mapes are at home on Tenth Street.

Mrs. Tom Caudle Hostess to Book Club

Current Book Club members were guests of Mrs. Tom Caudle in her Wilke Terrace home Tuesday afternoon.

A wealth of blossoms, iris, pansy and snapdragon, graced rooms where Mrs. Layne Moreland gave a review of the article "Wilhelmina of Holland" from Scribner's, and Mrs. Caudle discussed new book lists.

Sandwiches and cookies were served with coca colas. Others

Others included were: Mmes. Sam Behringer, O. R. O'Neill, Chester Cherry, John Barton, W. A. Taylor, Alex Saunders, O. R. Lasater, W. E. Moss, Jack Nixon, Sr., J. E. Dankworth, A. C. Glover, A. B. Legate, Joe Morrison and J. D. Eoff.

Luncheon for Baptist Business Women's Circle

The Mary Lou Dunn Circle of the Baptist W. M. S., of which Mrs. L. R. Tigner is chairman and Mrs. J. H. Endacott is social chairman, was hostess Tuesday at the regular monthly luncheon held for the Business Women's Circle at the church on Eighth Street.

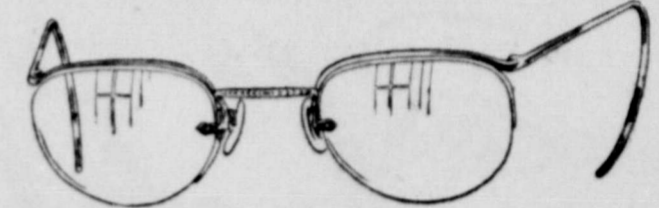
Arrangements of red roses were placed along the one long table where places were found as Miss Hattie Mae Dunlap played piano selections. Following the invocation by Mrs. Beulah Rape, Mrs. Clarence Morton, general missions chair-

man, spoke of the work of the relief and annuity board and Mrs. Toney read an article written by the associate secretary of the Southern Baptist Mission Board, "Just the Two of Them."

Others present were: Mmes. L. B. Rudder, L. Schermerhorn, Myra Smith, Theo Isbell, R. E. Truly, Dora Gressett, Misses Vhelma Parrish, Edna Taylor, Ena Tulbott, Valera Kemp, Gladys Davis, Nell Shepperd, Marie Norwood, Annie Shelbourne and Zell Reese.

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Mrs. Warren McCullough, Mrs. Horace Murphy and Pat Murphy attended the funeral of Roy McCullough in New Orleans Monday. Deceased was the son of Mrs. McCullough and the brother of Mrs. Murphy.



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RURAL NEWS

HARMONY

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Eubanks visited Mrs. Eubanks' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fairay, of Winters, Saturday night.

Mrs. Ray Cobb, of Luling, visited relatives in this community last week. Mrs. Cobb will be remembered as Merle England before her marriage.

Laverne Seals, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Seals, and Clifford Archie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Archie, were united in wedlock April 15 and are now residing in San Angelo. Clifford and Laverne have many friends who extend a wish of happiness to them for their future life.

Mrs. W. T. Billups spent Thurs-

day night in Coleman, assisting as a hostess at the reception given in honor of the graduating class of the west ward school. Her daughter, Jackie, is one of the class members.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. England and daughter, Jo Nell, visited Mr. and Mrs. Tom Egan, Jr., and family, of Ballinger, Sunday.

Gladys Smith, of Winters, spent Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Derden.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene White Saturday night.

Mrs. Bob Bailey, Ruby Bailey, Mrs. Ralph Parker and Mrs. O. C. Beddo, of Hatchel, spent Wednesday with Mrs. Russell Derden.

Mrs. J. Edmund Dial and baby

visited Mrs. Chester McBeth, of Crews, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Walden, of Eagle Branch, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Bishop.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Bishop, of Winters, spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Bishop.

Delphine and Jean Eoff visited in the J. E. Porter home at Winters Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McAdams and son, of Winters, spent Sunday with Mrs. McAdams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Eoff.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Turk and sons, of Pumpfrey, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kruse.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gerhart are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Mrs. Lena Derden spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Tom McAdams, of Winters.

Mrs. Cora White attended services at the Baptist church Tuesday morning.

EAGLE BRANCH

The Get-Together Club met with Mrs. Florence and Miss Johnnie Key Wednesday of last week. Embroidery work was done, friendly neighbor gifts were exchanged and new names were drawn. Mrs. Delorus Hunt received a birthday cake. Some pictures were taken of the members. Lemonade and cookies were served to all the club members and one visitor, Mrs. Charlie Miles. The next meeting will be with Mrs. A. J. Kurtz on May 1.

A double-header of softball was played at Blanton Sunday afternoon against the Ballinger-Eagle high school boys, the Blanton-Eagle Branch team winning both games.

Mrs. Beatrice Hunt and Delorus Hunt spent Tuesday with Selma Berry.

Mrs. A. J. Kurtz visited her mother at Cochran Tuesday.

Virginia Lee Kurtz spent Sunday night with Rosemary Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kurtz and

children and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kurtz and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Frick, of Cochran, Sunday.

Charlotte Berry spent Saturday night with her grandmother, Mrs. W. J. Morrison, of Coy.

Mr. and Mrs. Melton Hunt gave a tacky party Saturday night. Quite a number of games were played and ice cream and cake were served to Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kurtz and children, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kurtz and children, Mr. and Mrs. Tee Berry and daughter, Paul and Gwen Berry, of this community, Mrs. Rina Row and children, Mrs. Fred Damron, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Berry and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Berry, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hunt and daughter, Miss Wilkerson, of Crews; and Walter Bull. Mrs. Selma Berry won the prize for being the tackiest woman present and R. A. Hunt was judged the tackiest man.

The members of the fifth, sixth and seventh grades were entertained with a wener roast Monday night. Those present were: Loretta and Onetta Freeman, Imasean Henson, Margie Wood, Hoyt and Gwen Berry, Mrs. Charles Berry, Vernon Mitchell, Harvey Joe Bradley, Marvin Kurtz, Hildgarde Kurtz, Wanda Queen and J. D. Stinebaugh.

The Book Club had a theatre party Tuesday night. The Jones Family was showing in "As Young as You Feel."

The members of the primary room had supper on the creek Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kurtz visited Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Deike, of Cochran, Sunday.

Hoyt Berry spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Witter, of New Home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taylor were hosts to Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Freeman last Sunday.

NORTON

The senior class and its sponsor, W. E. Elkins, and Mrs. Elkins will leave Friday morning for a visit to Carlsbad Cavern.

Miss Rhea Dalee, home economics teacher, left Wednesday

morning for Dallas to attend the Texas State Homemakers rally. Accompanying Miss Dalee were Pansy Setser, who won first place in the dress contest of first year sewing; Eunice Watkins, first in second year; and Joyce Roper, first in third year.

Jack Campton underwent a major operation in the Winters hospital this week and is reported doing nicely.

Miss Zaza Chenoweth visited her sister, Miss Ollie Chenoweth, of Sweetwater, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Elkins have as their guests this week, Mrs. Elkins' sister, Mrs. L. R. Williams, and little sons, of Fort Worth.

Mrs. H. R. Witt has returned to her home at Spur after a week's visit here with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Curry and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lewis and T. J. Chapman visited relatives near San Angelo Sunday.

Mrs. Wood Gleghorn left Wednesday to visit with relatives at Dallas this week.

BARNETT

There was fairly good attendance at Sunday school last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nelson and son, of Harmony, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Pat Tyree and son.

Those who spent Thursday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Norman were: Mrs. John Power and Mrs. Ray Hynson, of Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parks and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Jones.

The Barnett baseball team attended the county meet in Ballinger Saturday and won second place.

Miss Winnie Lee Jones, of San Angelo, spent the past week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jones.

Those who visited Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Norman Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Burnice Burrell, of Miles; and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Tyree and son.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bryan and daughter and Miss Minnie Hickman visited relatives at Miles Saturday.

The Blanton Sewing Club met

with Mmes. Joe Cooper and Joe Lee Cooper Tuesday.

Misses Mildred Burks and Fiona Laxton spent Sunday with Miss Mary Dorsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee B. Parks and family spent Sunday with Mr. Parks' parents at Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Stubblefield entertained a number of friends Saturday night with a 42 party and served cake and ice cream.

Those who visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Norman Monday were: Mrs. J. A. Patterson, Mrs. Joe Bennett and baby, of Hagan; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Parrish, of Ballinger; Mrs. Joe Cooper and Mrs. Joe Lee Cooper.

Tuesday: Mmes. R. L. Boethe, Beulah Gallant and Malone Gallant; Misses Arline Boothe and Golden Gallant.

NEGRO HOUSE HERE BURNS TO GROUND

The two-room home of Isalah Dabney, colored, was burned to the ground for a total loss late Tuesday afternoon. Firemen made a run to the scene of the fire on Sixteenth Street but nothing could be done except to save other nearby property.

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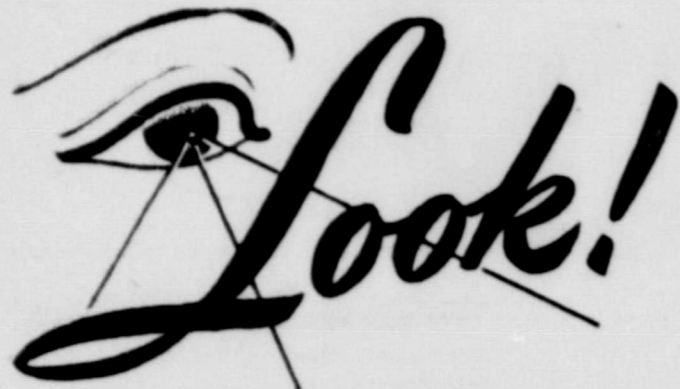
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Football Recorder Show Brings Many Coaches Here

Football coaches and school men from all parts of Texas were here last Friday to witness the intersquad game at Bearcat Stadium and to see the football blocking recorder demonstration. The affair opened with a barbecue dinner served at city park which was attended by about 250 men.

Coach Matty Bell of Southern Methodist University and his athletic manager, Jimmy Stewart, were the highlights for the visitors and Coach Bell was perhaps the loudest in his praise of the recorder.

Frank Kimbrough of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene; McAdoo Keaton, Howard Payne College, Brownwood; and "Red" Moore, Stephen F. Austin State Teachers' College, Nacogdoches, were also greatly impressed by the board and the results as reflected in Ballinger players.

Following the serving of the meal at the park, M. B. Healer, president of the Ballinger Board of Community Development, offered a short welcome to the visitors and Gus Barr, secretary, introduced those who had registered before or during the meal.

A reserved section in the stands accommodated the fifty or more visitors and gave them the best seats possible directly in front of the board. Pete McKenzie was in charge of a short program at the park in which he told coaches and fans how to properly use the board. E. M. Lynn talked for a short time, telling of his apprecia-

tion as a fan of the board which had caused him to watch something besides the man carrying the ball.

School authorities opened the preliminaries at 8:30 and no conference game in mid-season had more color than this one. The pep squad made a grand entry and after stunting, split into two groups and took up positions on the sidelines. The Bearcat Band, 85 strong, did capers on the field that brought applause from the stands, which were filled with fans.

The game was on and players presented an exhibition which would do credit to a Thanksgiving Day performance. The board operators were on their toes and green and red lights flashed at the instant the play was made on the field. The score at the close of the four quarters stood 33 to 0 in favor of the "exes" but that did not mean that they did not meet a stubborn fight at the hands of the players on next year's squad.

Those in charge of the special demonstration were well pleased and especially because of the large number of visitors attending. Flashlight cameras were clicking all during the game and many of the visiting coaches were asked to pose for pictures from time of their arrival until after the game.

"To have what we want is riches, but to be able to do without is power."

It's Pay-Off Time for Jimmy Demaret



Jimmy Demaret, left, of Houston, Texas, receives a \$1,150 check for first prize money from Bobby Jones, right, after Demaret won the seventh annual Masters' golf tournament at Augusta, Ga. In center is Lloyd Mangrum, who was second. Demaret shot a 280, Mangrum a 284. The victory made Demaret leading money winner of the winter circuit.

SIDEIGHTS ON THE FOOTBALL GAME

Coach Matty Bell of S. M. U. was doubly impressed at the football game here Friday. He complimented the blocking recorder, was delighted with the brand of football played by the Bearcats, and all the time was smiling at the performance of Douglas Cox, Bearcat triple threat, who has been a sensation for the past two seasons. After the game he lost no time in getting to Cox and making arrangements for his registration at S. M. U. next fall and will personally help him register on May 4 when Cox was invited there for a special day.

The Ballinger back looked good all during the game, running for many yards with ball and once reversing his field and stepping 68 yards for a touchdown. His passing was near perfect and his kicking excellent.

Frank Kimbrough, of the Hardin-Simmons Cowboys, complimented the Bearcats on their fine blocking and stated that the board must have some effect on them. He too was surprised at the type of play put up by the Bearcats.

An East Texas high school coach stated that the Bearcats were better blockers than he had been able to develop and was reminded that this was just a spring training game and did not show the team like it would be in mid-season. He added, "I would not mind playing the team if they would keep off those passes." Cox threw fifteen passes for thirteen completions, some for touchdowns.

Murry H. Fly, superintendent of the Odessa high school and the chairman of the athletic committee there, was very much in evidence at the supper and game. His comments were few but he was impressed with a number of things connected with Ballinger football.

McAdoo Keaton, a long time friend of Coach ("Pooch") Wright was on the grounds early and was high in his praise of the recorder.

Photographers for a number of the leading newspapers and the NEA were here for the show. NEA secured a picture of the board with Coach Bell and Coach Wright standing by.

Ballinger fans watched the "exes" trample the "prospects" 33 to 0 with a groan and a feeling of resentment at the rule passed two weeks ago which made six of the star performers ineligible. What looked like the greatest team in the history of the Bearcats blew up, and coaches now must start with three lettermen and build a team to defend the honor of the red and black for 1940.

A delegation of four men was here from the New London high school. The coach stated that the board looked all right but he would give the price of three boards for Cox to spark his backfield.

The game closed spring training for the Bearcats and suits were turned in Monday until next fall when candidates will start intensive work for a hard season.

BALLINGER YOUTH MAKES GOOD RECORD AT A. & M.

Warren Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Murphy, of Ballinger, who is a junior at A. & M. College, was one of 319 distinguished students in the first semester. He was also one of 14 who made a straight A grade for the first part of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy received a letter of congratulations from Dean E. J. Kyle of the college for the fine work done by their son.

Husband: "For heaven's sake, Mary, why did you tell your mistress what time I got in last night when I told you not to?"

Maid: "I didn't. She asked me what time you came home and I said I was too busy getting breakfast to look at the clock."

Wildlife Briefs

AUSTIN, April 24.—This is the time of year when lake owners, seeing fish die, blame pollution for it. However, in most cases, it is because too much of the dissolved oxygen in the water is being taken up by plankton, according to the Texas game department's chief aquatic biologist.

Plankton (microscopic plants and animals) is blooming profusely in most of Texas lakes now. Too, there are more cloudy days at this time of year than usual and the combination tends to lower the supply of oxygen in the water.

Lake owners who see fish die in the morning, but few, if any, during the afternoons, can be rather certain it is the lack of air in the water which is killing the finny fellows.

There are two methods of assisting in remedying the situation, the aquatic biologist says. Small lakes can sometimes be drained about half and fresh waters, well aerated, used to refill them. If this is not possible, the running of a motorboat or outboard motor on the lake for several hours, with the propeller set partially out of water, will cause the water to pick up dissolved oxygen by agitation.

L. T. Burns of Yoakum, is already looking forward to the winter quail season—to see if any miracles will happen.

Last December, he related recently, he shot a bobwhite on the wing. Down it started, and Burns began to imagine consuming a few more delicious morsels at dinner that night. But before the dead bobwhite could reach the ground a Cooper's hawk swooped down and caught the quail in mid-air, then sailed off with it to have a fine meal himself.

Burns was so amazed he could not get his gun to his shoulder in time to kill the hawk.

The Cooper's hawk, commonly known as the blue darter, is one of the four kinds of hawks unprotected in Texas. The others, and there are many of them, are regarded as highly valuable birds because their diet consists largely of rodents.

The game department has not planted any beaver in Rusk county, but one was found there during the hunting season. As far as is known, it is the first beaver seen in that section in more than thirty years. The department is making an investigation to determine whether there are additional beaver in that section. The beaver was found in Marten Creek, which runs into the Sabine River.

More practical application of the research work done by game and fish commissions and an educational program to teach conservation to the youth of the land was urged by the Outdoor Writers Association of American at its recent annual meeting in Washington.

The association pointed out conservation of natural resources was far more important to the welfare of the United States than, for example, art and music. You can not eat art and music and you cannot hunt them, the association pointed out.

John M. Phillips, former president of the Pennsylvania game commission, in an address to the writers and the National Wildlife Federation, urged practical educational activities for the youth of high school age, both in town and country. "You can't teach an old dog new tricks and we must depend upon the understanding of American youth to carry on conservation," Phillips said. "We must teach them how. We can't depend

upon the older sportsmen to complete the program for them. It is also necessary to teach the teachers and instruct the instructors, not by fanciful theory, but by practical application of game management."

DIETS STILL LACKING ON MANY FARMS

COLLEGE STATION, April 24.—Most recent statistics available from the state department of health revealing that there were 544 deaths from pellagra in 1938 indicate that Texans cannot relax their vigilance in striving for adequate diets.

The big reason why diets are so poor is that many families have not enough money to spend for food to buy a good diet, according to Jennie Camp, specialist in home production planning for the A. & M. College extension service. For more than a year now Miss Camp aided in a Texas food campaign in an effort to correct deficiencies in the diets of Texas rural families.

She estimates that 450,000 Texas farm people have fourth rate or very poor diets; 1,000,000 Texas

farm people have third rate or fair diets; and nearly a million Texas farm people have good or excellent diets.

According to the last agricultural census, nearly a fourth of all the farms in Texas had no milk cows; about 15 per cent had no poultry, more than 40 per cent had no gardens, and almost 85 per cent reported no orchards. This, Miss Camp believes, accounts for the inadequacy of most farm families' diets.

One way of removing deficiencies in home-grown vegetables has been offered in the 1940 AAA provision for home gardens, the specialist points out. Under the agricultural conservation program a home garden will yield a soil building payment, supply a family with vegetables which have a high dollar value and provide foods that are good to eat and good for health.

Mother: "What makes you think our boy is going to be a successful politician?"

Father: "He says more things that sound well and mean nothing than any person I ever heard."

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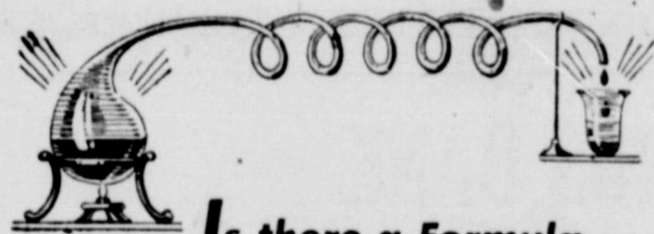
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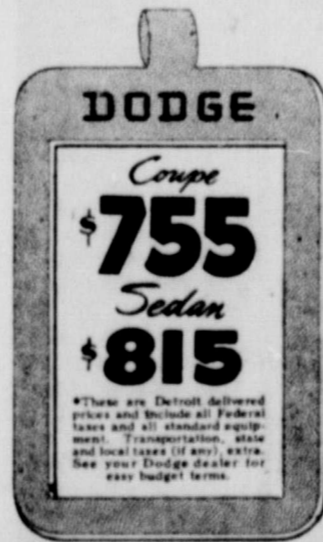
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'Gone with the Wind' Billed At Ritz for Four-Day Run

H. Ford Taylor, manager of the Ritz Theatre, announced today that reserved seat sales for the showing of "Gone With the Wind" would start at the boxoffice on Saturday, April 27. The picture is billed in Ballinger for four days—Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, May 4, 5, 6 and 7.

The screening schedule is set for 2 o'clock each afternoon and 8 o'clock each night. Admissions for the Sunday matinee and each night performance will be \$1.20, including tax, and for week-day matinees 75 cents, including tax. All seats will be reserved and theatre-goers of the Ballinger territory are urged to secure their tickets in advance for the day and hour they wish to attend.

"Gone With the Wind" is Margaret Mitchell's great story of the Old South without deviation and practically without elimination. After this has been recorded, little more need be said as an unqualified recommendation for the picture. Millions of readers consider the novel one of the greatest stories of all time; a faithful filming of that story must of necessity make the picture one of the greatest of movie history.

Screen patrons and lovers of the book will want to know only one

more thing: what about the characterizations? They are declared perfect, from Scarlett and Rhett down to the tiniest bit. Every character lives as Miss Mitchell made him and her live in the book. This is a tribute to the production genius of David O. Selznick and the brilliant direction of Victor Fleming, who has never failed in an assignment, and to the players themselves.

Clark Gable is, of course, the perfect Rhett Butler. Technicolor enhances his personality, which already is the most amazing personality the screen has ever known. His work is the best of his whole career. Equally brilliant is the work of Vivien Leigh. How any living girl can so closely resemble Scarlett and duplicate that fictional character in temperament and action is astounding. Miss Leigh does all this and more. Leslie Howard is more than perfect, if such can be possible.

Olivia de Havilland has never done greater work and it is difficult to see how she can ever top her Melanie role. Thomas Mitchell is outstanding as Gerald O'Hara. Hattie McDaniel emerges as the greatest actress the negro race has ever known. Barbara O'Neil, Ona Munson, Laura Hope Crews, Carroll Nye, Harry Davenport, Alicia Rhett, Rand Brooks, Evelyn Keyes, Ann Rutherford, Butterfly McQueen, Oscar Polk, Victor Jory, Eddie Anderson, Fred Crane, Jane Darwell, George Reeves and Everett Brown are all brilliant performers.

Cameramen on "Gone With the Wind" have given the screen the most amazing sustained photographic splendor cameras have ever achieved. Many of the scenes are breath-taking. In fact, this can be said of every detail of the picture. "Gone With the Wind" is truly a picture where the use of superlatives is woefully inadequate. To see it is an unforgettable experience; to miss it will be a tragedy in the life of every film lover.

Oliver Completes Road to Leaday; Works on Lateral

County Commissioner Dee Oliver announced this week that the road from Ballinger to Leaday is now opened all the way and that it has been graded and is in good condition. Mr. Oliver has been working on his part of the road for some time, getting it ready for traffic and also took care of a small section in Coleman county where the commissioner of that precinct could not do the work immediately.

Mr. Oliver graded the road to the intersection of the Leaday-Coleman highway, four miles this side of Leaday and citizens of this vicinity are invited to ride over and inspect the route.

He and his crew are continuing caliche surfacing in the southwestern portion of the precinct. This work was started before Christmas and within a short time the road will be an all-weather route to the pavement leading into Ballinger.

During the past several months a large amount of improvement has been done on lateral roads in this precinct by Mr. Oliver and his crew.

RURAL TEACHERS TO GO TO BROWNWOOD SATURDAY

A large number of teachers in the common school districts of Runnels county will go to Brownwood Saturday to attend the first meeting of the rural administrators' division of the Mid-Texas Educational Association. This group was formed at the autumn meeting of the association and E. C. Grindstaff was elected chairman.

The meeting at Brownwood will start at 10 o'clock Saturday in the Hotel Brownwood. After being called to order by Mr. Grindstaff a short musical program will be presented by the music department of Howard Payne College.

Speakers on the program include Bob Covey, of Bronte; Homer Bronstad, of Blanket; Dale Howard, county superintendent of Comanche county; Ford Gephart, of Mercury; and G. D. Hollbrook, of Brownwood. A round-table discussion will follow each talk.

RATS EAT MILK BUTTONS

LIVERPOOL, April 24.—Buttons made from milk substitutes since the war started are too tempting to rats, according to Liverpool tailors. "As fast as we sew buttons on new suits during the day rats chew them off at night, no matter where we hide the suits," the tailors report.

Grindstaff Talks On Texas Schools At Club Meeting

FIRST SCHOOLS IN COUNTY CLOSE THEIR 1939-40 TERMS

Last Friday the first schools in Runnels county ended their 1939-1940 terms. Millar and Cross Roads pupils completing full eight months' work. The Cochran school will be closed tomorrow and others will finish their terms each Friday from now until May 17.

County-wide seventh grade graduation exercises are set for May 19 at 2:30 p. m. in the Ballinger Baptist Church. At this time the graduates will hear an address by State Superintendent L. A. Woods and receive certificates.

Hogs were left on uninhabited islands by early Spanish explorers so that later seafarers might land and find fresh meat.

be empty by 1960 to 1970.

The bus system of transporting children to schools and the financing of this transportation were other phases taken up by the speaker.

A Rotary Club committee met with WPA officials at the city hall Tuesday to discuss plans for holding an "open house" week on the various government projects.

The Rotary Club will hold a joint meeting with the Lions Club next Tuesday evening, at which entrants in the "My Home Town" speaking contest will be heard and one selected to represent Ballinger at the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention at Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Bartlett, Mrs. W. A. Francis, and Mrs. R. E. Davis of Brownwood, spent the past week-end in Mercedes, visiting Stephen Francis and Gaston Bartlett.

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BALLINGER SCHOOL NEWS

By Mary Simpson

Dramatics Class Presents Play
The third of a series of project plays was presented by the dramatics class in assembly Friday, April 19. The play was "The Boor," a Russian farce by Anton Chekov, with a comic and unusual situation.

The cast included Creola Henderson as Mrs. Popov, Simeon Cottle as Luka, and Melvin Witter as Smirnov. The scene took place in Mrs. Popov's living room during the afternoon. Jeanne Endacott, Rosemary Hooper, and Adalyn Horn composed the backstage crew.

New Disciplinary System Outlined in Special Assembly

In special assembly Monday, April 22, Superintendent Nat Williams outlined the new disciplinary system that will be in effect in high school during the last four weeks of school.

Due to the inopportune disappearance of the box in which demerit records had been filed, all demerits have been cancelled and none will be given except for tardiness of any kind. Teachers will turn in cards to the principal describing the nature of all misbehavior, and each case will be dealt with individually.

Future Homemakers Entertained

Class IA of the local Future Homemakers' chapter entertained about forty-five with a scavenger hunt last week.

The group met at the home economics cottage and reassembled there after the hunt for a picnic lunch. The winning groups, including Grace Walden, Marian Ferguson, June Wood and Mercedes Faltisek, was awarded a prize.

County Tennis Matches Held

Several county meet tennis matches were played this week-end and others will be played next week. The Ballinger winners in these matches were: Morris Nunley and W. R. Gray, class A junior boys' doubles; Billie Cunniff, class A junior girls' singles; Dorothy Miller, class B junior girls' singles; Leona Bell and Mary Lou Routh, class B junior girls' doubles; and Byron McClanahan and Reid Caskey, class B junior boys' doubles.

State Future Homemakers' Rally

The annual state Future Homemakers' rally is to be held in Dallas April 24-27. Entered in the rally from Ballinger are a tailored dress made by Pauline Thorp and a school dress made by Billie Weldon Howell. Grace Jo Bondurant is the local club representative and Billie Nell Hinkle, Willo Dean Wiley and Ruth Davis are going as guests.

High School Students Entered in Speech Contest

At the combined Lions and Rotary club ladies' night Tuesday, April 30, the elimination will be held on the "My Home Town" speech contest. Contestants entered are John Archer and Betty Lois Martin. First place is an expense-paid trip to Big Spring where the speech will be made at the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention. Second and third place prizes are two dollars fifty cents and one dollar.

"Los Andaluces" Meet

The second year Spanish club met Friday, April 19, with Nelda Hobson in charge of the program. The reports on Pan-Americanism were given by Clifford Howell, Jimmie Dickey, Ray Hutcheson and Guy Lively. The club then played "Loteria."

"Shutterbugs" Meet

The "Shutterbugs," the high school camera club had a "dark room" meeting Tuesday, April 23. Ted Truly gave a demonstration on how to print pictures.

Cue and Curtain Club

In the Shakespearean production, "The Merchant of Venice," E. R. Sublett will appear for the first time in a high school play. He will play the part of Shylock, the Jewish money-lender and the villain of the play. In 1931 he played the part at Hardin-Simmons University, and has played the same character in "Lady of Belmont," a modern play based on the Shakespearean story, and an original one-act play. He is also director of the production.

The other four chief parts in the play will be played by those who played parts in the one-act play: Guy Lively, Pinky Byers, Joe Coleman and Mary Simpson. The Shakespeare Club will be invited guests to the play.

Senior Personalities

Laverne Cox doesn't mind saying that she is about to finish her twelfth and last year of school in Ballinger. Horses, dogs and drawing are her hobbies. She plans to attend the Sealey School of Nursing in Galveston and become

a "good" nurse. She dislikes gossip and people who pretend to be something they are not, but she likes friendly, sincere people.

Delbert Richardson has been in the Ballinger school system six years. He belongs to the high school Yankee softball club, and names as his hobbies ball, swimming, riding horses, and seeing Alice Payne in the movies—umm. He would like to be a banker if he can learn to smell ink. He dislikes English, economics, history, and public speaking—he probably likes study hall and physical education.

Bill Hays has gone to school here two years. He belongs to the 4-H club and has played basketball two years. His hobbies are basketball, tennis, and swimming. He plans to go to Texas Tech and become a rancher. He dislikes all people who think they are better than anyone else.

Raymond Flint has been in Ballinger schools during his junior and senior years. He belongs to the high school Yankee softball team, and his hobby is keeping up with all national sports, especially "washers." He wants to be the president of the Yankees—a high ambition. He likes all sports and dislikes school.

BLANTON TO SEEK FORMER POST IN U. S. LOWER HOUSE

Thomas L. Blanton, of Abilene, who served for 20 years in the lower house of congress for the 17th district, announced Tuesday night that he would again seek the office. Mr. Blanton has been out of politics for four years.

Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Spencer returned Tuesday night from Pasadena, California, where they had been several weeks assisting in a revival. Rev. Spencer stated that he would resume regular services at the Church of the Nazarene Sunday.

Nazi Invasion Endangers Three Crowns



Germany's lightning invasion of Denmark and Norway struck deep at the traditional autonomy of the Scandinavian countries and periled the crowns of three monarchs. Pictured here are (left) King Haakon of Norway, (center) King Gustav of Sweden and King Christian of Denmark. Hitler's action came as a bombshell to the nations.

Cemetery and City Park Flowers Most Attractive

Two places of beauty in Ballinger are now at their resplendent best and citizens are urged to see both this week-end. Evergreen Cemetery is said to be the most beautiful since it was laid out and this week-end every flower will be near perfection.

Lovers of beauty declare that a ride through the grounds is not sufficient, that visitors should park their cars and walk through to carefully inspect the many varieties of roses that are practically perfect. Besides the many plants and flowers in bloom on private lots, the bluebonnets are at their peak and the entire plot is a sea of color.

More care has been given the cemetery this year than in the past and ideal growing conditions have made the efforts show more than in previous years.

Another place attracting much attention, especially because of the large number of roses, is city park. The flowers, shrubs, trees and grass also are attractive and citizens are invited to make a trip to this recreation center this week-end.

VISITORS INSPECT SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM

The Ballinger school-WPA lunch room had visitors Monday and Tuesday. Officials of other schools in the county were here to inspect the work being done and to get information on the project.

County Superintendent E. C. Grindstaff, Loss Williams of Victory, Mr. Brown of Winters, and Vernon Webb of Bethel, visited at the room during the noon period Monday and ate lunch with local school officials.

Tuesday noon several Crews citizens were here to make investigations. The group included W. T. Gassiot, principal of the Crews school, and four trustees, R. L. Bates, Lloyd Fuller, L. A. Faubion and E. B. Tounget.

Supt. Nat Williams stated that the lunch room was feeding 150 children this week and was doing an efficient job.

DUNEDIN AGED CYCLIST

GLASGOW, April 24.—Lord Dundin, who just celebrated his ninety-third birthday, is one of Scotland's oldest cyclists, it is claimed here. He rode a "bone-shaker" in the sixties and when he became a member of parliament he cycled to the House on a "high" bicycle. Lord Dundin now is the senior legal member of the upper house.

The Australian emu is second in size to the ostrich, and lays eggs of a comparative size.

HAVANA'S CASH NEARS ZERO

HAVANA, April 24.—When the Havana city hall doors opened on a recent morning only 44 cents lay lonesomely in the treasury vaults. City officials explained that the city had paid \$100,000 to the police force and taxpayers were not paying as expected, but funds probably would roll in soon.

More than 1,200,000 persons ride daily on the railroads of the United States.

Flax acreage in Texas is expected to total 80,000 acres in 1940, compared with only 20,000 acres in 1939. This represents a gain of 200 per cent, according to figures released by the USDA bureau of crop and livestock estimates.

A three-day cotton research congress will be sponsored by the Texas state-wide cotton committee in Waco during the first week of June. Cotton production, harvesting, ginning and usage are among the topics to be studied.

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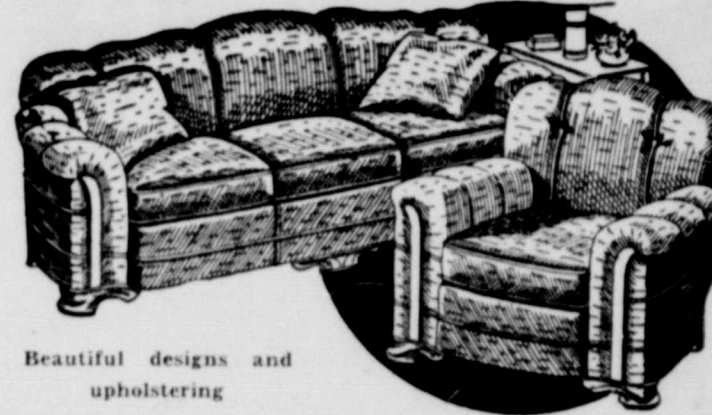
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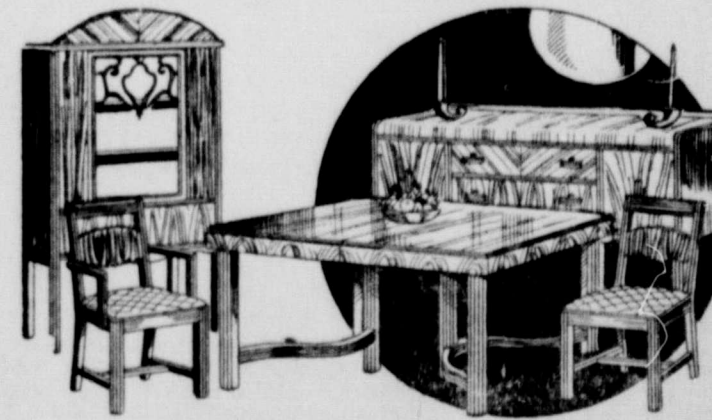


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Just a few more days remain until the opening of the game fishing season and streams in this section are in fine condition. Rises have washed out moss and warm days about the first of May will give many sportsmen the "fever."

Commencement is almost here and within a few more days the mails will be filled with invitations sent to friends by seniors for the final programs of their high school days. There will be about 3,300 of these invitations mailed by the 95 to receive diplomas here on May 21. Commencement days are gift giving days and after 11 years' successful school work the graduates have a right to expect a reward from their close friends. Graduation, therefore, offers one of the biggest sales promotion opportunities of the entire year and should be even better in Ballinger this year because of the largest class in the history of the school.

NATIONAL COTTON WEEK

Next month will see the first general observance of National Cotton Week in Ballinger and Runnels County. Citizens of this region should feel very kindly toward this movement as the main cash income here is derived from cotton. Sales events and special entertainments are being planned and all firms and individuals are urged to cooperate. Due to acreage reductions brought about by the AAA program, the boom days of the fall season have been greatly reduced in this section. In previous years when Runnels county produced up to the seventy thousands of bales times were prosperous and week-ends brought great throngs of shoppers here. This has not been true since the acreage was cut to about 113,500 acres and unless means are found to increase the yield or consumption the status is likely to remain as is. Get ready for National Cotton Week, May 17 to 23, and think, talk and wear cotton.

Within a few days advertising will begin to make its appearance on the streets and from stores announcing the big bargain events to begin on May 17. To successfully put over such a movement all the citizens must cooperate and in this section practically everyone is affected by the amount of cotton produced and consumed.

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CLARENCE RICHARDS FILLING STATION IS BURGLARIZED

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Finns Evacuate Homeland to Escape Russian Rule



Their worldly goods loaded on a horse-drawn sleigh, members of this Finnish family flee from Russian rule. They are going into exile, evacuating their home, which is situated in the section of Finland ceded to Russia by terms of the peace treaty. The father rubs his child's nose to guard against frostbite. Right: A Finnish soldier helps this old lady and her daughter carry the last of their portable belongings from their home in Hangö, which was included in the area taken over by Russia.



WEST TEXAS
NOTES

Melvin Future Farmers of America and their dads held their annual banquet Friday night, about 125 attending. A program which was presided over by members of the chapter, was the entertainment feature of the evening. The food was prepared by the home economics class. E. A. Baze, Melvin banker delivered the principal address.

Nine Concho county boys were among those accepted by the CCC in the April call. The enrollees were assembled last week and sent to Wyoming, where they will be stationed in camps for six months. A second call was announced for June.

The State Theatre at Miles is being prepared for a formal opening this week-end. The theatre was recently leased to an experienced showman and new sound equipment is being installed. Feature pictures will be booked to provide citizens of the Miles area with an amusement center.

Relief work in Coke county was the main subject at the regular luncheon program of the Bronte Community Service Club last week. Promotion of oil interests and continued drilling of tests were also discussed.

Fire marshals and fire chiefs of twenty-six West Texas cities met at Albany April 16. Eugene Sanders, of the state fire insurance commission, was the main speaker, discussing butane gas. The Albany Chamber of Commerce provided entertainment and a luncheon for the visitors.

Comanche county people have learned with interest that the site for the sandy land experiment station will be announced May 11. A number of towns in this area have offered tracts suitable for this farm and as soon as the location is definitely decided work on it will be started by the extension service of A. & M. College.

The Fort Stockton Lions Club is taking the lead in staging Fort Stockton's annual water carnival and will begin at once to deepen the pool. This water frolic attracts one of West Texas' largest crowds and a still bigger show is promised this year. A professional production company has been contracted to direct the events and swimming and diving teams representing a number of schools will appear on the program.

Brady citizens have plans well underway for their July Jubilee. Night rodeo performances have been arranged and these will offer some of the fastest wild west attractions ever seen in West Texas. All other regular features of the jubilee will be presented and nearby towns have already been invited to send their young women sponsors for the pageant.

The softball season was opened at Menard Tuesday night and games will be played the remainder of the outdoor period. In addition to regular league games a number of fast out-of-town clubs will contest the Menard stars, the Hex team being booked next Sunday in the first of these matches.

A contract was let last week for surfacing highway No. 281 from the city limits of Stephenville 17 miles south to the Hamilton county

an elevator at Eden. Farmers and grain dealers of the vicinity anticipate a big yield of small grain and the construction is being rushed so the elevator can be used for heavy freight shipments in the summer.

The Junction high school band was heard Sunday afternoon in a program from station WOAI, San Antonio. The Junction musicians competed with other groups in a specially arranged contest given in a 30-minute radio program.

May 17 has been announced as the closing date of the Rising Star school for the 1939-40 term. All commencement programs have been arranged and a large senior class will receive diplomas.

BARR ATTENDS CONVENTION OF W. T. C. C. MANAGERS

Gus Barr, secretary-manager of the Ballinger Board of Community Development, spent Saturday in Colorado City, attending the spring convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce managers. The meeting was scheduled for two days but business kept Mr. Barr here Friday and permitted him to attend only one day.

Panhandler: "Lady I've asked for money, begged for money and cried for money."
Lady: "Did you ever try working for money?"
Panhandler: "No, ma'am, I'm doing the alphabet and I ain't come to 'W' yet."

The Kimbell Milling Co. of Ft. Worth has started construction of

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Hints for
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Furnished by the
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Dairymen with cows on good spring pasture can save money by making a slight change in feed.

Usually cows are fed a 22 per cent protein grain mixture during the winter when the roughage consists of hay or silage. A lot of dairymen feed their cows the same grain mixture in the spring.

That is where they are making a mistake, according to E. R. Eudaly, dairyman of the Texas A. & M. extension service.

Early spring grass is high in water, protein and minerals but low in carbohydrates. That means that the protein should be cut down to from 10 to 14 per cent.

Wheat, oats, clover and young sudan pasture are especially high in protein, and a 10 per cent protein grain mixture does the job. Spring mesquite, buffalo, dallis or carpet grass needs to be supplemented with a 12 per cent protein mixture. Bermuda or rhodes grass needs a 14 per cent supplement.

Here are some sample grain mixtures: 22 per cent protein—100 pounds ground ear corn or maize heads, 100 pounds wheat bran, and 100 pounds cottonseed meal; 14 per cent protein, same except only 20 pounds of cottonseed meal; 12 per cent protein, same except only 10 pounds of cottonseed meal; and 10 per cent protein, 100 pounds ground ear corn or maize heads and 80 pounds wheat bran.

Since spring grass is high in water, cows should be offered all the dry hay, bundle feeds, or cottonseed hulls they will eat—usually 5 to 10 pounds per day per cow.

"My Skin Was Full of Pimples and Blemishes" says Verna S.: "Since using Adlerika the pimples are gone. My skin is smooth and glows with health." Adlerika helps wash BOTH bowels, and relieves temporary constipation that often aggravates bad complexion. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

MATRESS MAKING PROGRAM EXPANDED OVER BIG AREA

COLLEGE STATION, April 24.—Indications that rural people in Texas within the low-income brackets are eager to take advantage of the government's plan for providing them with mattress making materials have been shown as hundreds of applications for surplus cotton were filed in county offices during the past week.

For example, more than 800 applications have been filed by white families in Ellis county and are being reviewed by the county

agricultural conservation committee to determine if the family's income is below \$400 and at least one-half of their income is from agricultural occupations.

Within the first week of the program's operation in Ellis county 169 mattresses had been made in nine community mattress making centers, according to reports received by Miss Mildred Horton, vice-director and state home demonstration agent of the Texas A. & M. extension service, who is responsible for extension supervision of the mattress demonstration program in Texas. Ellis county has already applied for 72 bales of cotton to be distributed for mattress making purposes by the federal surplus commodity corporation.

Third county to begin actual operation under the program was San Saba which began production last week.

Because of the interest Texas has taken in the mattress program and the momentum the plan has gained within the past two weeks, Bess Edwards, assistant state home demonstration agent, has been invited to observe the program in other Southern states and describe Texas' operation plan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary
- 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 DAVE HINDS
- For District Clerk: M. S. ("BUSTER") CAUDLE PRICE MIDDLETON OSCAR HARBER
- For County Attorney: ROY L. HILL
- 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 R. A. PERRY

The invitation came through Mrs. Ola Powell Malcom, extension field agent in home demonstration work for the Southern states.

Miss Edwards' inspection tour will require approximately a month and will take her through Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and to Washington, D. C., for a conference with extension workers, Miss Horton said.

Admirer: "What a charming necklace."

Movie Actress: "Yes, isn't it adorable? Made entirely of old wedding rings."

J. B. Pace, of Austin, visited Monday night in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass.



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Mrs. Larry Smith, Mrs. J. A. Ferguson and little daughter, Marjorie Lorain, all of Eastland, and Mrs. Mack Hall, of Prescott, Arizona, visited the latter part of last week in the home of their sister,

Mrs. H. W. Doherty.

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Rural News

SPRING HILL

Mrs. Morris Wheelers has been removed from the hospital to the home of her parents near Winters. She plans to come home as soon as she is able.

Mr. and Mrs. Lukie Provasek and Bessie and Mrs. E. D. Kruppa visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Janek, of Rowena, Sunday evening.

Mrs. Emilie Beckhausen and sons, Willie and Fritz, of Eola, visited in the Fritz Redman home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Redman and children visited in the Louise Rose home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rose are the parents of a baby girl, born April 15. The baby has been named Doris Marie.

Mrs. A. L. Courvisier and Frank and Ruth spent Sunday with Lydia Courvisier, of Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Piel and children and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Piel and family visited in the E. H. Pfluger home near Rowena Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Gilbreath and Clyde visited in the T. E. McKenzie home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Allison and son visited Mrs. E. E. Allison Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie V. Gunton returned the first part of the week from East Texas, where they visited Mr. Gunton's father.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dean spent Sunday afternoon visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Aycock.

HERRING

We are having a nice shower this (Wednesday) morning. The grain sure is growing and if we can get a good rain when needed we think there will be a good crop.

J. P. Brevard and family, Grady Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Welby Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Kerby and boys, and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brevard and children spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Ida Lewis at Benoit.

Mrs. J. Rosford and Mrs. Doyle Lee visited Mrs. Charlie Gerhart and baby, of Harmony, Friday.

Mrs. Vera Simpson and family, of Ballinger, and Neelen Stovall spent Sunday in the A. E. Fuller home.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Whitley and daughters and Arvel Matthews spent Sunday in the J. Rosford home.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Peek, Thresa, Robert and Herbert Corum, of Valera rural; Mrs. Peek, of Coleman; and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hines and children, of Glen Cove, spent Sunday in the Herbert Peek home.

Miss Myrtle Ruth Hale, of Ballinger, spent the week-end with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee and children, of Crews, visited in the Doyle Lee home Tuesday evening.

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NYA Workshop Here Open House Week To do Public Work In Modern Building On WPA Projects Set for May 20-25

The national youth administration workshop in Ballinger will be housed in one of the best buildings in the state. Designed and constructed especially for this purpose, the stone building provides an ideal workshop for the projects which will be started here under the supervision of Ernest Moody.

Machines have been installed by the NYA and the county provides the house and utilities. A crew of thirty boys, who will be employed in three shifts and work 7½ days per month, is about complete. Mr. Moody announced Monday that he had selected 77 of the thirty and the others would be accepted before projects get underway.

Electrically driven machines installed include a drill press, tilting arbor saw, shaper, lathe, jointer, scroll saw, which is a jig saw with all attachments, a sanding machine and a glue pot. Numerous hand operated machines, hammers, saws, squares and other tools are also provided.

Boys will work from 8 a. m. until 5 each day. They will be given examinations before beginning work and then divided into two sections, one skilled and the other unskilled laborers. All boys will have an opportunity for advancement as fast as their work justifies the increase in pay.

Projects include the building of new units as well as repairing of furniture and other equipment. Jobs will be accepted from the county, city and rural schools of the county, and any government agency.

Machines were all placed Monday and Mr. Moody was to confer with county officials and start on the first local building project.

The first actual work was started Wednesday with tables being built for the offices in the court house and a number of filing cases for the county welfare office.

On May 1 the local NYA boys and girls will entertain about 100 other boys and girls who are delegates from their towns at the district meeting. Each group in the district extending from San Angelo to Brownwood and from Abilene to Brady will send two delegates to the Ballinger meeting.

The visitors will assemble at the workshop here at 4 p. m. After viewing the shop they will go to city park for a picnic supper to be followed by a meeting and social hour at the city hall. For the social period the American Legion Orchestra will furnish the music and several talks will be made.

The NYA building and workshop project was sponsored by the county. County Judge Paul Trimmer and Commissioners Dee Oliver, Ralph Burns, R. A. Perry and Joe Mapes giving support to securing the project.

Company C Members And Armory Praised By Army Inspector

Company C, 142nd Infantry, received nothing but compliments in the federal inspection last week. The armory was in excellent condition for Major Emmett M. Connor, visiting army officer, and every member of the guard was present.

Recently the armory has been improved and rearranged to better take care of the equipment and to give more convenience. A new clothing room recently finished provides lockers for 86 men. Here the complete uniforms are kept with both campaign hats and steel helmets in place. The new model helmets now being worn by the local guardsmen are slightly different from the old ones.

A study room for non-commissioned officers has been provided and a private room for the three officers. Moving of the clothing from the regular supply room permitted more room to take care of the other equipment of the unit. Rifles, side-arms, automatic rifles, blankets, kitchen utensils, and other equipment are neatly and carefully taken care of in this room.

The orderly room has been moved and made more convenient for the officers and all records are in perfect order. The large assembly room has been equipped with a sand table where plans are made of trenches, gun positions and land contours. This room also contains organization charts, rifle blueprints and other material used in training.

First Lieutenant James Parrish, in command of the company at this time, was well pleased with the showing made by the local unit, a more complete report of which will be received after the inspector reports to headquarters.

All local WPA officers and project workers will join in the national observance to better acquaint the public with their work from May 20 to 25. E. Shepperd was named chairman of the local entertainment and planning group at a meeting held Tuesday afternoon in the city hall, and Gus Barr was elected secretary.

A number of supervisors of various government projects were here to help plan the observance which will include open house at all projects and a special effort will be made for thousands of visitors to inspect the departments during the week.

Mr. Shepperd will appoint other committees necessary for the special week and a public program will be arranged for the night of May 20 to open the celebration.

Cooperating in the observance will be the local sewing room, the housekeeping aid project, school lunch room, playground project, welfare offices and other divisions of the WPA.

Invitations are to be extended a number of local clubs who sponsor projects to visit in a body during the week. Each department will arrange for greeting visitors and will have guides to show the work being done.

550 WHEAT PARITY SHEETS SENT AWAY

The Runnels county AAA office this week sent off 550 wheat parity applications for payment. Others are being made up and the total probably will be slightly more than 900.

Thomas B Hill, AAA office manager, stated that payments on wheat parities to Runnels county farmers would amount to about \$21,000 this year. These are based on 10 cents per bushel times the normal yield for the farm.

A \$20,000 grant has been provided for Cornell University by the Rockefeller Foundation for promoting music in New York's rural communities.

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Their acceptance of their responsibility for traffic safety is indicated by the company's record for 1939—a total of 12,269,068 miles of driving without a single fatal accident. Moreover, during 1939 company's automobiles traveled a distance equal to fifty times around the world and were involved in only nineteen accidents resulting in personal injury.

Drivers of Lone Star Gas System automotive equipment take part in a continuous program of training in safety consciousness and accident prevention to make their home town a safer place in which to live.

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Robust Tale of Romance Is 'Little Old New York'

Darryl F. Zanuck and Director Henry King, the combination that gave screen fans such films as "In Old Chicago," "Stanley and Livingstone," "Alexander's Ragtime Band" and "Jesse James," have turned out another smash hit in "Little Old New York." This robust, rollicking, romantic drama from 20th Century-Fox opens at the Texas Theatre in Saturday mid-night preview and continues through Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, April 28, 29, 30. Alice Faye, Fred MacMurray, Richard Greene and Brenda Joyce head the brilliant cast which includes

Andy Devine, Henry Stephenson and Fritz Feld.

"Little Old New York" brings back those days "way back when" cows roamed Fifth Avenue, grog was a penny a swig and the Astors and the Roosevelts were just starting on their way. New York's waterfront was a colorful maze of sailing ships, whose rigging made an exotic network against the sky and whose bowsprit's jutting into the shore made progress along the waterfront streets like walking under a beamed ceiling. It was a robust, half-and-heavy life New Yorkers led in those days, typified in the story of the belle of the brawling waterfront who fought the whole town to win the love and share in the glory of such a man as Robert Fulton.

"Although 'Little Old New York' deals basically with the drama of the first steamboat, the 'Clermont,' the historical aspects are overshadowed by the absorbing double romance, with Fred MacMurray making his bid for love as the rough-hearted, shipbuilder admirer of Miss Faye.

"Smashing the Money Ring" Excitement-Packed Film
Exciting and crammed with action, "Smashing the Money Ring," third in the Warner Bros. series depicting the adventures of the U. S. secret service, opens tomorrow at the Texas for showing Friday and Saturday.

Bringing Ronald Reagan back as the handsome and clever operative, "Smashing the Money Ring" also introduces a new screen discovery, pretty and talented Margot Stevenson.

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Dr. Baker, optometrist, regular visits at office, Central Hotel, will be Wednesday, May 1, Wednesday, July 31, Wednesday, September 4.

comedy, the plot, besides being a story of hazardous adventure, presents the opportunity to learn the methods of the department which wages an unceasing war against counterfeiters.

Eddie Foy, Jr., Joe Downing, Charles D. Brown and Elliott Sullivan also have important parts in support.

Dave Hinds Announces For Office of Sheriff

Dave Hinds, native of Runnels county, now engaged in farming, this week authorizes The Ledger to place his name in the announcement column as a candidate for sheriff of Runnels county, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries this summer.

Mr. Hinds was influenced in making his decision to enter the sheriff's race by the encouragement of many friends throughout the county, which was voluntarily given him.

He has no long list of promises to make prior to election date, but said that if he is elected to the important office of sheriff, he would give his entire time to the job of law enforcement without fear or favor.

Mr. Hinds has had some experience as a peace officer, at one time having served as chief of police of the city of Winters, which experience will be helpful in discharging the duties of the office which he seeks.

Mr. Hinds said yesterday that he expected to make a very active campaign. However, should he fail to personally solicit the vote and influence of anyone, he hoped this announcement would be taken as a personal solicitation.

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SOCIETY

Mrs. Ernest Moody Entertains
Know Your Neighbor Club

To acknowledge social courtesies extended her by Know Your Neighbor members, Mrs. Ernest Moody was hostess in her home in West Ballinger Wednesday afternoon.

White roses were used about rooms and to center the dining table where a salad plate was served with coffee following the informal sewing hour.

Mrs. Faye Boehme of Ft. Dodge, Iowa, and Mrs. Carl Black were added guests. Members were: Mmes. Jack Nixon, Sr., Malcolm Morgan, Cal Adair, John Barton, Royal Bishop, Cecil Jones, Joe Flynn, Rethal O'Kelly, J. H. Endacott, Layne Moreland, Dee Saylor and Bill Clark.

Shower for Recent Bride

Mrs. Royce Mapes, who before her Saturday marriage was Miss Marcella Jonas, was again guest of honor Tuesday afternoon when Miss Erma Roberson was hostess in her home on Eleventh Street.

Spring blooms in profusion, with roses and lilies predominating, gave added beauty to rooms. Miss Ruthlene Caskey presided over the register. Mrs. LeRoy McAuley and Mrs. Delbert Davenport presided over the lace-laid dining table for the serving of punch and cookies. Pink candles in crystal holders and tulle roses formed the centerpiece. Pansies were plate favors.

As winner in a game of fortune, Mrs. Mapes received the gift shower.

Included were: Mmes. Frank Rubin, Bill Harper, E. C. Grindstaff, Cam Blackmon, Roger Jones, Bill Mapes, Ervin Wingfield, Calvin Roberson, Henry Mueller, S. M. Jonas, Tom Moreland, W. B. Halley, L. B. Greenwood, O. C. Cox, J. C. Cook, L. B. Rudder, Sid Caskey, E. L. DeWitt, Douglass Barnett, Fred McKay, Dora Mapes, A. L. Spann, C. J. Lynn, R. T. Jones, Misses Evelyn McAden, Mabel McMillan, Ann Morton, Eileen Smith, Anna B. Mapes, Opal Cox, Louise Evans, Gladys Spann, Lula Starkey, Ella Marie Witter, Allene Rudder, Anna Lee Winton, Maudie Rubin, Janie Flynn, Ruby Nance, Tommy Mansell, Eleanor and Doris Gressett, Elva Lee Owens, Wanda Williams, and Mildred Doherty.

Mrs. J. D. Forman Hostess to Sewing Club

The usual informality marked the meeting of her sewing club Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. J. D. Forman on Sixth Street.

A salad plate was served in flower bedecked rooms to: Mmes. J. A. Schnable, K. V. Northington, Levy Lee, Billie Cordill, E. C. Grindstaff and H. J. Zeppe.

Humble Club in Allbright Home
Mrs. J. E. Allbright was hostess to the Humble Sewing Club Wednesday afternoon in her home on Seventh Street.

Lovely roses and lilies decorated rooms where the hostess received a gift shower. She served a salad course with angel cake and coffee to: Mmes. W. A. Gee, L. J. Byers, James Phillips, Wix Currie, Jr., France Jones, J. C. Wilson, Bill Campbell, A. J. Hendricks, G. R. Touchstone, and Miss Virginia Gee, members; and Mrs. R. W. Balke, Mrs. M. S. Marchbanks and Mrs. Gurthall Gilligan, guests.

Mrs. Nixon Entertains Contract Club

Only members were included by Mrs. P. A. Nixon Tuesday afternoon when she was hostess to a contract club in her home on Broadway.

Rooms were decorated with roses and cornflowers and novelty game appointments were unusually attractive.

A sandwich plate with coca colas was served. Mrs. W. B. May received high score award and Mrs. R. J. Hawk the bingo trophy in games with Mmes. G. A. Swann, Ralph Payette, O. L. Huddleston, James Parrish, Gene Galbraith and Joe Eubank.

Wylie Stobaugh, student of North Texas Agricultural College, Arlington, spent the past week-end here.

ALLBRIGHT TRANSFERRED TO STATION AT HAWLEY

J. E. Allbright, for a number of years located with the Humble Pipe Line Station, here has been transferred to Hawley, where he will be a chief engineer. The move gives Mr. Allbright a decided promotion but will take him away from Ballinger permanently. He will leave here Saturday to go to his new job but Mrs. Allbright and the two children will remain here until the end of the school term. They recently built a home on Seventh Street where they have been residing for a few months.

There has never been a bread shortage in the United States.

'Broadway Melody of '40' Stars Astaire and Powell

When the two greatest dancers of the contemporary stage and screen get together in a single production, it's news. Such news is verified in "Broadway Melody of 1940," coming to the Ritz Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, April 28, 29 and 30, and starring Fred Astaire and Eleanor Powell.

Spectacular in all its departments, these two stars are given a suitable send-off for their first co-starring feature. Nine dances, ranging in type from tap to ballet, six Cole Porter song hits, gigantic sets, a notable cast, Norman Taurog as director, all add up to the prediction that "Broadway Melody of 1940" is due to take its place as one of the year's most entertaining and eye-filling films.

The story strikes a novel note from the very beginning. Astaire and George Murphy, a dance team temporarily unemployed, are working as professional hosts in a ballroom. Through a novel set of circumstances, Murphy is mistaken for Astaire and given a try-out as leading man for the dance darling of Broadway, portrayed by Eleanor Powell. When he wins the assignment things begin to happen.

The cast, in addition to the three dance stars, Astaire, Powell and Murphy, features Frank Morgan, Ian Hunter, Florence Rice and Lyne Carver. Morgan finds new vent for his comedy as the show's author who battles two shortcomings, a bad memory and a bad temper. Hunter plays the Broadway producer of Powell's musical shows. Miss Rice is the secretary to Morgan who has her hands full untangling his many affairs of the heart.

Rich in production value, with sets topping in size and spectacular qualities those of any previous

production, "Broadway Melody of 1940" brings every conceivable type of dancing to the screen. The most pretentious number, which forms the finale, is Cole Porter's "Begin the Beguine." The set, which covered an entire sound stage, introduces something new in the form of a sixty-foot mirror which swings to constantly change the background behind the dancers.

Five other new Cole Porter tunes introduced are: "Please Printing Co.

Don't Monkey with Broadway," "Between You and Me," "I've Got My Eyes on You," "I Happen to be in Love" and "I Concentrate on You."

Supt. H. B. Seif, of Rising Star, formerly principal of the Ballinger high school and at one time coach of the Bearcats, was here Friday to visit friends and attend the football recorder demonstration.

Mrs. R. P. Kirk and daughter, Miss Louise Kirk, of Austin, spent the week-end here, visiting relatives and friends.

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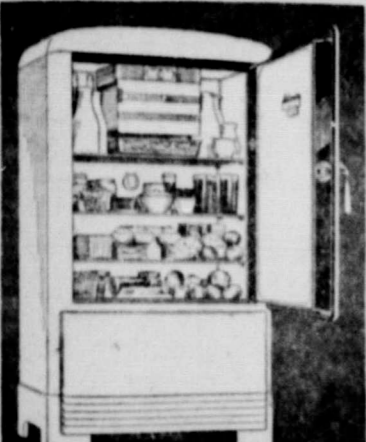
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Grand Jury Venire To Report Monday For Court Opening

Judge O. L. Parish will open the five weeks' spring term of 119th district court in Ballinger Monday morning at 10 o'clock. Only the grand jury venire will report for duty Monday. Those chosen will be sworn in and given instructions soon after the session opens. County Attorney Roy L. Hill will submit a number of cases to be further probed by the twelve grand jurors.

Judge Parish will hear a number of non-jury cases during the first week and set other cases for trial at later dates acceptable to counsel for both prosecution and defense attorneys.

Four petit jury venires have been summoned for the spring term and one will report each Monday morning to hear evidence in cases set. There are a number of civil and criminal cases already on the docket and all true bills returned by the grand jury will be scheduled at this term of court.

Following is the grand jury venire to report Monday morning:

- I. S. Story
- Harris Mullin
- Joe Baker
- J. H. Schovajsa
- R. E. Bruce
- Hamp Byler
- S. D. Childress
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YOU HAVE CUT WORMS? HERE'S THE REMEDY

COLLEGE STATION, April 24—Along this time of year cut worm work havoc with spring gardens.

What makes most gardeners so mad is that the worms apparently work for spite. Instead of eating the plants they have cut down, they move on to others.

Cut worms like tomatoes best of all but they will work on almost anything.

Several thicknesses of newspapers, when wrapped around the tomato plant stems, will foil the worms to some extent, or at least make them work for what they get.

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War Brings Breadlines to North China



War and flood, three years of the former and a succession of the latter, have had their effect on the Japanese-dominated part of China. More than 2,000 Chinese, most of them women and children, died on Shanghai streets this past winter. Free bread is distributed every day to the hungry.

control—and a gardener who has lost a row of his pet tomatoes wants all the satisfaction he can get—Cameron Siddall, entomologist of the Texas A. & M. extension service, recommends a poison mash.

The formula for the mash is 3 ounces of white arsenic or Paris green, 5 pounds of coarse wheat bran, 1/2 pint of molasses, and enough water to make the mixture sticky.

He says to "strow" it along the rows late in the evening so that the worms can get a dose of it that night.

Hybrid corn has taken the Corn Belt by storm and Texas farmers have heard so much about the wonderful results that they yearn to try some. But, warns E. A. Miller, agronomist of the Texas A. & M. extension service, these northern hybrids are not suited to Texas conditions. Hybrid corn has to be developed and tested for different sections of the nation. The Texas agricultural experiment station has a number of hybrids that show promise and these will be released for production in another year or so. A few of the commercial hybrid varieties available at present are suited for extreme northwest Texas and north central Texas.

Due to an approximate 17 per cent increase in the number of turkeys in Texas for 1939, the demand for turkey hatching eggs in 1940 will not be as strong as in 1939, according to George P. McCarthy, extension poultry husbandman. Storage stocks of poultry on January 1, 1940 were larger than on the same date in 1939 but smaller than the record high of January 1, 1937.

Dallas Boosters Visit Ballinger; Present Program

Dallas business and professional men, more than 100 strong, arrived here Monday afternoon for their annual visit with the citizens of Ballinger. Traveling on a special train, the party was met at the Santa Fe passenger station and escorted to the court house lawn by the Ballinger Band.

Here a public address system was quickly set up and Mayor C. P. Shepherd was introduced for the welcome address. Mayor Shepherd told some of the outstanding features of Dallas as the center of industry in the Southwest. At the conclusion of his talk, the master of ceremonies declared it the best Dallas talk made during the day and that included the Dallas speakers in the list.

"Peg" Moreland was the first entertainer to be heard in the short program and delighted the crowd with his songs. The Cass County Kids, vocal trio with instrumental accompaniment, were recalled for request numbers until time forbid more. The Early Birds provided street music and song hits.

The visitors brought a message from Dallas as a wholesale center and urged citizens of this area to spend their money in Ballinger stores.

After an hour's program here the trippers left for San Angelo where they were scheduled to spend the night.

SPORT FILMS ARE GROWING FAST IN POPULARITY

AUSTIN, April 24—Films on athletic contests are catching the fancy of "grandstand quarter-backs" in Texas, officials of the University of Texas visual instruction bureau have reported.

Included in the extensive film library, from which the bureau supplies requests by Texas clubs and classrooms, are reels of ten of the outstanding football games of 1938 and 1939 and the first century of baseball traced from the sport's beginning in Coopers-town, New York, to the present.

The 1939 football film, released recently, highlights the Ohio State-Cornell, Notre Dame-Navy, Northwestern-Oklahoma, Princeton-Harvard, Pennsylvania-Michigan, Missouri-New York University, Pitt-Carnegie Tech Michigan-Minnesota, Yale-Harvard and Army-Navy games.

The baseball picture picks up the sport in its infancy when bats

were huge planks and balls were top-sided circular objects that varied in size and construction including a quiz by Ted Husing on fans' knowledge of the game, and concludes with sequences from recent World Series play.

Improvements Made On Club Properties For Outdoor Season

All improvements have been completed at the Ballinger Country Club and the grounds are in the best condition since the work started a year ago. Last week workmen finished the new bathing pier and as soon as springboards are put in place it will be opened.

The new pier is all steel with the exception of the flooring on the runway and platforms. A boat landing has been provided for motor boats so passengers can get into the boats with ease.

The golf course is being put to hard use at this time and the grass greens are in excellent condition. All greens have been given a top dressing and irrigation is being done late each afternoon.

Fairways are in good shape and a rebuilt fairway mower has been purchased to keep the grass and weeds cut. A new greens mower was received last week that cuts a perfectly smooth surface.

A new foot bridge on No. 3 fairway has been completed and improvements made on traps and hazards.

The directors plan to repaint the clubhouse before the annual celebration on July 4.

An annual production of 10,000-20,000 trees, beginning in 1941, is planned at the Indian Mount Forest Nursery recently acquired by the Texas forest service five miles southwest of Alto, Cherokee county. Seedlings will be grown for sale to East Texas farmers at the cost of growing them.

FOXES THRIVE IN WAR

NEWTON BLOSSOMVILLE, Eng., April 24—Foxes are multiplying in England because of the war and farmers are appealing for help. The commandeering of horses and the heavy reduction in packs of foxhounds have reduced fox hunts, and the reynards are multiplying rapidly and growing bold. After a fox broke through a thick glass window and took 11 chickens, a poultry farmer issued a call for a war on the raiders.

Agricultural Expert: "Your methods of cultivation are hopelessly out of date. Why, I'd be astonished if you even get ten pounds of apples from that tree."

Farmer: "So would I. It's a pear tree."

Miss Evelyn Crowell, of Junction, visited friends here the past week-end.

SCHOOLS WILL RECEIVE GIFT FROM OLD P.-T. A.

Ballinger schools will receive a portable radio and victrola combination and ten standard symphonies within a few days, a gift from the old Parent-Teacher Association of the Ballinger high school.

This organization has not been active for several years but disbanded with money in the treasury. A short time ago some of the former members decided to put the money on hand to a purpose and offered to give it to the schools where it would do the most good.

Supt. Nat Williams discussed the matter with teachers and heads of departments and it was decided to purchase the radio-victrola and symphonies for use in both primary buildings and the junior high school.

Gen't (engaging chauffeur): "And when you're not driving the car there's the poultry house to clean out, and the dogs to look after, and you can give the gardener a hand in odd moments."

Chauffeur: "Yes, sir, what sort of soil is it?"

Gen't: "Soft? Why?"

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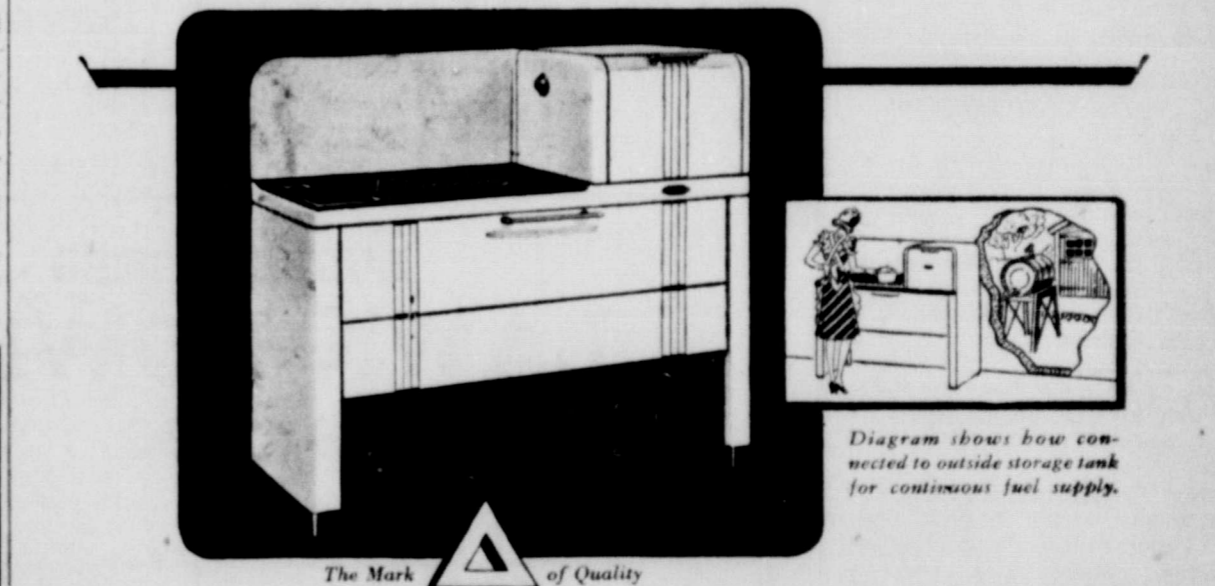
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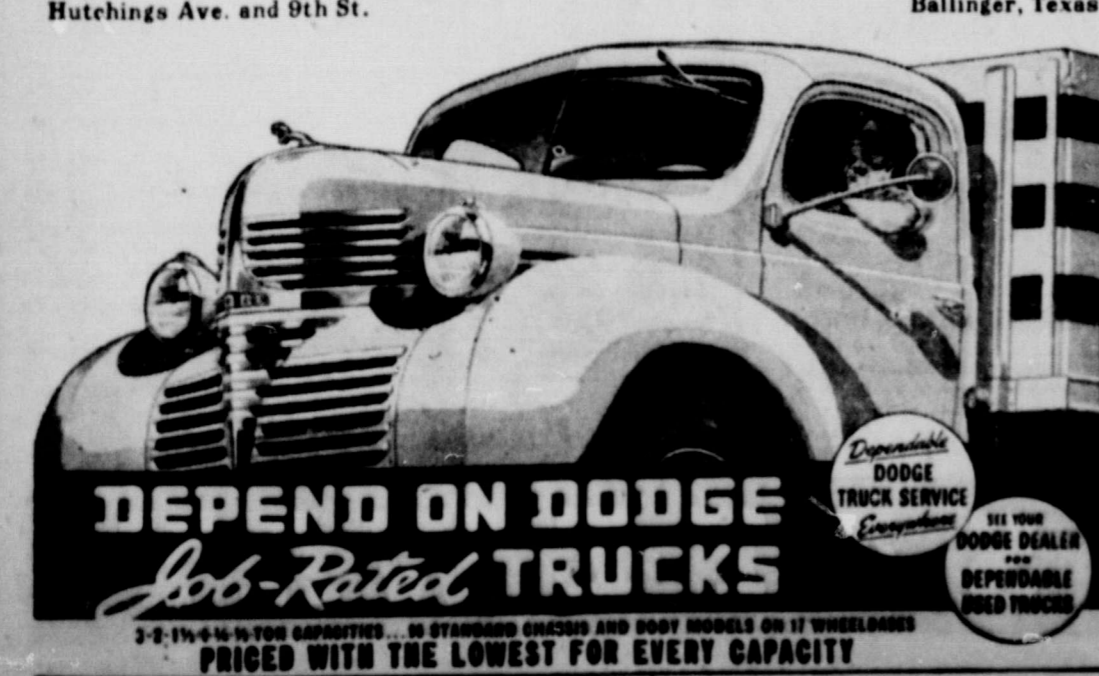
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"My Favorite Handwork" was the subject of the program when the South Ballinger home demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. C. D. Harris last Tuesday afternoon.

Roll call was answered by each member naming her favorite handwork.

After a report of the achievements of each member and an hour spent on handwork, the hostess assisted by Mrs. Brannon and Mrs. Milton Harris served ice cream and cake to the following: Mmes. Douglass Barnett, C. H. Midgley, Fred Moncrief, B. M. Batts, Harold Routh, Roy Holstead, V. L. McShan, Jones Sanders, James Barron, George McMillan, Estelle Straley, W. L. McAdams, and Misses Demma Barron and Virginia McShan.

Food values can "soak" out of greens if they stand in water too long, warns Nora Ellen Elliott, specialist in food preparation for the A. & M. College extension service. Where greens are to be used raw in a salad, most of the food value can be retained. She says: "Wash the greens quickly, then put them in a cold place to become crisp."

CHURCHES

Ballinger Baptist Church
(400 Eighth Street)

Sunday, April 28:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m., E. C. Grindstaff, superintendent.
11 a. m., sermon by the pastor.
6:45 p. m., Baptist Training Union.

7:45 p. m., pastor will preach and twenty-three converts will be baptized at the close of the services.

ACTIVITIES OF WEEK AND SPECIAL SERVICES—

Sunday:
1:30 p. m., the pastor will meet with the Royal Ambassador chapter, relating the true missionary story of "Chief Red Heart and the Big Thicket."
2:30 p. m., Mr. Ray Rozelle, of San Angelo, will speak at an Associational-wide Sunday school meeting at our church.

Monday:
7:30 p. m., the Beginner and Primary Sunbeam Bands meet at the church.
In the W. M. S. Visitation Day will be observed.

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

Wednesday:
5 p. m., the Intermediate Girls' Auxiliary will meet.
"All Church" night.
7:30 p. m., Sunday School Council.

8 p. m., prayer meeting.
Choir rehearsal follows.
The public is invited.
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First Christian Church
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Bible school begins at 9:45 a. m.; O. P. Dorsey, superintendent.
Preaching morning and evening by the regular minister.
JAS. T. MCKISSICK, Minister.

First Presbyterian Church
(301 Broadway)
Sunday, April 28, 1940:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.
Sermon, "Tested by Love."
Evening worship, 7:30 p. m.
Sermon, "The Four Horsemen."

Wednesday:
Mid-week service at 7:30 p. m.
DWIGHT A. SHARPE, Pastor

Church of the Nazarene
(Ninth at Harris)
Sunday, April 28, 1940:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock, sermon by the pastor.
Young People's Society, 6:45 p. m.
Evening worship, 7:45 o'clock, sermon by the pastor.
Wednesday:

Mid-week prayer service, 7:30 p. m.

Thursday:
Woman's Missionary Society, 2:30 p. m.
H. H. SPENCER, Pastor.

Church of Christ
(Eighth Street, Bonnal Avenue)
Lord's Day Services:
9:45 to 10:45, Bible lessons.
11 to 11:45 a. m., sermon.
11:45 to 12, communion.
7:45 to 8:45 p. m., evening service.

Monday:
3 p. m., Ladies' Bible class.
Wednesday:
7:15 p. m., prayer meeting.
L. H. OUSLEY, Minister

First Methodist Church
(Tenth Street)
Sunday, April 28, 1940:
9:45 a. m., church school, Sam Behringer, superintendent. Every person in Ballinger should attend Sunday school and church. If you are not attending a Sunday school come to this church—there is a class for you.
11:00 a. m., morning worship. Hear this fourth sermon, "Believe in God," of a series of sermons to be preached by the pastor. Every member of the church should hear this sermon.
6:30 p. m., Intermediate and Junior Leagues.
7:30 p. m., evening worship. Be sure and hear this sermon, "Overcoming Our Fears."
Monday:
The Woman's Missionary Society will not meet as this is visiting day. Visit several homes during the afternoon.

Wednesday and Friday:
Evangelistic service, 7:45 p. m.
Mid-week services, 7:45 p. m.
E. N. MURGATROYD, Pastor

Church of God
(Corner of Sixth and Strong)
Sunday school, 10 a. m.
General service, 11 a. m.
Junior meeting at 5 p. m.
Young people's meeting at 7 p. m.
Service, 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7 p. m.

AUBREY C. HAYNES, Pastor

Wants Long Rest



After 35 years of public life, Sen. Vic Donahy of Ohio has announced his decision to retire at the end of his present term. In Washington the senator stated that he is retiring to secure a much-needed rest.

Monday:
7:30 p. m., Young People's League. All young people of the church are urged to be present and bring a friend.
Wednesday:
7:00 p. m., Church Night. Bring the family and a dish of food.
8:00 p. m., choir practice.
You will receive a cordial welcome at this church. Come, worship God.

debt of \$2.80.
Coco, who is a Latvian and whose real name is Nicolai Poliakoff, said he recently had dug in roads to lay gas pipes, had been hotel night porter and music hall clown. He was ordered to pay 20 cents a week on the debt, and started out to find another job.

Grain sorgham acreage in Texas for 1940 will be around 4,081,000 in comparison with 3,850,000 last year and 2,788,000 for the stock estimates, USDA.

Once a sturdy "workaday" cotton cloth, gingham is now sheer and soft and makes some of the most fashionable tailored clothes for summer. The more expensive new gingham are preshrunk and have a crease-resistant finish.

In every region of the country families living on the farm tend to rank first in the proportion that have good diets, surveys made by the U. S. bureau of home economics reveal.

WEDDINGS

King-Holmes
Charles M. King and Miss Eunice Holmes were married at the home of Rev. Fred Walter King on Eighth Street Saturday evening. Mr. King is a teacher at Mereta and the bride is teaching at Coryell. The groom is the son of B. R. King, who formerly lived near Marie and moved from this county to DeLeon.

COCO, THE CLOWN, WORKING ON ROADS
LONDON, April 24—Coco, the clown, who has entertained circus crowds for years, is broke and jobless because blackouts have canceled circus performances. He recently appeared in a London court because he couldn't pay a

Puppet Premier



Head of the newly formed puppet group in Norway is Major Vidkun Quisling, Fascist leader, who announced a new government to replace that of Premier Johann Nygaard.

Services were held Monday afternoon at the church. Rev. Grimes officiating. Interment was made in Evergreen Cemetery.
Agnew-Wright Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Eliza Lugo
Eliza Lugo, 1-month-old infant

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DEATHS

Mamie Edwards Walls
Mamie Edwards Walls, 51, colored, died at the home of a daughter on Sixteenth Street Sunday afternoon at 3:20 after illness of three weeks. She had been living in Runnels county for the past twenty years and was well known among the white people of Ballinger. She was a member of the Mt. Moriah Baptist church.

Survivors include the husband and two daughters.
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BIRTHS

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Mr. and Mrs. Neil McAlpine are entertaining a fine 9-pound son, born to them Sunday at the Halley & Love Sanitarium. The young man has been named Robert Edward and he and his mother are doing nicely.

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