

March of Dimes Needs Dollars to Attain Goal

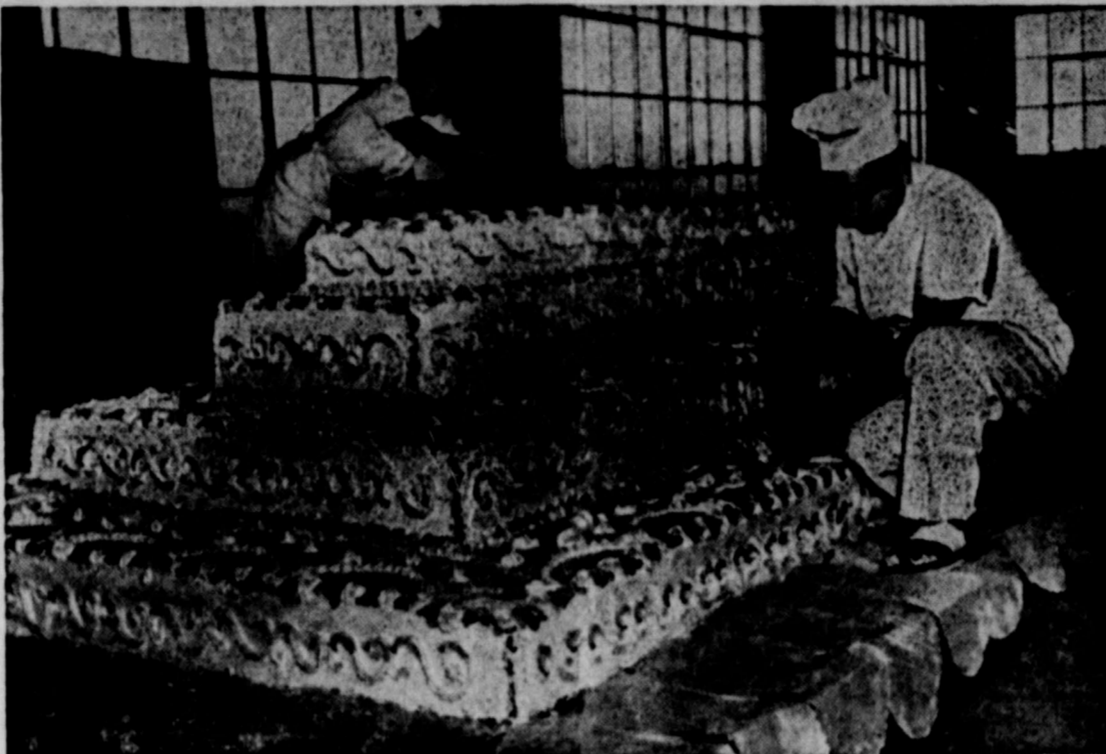
Joe Forester, county chairman for the annual March of Dimes, is urging full cooperation by the people of Runnels county during the remainder of January. The campaign will close next Monday and receipts are far short of the amount which will be needed during 1949.

The biggest medium for raising funds here are the small coin and bill collectors found in local stores. Some of these have considerable money in them, while others are catching only coppers, nickels and dimes. Mr. Forester stated that while the campaign is called the March of Dimes, it is permissible to put money of any denomination in the containers and that the call is not limited to dimes. A few jars in the city had nothing but dimes in them up to Monday.

County Health Workers Giving Screening Tests

Mrs. W. A. Jacob, county health nurse, and Mrs. John Bradley, health coordinator, have been working in the Miles school system, giving each child in the first three grades screening tests. This includes an audiometer test for hearing and a Snellen test for vision as well as checks on immunization, height, weight, posture, nutrition needs, speech and skin disorders.

Lighting, ventilation, playground hazards, nutrition needs, and explaining the necessity for immunization. MARCH OF DIMES CONTINUED IN COUNTY ONE MORE WEEK. Joe Forester, county chairman, announced Wednesday that the March of Dimes would be continued in Runnels county for another week. Bad weather during most of January made it necessary to continue the time to allow all community chairmen to collect funds in their territories.



THEY SLICED IT WITH A CROSSCUT SAW. . . This is reputed to be the biggest cake in the world, and for those who go for toothsome sweets, as well as for those who might turn pale at the sight, here are the statistics: 16 feet long, 5 feet high and 7 1/2 feet wide; 1,650 pounds of sugar, 750 pounds of flour, 4,000 eggs, 100 gallons of milk, 250 pounds of butter and 26 pounds of (burr) baking powder. The cake was designed to serve more than 40,000 persons on the eve of Miami's King Oration parade. Vito Damiano (shown applying the icing) baked it in 360 sections—24 layers four tiers high.

Baseball Uniforms Ordered; Standing Committees Named

Officers of the Ballinger Baseball Association were in session Monday night with Charlie English, player-manager, to attend to much business. An order for uniforms was given the McGregor Co. of Lubbock. The white home uniform will have the word 'CATS' in block letters, and caps, stockings and belts will be blue. A gray uniform bearing the word 'Ballinger' will be worn on the road. The uniforms will be here in time for spring training. Baseballs, bats and other equipment are to be ordered this week. The official balls will be kept in the express office here and can be taken out as needed.

Rain Totals .93 Inch For Past Week-End; Two Inches in Month

Rain in this section of West Texas was general the past week-end. The official reading in Ballinger was .93 of an inch and brought the total for January to two inches. It is believed that this is low for the amount of moisture during the month because of the considerable amount of icing which provided much of the wetness when it melted. The week-end rain covered most of the state and communities in this part of Texas received from a half to more than an inch. The rain fell slowly and all went into the ground, following freezing which had pulverized the soil to a depth of several inches. Little surface water was received in tanks and streams.

No. 3 Giesecke Located; 2 Other Wells Underway

The Homer Easterwood et al-H. Giesecke No. 2 was gauged last week at approximately 50 barrels a day and the rig was moved to a new location for Giesecke No. 3. The partnership holding leases and drilling on the Giesecke ranch is composed of J. W. Mayo, H. G. Ritchie and Homer Easterwood, all of Taft.

The location for the No. 3 well is 330 feet out of the northwest corner of lot 121, Giesecke ranch subdivision, or 660 feet north of the No. 2. Pits were started the past week-end and drilling will be begun as soon as possible. The operators indicate they will later go back into their No. 1 well, drilled early in 1948, with a view of completing it in the same sand. Pumping equipment is now being installed on the No. 2 well.

Premiums for Livestock Show Set in All Classes

All groups helping to sponsor the annual livestock show met the past week-end to complete arrangements for the show here February 25. A premium list of \$400 was set up and this will be provided by the Runnels County Livestock Association plus money for the ribbons. Ribbons will be given those placing and will also denote the grand champions and reserve champions in each division and class.

The premium list is as follows: Heavy calves, 875 pounds and up—ten prizes to be paid in this division—\$12.50, \$10, \$8, \$6, \$5, \$4, \$3, \$3, \$3 and \$2. Light calves, under 875 pounds—the same number of places will be judges and the same premiums paid as above. Jerseys will be in a separate class and premiums will be \$15, \$10 and \$5 for the first three places. Lightweight hogs, 180 to 240 pounds—six places to be judged and premiums will be \$10, \$8, \$6, \$4, \$2 and \$1. Heavyweight hogs—240 to 300 pounds—the same number of places to be judges and the same premiums paid. Best trio, three hogs raised by one boy, will be judged for four places, and premiums to be paid are \$6, \$5, \$4, \$3. Best gilts will take prizes of \$6, \$5, \$4, \$3. Breeding boars will be paid \$4, \$2, \$1. Fine wood crossbred lambs will be judged to six places and the premiums are \$8, \$6, \$4, \$3, \$2 and \$1. Southdown crossbreds—\$8, \$6, \$4, \$3, \$2, \$1. Best three shown by one boy—\$8, \$6, \$4, \$2. Best registered Southdowns—ewes \$4, \$3, \$1; rams \$4, \$3, \$1. Best registered Rambouillets—ewes \$4, \$3, \$1; rams \$4, \$3, \$1. Heavy capons will be over ten pounds and premiums for the four places will be \$3, \$2, \$1.50 and \$1. Lights will be under ten pounds and the same premiums will be paid. The best trio of capons will draw premiums of \$4, \$3, \$2, \$1 and \$0.50.

Charley English has signed a player-manager contract and is at work forming a team. English began his professional baseball career with Galveston in 1934 and was voted the most valuable player in the Texas League that year. In 1937, when with the Kansas City Blues, American Association, he again was voted the most valuable player. While a member of the Los Angeles club in the Pacific Coast League in 1938 he received the most valuable player award, and in 1942 he led the Southern Association in hitting and again received the honor of being rated the most valuable player.

In the majors he played with the New York Giants, Chicago White Sox, Cincinnati Reds, and has managed clubs at Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Baton Rouge, Louisiana; and Portland, Oregon.

The Ballinger manager has a lifetime hitting average of .300 and holds the record for the most runs ever batted in in a Dixie series game.

It was decided to begin spring training here on April 1 and the secretary was instructed to send contracts to the eleven men on the Del Rio roster who now belong to the Ballinger club. All these will be given a look during spring training and those making good will be offered contracts when the season opens. The officers discussed committees which would be required to assist in getting the park ready and the season underway. The following appointments were made and it was also stated that others probably would be named later: Building and Planning—Clifford Cook, J. E. Harral, W. O. Wallace, J. W. Guynes, Tom Caudie, Cecil Darby, Sam Behringer, W. O. Parks, G. A. Swann, Ollie Floyd, Vernon Dankworth. Signs—Otis Jacob, C. A. Bissett, J. O. Barker, A. O. Bartlett, M. H. Morgan. Box Seats—Cecil Davis, Herman Price, Dee Saylor, Frank Flynn, J. O. Barker. Tickets—Ray Fuqua, Mrs. J. O. Barker, Mrs. Hill Hampton, Mack Hartgrove, Frank Partridge, J. L.

School Lunch Rooms Of County Inspected By U.S.D.A. Worker

Miss Jannette Hampton, representative of the United States department of agriculture, visited in Runnels county last week for the purpose of inspecting school lunch rooms.

Miss Hampton was interested to see whether all school cafeterias were serving standard A lunches as required by the department. These lunches may be served with or without milk but must include two ounces of fresh meat or a substitute, six ounces of vegetables, one portion of bread and two teaspoons of butter or oleomargarine.

In four schools in the county, Ballinger, Winters, Wingate and Miles, half a pint of milk is served with each meal, while at Rowena, Bethel, Pumpfrey and Offen no milk is served. Miss Hampton was very complimentary of conditions found in this county. She found all schools serving better than the suggested menus. She was also pleased with the equipment found in most of the lunch rooms and the methods followed in serving. Part of the food supply is received through the U.S.D.A. from surplus commodities. Other provisions are purchased by the lunch room managers.

MISS MORELAND EMPLOYED BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. Miss Pat Moreland has accepted a position with the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce as assistant secretary. She started her duties the past week-end and will work full time in the office. Miss Moreland was formerly employed by the Ballinger Electric Co.

Speaker for Jaycee Annual '49 Banquet Is World Traveller

Taylor Cole, of Midland, principal speaker for the annual Ballinger Jaycee banquet tomorrow (Friday) night is a world traveller. He received his early schooling at San Angelo, where he graduated from the San Angelo high school and the junior college. Later he received a B. A. degree in geology from the University of Texas and did graduate work in teaching in 1938 and 1939, receiving his M. A. degree at that time.

Cole has been interested in international relations for a number of years, being one of the founders of the Junior Chamber International in Mexico City in 1944. Extensive travel has taken a large part of his time the past several years, having toured most of the countries of the world where travel is permitted except on the continents of Africa and Asia. He has received many honors because of his work. He has been responsible for the formation of the newest Junior Chamber International, in Germany. He has a fair knowledge of the Spanish language and is interested in Latin-American relations. Clifford Hoelscher, five-year-old vocalist, will be heard in a group of numbers.

City's United Church Women to Assemble; Will Name Officers

The United Council of Church Women will meet Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Church of God, corner of Sixth Street and Strong Avenue. The program was arranged by Mrs. Barney Watkins, Mrs. H. H. Holland and Mrs. J. H. Shell. The theme is "God's Kingdom All Over the World."

Parts assigned are as follows: Reading 23rd Psalm, "For All Races," Mrs. Shell. "Amsterdam and the World Church," Mrs. Marvin Clark. "Highlights of the National Assembly of Church Women," Mrs. Pierson Corder. "Migrants are People," Mrs. Herbert Sanders. Meditation, Mrs. E. L. Craig. Mrs. Joe Forman will direct the business session at which a report of the nominating committee will be heard and officers elected for twelve months. All church women of the city are invited to attend.

W. A. FORGEY INJURED IN FALL. W. A. Forgey sustained a fractured hip in a fall at his home on Broadway early this morning. Mr. Forgey went into the yard to go to town to begin his day's work, slipped and fell on the hard ice. Passersby rushed to him and helped get him in the house. An ambulance was called and X-ray examinations at the hospital disclosed a broken hip. Hospital attendants stated he was resting fairly well.

Ross Black has been in Dallas this week, attending market and buying merchandise for his store.

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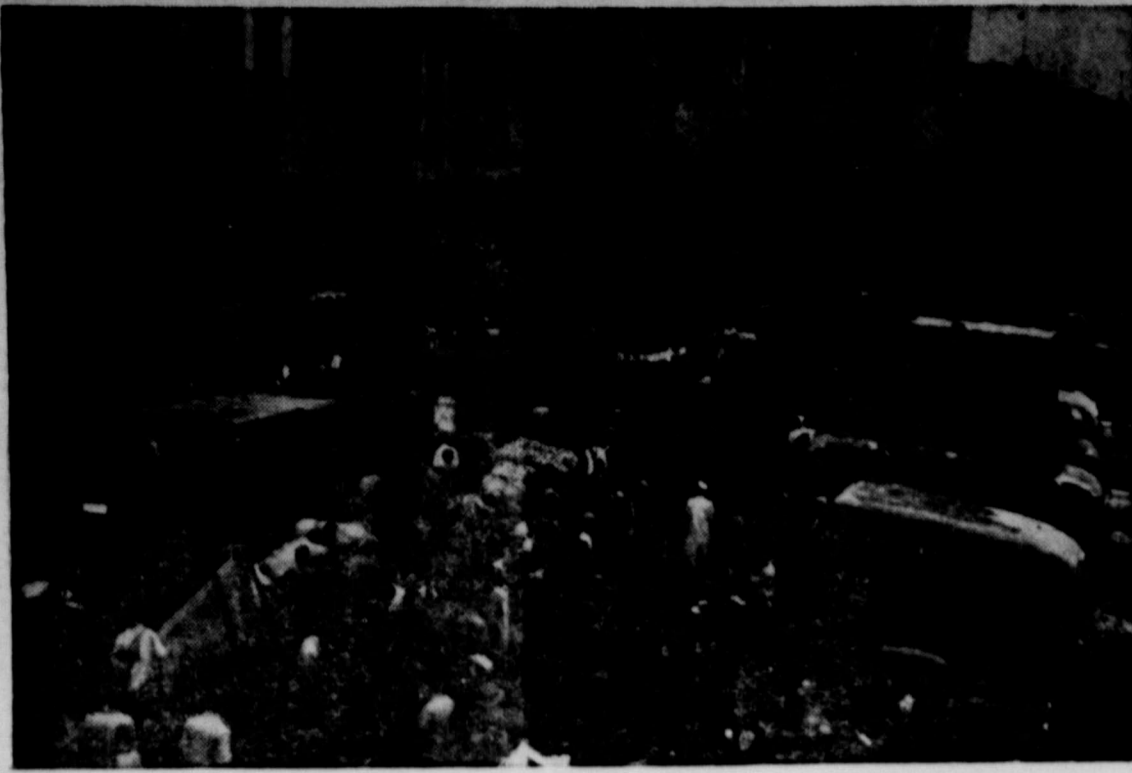
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**CHINESE MOBS RUSH TO GET GOLD.** . . . This is a general view of immense, undisciplined Chinese mobs which squeezed into Shanghai's Bund in an attempt to get to banks where they could exchange their valuables for gold and silver to take with them as they prepared to flee from advancing Communist armies. Thousands of men, women and children were in the disorderly lines, jamming roads and sidewalks, battling mounted police, gendarmes, naval police and other law enforcement officers. The law strove to preserve order by brandishing tommy guns, bayonets, truncheons, whips and rifle butts. And few of the people managed to get any gold.

**EMPLOYEE PAYS RESPECT TO GEORGE H. SHEPPARD**

I want to say something to you that most of you already know, but something that I want to say again about the great, good man, now deceased, George H. Sheppard under whom it has been my very good fortune to have served some seventeen and a half years.

Mr. Sheppard represented all that was best in political and governmental life. So far as he was above petty trickery or political manipulation that those who were inclined toward such action

were stopped before they approached him.

His was a quiet and unassuming man as he went about the responsibilities of an office, the burden of which the people were generally unaware because of the high degree of efficiency with which it was run.

George Sheppard not only assumed the responsibilities of the office to which he was elected but he also made it his responsibility to be genuinely concerned with the personal problems of his employees.

I wish that you too could have

seen the First Methodist Church where the funeral services were held while he lay there among banks and banks of beautiful flowers stacked almost ceiling high across the whole front of the church, on the altar, and down the sides in the windows. It was a fitting farewell gesture to the man whom so many had loved and respected.

Bob Calvert, Mr. Sheppard's Chief Clerk (First Assistant) whom Governor Beauford H. Jester has so wisely appointed as Comptroller came to Austin with Mr. Sheppard from Sweetwater and has been one of his close confidants and assistants ever since.

I am sure there is no one more familiar with nor sympathetic toward Mr. Sheppard's general policies than Bob Calvert. I love Bob Calvert as a personal friend and have every confidence in his ability as an executive—an altogether worthy successor of him who has gone.

W. L. (WILL) BROWN  
Chief of Advalorem Tax Division, State Comptroller's Department, Austin, Texas. 27-11

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**Horses and Mules Growing Scarcer On Texas Farms**

Texas Farmers are making long strides toward complete mechanization of crop production, according to H. P. Smith, agricultural engineer of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Smith has just completed analyzing information on power used on Texas farms in crop production furnished him by county agricultural agents.

No horses or mules are now used in crop production in about 40 Texas counties. With the exception of some hand-hoeing and hand-harvesting of cotton, crop production in these counties is completely mechanized, Smith said.

Thirty counties use less than 25 horses or mules, while in another 35 counties less than 100 horses or mules are used in crop production, Smith said.

Tractor power is used almost exclusively in the production of all crops in a block of 77 Northwest Texas counties. It was reported that a few farmers in these counties still keep a team or two for odd jobs about the farm or for hauling feed.

There are about 47 million acres in these 77 counties. The total devoted to crop production amounts to about 14½ million acres.

Smith found that East Texas farmers still use a good deal of animal power. This is likely due to the farms being smaller units than in West Texas. East Texas farmers were reported to use horses and mules ranging in number from a few hundred per county to more than 6,000, Smith said.

**Sweetwater Makes Longhorn's Eighth Club for '49 Season**

All clubs in the Longhorn Baseball League were represented at a called meeting in Abilene Sunday and Sweetwater was assured as the eighth member of the circuit. O. O. Hollingsworth, spokesman for the Sweetwater delegation that is trying to keep organized baseball in that city, deposited a \$1,300 salary guarantee check with league officials and while names of men to operate the team were not filed, it is expected that an organization will be formed this week, a player-manager hired and preparations made for assembling a team.

Sweetwater citizens recently voted a bond issue for the construction of a park and this work is proceeding in order to be ready for spring training. The Sweetwater club was operated last year at a loss of \$5,000 to \$7,000, and this indebtedness will have to be cleared by interests taking over the franchise.

A delegate from Carlsbad, New Mexico, was present and stated that the city was building a modern lighted park and would be ready to step in if Sweetwater failed.

All clubs have deposited salary guarantees and other league expenses and have announced ready to play ball.

Howard Green, retiring president, was in the chair for the meeting Sunday at which Harold Webb, of Midland, was elected vice-president; and Troy Kegans, secretary-treasurer. Kegans will also serve as secretary to the president and will be official league statistician.

Hal Sayles, newly elected president, assumed the duties this week and announced a meeting at Big Spring on February 6, when the 1949 schedule will be presented for approval by the club owners.

Three new parks will be in service when the 1949 season begins. The San Angelo organization has started construction of its new stadium. Ballinger's association intends to get work underway at once and Sweetwater will have a park finished by the opening of the season.

Melt the fat for muffins or baked puddings in the baking pan to save time and extra dishwashing. Start melting the fat before measuring out the other ingredients so that it will be ready and the pan cool enough when the batter is ready.

Large and small ink pads, blue, black, red. Ink pad ink. Ballinger Printing Co.

Vegetables on the February plentiful list include cabbage, carrots, spinach, Irish potatoes, onions, dried peas and beans, and canned corn.

Most of us find that it is a much easier job to talk ourselves into trouble than out of it.

Rags wanted at Ledger office.

Be wise—advertise.

**IN SOCIETY**

**Brown-Chapman Wedding Vows Read at San Angelo**

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle H. Brown are at home in Rankin following their marriage at nine o'clock the evening of Friday, January 21.

The single-ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. Lee Ramsour, pastor of the Harris Avenue Baptist Church in San Angelo, in his home in the presence of close friends and relatives.

Mrs. Jewel Cooper, a life long friend, attended the bride as matron of honor. She wore a black crepe dress with draped bodice and skirt. Her accessories were black and her corsage was pink carnations. Serving the bridegroom as best man was Sgt. Steve Turnell of Goodfellow Field.

Other attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brunson of San Angelo. The bride wore a late afternoon dress of powder blue crepe fashioned with bugler button trim on the yoke of the tight fitted bodice, and the skirt was featured with a bustle-draped back. Her pink felt hat was trimmed with blue sequins and her gloves were pink, other accessories were brown. The brides only jewelry was an antique brooch belonging to Mrs. Cooper, and she wore pearl earrings, a gift of the bridegroom. Her corsage was pink carnations.

The bride is the former Miss Peggy Chapman, daughter of Mrs. P. J. Legg of this city, and is a graduate of Ballinger high school. She has been employed by Rubin's department store the past year.

Mr. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Brown of Ballinger, is a graduate of the local high school. He spent four years in the Air Corps, two years of which was spent overseas. He is now employed by the Trinity Oil Co. at Rankin.

**Girl Scout Troop Meets at Hut**

Members of Girl Scout troop No. 7 and their leader, Mrs. Ralph Payette, met at the hut in city park Friday afternoon for their regular meeting.

Ruth Jean Watkins presided for the business and plans were made for members to start working on badge awards. Mrs. Payette was assisted by Janie Brevard in serving popcorn and cold drinks. Others present were: Joan Whitman, Loretta Brown, Sally Underwood, Patricia Davis, Carol Sue Berry, Peggy Virden, Dorothy Heath, Berry Jo Cowlishaw and Marvella Ashton.



**CAPITAL MOVE . . .** She used to be Representative Margaret Chase Smith, but she's a senator now—a member of the "most exclusive gentleman's club in the world." Miss Smith is first woman to be elected to the senate without benefit of a previous term-fill-out appointment.

**Mrs. Lynn Hostess to Dessert Luncheon Club**

The Valentine theme was given attractive emphasis in all details and red begonias were used to decorate the living and dining rooms of the Estes M. Lynn home on Eleventh Street when Mrs. Lynn was hostess to members of the Dessert Luncheon Club, with

**BALLINGER SINGER TO BE HEARD ON RADIO SATURDAY**

Mrs. Edith Kreyer, voice and piano teacher of San Angelo, will present Mrs. Jack Nixon, Jr., on her regular radio program Saturday morning at 9 o'clock from station KGKL, San Angelo.

Mrs. Nixon will sing "I Would Weave a Song for You," "In the Luxembourg Gardens" and "Beautiful Dreamer."

Miss Virginia Moos, of San Angelo, pianist, will appear on the same program.

Sgt. Walter F. Canada, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Canada of Ballinger, has graduated from the clerk-typist course at the UCAF technical school, Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming. Graduates of this school are assigned to air force bases throughout the world.

Branches of trees and shrubs that have been split off by the weight of ice should be pruned off. All splintered and rough edges should be smoothed off before wound paint is applied.

**Citizens, Attention!**

Are you a good citizen?

Are you prepared to vote on any issue that comes up before us this year?

**Have You Paid Your Poll Tax?**

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JANUARY 31, 1949

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### Comedy, 'Apartment for Peggy' Pairs Jeanne Crain, Bill Holden

A fresh and hilarious glimpse into the college campus life and problems of a student veteran and his wife who spin dreams of castles in the air from their trailer is to be presented at the Texas Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, January 30, 31, February 1, when "Apartment for Peggy" is the principal attraction. The Twentieth Century-Fox hit, photographed in Technicolor, teams Jeanne Crain and William Holden with Academy Award-winner Edmund Gwenn as co-star.

The movie, based on a novelette by Faith Baldwin, and set in a typical, small college town of today, unfolds the high-spirited story of the startling and delightfully uninhibited wife of a student veteran whose determination to snare an apartment and to see her husband graduate leads from one riotous complication to another. It is also the story of "The Professor" who thought he knew all the answers until he is brought smack-up against irresistible, atomic-powered Peggy.

The role of Peggy marks an exciting change of pace for Miss Crain who, in contrast to her usual sweet and demure self, is transformed into a very unconventional, fast-talking young lady who sets the college's ivy towers quivering with her lively doings. William Holden has the best role of his career as Jason, the vet-

who is discouraged over his college prospects.

Top-notch support is supplied by Gene Lockhart, Griff Barnett and Randy Stuart.

For the double-feature program at the Texas tomorrow and Saturday are "Smoky Mountain Melody," starring Roy Acuff, and "Bodyguard," RKO Radio's latest mystery drama. In addition several shorts will be shown.

Roy Acuff, topflight radio and recording singer of hillbilly music, presents six numbers in "Smoky Mountain Melody." With Acuff in the film are his Smoky Mountain Boys, Guinn (Big Boy) Williams, Russell Arms, Sybil Merritt, Carolina Cotton and Tommy Ivo.

Thrills and suspense pack "Bodyguard," starring Lawrence Tierney and Priscilla Lane. Tierney portrays a hot-tempered police officer who finds himself accused of the murder of his superior, and the exciting plot revolves about his efforts to keep from being arrested until he can clear himself. Philip Reed, June Clayworth, Elisabeth Risdon and Steve Brodie are in support.



Jeanne Crain plays the delightfully uninhibited, fast-talking and determined wife of a student veteran in "Apartment for Peggy," a Twentieth Century-Fox production opening next Sunday at the Texas Theatre.

### Vivid Melodrama, 'Return of the Badmen' Stars Randolph Scott and Anne Jeffreys

Romance and lawlessness on the Oklahoma frontier motivate the action in RKO Radio's dramatic thriller, "Return of the Bad Men," booked at the Texas Theatre next Wednesday and Thursday, February 2, 3.

With Randolph Scott, Robert Ryan, Anne Jeffreys, Jacqueline White and George "Gabby" Hayes in the stellar roles, the picture presents a vivid portrait of the Territory at the time of the land rush when outlaws from all over the Southwest found a haven in the region.

Ryan and Miss Jeffreys portray

two of the bandits, and Scott is a prosperous ranchman who is made a U. S. marshal and told to clean up the district.

An outlaw raid on the town of Braxton sets off the swift action of the story. The bandits, able to take refuge at almost any of the outlying ranches, are elusive, and their grim pursuit of them by Scott and his deputies lead to most of the exciting events of the plot.

Featured players include Steve Brodie, Richard Powers, Robert Bray, Lex Barker, Walter Reed, Michael Harvey and Lew Harvy, each enacting a famous outlaw of the period.

### Murder Mystery, 'Western Drama Billed at Palace'

A mystery drama, "Lady at Midnight," and a western special, RKO Radio's "Border G-Men," comprise the two-feature program at the Palace Theatre tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday, January 28, 29.

The striking of 35 different types of clocks provides one of the most unusual effects in musical scores when heard in "Lady at Midnight." The sounds vary from Swiss-made relics, more than 300 years old, to the most modern buzzer and chime effects. London's famous Big Ben is heard striking the hour of midnight.

The cost of "Lady at Midnight," an Eagle Lion release, is headed by Richard Denning, Frances Rafferty and Lora Lee Michel, a new child find, Jack Searle, Ralph Dunne, Nana Bryant and Harlan Warde are in principal supporting roles.

### Dana Andrews, Lilli Palmer, Jourdan In Carefree Comedy, 'No Minor Vices'

Dana Andrews, Lilli Palmer and Louis Jourdan form the hilarious triangle seen in "No Minor Vices," laugh-loaded comedy of matrimonial misadventures to be presented at the Ford Theatre Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, January 29 through February 1.

Originality is the theme of this triangle of a stuffed-shirt doctor and his attractive wife whose settled existence is stood on end when a happy-go-lucky artist enters their lives. Andrews plays Dr. Perry Aswell, who makes a mouse of his wife, April (Miss Palmer) until Otavio Quaglino (Jourdan) comes along to paint her.

Before the painting is completed, Otavio gets clipped on the chin, April is beginning to wonder whether she hasn't made a mistake in her marriage, and Perry comes close to making a complete fool of himself—but all ends happily in a barrage of laughs.

Standing out in support are Jane Wyatt, as the prim Miss Darlington, and Norman Lloyd, playing Dr. Sturdivant, the assistant who is shocked at the changes which take place in his clinic after Otavio leaves his mark on the place.

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Four-room teacherage, formerly used as lunch room. Can be seen at Hagan-Barnett school, 6 miles northwest of Ballinger on Bronte highway.

Scaled bids will be received at office of County Superintendent W. E. Elkins or Mr. Roy Burks, president of board of trustees, or any other board member, through January 31, and will be opened at 2:00 p. m. on February 1.

Ten per cent of bidding price must accompany each bid. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

### Dorothy Kendrick is Next to Appear Here in Concert Program

Dorothy Kendrick, eminent pianist, will appear as the next attraction on the Ballinger municipal concert series on Monday, February 21, at the high school auditorium. The concert will commence promptly at 8:15 p. m. and attendance will be limited to those holding Municipal Concert Association membership identification cards.



Miss Kendrick will offer a program which is certain to satisfy the varied musical tastes of her audience. Not only will the works of the old masters be heard, but also such modern composers as George Gershwin and Virgil Thompson will be featured.

Of particular interest with a promise of keen enjoyment for those who like rhythm will be Miss Kendrick's interpretation of Thompson's "Etude on a Ragtime Bass." Among the classical favorites to be heard will be Beethoven's Sonata, Opus 13, and a Chopin group which will include a well loved nocturne, waltz, Ecossais, and Scherzo B Flat Minor. Thus it appears that the local audience will be treated to a program designed to satisfy a variety of musical tastes.

Dorothy Kendrick's approach to the piano is affirmative, to say the least, and those who expect to hear an evening of feminine lyricism exclusively are in for a definite surprise. A firm, strong touch coupled with a poetic understanding enable Miss Kendrick to make the keyboard "talk" and thus musically expose the message intended by each composer.

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### Methodist Church Will Hear Bishop At Night Service

Bishop William C. Martin will be the guest speaker at the First Methodist Church Sunday evening at 7:00 o'clock. Rev. E. L. Craig, pastor, invited the bishop to visit the local church and the invitation was accepted.



Dr. Martin was elected bishop of the Dallas-Fort Worth area in May, 1948, and has been serving the churches of these conferences ever since. He returned to Texas after serving as resident bishop in Kansas and Nebraska eight years. He received his degree from Southern Methodist University, Dallas, and prior to becoming a bishop was pastor of the First Methodist Church of Dallas for some time.

Bishop Martin is one of the outstanding speakers of this denomination and members of the Ballinger church feel fortunate in securing his visit.

An invitation is extended to all Methodists of this section and to friends of the church to attend this service.

Ralph Burns, of Wingate, was here Monday to transact business.

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### Tuberculosis Control Conference Attended By Runnels Official

Mrs. H. G. Agnew represented Runnels county at a state-wide work conference on tuberculosis control which was held January 20-22 at Austin.

Sponsored by the Texas Tuberculosis Association, the three-day conference brought together professional and volunteer workers interested in raising health standards of all Texas communities.

Sections of the program were devoted to such phases of tuberculosis control as medical aspects of the disease, tuberculosis in Texas, methods of control and organization, administration and program of a tuberculosis association. According to Mrs. Agnew, the discussion leaders were drawn from the fields of medicine, education, public health, voluntary and official health and welfare agencies, and volunteer groups.

Mrs. Agnew is vice-president of the Runnels county organization and is a representative director on the board of the Texas Tuberculosis Association.

### Monday is Final Day for Payment of Current Taxes

Next Monday, January 31, is the final date to pay current taxes before they are put on delinquent lists. Three Ballinger collecting offices are ready for a busy week-end and until Monday night.

While tax payments have been heavy, there are still many unpaid accounts and poll tax payments are below the total of last year. Those who are to be eligible voters during 1949 must secure their poll tax receipts before the closing of offices on Monday of next week.

The Ballinger Ministerial Association is urging all citizens to secure their poll tax receipts and be ready to vote in any elections that may be held during the year. While 1949 is considered an off-election year, city officials and school trustees will be elected and other special elections may be called during the year.

Heavy payments of county and state taxes were made in October because of the 3 per cent discount offered during that month. City and school district collecting offices also reported good payments, about equal to previous years.

### C. of C. Directorate Submitted Reports At First '49 Meeting

Directors of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce held their regular meeting last Thursday night, this being the first meeting of 1949 for the newly organized board.

John A. Barton, county farm agent, and Joe Satterwhite gave the directors a complete report on the annual livestock show to be held here on January 25. Mr. Satterwhite outlined the arrangements at the Fields & Johnson warehouse where the show will be held and Mr. Barton spoke on the classes, prizes, auction, and other feature of the show.

A lengthy discussion was held in regard to the proposed trades day events which will be launched here within the next few weeks. A special committee later met with the civic and trades committee to formulate a set of rules governing trades days and James D. Weaver, secretary-manager, was instructed to start a sign-up of merchants at once and get materials ready for beginning the special event as soon as possible.

Directors voted for W. B. May, president, and Mr. Weaver to attend the annual banquet and meeting of the San Angelo Board of City Development.

All new committees submitted reports on their work so far and talked on plans for the current year.

### Rev. Wiley Will Preach At Valley View Church

Rev. Floyd Wiley, pastor of the Baptist church at Spade, will preach at the Valley View Baptist Church at 7 p. m. January 29 and 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. on January 30. A former resident of this county, Rev. Wiley was ordained to the ministry by the Valley View Church. The public is invited to hear him.

### Mrs. Thomas Improving After Traffic Accident

Mrs. Joe Thomas is improving, at her home, after sustaining injuries last Friday afternoon when struck by a car at the intersection of Hutchings Avenue and Eighth Street.

Mrs. Thomas was crossing the street when the car driven by Denie Roundtree knocked her to the pavement. She was taken to the Bailey Clinic-Hospital in an ambulance. While she has a number of broken ribs and painful lacerations, X-rays revealed no internal injuries, and she is said to be resting fairly well.

### Sykes Purchases Large Ranch in New Mexico

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Sykes returned yesterday from New Mexico, where they had been the past week, closing a deal for a large ranch. Upon their return here this week, Mr. Sykes stated that Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sykes would move there to make home on February 7.

Mr. Sykes will remain in Ballinger to look after local business interests.

### Peanut Growers Will Be Given Allotments

The AAA office here states that Runnels county farmers who plan to raise peanuts this year for the first time since 1945 should file applications at the local office for 1949 allotments.

This rule has been given all county AAA offices and new growers have until February 1 in which to file applications.

### Ballinger Band Members Attend Clinic at Abilene

O. G. Joiner, director of the Ballinger Bearcat Band, and M. E. McClenney accompanied the following group of young people to Abilene Saturday to attend the band clinic held at the Abilene high school: Melton Holubeck, Virginia Cope, Patsy Burk, Carolyn McClenney, Martha James, Mary Jo Forman, Barbara Joiner, Betty Sue Cloninger, Theresa Jon Ekins and Jo Ann Watkins.

Representatives of 20 different bands, which made up a 125-piece band, were directed by Joe Haddon, assistant director of the Texas Technological College Band.

The clinic was sponsored by region 2 of the Texas Music Educators' Association.

Mr. Joiner announced that Mr. Haddon would be in Ballinger at an early date to direct a band clinic.

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**MOORE HIRES DAVID WORLEY MANAGER OF ROSWELL CLUB**

J. W. (Bill) Moore returned the past week-end from Roswell, New Mexico, after spending several days there last week to transact business. Mr. Moore stated that construction of his baseball park there was moving along nicely. He has employed David Worley as business manager and expects to be able to announce his playing manager in a short time.

He is also arranging several trades which he believes will give him a better club.

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**ALL MUST PAY OFF PARKING METERS AFTER FEBRUARY 1**

Ballinger city officials have given notice that no one will be exempt on parking meters after February 1. Heretofore some professional men have parked without paying for the time and workmen on buildings have placed "men working" signs on their cars and disregarded the meters.

Police have been instructed to have everybody pay after February 1 and to issue tickets for any cars found on "red" meters. There has been some complaint in regard to cars being permitted to remain parked on expired meters. After the above date, everyone will be treated alike and parking space will come at the rate of 1 cent for 24 minutes or 5 cents for two hours.

Those who park and pay are also informed to keep a watch on the time and not let the meters go into the "red" or tickets for the traffic violation will be issued.

**BROWNWOOD SHOW'S TOP LAMB BOUGHT BY PRICE**

Herman Price went to Brownwood Friday night to attend the annual livestock sale and to purchase the grand champion lamb which was shown by Herman Stokes, Jr., member of the Ballinger Future Farmers of America chapter.

Mr. Price paid \$1 per pound for the champion, which topped sales in the sheep department.

The Brownwood show is one of the largest held in this region and this year was the first time for the association to occupy its permanent quarters at the Camp Bowie site.

**TUESDAY NIGHT COLDEST: MERCURY TO 17 DEGREES**

The temperature here dropped to 17 degrees Tuesday night with this section covered 2 to 3 inches in sleet. Sleet fell here practically all day Tuesday, letting up about 9:00 p. m.

Highway traffic was practically at a standstill in a large part of the state and many cars were in trouble here Wednesday morning.

The large amount of ice on the ground will provide additional moisture when melted and will be equivalent to a good rain.

C. R. Stone returned Tuesday from Dallas and Fort Worth, where he had been to purchase merchandise. He said heavy rains fell there Monday and a drizzle fell and froze Monday night.

**BEARCATS DRAW TOUGH BOBCATS IN TOURNEY**

The Ballinger Bearcats drew a tough assignment in the invitation basketball tournament at McCamey the past week-end. In the drawing they were bracketed with the high scoring San Angelo Bobcats in their first game and were defeated.

The locals have participated in three tourneys and are settling down this week to conference games in their round robin slate.

The feature home game will be played here tomorrow (Friday) night when the Coleman Bluecats come to town. The Coleman team

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**Garden Preparation Should Begin Soon, Horticulturist Says**

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 26.—Got your garden tools handy? Better get them out and sharpen the shovels and hoes. It's time to do a little work in the garden. It isn't planting time quite yet, but there's a bit of spading to do.

J. F. Rosborough, extension horticulturist of Texas A. & M. College, says that most garden soils should be prepared for spring planting in January or early February. If you prepare the soil deep, there's a good chance you'll catch a large amount of winter moisture that will be needed for the garden. And if you have a few low spots in the garden area where the water stands a little longer after a wet spell than normal, then you've got a drainage problem on your hands. With these spring rains coming up, it would be a good idea to get these drainage problems out of the way as soon as possible.

Compost or barnyard fertilizer will prove helpful where it is applied. It'll take about a wagon load for an average size home garden, spread along in the row. If you can't get either of these materials, then you'd better check up on the commercial fertilizers if the soil is sandy and there's

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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Flynt and Eva Jo spent Sunday at San Antonio with Mrs. J. P. Flynt, who is in a hospital recuperating from surgery.

Mrs. Carlton Smith and son, James Striplin, of Prattville, Alabama, are visiting in Ballinger this week. Mr. Striplin received his degree at Texas A. & M. College last week, and will return to Alabama with his mother to make home. He will be employed in a Prattville bank.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Grindstaff, of Abilene, are here this week for a visit in the home of Judge and Mrs. E. C. Grindstaff.

Mrs. H. R. Kitchens, of Menard, is visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Herman Price, this week.

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There are a few people who serve in very important positions for very small pay. Included are our school trustees and city officials. Both jobs require a large amount of time and carry loads of responsibility. In April an entire new city commission and two members of the school board are to be elected. No names have been filed for these offices on the tickets and this must be done thirty days before the date of the elections, which come early in April. Those who hold these posts now have not indicated whether they will be candidates again. School trustees are elected for three-year terms and city officials serve two years at a time. No one likes to announce for these offices and it usually takes some encouragement from friends and citizens to get names submitted for election or reelection.

The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce will seek the cooperation of the city government and civic organizations in the promotion of a better recreational program for young people and the citizenship in general during the next twelve months. If at all possible, a summer program of supervised play and athletics will be sponsored for boys and girls. More playground equipment for the city park will be sought and the No. 1

item on the agenda is a municipal swimming pool. A swimming pool has been sponsored for many years by various groups here but has never been built. In the past shortage of water prevented, but with this problem solved, the initial cost is now the big factor. It has been pointed out that many of our youths are going out of town because of the lack of facilities for swimming here and members of the chamber of commerce hope to overcome this. If a summer athletic program is conducted the new baseball park will be available during the daytime.

Oil development in this section of West Texas is creating a demand for living quarters in Ballinger. For the past several weeks there have been many calls for houses and apartments and the past week-end a large number of oil field workers were here looking for living quarters. The big play in the Bronite field is bringing a number of people here and only a few are able to find suitable quarters for their families. People who have apartments, or who can arrange apartments should do so and list them for rent. These newcomers will boost the population as well as bring benefits in many other ways. Let's find them places to live here.

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It was announced today by Captain Wayne Hall, station commander of the U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force recruiting main station at Abilene, that all personnel other than air force, enlisted in the organized reserve corps or in the national guard, who meet the specified criteria are eligible to volunteer and will be accepted for a period of 21 months' continuous active duty.

Enlisted men without dependents will be accepted on active duty in their present ORC or NG grade. Only those enlisted men with dependents who qualify for the first three grades will be accepted on active duty in their ORC or NG grade. Applicants must meet the physical standards, the general qualifications for enlistment, and achieve a GCT score of 70 or higher for acceptance.

Capt. Hall further stated that promotion while on active duty will be permitted.

Anyone desiring details of this plan should contact the army and air force recruiting station in Ballinger, at the AAA building.

Miss Helen Pauline Witter will be one of the thirty-two candidates to complete requirements for degrees at Southwestern University, Georgetown, the latter part of January. She is majoring in business administration. No plans have been made for a special commencement program and degrees will be conferred at the regular commencement in May.

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### WEST TEXAS NOTES

Comanche county officials have received notice from the Brazos River watershed control board that a grant of \$4,200 has been allowed for engineering fees on Comanche's new lake. Members of the board recently visited Comanche and heard pleas from the city council for aid in the preliminary work on the proposed dam. A brief on the lake was submitted to the board by the Comanche Chamber of Commerce.

Equipment has been moved to the Doss Alexander farm, six miles west of Rising Star, where a deep oil test will be drilled. A rotary rig will be employed in making the 3,250-foot hole. Several wells are producing in the area and the new test will explore formations which have furnished showings. Drilling in the vicinity has been curtailed the past two weeks because of bad weather.

Eastland county farmers will have a peanut allotment this year, according to bulletins received at Eastland last week. Farms having no peanuts grown on them the past three years cannot be used for this purpose until the owner has obtained a new grower's allotment order. Orders must be secured by February 1.

A majority of the members of the Brown county commissioners' court voted last week to raise the salary of commissioners from \$2,250 to \$2,500 per year. This is the first increase in pay for the commissioners in the past four years. Other county officials will get the same salaries in 1949 as they did in 1948. Three of the four commissioners voted for the salary increase.

Approximately \$750 in prize money was awarded at the annual Bangs livestock show last week. There was a total of 240 entries, divided into three divisions. Future Farmers, Future Homemakers and adults. In the calf exhibit Garner McClatchey took the grand champion award.

Construction will get underway at once on a race track for the Coleman County Riding Club. The club owns eight acres of land just east of the Coleman Rodeo Association arena and a contract for the track will be let for \$5,000. It was stated that races would be held as soon as the track is completed and the weather permits. The club already has a lighted arena. Contracts have been made with horse men at Arlington Downs, Houston and Amarillo, and some of the best horses in the state will be seen on the new track.

J. C. Jarrell was reelected president of the Winters Sportsman's Club at the annual meeting last week. The club voted to affiliate with the Texas Wildlife Federation and to sponsor a fishing rodeo and boat races at Lake Winters in the summer of 1949. About thirty trees will be set out at the lake by the club at an early date and individuals will be encouraged to join in beautifying the park grounds.

According to the Bronite Enterprise, the Humble Oil & Refining Co. has surveyed a thirty-acre tract near town with a view of constructing a camp there for housing company employees. The land, belonging to R. E. Hickman, is near Humble leases upon which

oil is being produced. Several recently contacted Humble officials in regard to securing the camp.

The Stephenville board of trustees voted last week to submit a \$400,000 bond issue to citizens the latter part of February. Plans call for spending \$50,000 in repairs and improvements on the schools, and \$350,000 for the constructing and equipping of a new high school building. Under the proposal the present high school building would be remodeled and converted into a grade school.

Love Kimbrough, sheriff of McCulloch county for the past 22 years, has put away his shooting irons and returned to his branding irons. Mr. Kimbrough resigned from the law enforcement office on January 1 and will be manager of a ranch near El Paso. The 160,000-acre tract is owned by Louis Burns, of Brady.

Fred L. Sutton showed both the champion steer and the fat lamb at the Menard county livestock show last week. He won four places in the show and walked off with prizes totaling \$229.50. The exhibit was one of the largest held there in recent years and many of the livestock will be taken to other shows in the state.

The Melvin Lions Club received its charter in a special program Monday night of last week. About sixty Lions and wives were present for the program. The club starts with a good membership and has already begun work on a number of important civic projects to be undertaken during the year. Rev. Walter C. Devers, of Paint Rock, was the principal speaker.

A large crowd was present at the O. D. H. S. Hall, Rowena, last week when new officers were installed for the W. O. W. camp. C. L. Sinclair, of San Angelo, directed the ceremonies. Following the business session, a dance was held for all members and their dates.

The annual Concho county livestock show was held at the Eden fair grounds Saturday. F. F. A. Boys of Eden and Eola and 4-H club boys of the county were exhibiting their best animals, some of which have already won in other shows this year.

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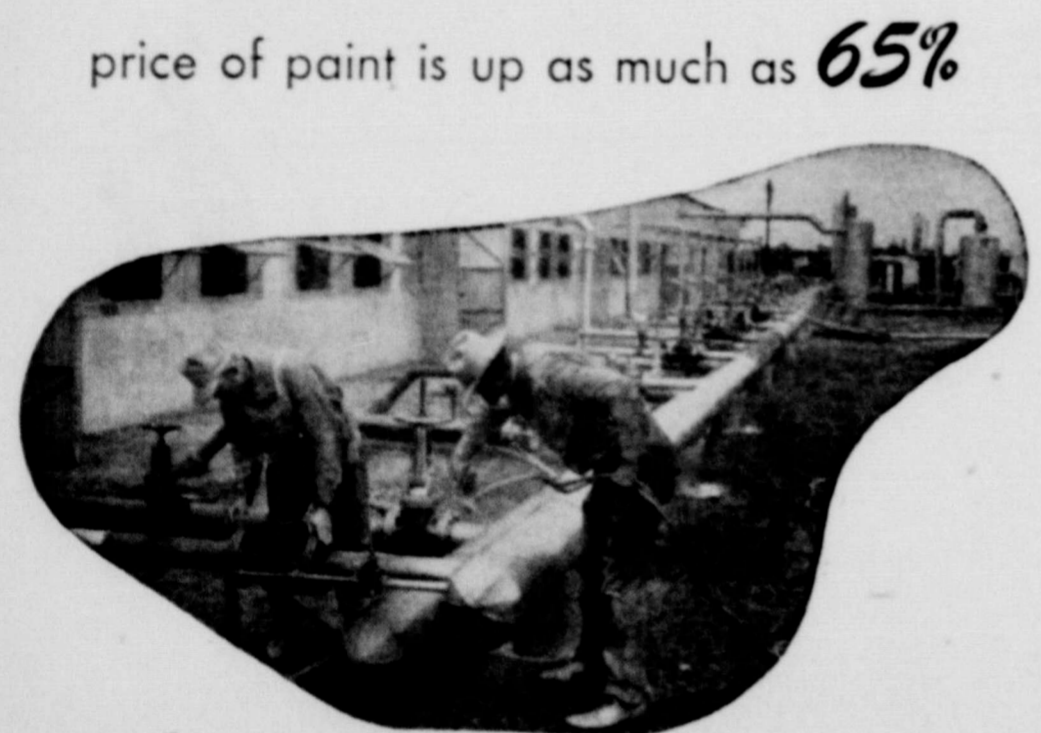
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# SOCIETY and CLUBS

## Miss Chapman Complimented at Gift Tea

Miss Peggy Chapman, bride-elect of Doyle Brown, was paid a pretty compliment Wednesday evening between six and eight o'clock, when Mrs. Jewel Cooper and Mrs. Marsden Jarrett were hostesses at a pretty gift tea in the home of Mrs. Cooper on Broadway.

Arrangements of red roses were used to decorate the party rooms and to center the damask laid dining table where the seated tea was held. Miss Jerry Burger registered guests in the bride's book and Mrs. Jene Fowler assisted in entertaining.

Gay Nell Jarrett assisted the hostesses in serving a sandwich plate with cookies and coffee. The table appointments were in the pastel tones. Gifts were opened following the tea hour.

The honoree was dressed in an aqua crepe dress with a white gladiol corsage. Others in the house party wore shell pink gladiol corsages which included the honoree's mother, Mrs. P. J. Legg; the bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Miles Brown; and grandmother,

Mrs. Rosa Hendrick; and his sister, Mrs. Runnels Smith. Others included were: Mmes. Fred Parker Jack Brunson, Horace Atnipp, Cecil Davis, L. B. Rudder, L. Rollwitz, Sherman Hendrick, Barney Watkins, Charles Berry, Sid Chapman, Bertie Haynes, Oscar Pearson, Curtis Wiesepape, Leon Bryant, Ann Kelly, Sim Cottelle, Ralph Willingham, Henry Wiesepape, Frank Mann, Keva Lou Holly, C. W. Hendrick, M. F. Hendrick, Bobbie Farmer, Fred Farmer, Carl Black, Ross Black, Jr., Allene Rouch, Jarvis Jones, P. P. Holton, Ross Smith, Charles Burger, F. M. Pearce, Ona Penn, Miss Jo Ann Chapman and Linda Legg. Messrs. A. J. Hendrick and Mansell Crumley sent gifts.

## Patterson Class Entertained in Sykes Home

Messrs. Bill Sykes, Bryan Gilliam and Melvin Beddo were hosts to members of the First Baptist Patterson Class and their wives, and to Rev. and Mrs. B. J. Martin Thursday evening. Entertaining in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Sykes on Eighth Street.

After Rev. Martin gave the devotional, games of forty-two

were enjoyed. Mmes. Bill Sykes, Gilliam and Beddo served a dessert plate of cake and coffee at the conclusion of games, followed by the closing prayer by the Rev. Martin. Carl F. Schoenewolf, president, conducted the short business routine.

Others were: Messrs. and Mmes. Elliott Kemp, Roy Hledsoe, Melvin Patterson, Preston Fitzhugh, Panel Legg, H. K. Dickinson, Jack McAiden, Sgt. and Mrs. Cleb Brown, Mrs. Carl F. Schoenewolf, and O. C. Sykes.

## Mrs. Davies is Hostess to Two Clubs

Mrs. Marvin Davies was hostess to her luncheon club Wednesday of last week.

Party rooms were decorated with arrangements of yellow and white Gama mums where Mrs. C. W. Cheatham was awarded high score prize, and the bingo award went to Mrs. C. L. Baker. As a dessert luncheon, Mrs. Davies served pie and coffee. Mrs. W. E. Moss was a visitor, and others were Mmes. Earl Barr, Cheatham, Baker, L. R. Tigner, E. L. Ingram, R. T. Williams, R. T. Hall and Tom Agnew.

On Thursday afternoon Mrs. Davies was again hostess to members of the Ace of Clubs in her home. Mrs. Fred McClanahan, of Shreveport, Louisiana; and Mrs. Troy Simpson were included as extra guests.

The bingo awards went to Mrs. McClanahan and Mrs. Earl Barr. The hostess served a salad plate with coffee. Others were: Mmes. George Newby, H. G. Agnew, W. E. Moss, Edward Sommer, W. O. Irby, and Sam Conner.

## William H. Taylor, Jr., Speaker for Shakespeare Club

William H. Taylor, Jr., teacher in the San Angelo Junior College, appeared on the World Government program given by the Ballinger Shakespeare Club Thursday afternoon in the club room at the Library.

The guest speaker was introduced by the hostess and leader for the afternoon, Mrs. Edgar Boelsche. Mr. Taylor spoke on the disturbing thought of another global conflict, and the prime responsibility that each one of us have in everlasting peace for the world. But with the help of all internationally nonaggressive governments, no matter what their internal character, we can establish peace. This is our sole objective at this time—Peace.

During the business session, over which Mrs. Dorsey Read presided. The program chairman, Mrs. C. P. Shepherd, announced that

the meeting on February 3 would be a panel discussion in customs, culture, family life, education, religion and government in five foreign countries, Hungary, Turkey, France, Australia and Iran (Persia) which will be given by five women who reside in San Angelo. Mrs. Paul Petty, youth conservation chairman, announced that a container will be placed on the desk at the February 17th meeting, for contributions which will be given to the Girl Scout Troop which the Shakespeare Club sponsors. A report was also given by the education chairman, Mrs. Lela McAdams. Mrs. Shepherd was named custodian for all club records.

Others present were: Mmes. Ernest Cezeaux, B. J. Martin, Chester Cherry, Marvin Clark, Sim Cottelle, Homer C. Daniel, M. A. Foy, Arthur Giesecke, W. J. Hembree, E. L. Ingram, Ray Key, B. C. Kirk, Estes Lynn, T. J. McCaughan, Orland Middleton, F. C. Miller, Horace Murphy, Max McCrary, Jr., C. J. Lynn, J. O. Satterwhite, A. B. Stobaugh, Ford Taylor, Powell Wear, C. F. Bailey, Victor Miller; and Miss Winnifred Strickland.

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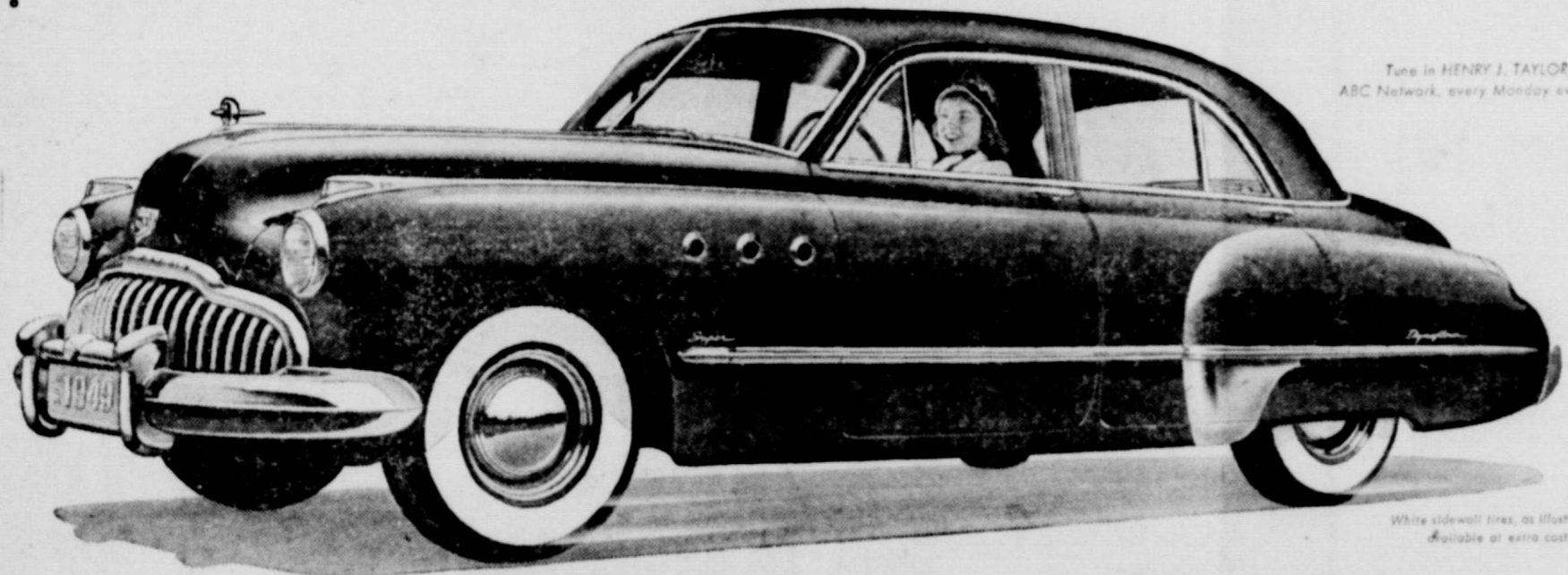
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