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# 300 Hear Speaker Give Gilmer-Aiken Proposals Banquet Scheduled Guard Company Has Manager of Two DeLeon Theatres

tees, teachers and patrons of ing three counties were here Monday passed by the legislature.

ing the school situation in Texas ment of the proposals.

floor and considerable time was state.

Aiken committee. Dr. Norwood, the program they were recognized of Midland, will be the principal grown fast and that in addition management last week. executive agent for the Gilmer- and asked to comment on the speaker, and as soon as his accept- to the 63 enlistments there were Mr. Scales intends to move his Aiken committee, gave a complete proposals. Senator Hardeman ance was received, the date was some six or seven others to come family to DeLeon some time after interpretation of the proposals of replied that he had no comment set. the suggested legislation which to make until he had received a The entertainment committee will have a bearing on the opera- copy of the bill to be presented to will go ahead with other details camp the local company had a is continuing as manager of the tion of all schools in Texas if the legislature for consideration of the program, arranging for strength of only 32 men. A Texas and Palace theatres here. The committee has been study- and no suggestion as to endorse- master and naming special com-

for more than a year and the The Ballinger meeting was proposals will change many things arranged in order that a first- have been made, the meeting middle of February. now a part of the educational hand explanation of all phases of probably will be held in the high the proposals might be obtained school gymnasium. After his address the speaker by school authorities and inter- Roger Wheeler, retiring secre-

# Breakage of Street Lights Here is Becoming Serious

Street lights in Ballinger are owned, operated and serviced by the West Texas Utilities Co., the \$3,367 Grand Total city paying for the current consumed. The utilities company is striving to render the best service possible in keeping the lights burning in every section of the city but for the past thirty days

reported out again. An examina- all mail had been received. tion disclosed that some kind of The quota for the county

one. Since Halloween about 100 remit within a few days. expense to the company.

ing a warning, but if the practice The committee in charge of the responsible.

It also was pointed out that the lamps in use at the present time S. E. Cloninger. are not too expensive, but that when the new street lighting system is installed, breakage of that station KRUN will broadcast globes will become a considerable two shows Saturday in the

lowing the fracture of an arm.

# **INCOME** TAX

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# On Seal Campaign;

Claus buttons, conducted by the W. O. Wallace, manager, stated Runnels County Tuberculosis Assothat approximately thirty lights clation, has reached a grand total were replaced last week and Mon- of \$3,367.93. This total was tabuday morning a large number were lated Wednesday afternoon after

fired that after destroying the the goal was \$382.07 short. Offiglobe, often ruins or damages the cials of the association said about 650 letters containing seals were Company officials are hopeful still out and no remittances had without embarrassment to any- these recipients are expected to

globes have been replaced in the Of the amount reported yestercity limits and besides the cost day \$53.23 was received from the of the lights and reflectors, the sale of bangles and Santa Claus time required to climb poles and buttons in the Ballinger and make replacements is a heavy Rowena schools. Other schools are in this phase of the campaign Company officials are not issu- and will make reports soon.

is not stopped, watchmen will seal selling hopes to go over the have to be employed to halt those top before Christmas eve. Any person who has received seals Parents are urged to use their and has not remitted is urged to influence so that servicing can be do so as soon as possible and any decreased to normal replacements who failed to receive seals by and before it is necessary to take mail may secure them by contactother steps to stop this vandalism. ing the seal sale chairman, Mrs.

Mrs. Carl Black, executive secbe heard from 8:45 to 9 a. m., Robert Holliday, of Houston, was and the other from 10:30 to 11 here the first of the week to visit a. m. The first will be a musical his mother, Mrs. Mattie Holliday, performance by a name band, and who has been in the hospital fol- the second will be a Bob Hope skit and will include many wellknown radio stars.

# Free Show for Kids At Texas Xmas Eve

Jack Scales, manager of the Thursday Texas Theatre, announces that the annual Christmas eve show ing following the fracture of an tained a heart attack, was taken for children of this trade territory arm two weeks ago. will be presented at 9:30 a. m. Friday, December 24.

booked and there will also be underwent surgery Friday, is gifts for the kiddies. The pictures improving. will have a special appeal to chil- tured a hip Monday, is improving. for an eye infection.

Everything is free and the are parents of a daughter, born entire theatre staff will be on Wednesday. Mother and baby are duty to usher the little folk. The doing nicely. house will be made comfortable parents are invited to see that a visit with her niece, Mrs. Oren their children attend.

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It was announced Tuesday that

Mr. Rampy made a similar reply entertainment numbers, a toastmittees for other work.

While no definite arrangements

incoming secretary, were in conthe report after he moves here training and remain at home

# Goal is \$382 Short has experienced much trouble The campaign for Christmas To Present Program Immediately following the business session, a Christmas party selected for the school annual In order to inform the public mately half the days of the year ness session, a Christmas party selected for the school annual In order to inform the public mately half the days of the year which they

tary school will present a Christ- pack. high-powered pellet gun or rifle is \$3,750 and yesterday afternoon Wednesday, December 22. The with ornaments which they are favorites, included in the feature a report of the commission on standing that that the damage can be stopped been received on these. Many of parents and others who love chil- boys. dren are invited to attend.

> The program follows: "Away in a Manger," grade I

"O Come All Ye Faithful," grade "O Little Town of Bethlehem

grade III

"Silent Night," violin solo, Miss "Silent Night," sung by massed

"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," grade V "Hark the Herald Angel Sings,"

grade IV "Joy to the World," chorus Prayer, Supt. Ernest Caskey.

#### HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. J. M. Harrison and daughter. Thursday Mrs. R. C. Haverland, Miles,

Tuesday Mrs. C. W. Cheatham, medical, Mrs. E. L. Moreland and son, former Miss Ruth Davis.

Mrs. Mattie Holliday is improv-

medical treatment. A special program has been O. C. Matthews, of Talpa, who

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Ransbarger

Mrs. W. B. Kerr has returned for any kind of weather and all to her home at San Antonio after

Chandler, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pearson, of Nashville, were week-end guests of Mrs. Oscar Pearson.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pearce left today for New Orleans to attend the wedding of their son, Francis M. Pearce, Jr., to Miss Jeannette Moe, on Sunday, December 19.

# **Income Tax**

Sallinger Electric Co. Bldg.

# Chamber Commerce Ballinger National Leonard Scales is

Company I, 142nd infantry, the date for the annual Ballinger located at Ballinger, under the DeLeon, where he and associates in this week.

check-up Monday night disclosed Living practically all his life in

ference Tuesday when the date job is over and that enlistments the two Ballinger theatres. will come much faster now that Both showhouses at DeLeon pleted compilation of all activities the company is large enough to have well established patronage up to this week and Mr. Weaver offer some attraction to those and excellent equipment will complete the remainder of desiring to get their military

#### CUB SCOUTS CHRISTMAS PARTY BILLED TONIGHT

be elected and a number of other pack No. 3030 will be held in the

party will be contributed by the

mas program at the high school. The program will open with the birth in song and story as related be followed by the filling of a underway for some time and education. Recently the educa-in Luke 2-8:16. It will be read by Christmas basket for a needy their identity will be made known tional policies commission stated: develop attitudes and behavior more than 500 children and all family with food donated by the at the program tomorrow evening.

Christmas carols will be sung, "Holly, Holy," IV and V of refreshments will conclude the the school during the year. and food for the basket.

## THREE WELLS BEING TESTED

There were no new developnels county the past week

the A. W. Gray well in the Beddo pool and drilling resumed. Work is progressing today at around 2.500 feet

is proceeding on the Lenora Fowler but no announcements have . . . . . . . . . . . . been made on results.

Testing is continuing on the Henry Fowler in the Beddo area. Southern Minerals ran drillstem Bailey Clinic-Hospital the past tests yesterday on the Mrs. R. A. Dickinson well west of Ballinger David Campbell, Paint Rock, and will move slowly near pay Advent to Earth."

The feature pro-

from Imperial, where she wel- dren of the church will make an medical, Friday
LaRue Davis, Paint Rock, car crash injuries, Thursday
Bobby Kurtz, Rowena, burns, lady was born November 18 at the direction of Rev. Gilbert will Bobby Kurtz, Rowena, burns, lady was born November 18 at the direction of Rev. Gilbert will sponsoring Christmas socials for "Physicians, dentists, nurses, bealth ifficers, social and welfare

J. F. Owen, who recently sus-Mrs. W. A. Hale is receiving Tuesday in a Newby-Davis ambulance. His condition this morning church. was reported favorable.

Hospital, San Angelo, where he and children's program at 7:30 p. will be loaded with comedy and Mrs. S. S. McCray, who frac- was taken Sunday for treatment m. Thursday, December 23.

#### NOTICE, ADVERTISERS

Next week, on December 23. the regular Christmas edition of The Ledger will be published. Special advertising services have been purchased and solicitors will start tomorrow (Friday) selling space for this inal issue before Christmas. We will appreciate copy early in order to handle the large volume of advertising with our limited force. Cooperation of advertisers in this will be appreciated.

Leonard Scales has moved to

the Christmas holidays and they Returning from the summer will make home there. Jack Scales

63 on the active roster and sev- Ballinger, Leonard Scales has been eral others ready to sign up. A associated with the picture show total of 100 is expected by the business since childhood. He was graduated from the Ballinger high The guard unit assembles each school and in World War II served Monday 'night and the group is in the air forces in the European making good progress on its train- theatre. For a number of years he permitted questions from the ested patrons of this part of the tary, and James D. Weaver, ing program. Capt. Tisdale thinks has been associated with his the hardest part of the recruiting father and brother in operating

#### **School Favorites Coronation Set Tomorrow Night**

that the regular program of present its annual coronation schools but will prove beneficial to hood, most children are Elementary Pupils awards and presentations will be program Friday night at 7:30 in the entire county through in schools and are under the the high school auditorium. At cooperation with other health supervision of school staffs for will be held for all Cubs and their will be presented and the coro- in regard to her general work. The conditions under which they Wednesday Morning parents. Refreshments for the nation will climax the program. Mrs. Bradley makes the following live in school, much work and preparation statement: Pupils of the Ballinger elemen- Ballinger Jaycees, sponsor of the accompanies this program each year which is a highspot in the of modern education. Health was individual and community health activities of the students of the named as the first of the funda- which they are taught to gymnasium at 9:30 a. m. next Cubs decorating a Christmas tree entire school. Selection of the mental objectives of education in and the information and under program will tell of the Saviour's to bring to the meeting. This will section of the annual, has been the reorganization of secondary themselves as

party. All Cubs and parents are Following the activities at the urged to attend and Cubs are auditorium, the school will sponasked to bring tree ornaments sor the annual coronation dance which will be held in the recreational building at Bruce Field. Committees are working on the NEAR PRODUCTION DEPTHS decorations there and all students, teachers and a number of school

## Lost tools were recovered from First Presbyterians Will Present Two Testing near production depth. Christmas Services

terian Church will celebrate Christmas with special services Sunday. At the morning worship hour. Rev. Lawrence Gilbert, pastor, will deliver his Christmas sermon, taking for his subject "God's

The feature program of the day will be a cantata and pageant at Mrs. J. L. Davis has returned the 5 o'clock vesper service. Chil-

Burnett. Mrs. Burnett was the The choir has been organized several months and has been rehearsing the cantata several The first will be given January social agencies are all rightfully weeks. Choristers will wear their new robes for the first time in the to the veterans' hospital, Temple, program Sunday. These robes were given by members of the strate the use of attachments and "Cooperation is the keynote

The final program for this Carl Black, Jr., is in Shannon church will be the Christmas tree The public is invited to attend

> these programs. BASEBALL MAN SEEKS

#### MANAGER'S JOB HERE Charlie English, major league

was in Ballinger Tuesday confer- January. entry in the Longhorn League. majors, and for the past several home demonstration agent, years has been managing a club in class A. He wants to locate in Texas for the 1949 season

# Many Families Still Need DeLeon Theatres Assistance for Christmas

outside help is forthcoming. To date about fifteen families time. have been taken, but many others! Some plan must be made early

A number of Sunday school short crops. In some instance State Senator Dorsey B. Harde- Chamber of Commerce member- command of Capt. Ray Tisdale have purchased two motion pic- classes and other organizations sickness has left destitution and man and State Representative W. ship meeting and banquet had has grown to a membership of ture houses. In the deal the Texas in Ballinger have "adopted" fami- in others the people are old and night to hear Dr. Pat Norwood H. Rampy were both present for been set for the evening of Fri- 63. Capt. Tisdale said that in and Leon theatres were purchased lies for Christmas. However, a month with which to provide all discuss proposals of the Gilmer- the meeting. At the conclusion of day, January 14. Delbert Downing, recent weeks the organization had and Mr. Scales assumed active carefully prepared list contains the necessities of life. With prethe names of about 40 families vailing prices, this sum will not who will have no Christmas unless allow more than food and this not

> are not provided for. This is a next week for the families not city-wide program and all local "adopted" by local classes and groups who can are asked to help, other organizations. Every person The list includes white, negro who is interested in helping with and Mexican families and in this work, to make unfortunates every case there is dire need for a little happier this Christmas assistance. Many heads of families season, is urged to look over the have had their earnings cut this list at once and help provide for

# Health Coordinator Will Begin Work January 1

The Ballinger high school will will center primarily in the to early manhood and womanthe high school auditorium. At cooperation with other health supervision of school staffs for

The public is invited to attend the basic facts concerning health successful living. the coronation and enjoy one of and disease . . . works to improve gifts exchanged and the serving the best programs presented by his own health and that of his must consider the total personal-

# **Luncheon Meeting** By County Council

December meeting last Saturday tion and improvement, (4) at the club house in Winters. It healthful physical education, and members plus a few guests preparation so that they are well Besides the regular council mem- for the education and care of bers and the new incoming mem- handicapped children are equally bers, others included the four essential county commissioners, County "Schools alone, however, cannot Judge E. C. Grindstaff and County enable children to attain all the Clerk Frankie Berryman.

were represented and the program ate that many people and groups, was opened with the singing of in addition to school, are also Christmas songs. Christmas stor- greatly interested in promoting ies were told by Mrs. Keet Dunn, health.

Sewing Machine Co. will demon- in their communities.

The 1949 year books were dis- of other equally vital areas. School tributed for the more than 250 health policies must be formuclub members in this county. The lated to achieve the maximum baseball player of a few years ago, new program will commence in cooperation and coordination both

ring with local baseball fans in At the social hour, gifts were school system and between each regard to managing the Ballinger exchanged. Special gifts were pre- school and the community.' sented to Mrs. Calton Smith. English is a second or third Texas Home Demonstration baseman and started his profes- Association chairman; Mrs. Harold sional baseball career at San Routh, outgoing council chairman Antonio, going from there to the and Miss Ollie Chenoweth, county

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"'An educated person knows conducive to healthy, happy and

dependents . . . and works to ity of each student and the mutual interdependence of physical, mental and emotional

polices, preferably in written form, to assure its pupils of (1) Includes Officials healthful school living conditions, onstration council held its regular erior services for health protecwas the first luncheon meeting especially (5) teachers and other ever held by the council and 41 school personnel with up-to-date enjoyed the occasion and it was qualified for their special health

destrable goals of individual and All eleven clubs of the county community health. It is fortun-

club members and their families, health ifficers, social and welfare Two training programs were agencies, health departments, announced for the near future. voluntary health agencies and 17 when a specialist of the Singer concerned with health activities

care of the machine. On January essential to the coordination of 24, John A. Barton, county farm the efforts of all concerned with agent, will give a demonstration child health. Only in this way can on the proper killing and dressing schools and communities develop of poultry. Two leaders from each balanced programs of health educlub in the county will attend cation and health care. Only thus these demonstrations and will can a school avoid false emphasis then give the information to on one phase of its health proother members of their clubs. gram with corresponding neglect within each school and each

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# Committee to Submit MOORE ERECTING PARK Twenty-Two Names | Bill Moore left Sunday for Big spring and from there to Roswell,

posed of Charles Hambrick, J. G. Tuckey and Alfred Dallinger, will submit the names of twenty-two Ballingerites, eleven of whom are to be elected directors of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce.

Improvements over the way it was arranged here.

He is installing 200 concrete box seats and will fill in and connect all stands with entrance-ways underneath. This arrangement Directors of the chamber will underneath. This arrangement meet Monday hight of next week several hundred more people.

members with the eleven hold- at this time. organization for 1949.

The entertainment committee is February. already making arrangements for the annual banquet and membership meeting to be held early men's pants bag at the pockets in January. At this meeting the instead of the knees. new officers will be presented and committees appointed for regular work during the following twelve months.

Roger Wheeler, who has resigned as manager of the local chamber of commerce to accept a position at Sherman, has prepared most of the annual statement and intends to be here at intervals with the new secretary-manager, James D. Weaver, to complete the 1948 report and have it printed for distribution to the membership.

A definite date for the annual banquet and membership meeting and the completed program will be announced soon. Members of the committee will contact a speaker this week in an effort to arrange for all numbers on the

AT ROSWELL THIS WEEK Bill Moore left Sunday for Big

New Mexico, to look after busi-For C. of C. Directors New Mexico, to look after business. Mr. Moore has started the erection of his baseball park at A nominating committee, com-Roswell and is making several improvements over the way it was

While in Minneapolis last week Following this action, post card Mr. Moore arranged for player ballots will be prepared and help through a chain of clubs and mailed to all members, asking will be able to make his selections them to elect eleven of the twenty- from spring training camps early two to serve on the board for a in the year. He stated the past week-end that he was figuring Following the election of the with a manager but was not able eleven directors the eleven new to make a definite announcement

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has traveled a long road since the days of Paré. Some dis-

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R. O. Pearson, of Abilene, has and serve the dinner. overs will meet and form the He expects to have his park incer for Lone Star Gas Co.'s master of ceremonies for the procompleted by the latter part of West Texas territory, according gram. Rev. Larry Gibert will pre-Bird, of Abilene, division super- with background music supplied

> ties under Lone Star's gas service tion of gifts from the lighted tree. districts in the gas company's of years. West Texas division.

Mr. Pearson joined Lone Star LOCAL ROTARIANS TO HAVE in 1932 as utility man at Hamlin. He served as local manager at the gas company in Abilene. He ment as distribution engineer.

He graduated from high school and attended Texas A. & M. College. Prior to joining Lone Star he was employed by the Western Windmill Company and the Burton Lingo Company at Sweetwater. Mrs. Pearson, the former Helen Davis, of Grandview, is Texas advisor on women's activities for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

#### Methodists to Have Christmas Programs At Services Sunday

The First Methodist Church will feature Christmas in all services Sunday, the climax to come at the evening hour when the choir will render the Christmas cantata, "That Song of Old," by Fred B.

The pastor, Rev. E. L. Craig, and other members have been devoting time this week to the annual Christmas offering for the Methodist Home for Children at Waco. This offering is made annually by the local membership.

Rev. Craig's subject for his Christmas message is "The First Christmas Proclamation," to be delivered at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday morning. The choir will present "Gloria in Excelsis," an old French carol, for its special. Opening the service Sunday evening. Miss Wilma Duke will play "Noel Cantique" for the prelude and this will be followed by the Christmas story and prayer by Rev. Craig. Miss Duke will play an arrangement of "Silent Night

for the offertory. Ten musical numbers are included in the cantata with Al Dallinger, Mrs. Charles Webb, Mrs. Wylie Hearne, Rex Mauldin and Mrs. Douglas Cox having solo parts, and a men's chorus and a ladies' chorus will also be heard. The cantata will begin at 7:00 p

On Wednesday night of next week all departments of the church school will assemble for one big Christmas tree and program. This program will begin at Rev. Craig extends a cordial

nvitation to citizens of this area to attend and enjoy these Christmas services and feature pro-

#### MRS. A. SCHNABLE DIES AT HOME IN SHAWNEE

Mrs. A. Schnable, mother of J A. Schnable, formerly manager of the Ballinger district of the Lone Star Gas Co. system, died at her home in Shawnee, Oklahoma Saturday morning at 1:15.

Mrs. Schnable had been critically ill for the past four weeks and was in an Oklahoma City hospital until a short time before her death. After being removed to the hospital she suffered a stroke of paralysis and died a short time after being taken back to her home in Shawnee.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Schnable have visited in Ballinger on numerous occasions during the past fifteen years and made many friends

Funeral services were held at Shawnee Monday afternoon at

# **Christmas Program** For District Friday

THE BALLINGER LEDGER

All families of employees of the West Texas Utilities Co. in district G will assemble here tomorrow (Friday) for the company's annual Christmas program, following the safety meeting.

The quarterly safety meeting is to begin at 2:30 p. m. and the Yuletide party is scheduled for 7:30 p. m. in the high school cafeteria. This banquet and program will include all members of the families, and the kiddies are to have a special visit from Santa Claus.

The South Ballinger home demonstration club will prepare

been appointed to the newly Following the meal. District created post of distribution eng- Manager W. O. Wallace will be to an announcement by M. L. sent a special Christmas feature by Jimmie Isaacs. The remainder Mr. Pearson's new duties include of the program will be taken up supervision of distribution facili- by Santa Claus and the distribu-

maintenance and expansion pro- This Christmas party is an gram, Mr. Bird said. His territory annual event for all utilities comneludes Ballinger and 77 other pany workers in the district and communities comprising twelve has been held here for a number

YULE PROGRAM TUESDAY The Ballinger Rotary Club will Merkel and Haskell until 1940 observe Christmas at its program when he was appointed to the Tuesday noon at the Central staff of industrial engineers for Hotel. A straight musical program with the Christmas theme will be held this post until his assign- presented as well as other fea-

Sam Behringer has charge of at Colorado City, his birthplace, the program for the day and all members are urged to be present.

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# **Christmas Mailing Reported Lagging**

mas parcels and cards had been ters where mail sometimes

Postmaster Tom Caudle stated here but delivery will depend on heavier than before the holiday here every day and local delivery

made. Mr. Caudle said he expected the The postmaster pointed out that heavy mailing to start this week- in order to help get delivery of end but reminded the public that packages and cards before Christthe office will close as usual at mas it was necessary that mailing

clerks will be employed next week would do everything possible to ger Printing Co. and the local office will be cleared get the mail through to its destin-

last few days before Christmas, and with the rush on all over the Clerks will see that packages leave United States it will be a tre mendous task to get it all to it Tuesday that mailing of Christ- them clearing through large cen- destination and delivered on time The cooperation of the public is about normal up to that time, but becomes congested. All parcels, asked in order that satisfactory the daily work was only slightly letters and cards will be worked service may be rendered. It takes 75 per cent more

energy to hang clothes from a basket on the ground than it does from a child's wagon

noon on Saturdays. Two extra begin at once and postal workers Large blotters in colors. Ballin- You don't have to cook young it juicy and tender. But for the steam or water is needed to make poultry with added water to make older birds, long, slow cooking in the meat tender

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tional Farm and Garden show in Chicago was farmer's daughter Patsy Miller, 17, from Osceola, Ia. Patsy can cook, sew, milk a eow, drive a tractor and keep a



Kai-shek as she appeared upon seek aid from the government in China's back-to-the-wall fight against encroaching Communist

#### \$1,090.00 1941 Chevrolet DeLuxe Club Coupe, 5 passenger, Heater and Radio. 1939 Plymouth DeLuxe, 3 passenger, Engine just overhauled \$595.00 1938 Dodge Pickup, 1/2 Ton, includes Heater \$250.00 \$625.00 1941 Dodge Pickup, 3-4 Ton. 1946 Dodge Pickup, 1/2 Ton, low mileage,

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#### OLFEN P.-T. A. TO PROVIDE

ciation held its regular monthly ated Christmas tree which stood meeting in the school assembly in the assembly hall. hall last Thursday evening. Mrs. L. A. Halfmann presided at this SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS meeting.

Members present voted unanimously to pay the expenses of the Additional salespeople employed forthcoming Christmas party for for the holiday season must have the school children.

members to attend the school field office manager, reminded meeting to be held at the Ballin- today. ger high school auditorium on the With the Christmas rush almost evening of December 13. Dr. Pat at full tide, Clark urges that each Norwood will explain the pro- person who has a job or who posals of the Gilmer-Aiken com- expects to be employed, partmittee at this meeting.

at the health meeting held one. He should make a point of recently in Ballinger.

chiefly to the holy season of Employers were also reminded Christmas were given by Mrs. Joe to see that each person hired has Busenlehner, Mrs. Jake Hoelscher, a social security number. A and Mrs. Ferdinand Rohfeld. record of the number should be

by Mrs. Ferdinand Rohmfeld; the enter the service of the firm. prize for having the most parents | Clark reminded business men present going to the fifth grade hotel managers and other peo-

In which all the members partici- disc that they should not accept so many. pated was planned by the enter- social security account numbers as To the post office force, we proof that the day of miracles is Halfmann, pianist, played the vidual holder

music for the program. After the XMAS PARTY FOR PUPILS program, each member received a The Olfen Parent-Teacher Asso- gift from the beautifully decor-

#### REQUIRED OF EMPLOYEES FOR PRE-CHRISTMAS WORK

a social security number, George The president urged P.-T.A. Clark, San Angelo social security

time or full-time, secure a social Mrs. L. A. Halfmann gave a security account number immedresume of the problems discussed lately, if he does not already have showing it to the employer at the Instructive readings pertaining time he is entered on the payroll

The attendance prize was won made at the time the persons



HOLDS LAKE AT BOYS' RANCH-Buttressed dam of reinforced concrete, above, backs up a mile and a half of deep water at Boys' Co-Op Ranch near Tankersly. Swimming, fishing, and boating are activities possible on the 964-acre ranch where dependent or neglected boys from 32 counties will be admitted.

tainment committee. Mrs. Henry positive certification of the indi- wish you to know, what you did not over. wil remain forever in our book of For every word spoken, every

sweet memories.

We deeply appreciate every We wish there were words to very depths of our hearts we say ple who receive checks for cash- expression of friendship and sym- express how we feel towards the "thank you." A delightful Christmas program ing or in payment of merchan- path shown us. There have been fire department for its efficient work. What the firemen did is

hand-shake and smile, from the

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis

#### DORSEY READ HOME DAMAGED BY FIRE

Ballinger firemen were called to the home of Dorsey Read, 1008 Eighth Street, Monday morning. blaze which originated in a athroom did considerable damage before it was extinguished.

In addition to the damage done to the house, the Reeds sustained considerable loss in furnishings and personal effects from fire, smoke and water.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Miller, of Florence, visited in the home of Mrs. T. J. McCaughan' this week. Mr. Miller is vice-president and general manager of the Texas Chalk Co., the only plant of its kind in the western hemisphere. Minerals are mined there and processed for stock food. Mr. Miller stated that his company's nearest competition was located at Dover, England.

Sam Dunlap and son, Sam II, of Dallas, spent the past weekend here, visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Dun-

Marion T. Montgomery, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Montgomery, of Ballinger, has been assigned to the fifth armored division for ight weeks basic training. Prior entering the army he was mployed here by the Texas Compress Co.

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BASKETBALL TWINS . . . Start at the upper left of this picture and continue clockwise. The first names are Bob, Joe, Ross, Dale, Jim and Don. They are all twins named Clark. The team is called the Clark Twins team and hails from Indiana. The outfit takes basketball very seriously and meets some of the finest teams in the country.



Kirk Hardware Co.



"Night Has a Thousand Eyes," main attraction at the Texas Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, stars Edward G. Robinson, Gail Russell and John Lund.

#### 'The Iron Curtain' Has Amazing Plot

ing

With the showing next Wednesday and Thursday, December 22, 23, at the Texas Theatre of "The Iron Curtain," starring Dana Andrews and Gene Tierney, 20th Century-Fox brings to screen life the actual story behind the headlines that startled the world just two years ago.

The amazing disclosures of a world-wide network of intrigue that erupted in Canada with the exposure last year of a fabulously complex and daring atom bomb plot, brought to light a story unequalled by anything that even E. Phillips Oppenheim, that old master of spy fiction, ever wrote. It proved to be, in fact, the most amazing plot in 3300 years of recorded espionage.

As the couple in "The Iron Curtain" who are destined always to live in danger and never know a quiet moment, the studio chose Dana Andrews and Gene Tierney. Andrews is seen as Gouzenko, the embassy code clerk, who exposed the spy ring, while Miss Tierney is his wife, Anna, who wanted only that their son be brought up

in a country free from fear. June Havoc provides a modern antidote to the classic conception of the slinky female spy with her portrayal of Kananova. Others in the outstanding supporting cast include Berry Kroeger, Edna Best, Stefan Schnabel, Nicholas Joy. Eduard Franz, Frederic Tozere.



DEBUT . . . None other than Noel Coward, himself, as he made up for his debut as a French actor in Paris. The playwright scored a personal acting Chagrin," or "Glad Sorrow



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ing pretending he sees things, by one. Dressed in soup and fish, he would come out on the vaudeville

store for them in the future. couple of weeks from now. That didn't bother him so long as his visions concerned what horse would come in first or what stock would hit a new high, but when he started foreseeing death and he started foreseeing death and destruction, then the poor guy destruction, then the poor guy spent his lifetime trying to run state of the first methodist Church.

Housewives buy the medium of a gambling boat, the "River Lady." Duryea is her smooth, hard size for judging portions, it's easy to peel and handle, and can be used for many purposes. The small ones take too much time a dinner will be a rough and rugged lumberjack who spurns Miss DeCarlo's affections and her insidious attempts and too much time a dinner will be served with the players special who spurns Miss DeCarlo's affections and her insidious attempts to make him a power in the com-

stage, look into a crystal ball and James Craig, Joan Leslie and Jack tell his audience what was in Oakie, is the No. 1 feature of the This is what the USDA found in Yvonne DeCarlo, Dan Duryea.

and Virginia Bruce. Worried about Robinson's prediction, Gail is tryling to hurry matters a little. She poises on a bridge, attempting to throw herself under a loss matter of the program to the program poises on a bridge, attempting to Pox him, Let's Live Again, their timber holdings. Cameron, will be presented on the program

# Robinson, Gail Russell and Lund Housewives' Choice DeCarlo, Duryea, Cameron Star In 'Night Has a Thousand Eyes' In Potatoes Given In Melodramatic 'River Lady'

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 15 .-In "Night Has a Thousand Eyes," | plenty of suspense. And there's a Ask the average housewife what "Northwest Stampede," starring be light colored and undamaged. December 18, 19, 20, 21.

double-bill at the Texas tomorrow a recent survey of housewives, Rod Cameron and Helena Carter Then one day he had a vision, and Saturday, December 17 and says Myrtle Murray, extension co-star in the story which deals It was genuine, not one of those crystal ball effects, and Mr. Robinson could all of a sudden really their struggle to capture a wild murray says the housewives' ideal utaries of the Mississippi during of Ballinger senior and junior

away from himself. Mr. Robinson sees death under the stars for that has no other design than to sees death under the stars for that has no other design than to advantage, and that's baking. But role and Lloyd Gough heads the expected to bring pictures of some Gail Russell, child of his former produce an epidemic of laughter housewives will tell you that the featured cast which includes of the best games played by A. &

She's saved in the nick of time by the strong arms of John Lund.

After that abortive try at suicide, Millican in major supporting roles. And there's a dog, "Rags," who is join forces to see if they can't cheat fate. Eventually they do, but before the final clinch, there's small glass of tomato juice, a well as healthy amounts of vita-

> has its place, says Miss Murray As incomes go up, people are more interested in quality and size, and are not so much interested in the

Processed potatoes aren't ver feature program at the Palace How Rocky tricks McBride into boiled potatoes, frozen French Theatre tomorrow and Saturday, exposing himself and manages, in fries and potato flour come under spite of great odds, to have the this heading. At least half the Rocky portrays a western scout document reach the cavalry in the women interviewed in this survey carrying a vital document across nick of time, is excitingly depicted said they had never heard of these products.

it for it must get through to Fort Waller, Mildred Coles, Roy Bar- product that is popular, though, Henry in time to enable the cav- croft, Tristram Coffin, Ted Mapes, And that's the potato chip. Nine alry to accompany and protect a William Phipps, Dale Van Sickel, out of ten people interviewed buy them for parties, snacks and picnics, says Miss Murray.

Note to farmers, shippers and distributors of potatoes: That's what the housewives want. Now it's up to you.

Many a man thinks he has an open mind when it's merely

Typewriter ribbons at The Ledger

#### Can Black-Draught Help An Upset Stomach?

Yes, Black-Draught may help an upset stomach if the only reason upset stomach if the only reason you have an upset stomach is because of constipation. Black-Draught, the friendly laxative, is usually prompt and thorough when taken as directed. It costs only a penny or less a dose. That's why it has been a best-seller with four generations. If you are troubled with such symptoms as loss of appetite, headache, upset stomach, flatulence, physical fatigue, sleeplesslence, physical fatigue, sleepless-ness, mental haziness, bad breath— and if these symptoms are due only to constipation — then see what Black-Draught may do for you. Get a package today.

Lusty melodrama along the tim- logging gang and winning the principal attraction at the Texas fair helping of humor, too, sup- she looks for in potatoes, and ber frontiers of the upper Missis- pendent operators, Cameron fights Theatre Sunday, Monday, Tues- plied by William Demarest, a here's what she'll likely tell you: sippi River provides vivid enter- to get his initial log shipment day, December 19 through 21, detective who wouldn't believe in a medium size potato that is tainment in "River Lady," action down the river to the mills. In a Edward G. Robinson makes a liv- a ghost if he got knocked down clean, has a smooth skin, no spots, film in Technicolor to be shown free-for-all on the logs, between few eyes and eyes that are not at the Ford Theatre Saturday, the jacks and Duryea's henchmen, so deep. She also likes potatoes to Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, Cameron is seriously injured. The

wicked but glamorous proprietress the First Methodist Church.

syndicate chief is killed following the dynamiting of a log jam. "DOG" DAWSON TO SPEAK

AT FOOTBALL BANQUET Members of the Methodist Men will entertain the football players see what was going to happen a couple of weeks from now. That didn't bother him so long as his

#### Alan 'Rocky' Lane Scores in Western Thriller, 'Desperadoes of Dodge City'

"Desperadoes of Dodge City," an through the Badlands. This is the comedy, make up the double- law is established.

the Badlands. When the document in the thrilling western.

Allan "Rocky" Lane starrer, and province of McBride, notorious "Lady in a Jam," a fast-moving outlaw determined to let no one price.

is stolen, it is his job to retrieve Others in the cast include Eddy There's one processed potate wagon train of homesteaders Peggy Wynne, Edward Cassidy.

Large blotters in colors. Ballinger Printing Co. BLANTON WORKERS' CLUB \*

Mrs. Lynn Canady was hostess o the Blanton Workers Club on December 2 when members met in her home to do handwork for the hostess.

A covered dish luncheon was served at the noon hour. Mrs. J. W. Reese was birthday honoree, and the birthday cake was cut in

At the business session plans were made for the Christmas party Tuesday, December 21, with Mrs. Arless Tounget as hostess.

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notification when you move. The best plan for all conof address in advance.



Friday and Saturday, December 17, 18



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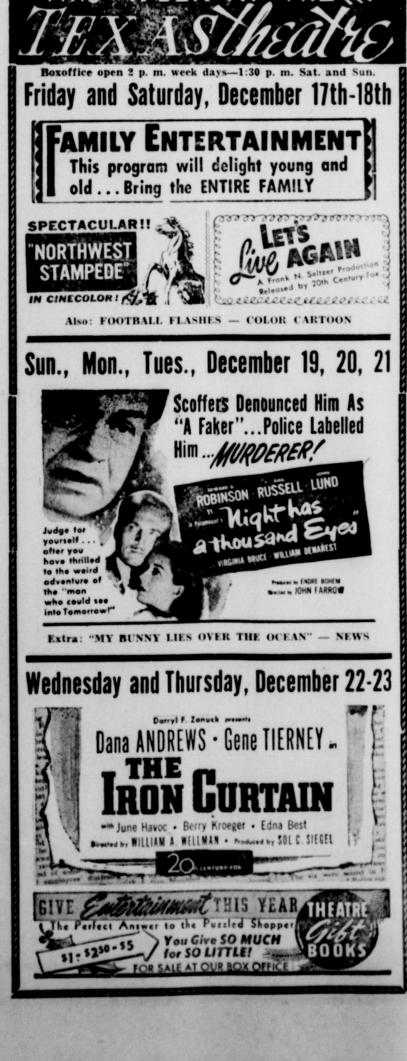
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# FORD THEATRE Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday December 18, 19, 20 and 21 Yvonne DeCARLO · Dan DURYEA \*\* LLOYD GOUGH - FLORENCE BATE WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AND FRIDAY December 22, 23, 24 DOUBLE FEATURE





# IN SOCIETY

Wed at San Angelo

are at home here at 1301 Seventh is moving with her family to Lawrence Rolliwitz, Ernest Schott, Street following their marriage DeLeon. last Friday afternoon at 5:30 The hostess served a salad plate o'clock in the parsonage of the with coffee. Others were: Mmes. Pirst Methodist Church in San Edward Sommer, W. O. Irby, H. G. Angelo. The Rev. Ray Johnson, Agnew and Marvin Davies. pastor, officiated at the single ring ceremony in the presence of Simpson Family Has Reunion a few close friends.

The bride is the former Clara Mae Jobe, daughter of Mr. and 30 years children of the late D. C. Mae Jobe, daughter of Mr. and So years children of the late D. . quest Class. Mrs. Harper McFar- Crockett, Clyde Simmons, Mack Mrs. W. A. Forgey. Mr. Thorp is Shipson were together this week land and Mrs. John Reese assisted Young; and Messrs. Keel, Curry

original suit of brown shadow of Los Angeles, California, arrived soft blue, and her other acces- Coleman, joined the group. sories were brown. Her corsage

Miss Waynie Byler and Arthur in a low crystal bowl formed the attached marked places for the with red chrysanthemums, red wedding were Maurice Bartlett centerpiece and poinsettlas three-course turkey menu. and Miss Jo Ann Baker, both of tion corsages marking the places Mrs. W. F. Lange gave the Christmas balls was outlined with

Mr. and Mrs. Thorp are grad- for the women. chants State Bank. Mr. Thorp has Vancil and Joe Vancil. the Herring & Stallings Wool Co. since his release from the armed forces in which he served several

moon in San Antonio.

## After Wedding Trip

The bridegroom, also a graduate O'Neill. of Ballinger High School, recently Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh, program added beauty by snow scenes with returned from Venezuela, where chairman, presented Mrs. Wheeler, reindeer and white candles placed he was employed by the Socony who told the Legend of the on the mantel and piano, along

will be at home in Ballinger.

hostesses to the First Methodist how packages may be wrapped in Virginia Douglass Class Tuesday a pretty fashion. She was assisted with cookies, spiced tea and Dr. R. F. Zedlitz. evening in the Doss Bible Class by Mrs. Bill Sykes. Mrs. Joe Sat- assorted candies to: Mr. and Mrs. room at the church on Tenth terwhite displayed packages that A. M. Edwards and children,

after the song, "Come All Ye on a long table, with Mrs. M. E. McClenney play- spruce, red satin ribbons and a ing the accompaniment, and Mrs. red stocking filled with candies prayer. Mrs. L. M. Bowden brought Beulah Frazier. A Christmas tree the Christmas devotion and also decorated with multi-colored read the story, "No Room in the lights and a lighted Santa Claus Inn." Mrs. Price Middleton also was shown by Mrs. Cherry. Mrs. read a Christmas story. Sue Frazier also displayed an arrange-Underwood sang "White Christ- ment of white narcissuses which mas" with Saily Underwood at had been grown in her garden. the piano, and she also gave a Others present were: Mmes. J. reading. Gifts were exchanged W. Black, E. Shepperd, B. C. Kirk. lighted with blue lights.

Scales, Jack Nixon, Jr., George of Buhl, Idaho. Newby, Sam Conner, Lee Parks, Tom McIntire, Lynn Candler, J. K. Nicholas, D. R. Witter, Edward Sommer, Flay Brevard, Ruel Boswell, G. M. Hargis, J. W. Jones, Ann Midgley and Bonnie Clark.

#### Third Sunday Singing Association to Meet December 20

the Month Singing Association is bach, president, presided. A Christ- Martin, the class teacher. to meet next Sunday afternoon at mas story was read by Mrs. Joe 2:30 o'clock in the Grace Baptist Kozelsky. The following new offi- topped with whipped cream with Church on Tenth Street.

this program of special feature dent, Mrs. C. Afflerbach; secrevocal numbers by out-of-town tary, Mrs. C. T. Moonen; treas-

Mrs. Sam Conner included Mrs. audit the books. Jack Scales and Mrs. Sam Malone she was hostess to Ace of entertaining in her home on room fireplace mantel were deco-Broadway, which was decorated rations. with Christmas pot plants and a The hostess was assisted by her

games. Individual gifts were pre-

## in Vancil Home

For the first time in more than Sixth Street. Mrs. Edward Mann, with the arrangements. The bride wore a Ted Stein Miss Ruth Mann and Hugh Mann

At noon a no-hostess luncheon

Others were Mrs. W. W. Chas-

## Program

Colorful Christmas decorations Rehmanns to be at Home Here ber meeting was held Tuesday contributed for a shut-in. Miss Elowiese Irwin, daughter of Cherry conducting the business.

the bride of E. C. Ruhmann, also one participate in the Christmas gan, C. J. Jennings, Clark Koller, of Ballinger, in a ceremony per- Yard Decoration Contest when Herman Lange, G. P. Teague, Holliday, H. Clark, George Scruggs, formed at the home of Rev. and four prizes will be given. Mrs. Aurelia Webb, Wesley Wood; Miss Clemmie Barnes, and small Cam Mrs. Fred Blake, in Robert Lee, John King and Mrs. Roger Sunday morning Rev. Blake was Wheeler were welcomed as new Routh members. The nominating com- Xmas Party for Humble Employes Mrs. Ruhmann, a graduate of mittee announced the following Ballinger High School, attended new officers, and they were duly Draughon's Business College at elected: president, Mrs. W. O. Abilene and was in the Civil Ser- Irby; first vice-president, Mrs. A vice at San Angelo and spent a H. Dallinger; second vice-presiyear at Yokohama, Japan, in this dent, Mrs. Cherry; secretary, Mrs. their families Monday evening. service. At present she is employed Bill Clark; treasurer, Mrs. E. S. entertaining in their Wilke Terat Goodfellow Field, San Angelo. Malone; and historian, Mrs. O. R.

After a wedding trip the couple stitions of the branches, and what and greenery combined with the boughs meant in foreign Christmas balls formed the cen-Silent Night," with Wilma Duke Hart and Miss Waynie Byler were wrapped packages and explained the game room. had been wrapped by a friend. The large room was beautifully Mrs. C. E. Davis, of Lubbock, who decorated with mistletoe and is an artist at wrapping packages. and Wayne Irby. other symbols of the holiday sea- A number of beautifully wrapped son where Mrs. Underwood, presi- packages were exhibited among a dent, conducted the business massed arrangement of mistletoe

from the silver tree which was James A. Wear, Powell Wear, Cal Adair, Oscar Pearson, E. A. Som-Hostesses served a salad plate mer, Malcolm Morgan, Bill Clark,

with sandwiches, cookles and cof- T J. McCaughan, Henry Moody, Joe Satterwhite, Max McCrary, Visitors were Mrs. Ralph Routh, Sr., Estes Lynn, Max McCrary, Sally and Sue Underwood, and Jr., C. J. Lynn, W. O. Irby; Miss Loretta Brown. Others besides the Luia McElroy. Visitors were Mrs. teachers, Mrs. Guynes and Mrs. Bertie K. Spooner, of Oklahoma J. G. Douglass, were: Mmes. Jack City; and Mrs. Hugh Lincecum,

#### Gifts Exchanged at Altar Society Meeting

afternoon

members following a business sescers were installed: president, The public is invited to attend Mrs. Harold Mueller; vice-presi-

piece for the dining table and a Clubs last Thursday afternoon, Christmas scene on the living Stuart.

serving a molded chicken salad and party Tuesday evening in the with fruit cake, cookies and

I., were presented Christmas Friendship Class.

checks from the society. Others present were: Mmes. W. Tom Egan, Sim Cottelle; and Miss Craig.

#### Conquest Class' Christmas Dinner Held in Lilly Home

Lilly opened their home at Norton Tuesday evening for the

Party rooms were beautifully decorated in symbols of the holisatin with an ice blue blouse. Her Monday evening and on Wednes- day season with the dining room small brown felt hat was trimmed day Hugh Simpson of Waco, and especially lovely in a red, white with an uncurled ostrich plume of Mr and Mrs. Elmer Simpson of and green theme. Merry Christmas was outlined across the table, Howell, Mrs. O. L. Britton and which was centered with an angel Mrs. Otto Woods were hostesses was an orchid. For something old was served in the Vancil home and lighted by red candles. A to the First Baptist Mary-Martha she wore a broach which her and in the evening Mrs. Vancil massed arrangement of berries Class Tuesday evening, entertainmaternal grandmother had worn. was hostess at a beautifully and leaves on the buffet was also ing with a Christmas party in the The couple was attended by appointed three-course dinner at flanked by red candles. Holly leaf Doss home on Eleventh Street. Miss Waynie Byler and Arthur the Central Hotel. Red carnations place cards with small red candles Party rooms were decorated

the group sang "Joy to the to center the dining table. uates of Ballinger High School.

Mrs. Thorp, who attended McMurry College, Abilene, is now employed at the Farmers & Mer
Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Vancil and Bob Vancil, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph

Bob Vancil, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph

Cloak," and at the conclusion

> As Miss Eva Lilly played "Here Comes Santa Claus," the old genin the club room at the Library tleman in person, played by Mrs. topped with whipped cream and Garden Club's program, "Trends Altus Stokes, presented the of Christmas," when the Decem- exchange gifts. Gifts also were

Others present were: Mmes. R afternoon, with Mrs. Chester Cherry conducting the business.

Corder Rufus Allen Clyde Flana.

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Corder Rufus Allen Clyde Flana. J. T. Irwin of Ballinger, became Mrs. Cherry urged that each Corder, Rufus Allen, Clyde Flana-Lillian McMillan and Miss Frances Maples.

#### and Families in Irby Home

W. O. Irby, local Humble wholesale agent, and Mrs. Irby were hosts to company employes and race home.

Reception rooms were given Mistletoe, relating all of the super- with the lighted tree. Red berries

Virginia Douglass Class Meets sang a "Christmas Lullaby" and Employes were presented Christplaying the accompaniments. Mrs. given favors. Games of forty-two C. F. Bailey displayed artistically and table tennis were played in

> A sandwich plate was served Katle and Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. Milton Redman and son, Dickie, ing very important college work.

#### Brownie Troop No. 8 Meets in Herring Home

Mrs. Loyd Herring assisted mem-Faithful," was sung in unison A pretty door spray made of bers of Brownie Troop No. 8 in making plates and napkins for a Christmas party to be held in the J. W. Guynes gave the opening and nuts was displayed by Mrs Herring home next Tuesday afternoon, December 21, when they

> Following the work Mrs. Herring served ice cream tubs to Dorothy Bishop, Martha Kay Northington, Herring, Barbara Bradshaw, Gwen Davies, Irene Piel, Barbara Jean Wickersham, Mary Tisdale and

#### Baptist Naomi Class Entertained

The home of Rev. and Mrs. B. J. Martin on Broadway was the the First Baptist Naomi Class when Mrs. Paul Best. Mrs. W. A Jacob, Mrs. H. B. Scoggins and Mrs Joe Flynt were co-hostesses with Mrs. Martin Tuesday eve-

Decorations featured a Christ-Gifts were exchanged from a mas tree, candles, berries and Herman Brown, Jack Hampton, lighted tree by members of St. greenery at vantage spots about Henry Moody, Marvin Davies, H. Mary's Altar Society at a Yule party rooms where Mrs. Flynt G. Agnew and W. O. Irby; Misses party in the home of Mrs. Charles directed the business period. Mrs. Olsak in Wilke Terrace Tuesday J. H. Endacott brought the Christmas story from Luke, and read Christmas carols were sung by "The Legend of the Black Madonna." Gifts were exchanged The regular Third Sunday of sion at which Mrs. Chester Affler- and a gift was presented Mrs.

Hostesses served fruit cake

Others present were: Mmes. I C. Grindstaff, Ellie Fox, W. A. McDonald, Jim Golden, Malcolm urer, Mrs. Louis Afflerbach. A Morgan, Ted Whitehead, Clyde committee composed of Mrs. Ed Gabbert, J. G. Tuckey, John Cas-Mrs. Conner Hostess to Contract Moonen, Mrs. Olsak and Mrs. tor, W. J. Hembree, Naomi Keith-Walter Mueller was appointed to ley, W. E. Wright, Earl Cope, Sim Ledford, Aubrey Ashton, Delbert Red gladioli formed the center- Davenport, Carl Florence, C. P. Saxton, E. D. Lovelady and Troy

home of Mrs. Jewel Cooper or Broadway when Mrs. Gene Keel, The church pastor, Rev. Edward Mrs. Ed Curry and Mrs. Chester Postert, O. M. I., and assistant Barnett were hostesses to mempastor, Rev. Francis Taylor, O. M. bers of the First Methodist

sugar plum trees where the three- meeting Monday evening. Mrs. to Mrs. Cole, and to Mrs. Leon and Mrs. A. J. Thorp, Jr., sented Mrs. Leonard Scales. who J. Curtis, Ignac Krc, John Zak, course turkey menu was served Cole was guest of honor at a Carr, of San Angelo, who also is

White elephant gifts were Hotel. exchanged at the lighted Christmas tree. The class will "adopt" a needy family for Christmas and Misses Eva, Maggie and Eunice present baskets of food and gifts. Mrs. W. O. Wallace, and Messrs. annual Christmas dinner of the and Mmes. Tom Voss, Derwood attendance. Eighth Street Presbyterian Con- Bissett, Wylie Hearne, Dalton and Barnett.

#### Doss Home Scene of Mary-Martha Class' Christmas Party

Mrs. Henry Doss, Mrs. Weldon

For the program which followed A large massing of multi-colored mas devotional from Luke, and red pyrocanthia berries in clusters

the business following the devo-Cloak," and at the conclusion and the prayer by Mrs. Lee carols were sung. Mrs. B. H. Erwin Maples. Gifts were exchanged been employed as bookkeeper by "Christmas Trends" Garden Club presided at the short business from the illuminated Christmas tree, and the class presented Mrs.

Others were: Mmes. J. H. Parrish, W. H. Baker, L. R. Tigner, W. Jennings, L. B. Rudder, Fred

## WANT ADS

(Continued from Page 12)

LOST-Large animal capsule gun, on river road between E. E King farm and Ballinger. Reward.

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to Local O. E. S. Chapter

Long tables were centered with No. 266, at the regular stated sented gifts from the chapter

Tables were centered with an Eastern Star pin to her arrangements of poinsettias and mother, Mrs. Jonas, which had lors was the climax of a friendly greenery where the three-course been given by her children. menu was served to officers of the At the social hour, Mrs. Phila-ticipated. Other present were: the teacher, local chapter and their husbands nese Mackey, Mrs. Ione Teague The parlors were decorated with

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Campbell, 40 members. candidates for initiation. Follow- and Carl Carr, San Angelo; and the dinner

read a poem, written and dedi- 38, Buhl, Idaho. Mrs. Ed B. Cole, of San Angelo, cated to the local chapter by 5, section I, of Grand Chapter of member, and she also presented Texas, made her first official visit a gift to Mrs. Campbell from Corpus Christi chapter, presented

were in the East for the regular Mrs. Agnes Dibitsch, of Chapter guests. Archie W. Gray, church meeting when Mrs. Martha E. 10, San Angelo; Mrs. Alice Bank- pastor, gave the invocation.

Mrs. Cole Makes Official Visit ing the service, Mrs. Paul Petty Mrs. H. M. Lincecum, of Chapter deputy grand matron of district Mrs. Grace Karmany, a former First Christian Men's Bible Class

The First Christian Men's Bible to the Ballinger O. E. S. Chapter, officers. Mrs. Odena Largent pre- Class, of which Joe Satterwhite is president, and Bailey Mack is the teacher, was host to members of classes which Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh, following the invocation by Rev. dinner early in the evening, an officer of the Grand Chapter. Mrs. E. D. Walker, Mrs. Horace which was served at the Central Mrs. Elga Cox, a member of the Musphy and Mrs Archie W Gray are teachers, last Friday evening.

The dinner in the church parcontest in which the classes par-

and wives. About 35 were in and Mrs. Mary Fitzhugh served Yuletide greenery and potted cookies and spiced tea to about plants where the barbecue dinner with all the trimmings and eskimo worthy patron and worthy matron. Other out-of-town visitors were: pies were served to sixty-five

Jonas and George B. Mader were ston, of Chapter 6, San Angelo; Games were played following

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The Benoit Social Club, organ- treasurer ized several weeks ago, met at the school house on Thursday, December 9, for a regular meeting. Gifts pal gifts every two months. of cookies and spiced tea were held tonight, sponsored by the mistletoe. served by the hostesses, Miss Olga club.

The club has twenty-two mem-

Mrs. Curry Brookshier, president

Mrs. T. E. Foreman, reporter. The club will exchange secret

at their home in Lowake.

versary December 7, when his Jean, Mary Ann and Betty Jo; All Ye Faithful." secretary- parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Half- Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Halfmann, Mrs. D. B. Crockett brought the in the Pacific area. The birthday mann, entertained with a party Mr. and Mrs. Otto J. Halfmann, prayer, after which Mrs. A. B. cake, which was a white iced The living room of the Half- Raymond and Leonard Halfmann, Kinney, the guest speaker, who candles and served with ice acted business several days. mann home was decorated with all of Olfen; Mr. and Mrs. Wil- also read "The Other Wise Man," cream were exchanged and refreshments A community 42 party is being the lighted Christmas tree and liam Urbanek, Beatrice Ann and by Henry Van Dyke At the con-

and June Harris, of Bethel.

Members of the First Methodist meeting closed with the group guest; and from Talpa were vice named the Young Matrons of tion. the church honor guests when they held a Christmas tea in the Lusk, J. E. Gentry, O. P. Dorsey, hurch Monday afternoon.

Potted poinsettias and cyclasanthemums were used for decoand Mrs. E. L. Craig gave the Clayton, Miss Agnes Glober; and jary. opening prayer. Mrs. Marvin Glorianna Crawford. Davies presided for the program and introduced the following young matrons: Mmes. Wylie Hearne, Clyde Simmons, Derwood Sale ad on page 7. Bissett, Robert Nicholson, Lloyd Rumsey, John Agnew, Jack Scales, T. A. Adams, Mack Young, Powell Wear, Ed Curry, G. M. Hargis;

mer member of the W. S. C. S. Little Angel," by Charles Tazewell. South Ballinger.

Mrs. Troy Simpson.

brief business session, and planned dent of the club. to meet the fourth Wednesday After gifts were exchanged Winter. afternoon in January in the home from the tree, a salad plate with

First Christian Council Holds Inspirational Meeting Anniversary Celebrated Mmes. W. Stobaugh, E. E. Mc-

Kinney, Ross Russell and J. W. Golson, all of Coleman, were guest on her second birthday town. included as guests when the regu- anniversary last Saturday after- The large Christmas tree, deco- can make a complete report on lar inspirational meeting of the noon when her mother, Mrs. R. rated with multi-colored lights, his mission and give some of the First Christian Woman's Council O. Routh, entertained with a mistletoe and other greenery, and highlights of programs at the was held at the church on Broad- party in the home of the hon- other season's symbols decorated annual convention. While in way Monday afternoon.

presented a prelude of soft music France's Routh, aunts of the kiddies. Refreshments were served portation and other items which as members and guests assembled honoree, assisted in entertaining following games of forty-two and would be needed here in the After the song, "Joy to the small guests. The Hale home was beautifully G. M. Hargis, manager of the

Verner and Mrs. Frank Hoffman. H. H. Halfmann, Jr., Honor Guest topped with the words "Happy Marvin Clark welcomed guests decorated with

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Halfmann, Stobaugh presented Mrs. Mc- rabbit, was topped with two white Barbara Jean, of Rowena; Jean clusion Mrs. Clark thanked com- Linda Koller and Mrs. Clark Kol-The birthday cake, which was Dankworth, Catherine Richards mittees who made arrangements ler, Shad and Lowell Longenette Mrs. J. G. Douglass, Mr. Hollingsfor the Woman's Day program and Mrs. J. W. Longenette, Karen worth will spend a month at Methodist W.S.C.S. Names Young Boys' Missionary Group for and David Brevard, Mrs. Oscar Pan-American Airways. Women Honor Guests at Tea their missionary donation. The Routh, grandmother of the honor

> Doss Bible Class room at the and Miss Lula McElroy served mince pie topped with whipped cream and coffee to those previmen and arrangements of chry- ously mentioned and to: Mmes. C. F. Bailey, Oscar Pearson, Horace met in the city auditorium last McGregor rations in the room where the Murphy, Joe Satterwhite, W. V. Thursday night for the purpose group sang "Joy to the World" Connelly, A. W. Gray; Miss Lilly of organizing a Fireman's Auxil-

> > It's Smart to be Thrifty-See Higginbotham's Half-Price Dress

. . . South Ballinger Club Has Annual Christmas Party

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Batts were After the election of officers and Mrs. Oliver Cochran, a for- hosts to the members of the Mrs. Parker appointed Mrs. Lynn

Pyrocanthia and nandina berries candles and a lighted Christmas trict convention at Mason on being present for the four-day flanked by red tapers in silver tree, where guests heard a Christ- February 8, 1949. The Ballinger holders formed the centerpiece. mas story read by Mrs. J. W. representatives are Mrs. Posey, Mr. Carder represented the Bal-Mrs. Craig was at the silver ser- Jones and enjoyed games of 42 Mrs. Chester Cherry and Mrs. linger fans and franchise and vice, assisted in serving cookies A friendship quilt which was Morgan. by Mmes. C. D. Harris, W. W. recently iompleted by the club At the organization meeting interviews with a number of pros-Chastain, R. D. Midgley; and Miss recently completed by the club twelve charter members were Thelma Midgley. About fifty were was presented to Miss Ollie Cheno- signed: Mmes. Parker, Morgan, ger club in 1949. He returned weth and a gift was also presented Webb, Candler, Mapes, Afflerbach, The young women met for a to Mrs. Joe Thomas, retiring presi- Bill Bell, Henry Moody, Posey, W. tions, two of which came from

of Mrs. Fred Middleton, chairman sandwiches, cookies and candies Lone Star Employes and Families of the new circle, to perfect plans. was served with coffee and cocoa to forty-two guests.

Mary Helen Routh's Birthday

oree's grandmother, Mrs. W. A. the large room where Santa in Minneapolis he also talked to a Mrs. Gene Crawford, organist, Hale, on Seventh Street.

dancing to a record-player.

on First Birthday Anniversary Birthday" and one white candle, Mrs. Herman Price was the devo- and Christmas potted plants; and were in charge of arrongements. was cut and served with sand- tional leader, and read the Christ- gifts were received from the and were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Halfmann, Jr., was honor wiches and coffee to: Mr. and mas story, from the 2nd chapter lighted tree. Pictures were made Ernest Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. M. Mrs. Aubrey Ashton, vice-presi- guest on his first birthday anni- Mrs. Adam Hennecke, Sandra of Matthew, after the song "Come by Tom Agnew, and they will be E. McClenney, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. sent to Lt. R. O. Routh, who is Browning and other employes.

Ballinger Volunteer Firemen's

Auxiliary Organized

officers were elected: presider

Mrs. Lee Parker; vice-preside

Honored at Yule Party

Wives of members of the Bal-

R. T. Williams returned Wednesday from Dallas, where he trans-

Mrs. John Hollingsworth will arrive this week-end from Miami. last week, and also thanked the Curry and Mrs. Ed Curry, Weldon Brownsville, checking captains for

Mrs. Harold Salfen and sons left Woman's Society of Christian Ser- repeating the missionary benedic- Robert Hale and Mrs. Noel Hale, today for Chicago after visiting and Charles Allcorn and Mrs. here the past several weeks. Mr. Salfen, who is traffic manager for American Air Lines, recently was transferred from St. Louis to Chicago and since then Mrs. Salfen and children have been here linger Volunteer Fire Department with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.

> It's Smart to be Thrifty-See Higginbotham's Half-Price Dress

# Parley Well Attended

local fans should be held so he person made his visit and pre- number of supply men and looked and Mrs. N. D. Hoover, planist, Mrs. Flay Brevard and Miss sented toys and candles to the over baseball equipment, transoperation of the team and ec



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#### D. G. Posey assisted with the Sale ad on page 7. organization and named Mrs Carder, Moore State Charles Webb as chairman for th election of officers. The following Minneapolis Baseball Mrs. Malcolm Morgan; secretary treasurer, Mrs. Charles V. Webb.

South Ballinger home demonstra- Candler, Mrs. Royce Mapes and returned last Friday night from The program chairman, Mrs. tion club and their families for Mrs. Chester Afflerbach as a com- Minneapolis, where they attended George Newby, presented Mrs. the annual Christmas party, Fri- mittee to draw up the constitu- the national meeting for minor Price Middleton, who read "The day evening, at their home in tion and by-laws; and delegates baseball league owners. The two were appointed to attend a meet- Ballinger men reported large Christmas carols were played by Party rooms were beautifully ing at Eden at which they will attendance this year, many club decorated with Christmas greens, help plan a program for the dis- owners, managers and players

while attending the meeting held pective managers for the Ballinwith at least three likely proposi-F. Mueller, Oscar Batts and Lyle former major league players who are still going good in minor circuits.

Both men found club owners looking forward to a good season About fifty people attended the in 1949. Mr. Moore also talked to Christmas party honoring Lone a number of men in regard to Star Gas Co. employes and their taking the management of the families last Saturday evening at Roswell team. Mary Helen Routh was honor the pipe line department north of Mr. Carder thinks a meeting of

There are a few families in Ballinger who will have no Christmas except that provided by others who want to see that everyone is remembered. Local organizations are helping to see that everyone, especially every family in which there are children, gets a few things and a good dinner this Christmas. The "adopt-a-family" plan is being pushed and already more than a dozen families have been taken from the list and will be supplied by Sunday school classes and other groups. Some food, clothing, a few toys and some' fruit will answer the purpose in most instances and those who participate are asked to make and select a family. Lists of those needing aid may be seen at The Ledger office. Individuals who do not feel able to take care of a whole family, but who would like to make a cash gift to be used in this program, may send it to this office.

A new man is coming to Ballinger to become secretary-manager of the chamber of commerce. This position can mean more to the city than any other individual but to accomplish the most, he must have the full cooperation of everyone. The boosting of a town, leading programs from which all receive benefits, and building friendship for the community is not work which can be put over with ease and at no expense. The commercial organization needs an adequate budget to carry on its work. This has never been provided in an amount which did not just barely keep the chamber out of the "red." Let's get behind the preparations as soon as possible new manager, provide funds and give him the assistance to make the chamber of commerce felt in this section.

Discovery of oil in various sections of West Texas is helping

Phone 734

The Ballinger Ledger Ballinger at this time. Producers near the city recently have Ballinger at this time. Producers brought a number of crews here for temporary residence and good wells near Bronte are causing a number of oil men to stay in Balinger and look after their business in that vicinity from this point. With dry weather curbing other business activities, oil is helping to keep business moving

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# WEST TEXAS NOTES

immediate section for oil produc- old equipment in the center of chamber are for decorations in that will happen, says Allen. Fact tion and 1949 may see big activity the street. New three- and four- homes and yards.

to make needed extensions.

tures, laying flexible base and of years.

by fire and students have been vice will be permitted.

sale was conducted to secure sup-

Officials stated that more money this aid totalled \$1,365.

be given for the best Christmas ture. decorations shown the night of December 17. Winters Jaycees are Nine out of ten home fires are assisting in decorating the busi- preventable. It's up to you to find ness district and the past week the fire hazards in your home and put up a large amount of native eliminate them.

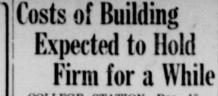
in Ballinger, fill all rent houses A West Texas Utilities Co. crew cedar along the curbs. This neer of Texas A.& M. College, has and apartments, and large sums was busy at Bronte all last week form of decoration was used with for the folks who are waiting for are spent here otherwise which installing new street lights. The colored lights to give downtown construction costs to drop back helps local business. Prospects are contract for the new system also streets a festive look, especially at to normal. the best in the history of this calls for the removal of all the night. Cash prizes offered by the

> inch water lines are also being Peanut growers in the Rising tinued to rise slightly in recent laid and Commissioner Cecil Kemp Star section were told last week months, but appear to be levelstated that this job would also to cut their acreage by 22 per ing off right now. House building be completed within a few more cent next year if they want to fell off during the late summer days. Transite pipe is being used receive government price guaran- but has picked up a little the last to replace the smaller lines and tees. At the same time speakers month Farm building, on a outlined a government-approved national scale, continues at a Information was received at program for increased production faster pace than was predicted Paint Rock last week from the goals for poultry, milk, several earlier in the year. state highway department that a vegetables, sheep and lambs. contract had been awarded to Rising Star farmers have been history now. It's not likely that Thomas & Ratliff, of Rogers, for devoting much of their cultivated folks will see them again in any

> farm highway No. 765 in Concho at Comanche by Postmaster or no encouragement to wait. county. The road will start at a Robert L. Eaton that city delivery | There's a reasonably good suppoint 12 miles north of Eden and service of mail has been approved. ply of lumber, both in quantity extend to the McCulloch county The office is awaiting necessary and quality. Hardware, plumbing Wilson & Patterson, of Fort the new service. In the meantime ferent localities. But when a little Worth, has been employed by the postmaster advises patrons planning ahead is done, these Menard school officials to draw that they have certain require- materials can usually be had plans for a new high school build- ments to meet in order to get Cement supplies are short right ing. Instructions have been given this delivery. All houses must now, but more is expected later to rush the plans as much as pos- have correct numbers and on. sible so that contracts can be let approved boxes must be installed. There's a need to think in and work started soon. The A walk from the house to the terms of structures for produc-Menard high school was destroyed street also is necessary before ser- tion during 1949. Forecasters

> and B. A. Duffy, of Abilene, have make the most of continued high Coleman Jaycees staged a big staked a location for a new wild- prices, there's going to be a big variety show last Friday night in cat oil test near Melvin. The rig need for broiler houses, laying the high school auditorium to will be set up about a mile west houses, milk sheds, and dairy raise funds to carry out a Christ- of the city limits and the contract barns. mas program which will provide calls for a hole 3,000 feet deep or The farm home is just as big for needy families in the city, to commercial production. Leasing a part-if not the most important Thirty-five people took part in of the block started March 29 and |-of the farm production plant the show, which included 18 all paper work has been com- as the farm buildings, reminds vaudeville acts. A whirlwind ticket pleted on the area where this and Allen. other wells are to be drilled.

The Brownwood Lions Club will Brady, has received an order for duction plant. aunch its annual "Mile of Dimes" 500,000 square feet of floor tile December 21, to extend through which will keep the plant in con- yet, anyway. December 24. This is an annual tinuous operation for seven or project by the club to raise money eight months to complete and for welfare work in Brown county. deliver. This is the first production for the firm on a commercial was spent in Brown county the basis. During the past several past year than was raised from months experiments have been the campaign the year before. A run and the products offered for total of 43 cases were handled sale. The company recently took during the year, six of which a 10-year lease on a clay pit in involved hospitalization. Cost of Whiteland Hills, just west of the city. Operators estimate the land The Winters Chamber of Com- will provide a 30-year supply of merce has posted cash prizes to clay and shale for tile manufac-



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equipment before inaugurating and nail supplies vary with dif-

believe there will be a shortage crowded into the elementary Floyd C. Dodson, of San Angelo, of grain storage, and in order to

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# **Christmas Theme** For First Baptists

deliver his Christmas sermon at the First Baptist Church Sunday organ console and Mrs. Earl Cope morning at the 11 o'clock hour, at the plano. His subject is "The Music of Christmas" and music for the service will be appropriate.

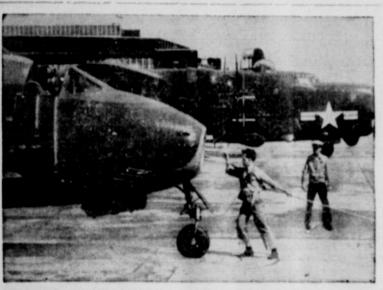
Christmas programs will begin earlier Sunday morning for some departments of the church. The

The feature program of the day rancid. will be a cantata by the church church, will have charge of this Ballinger Printing Co.

grams and trees have been planned for the Sunday school departments next week.

young people will assemble at the freezing, add all the seasoning Central Hotel at 8:15 for a break- ingredients except the salt. Salt fast and the intermediate depart- seems to speed up the rancidity ment will have breakfast in the process, while the other season-

choir at the evening hour. Glenn Tracing parchment, ideal for Murray, director of music for the students, map makers and others



FLIRTING WITH A JET . . . Lieut. A. L. Hall of the navy's medical corps service is shown standing in front of the intake of a jet aircraft during a test to determine just how close a person can come to it without being sucked into the inferno. He wears a heavy belt to which is attached a safety line. The lieutenant found that you can give the deadly sucker an even break to within three feet of the intake.

program, presenting a large choir and soloists in "The Music of Bethlehem." Soloists and special parts will be by Miss Rosemary Bruce, Mrs. John Castor, Mrs. W. At Services Sunday

Rev. B. J. Martin, pastor, will

Rev. bis Christmas sermon at

Mrs. O. G. Joiner will be at the

A number of Christmas pro-

When making sausage for ings keep the sausage from getting



END OF THE ROAD . . . This dramatic action photo shows Oakland, Calif., police officers in the act breaking up a daring \$500 holdup of an Oakland night club. Patrolman Ray Pierce, extreme left, stand over Melvin Davis, alleged ringleader of the gang whom Pierce has just shot down. Lying on the sidewalk also is Albert Faccini, 35, an employee at the club, who was being held as a hostage by the gang and was shot down by mistake when he broke away from the trio as police arrived.

# Christmas Services Francis Taylor, O. M. I. Promptly at 12:00 o'clock the

announced the following program Taylor. December 24—Confessions 4:30 to 6:00 p. m. and 7:00 to 9:00 p. m. At 9:00 p. m. the doors of the church will be closed until 10:45 p. m.

On Christmas day a mass will be offered at Winters at 8:00 a. m. and the second mass at St. Mary's will be at 10:00 a. m.

Non-Catholic friends. May each of you have friends in your hours of grief.

The Caudle children 16-1t-

December 24—Christmas carols at 11:30 p. m. by the church choir under the direction of Rev. Father | Read the grocery ads and save. port from 500 to 600 pounds.

At St. Mary's Church midnight mass will begin. This will be a high mass. The choir will be under the direction of Father Taylor, with Mrs. Mary Sue Cottelle at the organ. The choir mother, Mrs. D. E. Caudle.

#### Card of Thanks

The Very Rev. Father Edward Very Rev. Father Postert. The ser- thought, word and deed, the B. Postert, O. M. I., pastor, has mon will be delivered by Father prayers, songs and beautiful flowers. May each of you have

Generally speaking, unfertilized ally invited to assist at the above farm ponds will support from 100 to 200 pounds of fish per acre, while a fertilized pond will sup-

#### **Christmas Program** At First Christian **Church Next Sunday**

Archie W. Gray, minister of the First Christian Church, stated today that Christmas would be celebrated at the morning service Sunday, at which time he would deliver his message and other program features would be

A Christmas tree and program also will be held at this church on Wednesday, December 22. Mrs. Gene Crawford, superintendent of the primary department, will be in charge of this program which will be for the children of the

A program by the children will precede the visit from Santa Claus and the distribution of gifts.

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"MONTY" CONFERS . . . count Montgomery, head of the Western Europe Permanent Defense organization, is shown as he left the French National Defense ministry after conferring with Gen. Le Cheres who is at his right.

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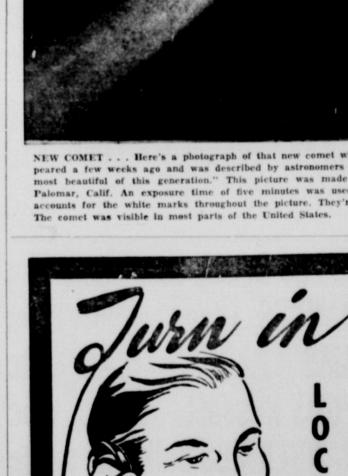
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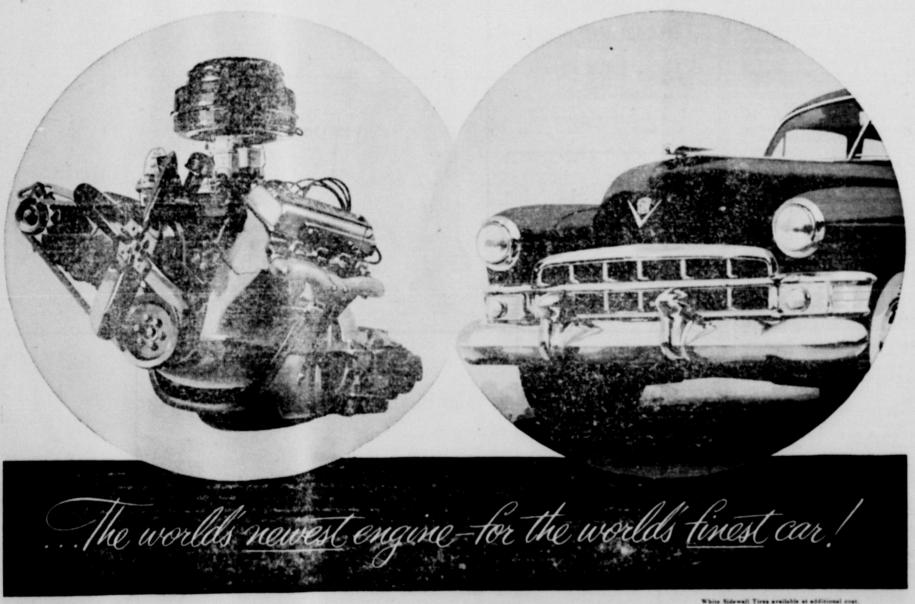


peared a few weeks ago and was described by astronomers as "th most beautiful of this generation." This picture was made at Mt. Palemar, Calif. An exposure time of five minutes was used which accounts for the white marks throughout the picture. They're stars,





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No Cadillac announcement has ever been more significant than the one which appears on this page. For, this year, Cadillac presents its creative masterpiece-a wholly new V-type eight-cylinder engine-which is, beyond all doubt, the highest development yet attained in automotive power plants. \* This great power plant has been twelve years in the building-for basic development work started in 1936. It has many unusual qualities which set it apart from all other creations of its kind. It is far more alert, powerful and responsive to the throttle-yet it affords an increase in gasoline economy of approximately twenty per cent. And the manner of its performance actually challenges the imagination. It is liquid smooth; it is quick and eager beyond all experience; yet the power application is so effortless that

the driver is scarcely aware of the engine's existence. The car seems almost to move by automatic propulsion. \* Even experienced Cadillac owners must put aside all previous conceptions of performance when they drive the 1949 Cadillac. It is a revelation-from silken start to silken stop. \* There are, of course, many other advancements in addition to the history-making engine. There is new beauty in the front ensemble; there is a newly-designed, more attractive instrument panel, with all driving controls at your finger tips; and throughout the chassis and body will be found those characteristic refinements which result from Cadillac's unceasing search for perfection. \* But the big Cadillac story, for 1949, is performance. It is not only the world's new standard-it is beyond the world's current conception.

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go to the gins later.

J. L. DAVIS RESIDENCE

18,693 bales of cotton from the 1948 crop. This compares with 19,711 bales on the same date in Ginners state that practically all the cotton in the county has now been gathered but there are a few bales which probably will

This year's crop has exceeded early season estimates, most cotton men predicting about 15,000

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L.

Davis was considerably damaged by fire last Thursday night. Fire-

men made a quick run to the

scene but found one room pretty

well burned and the ceiling in

in the total loss on the residence

IS DAMAGED BY FIRE



GOOD LUCK, MRS. KASENKINA . . . A patient at Roosevelt hospital since she leaped to freedom from a window of the Russian consulate on August 12, Mrs. Oksana Kasenkima, former Soviet school teacher, is shown in her wheelchair as she prepared to leave the hospital. During her stay at the hospital, Mrs. Kasenkina wrote the story of her life. Proceeds from the sale of the story will go to pay her medical bills.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. McGowen SCHOOL MEN ATTEND and Phyllis are here for a visit with Mrs. McGowen's sisters, Mrs. Joe Forester and I. B. Funder-George Newby and Mrs. A. G. burk attended the quarterly meet-Buchanan. Mr. McGowen has just ing for school administrators of teen years service.

Hogs that are moderately fat acted other business. and weigh between 180 and 240 pounds live weight, produce hams, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Hutto, of shoulders and sides of meat of Austin, were week-end guests of the most desirable size for curing. Mrs. J. H. Endacott.

MEETING AT BRADY returned from Hawaii, where he this district at Brady Monday eve-

district football team and trans- sulphate or calcium chloride.

the legend upon which it is based, is undoubtedly the reason for the custom of placing a branch of cherry tree in water to bud for Christmas

According to this legend, Mary and Joseph on their way to Beth-lehem passed a tree loaded with cherries. Mary was hungry for some of the fruit and asked Joseph to pluck some cherries for her. The tree graciously bowed down so that Mary could pick the fruit herself.

It has been customary among the Czechs and Slovaks to take the branch of a cherry tree and place it in water in the late fall so that the buds reach the blossoming stage at Christmas time.

The belief was current that if the sprig blossomed by Christmas Eve, the girl who tended it would marry during the New Year.

#### Danger From Tree Fire Ever Present

Although the Christmas tree is one of the most picturesque Yuletide ornaments, it is also one of the most dangerous, with the threat of CERCENERA RABARA RABARA RABARA fire an ever present possibility.

Replacement of the candle by the electric light has removed some of the hazards formerly experienced, but danger still lurks from faulty connections or careless handling of bulbs and strings.

was on active duty as a first lieu- ning. State Superintendent L. A. department of agriculture offers To minimize the fire hazard, the tenant with the AAF. He recently Woods was the principal speaker. two pertinent suggestions: First, received his discharge after thir- School officials tabulated the keep the tree well watered and, coaches selections for the all- second, fireproof it with ammonium

To provide the tree with sufficient water, cut the butt on a slant at least an inch above the original cut. Keep the water level above the slashed surface. In purchasing a tree, always look for one that has been felled recently so that the needles have not dried.

Fresh trees also are essential for flame-proofing. In using ammonium fourth the weight of the tree should be used. After dissolving one and a half pints of the ammonium in a pound of water, slash the stem of the tree and place it in the solution. Then, let the tree stand four to six days in the solution for complete absorption. Trees fireproofed in this manner will not be ignited by an electric spark.

#### Christmas Visit to The Seven Fountains

In 1540 when a plague was raging in Switzerland, 12 pious men of Rheinfelden formed a brotherhood to pray for St. Sebastian's aid, and to nurse the sick and bury the dead. to nurse the sick and bury the uean pestilence in medieval times was pestilence to evil spirits in water, so the Brotherhood of St. Sebastian viscustom, but only on Christmas Eve. For this ritual the 12 Brothers are dressed in black, with black silk gather around the lantern-bearer and sing a medieval song. The narch begins at the Froschweide posed to have started three centuries ago. When they have passed for midnight mass, and ceremoniously place their lantern on the al-



and Satan died, the bells the churches were rung. At exactly midnight the tolling changed to a joyful peal, announcing the birth

In the dark chambers high above the turmoil and strife of human life, dwelt the Apostles of Peace, whose salutations were never so welcome as at the time of the great winter feasts of Christmas, so William Auld tells in his traditions.

#### Quaint Swiss Custom Of Meeting Lover

Forecasting is ritualized in Switz-erland. Grandma goes to the cellar, selects the most perfect onion, haives it, and peels 12 layers, one for each month. The next day these layers show what the weather will

The daughter of the house goes about town at midnight, to drink from nine different fountains. Then she goes to church. She expects to meet her unknown lover on the





LITTER OF LONG-AND-SHORTS . . . The proud mom, a dachshund with the impressive sounding name of "Potter's Schones Gretchen," looks fondly along the line formed by her latest litter, and doubtless pon-ders in her canine way that a long, but low, life faces her children. The dachshunds, in case you don't know about dogs, are those pooches that are two dogs long and one-half dog high. This batch is owned by Mrs. Alvin Potter of Toledo. It is Gretchen's third litter.

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MONDAY AND TUESDAY met members of the organization to begin his duties on Monday, returned he found a room full of James D. Weaver, new secre- and familiarized himself with the December 27.

Chamber of Commerce, came in He said he would return to Monday to spend two days with Ingleside and expected to sell his Roger Wheeler, retiring manager, home there this week. School will To December 1, Runnels county

#### 18,693 BALES OF COTTON

before the latter left for his new be out next week on Friday and farmers had ginned a total of Salesbooks. Ballinger Printing Co.

The blaze was brought under control in a short time but water and smoke damage also figured

bales.

and contents. Mr. Davis had stepped across

position at Sherman. Mr. Weaver he hoped to be able to move here the street for a visit and when he

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Burks, of GINNED TO DECEMBER 1 Amarillo, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Curry the past week-end.

# **Broadway Food Market**



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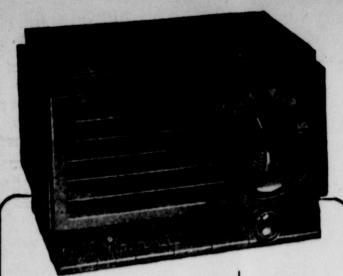


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## **Home Decorations Judging Tomorrow**; **Prizes for Winners**

The Christmas yard decoration program are: contest, sponsored by the Ballinger Civic-Garden Club, will come to a close tomorrow (Friday) evening when out-of-town judges come here to inspect all places sign up in the contest.

A number of home decorations have been put up this week, some of them very elaborate pieces, all of which have been entered in the competition. Ballingerites are invited to drive over the city this week, especially tomorrow night, and see the decorative effects. Members of the committee said

#### Do Your "Gums"

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all decorations should be lighted by dark Friday night and remain on until late so they will be showing when the judges make their

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The complete line-up is: ends, White, of Coleman, and Davenand Dozier, of Coleman.

Ballinger players receiving hon-Bell and Reese.

00 ⊕ Ballinger football coaches will backfield slots where the absence his 1949 Roswell team. of Hill, Reese, Baker and Bell will

placed on the all-district team. section attending the annual The team was chosen by a vote minor leagues meeting at Minne-Hill, of Ballinger; and Buddy Abilene club now has a working come from Washington camps in on Fifth Street Friday evening. the spring.

of Winters, Hodge, of Winters, ably a park and lights must be with punch. orable mention for the team were: made to dispose of the local fran- large bearcat topped the fireplace Parrish, Buchanan, Fulcher, Read, chise in the Longhorn League and and red streamers with all news-

have a much different picture Ballinger park rebuilt at Roswell, Those attending were: Principal



Miss Arlene Miller who chosen Sweetheart of the Ballinof all coaches after they had con- apolis last week made arrange- ger Bearcat football team this sulted with players to determine ments with a number of majors season, was hostess to members the best for each position. Walter for help in the 1949 season. The of the team and their dates, when she was assisted in enter-Fornes, of Winters, received every agreement with the Washington taining by her parents, Mr. and vote from the coaches to win top Senators and reinforcements will Mrs. Charles Miller, in their home

The reception and living rooms were beautifully decorated in the Ballinger has a flock of good Christmas theme, red candles and port, of Ballinger; tackles, Cross, managers ready to sign up and cedar being used with the large of Coleman, and Samuelson, of start putting together a club, lighted tree. The lace-laid dining Brady; guards, Vancil, of Ballin- Local fans will have to make up table was centered with a reflected ger; and Turner, of Coleman; their minds within the next few arrangement of poinsettias flanked center, Middleton, of Ballinger; weeks if organized baseball is to by red tapers where a sandwich backs, Hill, of Ballinger, Fornes, be retained here. If decided favor- plate with cookies was served

provided, a manager hired and a The school colors, red and black, number of players secured. If the were used for decorating the idea is abandoned, efforts will be dance room. The picture of a the players now under contract. paper stories about the Bearcats attached fell from the mantel. Bill Moore is getting the old along with pictures of the team.

next fall when they start the New Mexico, and intends to be and Mrs. Joe Forester, Coach and training season with ten letter- ready to launch spring training Mrs. Wayman Wilson, Assistant men back and at least five good there the latter part of March Coach and Mrs. Dauglas Cox, prospects coming up from junior Mr. Moore is also figuring with Messrs. and Mmes. M. E. Sweeney, high. Hardest to fill will be the several prospective managers for Curtis Bryan, Woodrow Wilson, Walter Middleton, Olin G. Morrison, Robert Ellis of San Angelo; Read the grocery ads and save. Misses Merle Lewis, Rose Mary Bruce, Marryatt Smith and Griffie

> Members of the team and their dates were: C. B. Boggess, Grace Ann Bryan, Snookie Herring, Janie Morrison, Bill Hart, Cynthia Tuckey, John Reese, Martha Ann James, Bob Vancil, Edwina Vogelsang, Daniel Hallmark, Clara Hill, James Read, Pattie Morrison, Jimmie Endacott, Charlene Olsak, Jimmie Parrish, Eva Jo Flynt, Scottie Bell, Sallyne McGahey, Jimmie McAden, Dian Tuckey, Bill Winchester, Deannie Roundtree, tions and the lighted tree. Frankie Jackson and Lavelle Foy. H. G. Agnew and the bingo to coffee.

## ↑ ↑ ↑ Christmas Parties Given in Lee

in the home of Mrs. Levy Lee on Newby, M. J. Bradley, R. T. Wil- Boelsche. Others were: Mr. and Seventh Street lent a festive air liams, L. R. Tigner, C. F. Bailey, Mrs. George Newby, Mr. and Mrs. when she was hostess to a con- Marvin Davies, C. R. Stone, Del- Coy Estes, and Mr. and Mrs. tract party Saturday afternoon bert Vancil, E. A. Sommer, C. L. Grindstaff. Arrangements of mistletoe and Baker, Harry Lynn, W. K. Wheatcedar boughs and other holiday ley, Coy Estes, R. T. Hall, Q. V. Food requirements of the navy symbols greeted guests in the Miller, F. M. Pearce, Troy Simp- in 1941 were 1,000,000,000 pounds; reception room. The living and son, Lloyd Johnson, Earl Barr, A. in 1945 they had risen to 5,700,dining rooms were given added Underwood, Jack Nixon, Jr., Law- 000,000 pounds.

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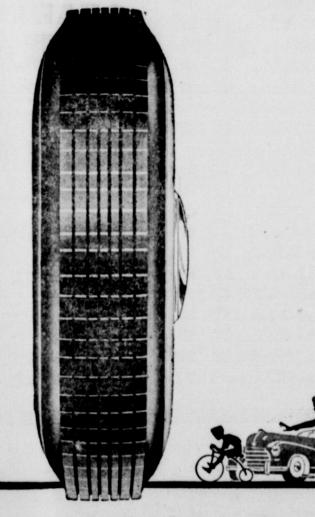
Mrs Hal Salfen. key, E. C. Grindstaff, Alex Mc- Ernest Caskey, and low score Colorful Christmas decorations Gregor, Edgar Boelsche, George award went to Dr. and Mrs. Edgar

Middleton, Gale Hays, Richard beauty by bouquets of red carna- rence Gilbert, Powell Wear, Joe Forester, Paul Pruitt; Misses Ollie Jimmie Davenport, Peggy Fox, Foursome tables were centered Chenoweth, Maryatt Smith, Grif-

In the evening, Mr. Lee joined

In contract games, high score Guests were: Mmes. Ernest Cas- prize was awarded Mr. and Mrs.

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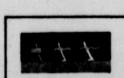
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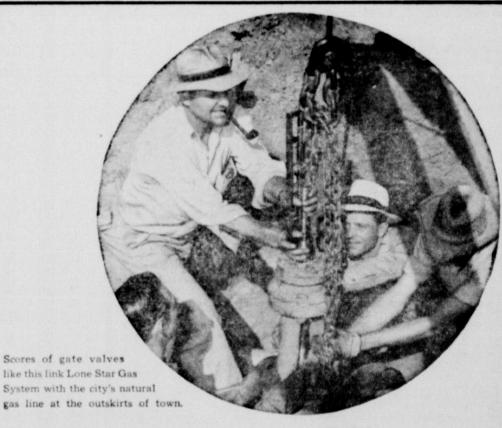
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Dressing Duchess Salad Fancy Quality	16-02 31¢
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Nob Hill Coffee 2	1-4b.	874	Eggs Moraing Star	Dos.	654
Coffee for Quality	1-44.	50c	Eggs Mixed Colors and St	Des.	594
Coffee Mountain Grown	1-Lb.	53c	Spry Vegetuble	3.00	970
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Tomato Juice Toste	No. 2 Con	104	Hi Ho Crackers	1-Lb. Pkg.	314
Ginger Ale hory 2	32-Or Bots.	234	Flour Kitchen-Tested	S-Lb. Bog	494
Olives Stuffed	3-Oz.	31¢	Flour Top Quality	5-Lb. Bag	494
Sauce Cranberry	16-Or	174	Gift Sugge	stions	
Sauerkraut Moco	No. 2 Can	114	Brazil Nuts Fock	1-Lb. Pkg.	354
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Jell-Well Asserted 3	tog.	194	Pecan Halves Foot	14-Oz.	674
Mince Meat Com	1-Lb.	154	Walnuts Colle Pack	1-Lb.	354
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Popcorn Colle Post	144	194	Gum Drops St. Orm	- 1-Lb.	294
Cheese Wasses Was		574	Chocolate Drops	1-4A.	354
Tasty Butter	1-46.	714	Setin Mix For	144.	274
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