



Women's, Society and Club News

Shakespeare Club Has Quiz Program

The Shakespeare Club met in its regular bi-monthly meeting Thursday afternoon at the club room in the Army and Navy Club.

At the business session, Mrs. Ernest Caskey heard a report from the program chairman, Mrs. Horace Murphy. The club voted to continue meeting twice a month for the duration.

Mrs. C. R. Stephens was program leader with a theme of current affairs, from Time Magazine. All members participated in the quiz program. Mrs. Horace Murphy won first place, Mrs. Ford Taylor second, and Mrs. Leonard Stallings third.

Others present were: Mmes. E. G. Forgy, James W. Guynes, W. J. Hembree, Horace Murphy, Alex Saunders, C. P. Shepherd, A. B. Stobaugh, Ford Taylor, Leonard Stallings and Slim Cottle.

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Martha Kay Northington is Four

Martha Kay Northington was honor guest on her fourth birthday anniversary when her mother, Mrs. K. V. Northington gave a party for her in their home Friday afternoon. Games were played

and the white birthday cake, which was decorated with red candles was cut and served with ice cream. Novelty toys were favors.

Mrs. Neil McAlpine and Mrs. J. C. Johnson assisted. Included were: Martha Neil and Robert McAlpine, Janice and Jimmy Church, Robert Wilson, Joy Lengefeld, Gary McShan, Margaret Jane Miller, Sharon Tuckey, Sarah Chandler, Jon Edwin Schnable, Dickie Murchison, Bobbie McMillan, Johnnie Jackson, Malcolm Hall, Jo Beth and Bill Johnson, Keith Nutt, Susan and Lynn Herring and Margaret Ann Adair.

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Three Are Hostesses to Methodist Virginia Douglass Class

Mrs. Jack Nixon, Jr., Mrs. J. D. Jordan, and Mrs. Myles Nixon were hostesses to the Methodist Virginia Douglass Class Friday evening in the Jack Nixon home on Twelfth Street.

The patriotic theme was stressed with red, white and blue tapers and arrangements of red primroses where Mrs. W. O. Irby directed the business and Mrs. E. C. Tinsley gave the devotional and the Lord's Prayer. Mrs. Ben Denny

read a paper on "Grace for This Day."

Cherry pudding was served with muffins and coffee.

Others present were: Mmes. Jack Hampton, Edward Sommer, Elbert King, Henry Moody, Bill Clark, H. G. Agnew, Raymond McShan, Roy Neal, Jack Dempsey, E. H. King, Tom McEntire, Walter Middleton, J. G. Douglass, John Hollingsworth, J. D. Forman of Abilene, Tom Forgy, and Miss Alexander.

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Sew and Chat Club Meets

Mrs. Walter Kuhn was an added guest when Mrs. Tom McEntire was hostess to the Sew and Chat Club members on Friday afternoon in her home on Tenth Street.

Potted plants were used to decorate the living room where individual handwork was done.

Cherry pie was served with coffee.

Others present were: Mmes. W. O. Middleton, Ross Causey, Jessie Ward, Fred Middleton, Leon Russell, W. R. Murphy and E. C. Tinsley.

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Alathean Class Makes Red Cross Quilt

Mrs. Hubert Parrish, Mrs. R. E. Truly and Mrs. Lee Sykes were hostesses to the First Baptist Alathean Class in the parlors of the church on Eighth Street last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. A. O. Bartlett directed the business session. The remainder of the afternoon was spent quilting a Red Cross quilt. This class has completed two Red Cross quilts this month.

The hostesses served mince pie with coffee to: Mmes. Bartlett, C. W. Jennings, Roy Holstead, Lottie Farris, Everett Witter, Fred Holliday and R. P. Canady.

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Dance for New Cadet Class

The Army and Navy Club committee was host Saturday evening with a formal dance at the club to honor Class 43-G, new cadets at Bruce Field, with the upper class members also included as guests, together with girls from Ballinger and surrounding towns. About seventy-five cadets with their dates danced to nickelodeon music.

Members of the committee and their wives were: Rev. J. C. Johnson, Messrs. and Mmes. Troy Simpson, Harry Lynn, Claude Stone, Alex McGregor, and a visitor, Mrs. Fred Turner, of Fort Worth.

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Methodist Circles Meet

Circles of the Methodist W. S. C. S. met Monday in three groups in the regular fourth Monday meetings.

Mrs. W. E. Middleton and Mrs. E. C. Tinsley were hostesses to Sally Odom members in the Middleton home on Tenth Street. Rooms were decorated with potted plants where Mrs. Lemmie Davis, chairman, directed the short business routine. Mrs. A. B. Legate gave the Bible study lesson, the first chapter of the book, "Can a Man Rob God?" This was fol-

lowed by a roundtable discussion. A sandwich plate with cookies was served with coffee.

Others present were: Mmes. T. P. Brown, J. T. Brandon, W. E. Clark, J. M. Borders, Charles Harris, A. E. Fields and Ross Causey.

Mrs. John Loveless presided over the business, when Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw, Mrs. John Weeks and Miss Alice Morgan entertained the Ette Gressett Circle in the Earnshaw home in Wilke Terrace.

Mrs. Weeks gave the opening prayer and Mrs. Tom Caudle directed the lesson. Bouquets of daffodils decorated the living rooms where the hostesses served a sandwich plate with boiled custard and cookies with coffee.

Others present were: Mmes. W. E. Midgley, Leonard Scales, W. E. Shipp, O. R. O'Neill, C. P. Shepherd, and R. A. Dickinson.

Mrs. Cal Adair was hostess to the Etta Burroughs Circle with the chairman, Mrs. Jack Nixon, Sr., directing the business. Mrs. M. E. McClenny gave the Scripture reading and Mrs. J. G. Douglass led the lesson.

The George Washington theme was emphasized in room decorations and on the refreshment plates. Cherry pie, topped with cream, was served with coffee.

Others were: Mmes. Viola Allison, Cecil Jones and W. O. Middleton.

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Mrs. Saunders Inspirational Leader for Presbyterian Auxiliary

Mrs. Alex Saunders was director for the monthly inspirational program when the First Presbyterian Woman's Auxiliary met at the church Monday afternoon.

Bouquets of daffodils decorated the church parlors where the subject, "Christian World Outlook" was discussed following the singing of "Faith of Our Fathers." Mrs. Frank Pearce gave the devotional, "Trust in God Assures Victory." Mrs. C. R. Stephens' topic was "Christianity in the World of Tomorrow." The group sang "In Christ There is no East nor West." Mrs. Alex McGregor played piano accompaniments.

Social hour hostesses, Mrs. Paul Trimmer and Miss Jennie Bennett, served cream puffs with hot spiced tea.

Others present were: Mmes. Bruce Creasy, George Harwell, Emma Godwin of Waco, Grace Thomas, George Holman, Victor Miller, W. B. Woody, Jack McGregor, Harry Lynn, R. F. Zeditz and Warren Lynn.

Junior G. A., 5 p. m., Mrs. W. E. Elkins, councillor.

Deacons' meeting, 8 p. m.

Wednesday:

Sunday school meeting, 7 p. m.

Special young people's meeting, 8 p. m.

The public is invited to worship with us.

CLARENCE A. MORTON, Pastor

Eighth Street Church of Christ

Sunday:

9:45 a. m., Bible school.

10:45 a. m., preaching service.

11:45 a. m., communion service.

6:45 p. m., young people's meeting.

7:30 p. m., evening service.

Monday:

4:00 p. m., ladies' Bible class.

Wednesday:

7:30 p. m., prayer meeting service.

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy these services with us.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.

Sunday, February 28, 1943:

9:45 a. m., Sunday school.

11:00 a. m., morning worship.

8:00 p. m., evening worship.

W. A. ERWIN, Pastor

Foursquare Church

(104 North Twelfth Street)

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Services:

Sunday:

10:00 a. m., Sunday school.

Mrs. Dollie Bollier, superintendent.

11 a. m., communion service.

7:30 p. m., Junior Crusader service. Boys and girls, come.

8:15 p. m., evangelistic service.

Thursday:

8:00 p. m., prayer meeting. Please come to these services.

Revs. Lale E. and Lydia M. Green, Co-Pastors.

First Christian Church

(Broadway and Murrell)

Bible school, 9:45 a. m.

Worship, 11 a. m. and 6 p. m.

Come and join the fellowship.

J. T. SIMMONS, Minister

Church of Christ

(1100 Ninth Street)

Services:

Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Wednesday, 7:45 p. m.

You are always welcome.

L. W. HAYHURST, Minister

St. Mary's Catholic Church

(608 Sixth Street)

(Telephone 521)

Winter Schedule:

Mass first, third and fifth Sundays and Holidays of Obligation at 8:30 a. m. Second and fourth

Sundays at 11:00 a. m.

Week-day mass at 8:00 a. m.

FATHER EDW. B. POSTERT, O. M. I.

Church of the Nazarene

(Ninth and Harris)

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.

Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.

N. Y. P. S., 7:15 p. m.

Evening worship, 8:15 p. m.

WAYNE SEARS, Pastor

Grace Baptist Church

(10th and Phillips)

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Raymond C. Wilson, Pastor

Jim Hash, S. S. Superintendent

WEEKLY SERVICES:

Sunday:

Sunday school, 10 a. m.

Sermon, 11 a. m.

Sermon, 8 p. m.

Wednesday:

Prayer meeting, 8 p. m.

A cordial invitation to all.

Church of God

(Corner Sixth and Strong)

Preaching service and: Sunday school, 2:30 to 4:00 p. m.

Junior worship, 7:15 p. m.

Young people's service, 7:30 p. m.

Evening evangelistic service, 8:00 p. m.

Mid-week prayer service, Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.

A Christian welcome to all.

GEORGE H. HARRINGTON, Pastor

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Sunday:

9:30 a. m., Young People's League.

9:45 a. m., church school. Classes for all ages.

11 a. m., morning worship. Sermon subject, "Love Divine."

6 p. m., evening worship. Sermon subject, "Turning Back."

Monday:

4 p. m., Auxiliary business meeting.

3:30 p. m., executive board meeting.

Wednesday:

7:30 p. m., prayer service.

The public is cordially invited to all worship services.

J. C. JOHNSON, Pastor.

First Methodist Church

Sunday, February 28, 1943:

Church school, 9:45 a. m.

Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.

Evening service, 7:45 p. m.

Intermediate and Youth Fellowship, 7:00 p. m.

W. E. SHIPP, Pastor

First Baptist Church

(400 Eighth Street)

Sunday, February 28:

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.

Judge E. C. Grindstaff, superintendent.

Sermon by pastor at 11 a. m., "The Gospel of a Second Chance" Jonah.

Cadet Fellowship, 5 p. m.

Training Union, 6:30 p. m.

Sermon by pastor at 7:30 p. m., "Ambassadors"—Obadiah.

ACTIVITIES OF THE WEEK:

Monday:

Sunbeam Band, 3 p. m. Mrs. Mark Davis, leader.

From 3 until 5 p. m., the Woman's Missionary Society will observe Week of Prayer program in behalf of home missions in cooperation with the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention.

R. A. chapter, 5 p. m. Mrs. John Endacott, councillor.

Intermediate G. A., 5 p. m. Mrs. W. J. Hembree, sponsor.

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Announcement of the number of ration points to be required for the purchase of foods makes American people realize they will have a hard time setting a table during the rest of the war. The tabulation for March reveals that in canned goods only two or three cans of the principal foods will be available on the 48 points for the month. The "freezing" of some dried foods has brought housewives another worry and within a short time meals will be included in the plan. In addition to the small quantities of canned and dried foods shortages of other items permit little buying and the war is brought a little closer to the American home front. Urgent needs have developed in all sections of the world where the allies are fighting.

The Ballinger Board of Community Development is throwing its full force behind the move to encourage victory gardens in Ballinger and every other section of Runnels county. It is pointed out that this is one important way to help in the war effort—by raising food for our own use and to help our allies. Not only must food be grown in every backyard and flower bed, but after it is raised it must be taken care of, and information has been received that cans will be available for this purpose. County farm and home demonstration agents are stressing the importance of planning and starting a garden immediately.

West Texas has received a hard break in the shortage of feed for livestock. The need for animal proteins is troubling ranchmen and dairymen in practically every section. Ranchmen now in the lambing period are losing many lambs and a percentage of ewes because of the lack of feed. Dairy operators short on feed report a decrease in milk and butter pro-

duction. The range is very dry and there seems to be no relief in sight until another crop is produced.

**Baptist Prayer
Week Programs
To Begin Monday**

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, of which Mrs. Carl Black is president, will observe the annual week of prayer in behalf of home missions as carried out by the Southern Baptist Convention with which the local church cooperates. Special services will be held at the church Monday, March 1, from 3 to 5 o'clock.

Wednesday night will be observed as young people's night. The week's programs will be under the leadership of Mrs. Clarence A. Morton, chairman of missions, assisted by Mrs. T. J. McCaughan, Fred Holliday, Mark Davis and W. J. Hembree. The Wednesday night program will be under Mrs. E. F. Lawless, young people's secretary.

The pastor, Rev. Morton, gives the following information: Since the last annual observance of this week of prayer which is under the leadership of Dr. George W. Truett, chairman of the Southern Baptist committee on relief, the Southern Baptist Convention, has contributed over and above all the regular gifts, the following: To Chinese relief, \$160,000; for evacuation of missionaries, \$40,000; British Baptist relief, \$93,914; world emergency relief, \$444,674; funds for Russian Bibles, \$15,000; to American Bible Society for Bibles in Europe, \$33,657; for Baptists in Spain, \$3,000; to American prisoners of war in China, \$3,000; to Chinese orphans, \$18,000; to winter relief in Russia and Europe, \$55,000.

Large sums have been distributed to others in need all over the world in other ways. Sumner Welles, of the state department, Washington, has written the Southern Baptist board, commending the noble work in all parts of the world.

**BEARCATS TO ENTER CAGE
TOURNAMENT AT WINTERS**

The Ballinger Bearcat basketball team will go to Winters this weekend to take part in an invitation tournament. The locals have been meeting some of the fastest teams in this section for the past two weeks and have shown much improvement. At Winters they expect to be one of the favorite clubs to take the trophy.

A large number of boys are working out in the new physical education program since the opening of the new gymnasium and at this season basketball is being stressed. Several teams are working out daily in addition to the regular program for all boys of the school.

Vitality Needed as Basketball Goes Under Water



These girls from the Los Angeles Athletic club disport with pleasure in the very unusual game of underwater basketball, which requires the full of swimming skill and endurance. Water polo was a national sport for men for many years; now underwater basketball may take its place. In picture at right the girls dive into the pool for the start of the game. At the left a goal is scored by the girl in the black suit.

**WEST TEXAS
NOTES**

Lieut. Bedford E. Russell, of Winters, was reported last week to be a prisoner of war in Italy. Word came to Winters in a relayed message received by his wife who is a hostess in an Abilene USO club. Mrs. Russell remained with her husband during his training and returned to Abilene when he was sent to North Africa in December. The lieutenant was a pilot on a bomber.

Rev. Lennie Dubberly, formerly of Melvin, is dodging Jap bullets around Buna. Letters received from soldiers in New Guinea tell of his conducting funeral rites for men killed and performing other important services for soldiers in that sector. He left Melvin more than a year ago to enter the army as a chaplain and was sent overseas soon afterwards.

The city of Coleman recently paid off \$20,000 in outstanding bonds with money accumulated in the general fund. Part of the bonds were owned by the Coleman bank and others were in the hands of citizens. It is estimated that \$1,200 in interest was saved by the liquidation.

At the annual livestock show at Talpa last week the Wayland Holland was awarded the grand championship. Gene Evans was biggest winner in the show, taking a number of first places on his animals.

The voting strength of Kimble county is far below normal this year. A check-up of polls paid reveals the 1943 total the lowest in many years. The reduction is said to be due to so many men over 21 years of age being in the armed services at this time.

A contract for enlargement of the sewage plant at Camp Bowie was set last week. C. H. Harrison, of Waco, offered the successful bid of \$100,000. Growth of the camp made extension of the system necessary at once and lines will be laid to all new sections of the military reservation.

It was announced the past weekend that the Rising Star school lunch room would be closed on February 24 for the duration of the war. This school, of which H. B. Self is superintendent, was one of the first in the state to begin operation of a lunch room and has maintained it with WPA assistance and by means of surplus commodity foods. With the withdrawal of WPA aid, Mr. Self stated the cafeteria would be closed.

The grand jury for the spring term of 119th district court at Paint Rock met last week and after a few hours' deliberations found no evidence that would merit an indictment of any kind. The grand jurors reported only on the condition of county property and then adjourned.

A very impressive program was held at Miles last Friday evening

the past twelve months the organization has completed many projects and is recognized as one of the strongest and most active in the state. New officers and directors were presented at the banquet.

The Coke County Livestock Association has made arrangements to assist 4-H club and F. F. A. chapter members in hauling their livestock to market and set March 24 as the date for delivery of all finished animals. Another meeting was slated Saturday night to make final plans and list all animals ready for shipment.

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The annual meeting and banquet of the Stephenville Chamber of Commerce was held last week, a large number attending. During

when a huge service flag, on which are 175 stars representing Miles boys now in the armed services, was publicly presented. Two of the stars are gold in memory of men who met death in this war, and another was for a soldier reported missing in action. Stars will be added to the flag as others join the armed forces and blue stars will be exchanged for gold ones as other casualties are reported.

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**American Cafe
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This Week-End**

Fred Woods announced today that the American Cafe would be formally opened next Saturday and Sunday. The new cafe, located on Hutchings Avenue in the old C. C. Davis building, next door to the J. Y. Pearce Drug Co., will be open for business Saturday morning.

A large crew rushed work on the interior of the building all this week, laying linoleum, installing fixtures and finishing the kitchen. A counter extends down one side of the building, booths will be installed on the opposite side and tables through the center. There will be large seating space and the restaurant will be able to serve large crowds at any eating period.

Mr. Woods stated that he had employed a full crew of waiters and other employees and would be able to render fast and courteous service. Chefs arrived this week to put the kitchen in readiness.

Most of the fixtures have arrived, with the exception of the tier of booths and they were to arrive and be installed tomorrow.

Mr. Woods will also continue operation of the Texas Grill on Eighth Street.

The new cafe will feature dinner Sunday and will be open in the future at regular hours.

**NETHERLANDS SCHOOL BOOKS
REVISED BY NAZI OVERLORDS**

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The Dutch are laughing at the amendments naz censorship has made in Netherlands school books. Stock sentence, "French wine is better than German" has been changed to "German wine is always better than French."

Dutch oil, however, is better than none at all. Old cleaning rags have to be given up in Holland when new or clean ones are required. Oil and fats are extracted from them and those still serviceable are returned to the market.

**BRITISH STEEPLEJACKS
CAMOUFLAGING BUILDINGS**

LONDON, February 24.—Steeplejacks of Great Britain are proving a great aid to the war effort by daring feats of camouflage. Men who not so long ago were repairing factory chimneys, cleaning weather vanes and painting spires and steeples are today doing "acrobatia decoration" on war factories.

N. H. Wells, secretary of the national camouflage contractors' advisory committee, states that aerial photographs are taken of areas around buildings to be camouflaged. Architectural perspective artists study the pictures and the site and prepare plans. Because scientists agree that nature herself provides the best camouflage for wild life, biologists are getting valuable ideas for the artists from natural animal camouflage.

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Chemical Warfare Demonstration Given Texas Defense Guard

Members of company E, 11th battalion of the Texas Defense Guard had four hours' work in chemical warfare at their drill period Monday night. Attending the lectures, pictures and demonstrations were members of the Ballinger fire department, officers and non-commissioned officers of the high school victory corps, a number of visitors from Eden and Paint Rock, and local guests.

In charge of the special demonstration was Lieut. Mulligan, of the San Angelo bombardier school. With him were Major Emmett Cox, commander of the 11th battalion; Captain Henry Batjer and Captain J. D. McKinley, of San Angelo. The visiting officers and officers of the local company had

dinner at the Harman Training Center and the drill started at 7 p. m.

Pictures and lectures on gasses employed in World War No. 1 were shown and discussed and lectures were given on treatment and first aid. Actual pictures of troops under gas attack were used in this part of the demonstration.

Pictures were then shown of present chemical warfare and discussion held on treatment and first aid methods for gas victims. The men were then marched to the drill field where a small house had been erected. Incendiary bombs were explained in detail and a small bomb was used to wreck and burn the house.

Demonstrations were given on phosgene, Lewisite, chloropicrin, mustard and tear gasses. Gas masks were worn by the men in uniform and the only "casualties" were bystanders who got too close and were enveloped in the clouds of gas released.

Destruction of the set house was accomplished with a thermite bomb, after which a piece of one-fourth inch steel was put on top of a five gallon bucket of water. On the steel bar was placed some thermite, which ate its way through the steel, water and bucket to the ground.

Captain K. V. Northington, company commander, said the special drill was one of the best he had ever attended and proved highly educational to the men of company E. Every local guardsman was present and four hours was devoted to the lectures, picture showing and demonstrations.

BALLINGER SCHOOL NEWS

By Catherine Clappitt and Marjorie McGregor

Mr. Posey Speaks to First Aid Classes

Wednesday, February 17, the first aid classes met together in the auditorium for a talk on bandages given by Mr. D. G. Posey. Mrs. Killough, Mrs. Jack Rodgers, Mrs. Langford and Mrs. Hackman assisted him by giving demonstrations of each bandage explained. The bandages explained and demonstrated were: triangle bandage, gauze square, gauze compress (one to four inches), small wound bandage, roll of bandage, forty-inch triangular bandage, head bandage, hand bandage, chest bandage, shoulder bandage, face bandage for burns, and also the square knot for tying a bandage securely.

Mr. Posey's lecture was very interesting and of much help to the first aid students. The one point stressed by Mr. Posey was to be serious about first aid, even in practice.

"Battle of the Sexes"

A "battle of the sexes" quiz program was held last Friday in the auditorium. This program was based on the radio quiz program of the same name. Masters of ceremonies were Mary Ann Morgan and Fred Carroll. The contestants—six boys and six girls—were taken from the three grades and selected as to their capabilities as students. From the

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THE MOPPING UP will begin— and may it start soon—and be FAST—and COMPLETE!
ANOTHER THING— is CERTAIN— you can't do better— than to do your Shopping at HIGGINBOTHAM'S Not only— do Price Ceilings prevail—
BUT—YOU'LL FIND that throughout— Our Store— QUALITY MUST be right—and if merchandise— is to be had— we are doing— OUR BEST— to get it.
OF COURSE RATIONING —is here to stay —for the Duration. —at home— WONT COMPLAIN —for the first consideration is to WIN THE WAR— and give our FIGHTING FORCES all they need!
BUY BONDS— every time you can—and buy what you need at—

Higginbotham's

Your business—large or small will be appreciated.



if you Buy Your Spring Dress Now!

Double your charm—your pretty good looks for "after hours" in these new dresses! Just unpacked, they're feminine-fresh and lovely—and so expensively made they look twice their low price! Choose from a host of fashion-hit styles—dress up for "him" today!



FRANCIS DEXTER CLASSICS
Superbly fashioned with clever details—gored skirts—beautiful buttons and studs all sizes

NORDIS SPORTSWEAR
Blouses in jersey, crepe and cotton—long and short sleeves. Skirts in pleats or gores, pastels and large prints.

LYNNBROOK'S
Fresh crisp cottons—for the girl who gets around—something that can be tubbed at a moment's notice. Many other dresses in jersey, alpaca, crepe and salyna—plain, colors or gorgeous prints. In all sizes

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I found the way to Amazing NEW Pep...Vitality... better LOOKS!



- 1—Promote the flow of vital digestive juices in the stomach
- 2—Energize your body with RICH, RED BLOOD!

Frequently the stomach becomes sluggish in pouring out its digestive juices to make use of the food eaten... likewise, wear and strain of worry, overwork, colds, or other illness often reduce one's blood strength.

At such times Nature needs extra help to restore its proper functions and balance. Undigested food places a tax on the system... insufficient blood strength is a detriment to good health.

Now you may overcome the discomforts or embarrassment of digestive complaints, sour stomach, bloating, underweight, loss of appetite, poor complexion, jerky nerves, weakness! If you are subject to poor digestion or suspect deficient red-blood as the cause of your trouble, yet have no organic complication, or focal infection, SSS Tonic may be just what you need as it is especially designed to promote the flow of vital digestive juices in the stomach and to build-up blood strength when deficient.

These two important results enable you to enjoy the food you do eat... to make use of it as Nature intended. Thus you may get new vitality... pep... become animated... more attractive!

Build Sturdy Health
so that the Doctors may better serve our Fighting Forces
Thousands and thousands of users have testified to the benefits SSS Tonic has brought to them and scientific research shows that it gets results—That's why so many say "SSS Tonic builds sturdy health—makes you feel like yourself again." At drug stores in 10 and 20 oz. sizes. C.S.S.S. Co.

S.S.S. TONIC
helps build STURDY HEALTH

How to Beat Food Rationing!

Commencing March 1st, canned and bottled fruits and vegetables, fruits and vegetable juices, soups and baby foods will be rationed. Be sure to get your new ration book for these items before then.

There is a way to beat food rationing—a pleasant, profitable, patriotic way:

Plant a Victory Garden...

It's fun to plant a garden. It's a delight to eat the fresh, crisp things it produces. It's a big economy in the family grocery bill. "Live out of your own back yard this year."

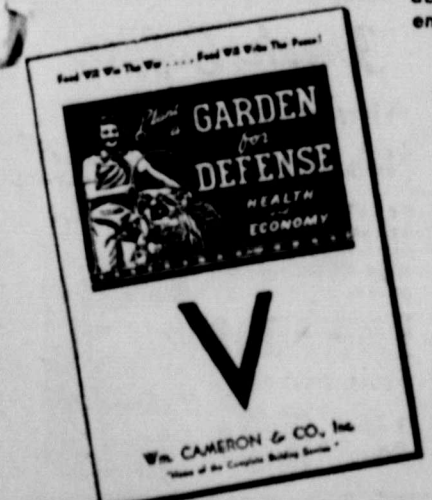
Keep Chickens...

A small flock of 20 to 25 hens will produce all the poultry meat and eggs a family of five will use. To assure yourself and your family of being well fed this year, start the useful and profitable hobby of keeping chickens in your own back yard.

Get This Book FREE!

In beautiful colors, 24 pages of valuable information on planting a "Victory Garden" and how to best care for a small flock of chickens. It's FREE at any Wm. Cameron & Co. store.

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4-H Club Boys And Girls of County Will Hold Rally, Party

Runnels county 4-H club boys and girls will hold their spring rally and party at the Army and Navy Club here Friday night, March 5. The program will start at 8 o'clock and approximately 360 boys and girls are expected to attend.

Boys are staging the party and have invited all 4-H club girls to be their guests. Club leaders in all parts of the county are assisting the groups in the rally and party and indications point to a successful event.

Cal Adair is planning a musical program and the will open the fun at the party. One speaker will be heard, discussing the food program, and after the rally the boys and girls will participate in games and stunts the remainder of the evening.

This will be the first meeting of the kind held by the clubbers and leaders hope by this means to encourage them to increased numbers and to greater accomplishments during the year.

Banks to be Closed for Holiday March 2

Ballinger banks will not be open for business on Tuesday, March 2. Customers are asked to take notice of this holiday and arrange for change and attend to other banking business on Monday.

The First National Bank, The Farmers & Merchants State Bank.

For Allied victory—buy bonds.

successful one, and was enjoyed by all who attended.

The hall was decorated with black and red streamers and face balloons, with a goal post on either side of the hall in black and red and blue and white.

This party proved to be a very

Yanks Pay Visit to Jerusalem



U. S. army Liberator bomber fighters, having seen action against the enemy in the Middle East, were allowed time off for a visit to Jerusalem. Here they are bidding good-bye to a keeper at Solomon's stables.

OLD SEWING MACHINES GO BACK IN OPERATION TO HELP VICTORY DRIVE

COLLEGE STATION, Feb. 24.—Sewing machines, some 35 to 50 years old, now are sewing for victory as a result of 17 machine clinics held recently in Hill county by Helen Dunlap, county home demonstration agent, through the cooperation of the county agricultural victory council. The clinics were sponsored in communities where home demonstration clubs are not organized.

As a result of the success of this venture, more than 100 machines were cleaned and many more have been put in repair as persons trained in the clinics help neighbors get their machines in working order. Miss Dunlap has reported to Minnie May Grubbs, district agent for the A. & M. College extension service. Miss Grubbs supervises home demonstration

work in 17 North and Central Texas counties.

Many of the machines never had been cleaned before, and collections of lint, thread and dust were found. In the sandy section of the county grit was removed from the mechanisms. Paint brushes, tooth brushes, and toothpicks and kerosene were among the aids used in the cleaning process.

Miss Dunlap says interest in the work was not confined to women, for men, boys and girls also proved adept at cleaning the machines. She assisted in testing the tension and stitches and in making other adjustments.

As a result of the success of this venture, other care and repair clinics will be scheduled in the county during 1943.

J. P. Flynt, now in the state ranger service in the Gulf Coast area, was here the first of the week for a visit with relatives and friends and returned to his post Tuesday night.

Annual Boy Scout District Meeting Will be Held Here

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Colorado River District, Boy Scouts of America, will be held in Ballinger Tuesday night, March 2. The meeting has been called by E. C. Grindstaff, district chairman, and it was announced that an executive of the Concho Valley Council, of which the local district is a part, will assist with the program.

Scouts and leaders from Paint Rock, Eden, Bronte, Rowena, Miles and Ballinger will participate in this meeting and are expected to attend in large numbers.

A nominating committee, composed of Judge O. L. Parish, Hill Hampton and Tom Agnew, will report at the business session on those suggested for new officials of the district. A committee on arrangements, to be named later by Judge Grindstaff, will make all arrangements for the meeting and program.

A detailed program will be announced next week and everyone interested in scouting is invited to attend the annual meeting. The district is now the largest since it was formed and more troops probably will be organized this year.

REV. ERWIN IS SPEAKER AT ROTARY CLUB MEETING

Rev. W. A. Erwin, pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church, was guest speaker for the Ballinger Rotary Club Tuesday, taking for his theme, "What Has the War Done for You?" He began with a tribute to George Washington and then called attention to the effect of events on the lives of men. The speaker pointed to war conditions of today and asked Rotarians what it was doing to them.

