





### News of Desdemona

By Mrs. W. C. Bedford

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Corder were in Ranger on business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams and son, Calvin, and daughter, Dorothy, attended the district basketball tournament at DeLeon Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Pool and his sister, Mrs. Zelle Dyson, left Sunday morning for their home in Texon after a few days visit with their sisters, Mrs. J. D. Cook and Mrs. Norman Scott and their families.

Gid Tarpley, Rev. Orville Richardson, Mrs. Grace Bray and Mrs. J. H. Jackson drove to Comanche Wednesday afternoon and attended the funeral services of Mrs. Dora Kirby who had passed away at McKinney, Texas, on Tuesday. Mrs. Kirby was the mother of Mrs. Hugh Roe and had visited here a number of times and was loved by all who knew her. The sincere sympathy of our community is being extended to Mrs. Roe, whose

father, and mother both passed away within a month of each other. Mrs. Roe was with her mother a few days before her death, but her father died suddenly.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sparkman and two children, of Freer, left for their home Sunday, after a few days visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Sparkman and family, and with her grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Brown had as their guests Sunday her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Williams, of Sallie Robison community, and also Mrs. Jesse Clark of the same place.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Parks and daughter, Gay Nell, attended the district basketball tournament at DeLeon Saturday night and saw the team from Lampkin, winning the tournament. Our girls had been defeated by Lampkin on Friday night by a score of 21 to 20.

Dr. P. M. Kuykendall of Ranger was here on professional business Thursday night. Mrs. Kuykendall came with him and drove the car as he cannot drive because of having had a vertebra injury several weeks ago.

Arthur Whitton, who has been in Eastland some time, was carried to the home of his sister, Mrs. C. W. Maltby, on Thursday where he has been suffering from a severe case of flu, being unconscious part of the time.

Robert Riggs, who is night clerk at the Paramount Hotel in Ranger, drove down Sunday evening and had dinner with Mrs. W. C. Bedford, who had Mrs. W. H. Powers and son, Jack, as guests also. He attended evening services at the Methodist Church where he met a number of friends who had known him since he was a child, having been born here March 20, 1920. His friends were delighted to see him again.

Miss Ava Grindstaff spent the week-end with her parents in Haskell.

Archie Brown and family of Comanche and J. A. Brown and family of Stephenville, were guests of R. A. Brown and family Sunday. They also visited their sister, Alva Brown, and their brother, Alton Brown, who live at the old home place.

We are glad to report that Earl Parks is improvig after having had a severe case of flu.

Miss Delia Wall was hostess on Monday night to the "42" Club at the home of Mrs. J. R. Buchan where she boards. Those present were: Misses: Edith Creighton, Ruth Crenshaw, Lillie Buchan; Mr. and Mrs. Heeter, Mrs. Howard Williams and daughter, Dorothy; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Sparkman, Mr. and Mrs. George Patterson, C. A. Skipping, Herrell Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Heeter, Mrs. W. H. Powers and the hostess, Miss Wall.

Dr. M. L. Stubblefield was here on professional business Monday. Mrs. Bill Adams of Brownwood was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Morrow from Thursday to Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Crenshaw and daughter Boyd, of Stephenville, came over Friday and stayed until Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Heeter, Mrs. S. E. Snodgrass and their daughter, Miss Ruth Crenshaw, who makes her home with Mrs. Snodgrass.

Ford Reid and family attended the district basketball tournament at DeLeon Saturday night.

On Tuesday of last week the "21" Study Club met at the Club House for a program on International Goodwill. Leader of the program was Mrs. C. W. Maltby who had as her subject, Cuba, Pleasure Island. Roll call responses were "American Women in Foreign Affairs," "International Symbol—Statue of Liberty," was discussed by Mrs. W. S. Lemaster. Mrs. Howard Williams had as her topic, "I'll See You in Canada," and Mrs.

Charles McFatter led in a discussion of Current Events. Closing number was the singing of the National Anthem.

Hostesses were: Mrs. J. E. Heeter and Mrs. S. E. Snodgrass who served delicious refreshments to: Miss Delia Wall, Miss Creighton, Miss Ruth Crenshaw and Misses: W. H. Davis, Charles McFatter, C. W. Maltby, Scotty Lemaster, Howard Williams, A. R. Hickey, a new member, and the hostess. During the business session the members voted to help other organizations in an all-day sewing at the school house, March 8, for the benefit of the Red Cross.

Mrs. J. E. Derriek and Miss Bernice Salyer went to Alameda Monday and began work in the school lunch room which was opened that morning.

Football coach, C. L. Brannon, and Basketball Coach, Sam Jones, went with a large number of boys and girls to Alameda Monday night to witness some ball games played by the girls.

On next Sunday afternoon Mar. 9, at the high school gym at 2:30, a program will be rendered, to which everyone is invited. Miss Delia Wall is director and Miss Edith Creighton is accompanist. The program is as follows:

Professional—Grammar School Choir

Pledge to the Flag—All

"I Salute Thee, Old Glory"—Grammar School Choir

Prayer—Rev. Orville Richardson

"I Am an American"—Grammar School Choir

"The American's Creed"—La Freida Read and Billie Woodward

"Columbia"—Grammar School Choir

Address—Rev. H. B. Clark

"God Bless America"—Grammar School Choir

"Beautiful Dreamer"—Girls Glee Club

"Song of the Hunter"—Boys Glee Club

"Eyes of Texas" and "Star Spangled Banner"—All.

Misses Ruth Gray of San Angelo, and Rena Gray of Lubbock, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Southworth of Sweetwater to Gorman last week-end to visit in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Gray.

Earl Stone of Brownwood was here Saturday and Sunday with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Meador and Jo; Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Todd and Ernestine; Mrs. Elmer Todd and Miss Syble Jackson of Desdemona were in Brownwood Sunday to see Glenn Carter who is stationed at Camp Bowie.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Frossard of Weatherford spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Underwood.

Mrs. W. V. Gregory of DeLeon was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Leandar Bennett Wednesday.

Rev. Levi Price, T. O. Shelley, Frank Dean and Check Smith attended the Brotherhood Meeting in Ranger Monday night.

Boone Russell of Randolph Field was here over the week-end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Whit Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Smith and daughter of Brownwood were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Check Smith Saturday.

Miss Eusa Lindley of Abilene was in Gorman Sunday visiting in the home of her mother.

Miss Katherine Webb spent the week-end in Rising Star with her parents.

Mrs. Bill Ramsey of Carbon spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Cooter Ramsey.

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Notice To Creditors of the Estate of Mattie Wood, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the estate of Mattie Wood, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 30th day of January, 1941, by the County Court of Eastland County. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and postoffice address are Gorman, County of Eastland, State of Texas.

H. T. Wood, Administrator of the Estate of Mattie Wood, Deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Barron visited relatives and friends in Alexander Saturday and Sunday.

Miss LaJoyce Caraway of Glade-water was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Freeman and other relatives last week.

Mrs. Johnnie Sparks of Cisco and Mrs. Jack Chaney of Carbon were in Gorman Tuesday.

At the time of its revolution against Mexico, the whole territory of Texas had only two roads, historical records at the University of Texas show.

Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the President, says: "If we are willing to defend our country, it is because we feel that the life we live is worth defending."

School Teacher (assisting a little boy whose coat was difficult to fasten): "Did your mother hook this coat for you?" "No," was the astonishing reply, "she bought it."

A pessimist is one who, of two evils, chooses both.

The year 1941 will not begin for some people until the umpire calls, "Play Ball!"

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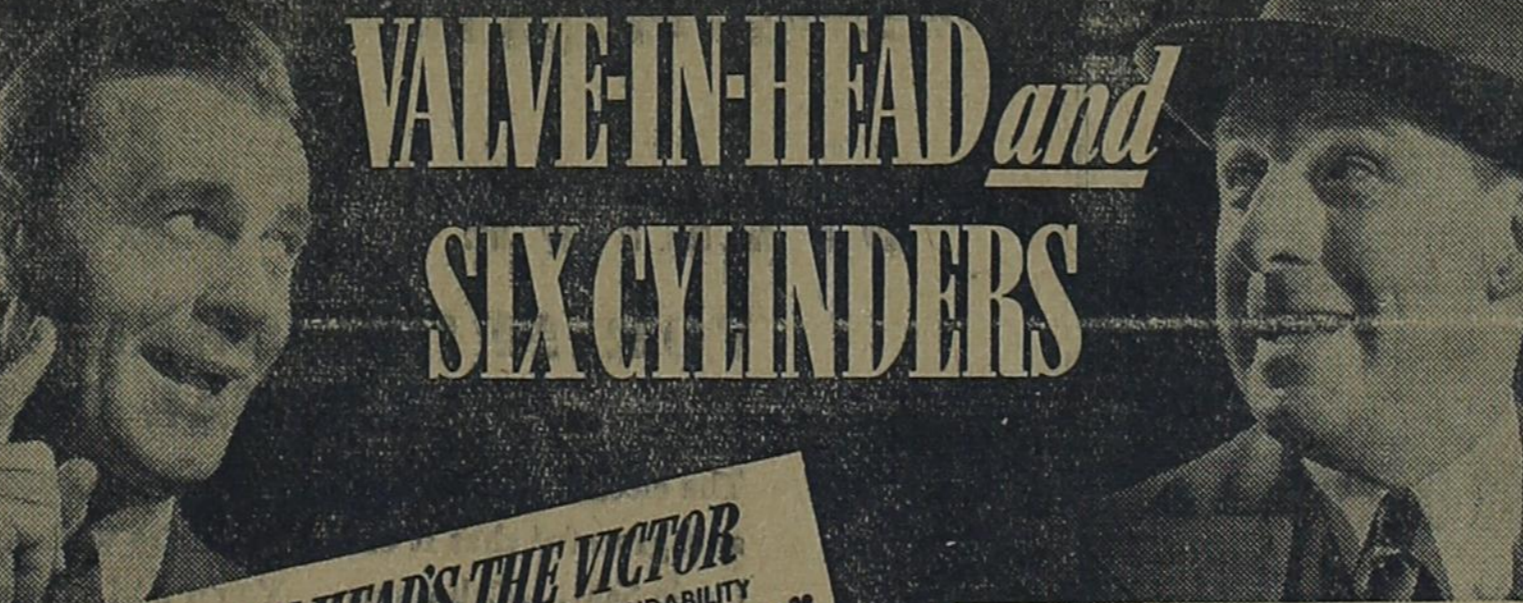
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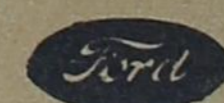
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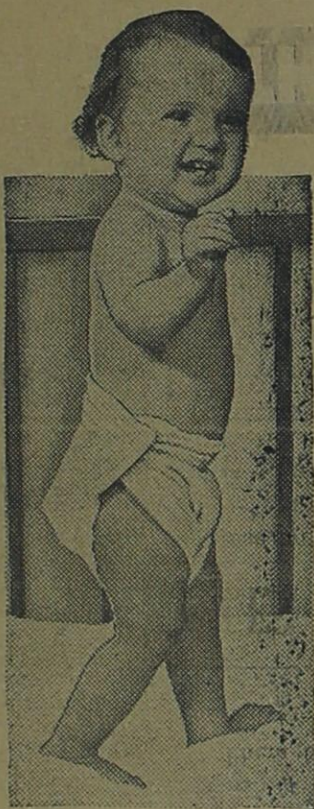
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Mrs. Sallie Bishop and her mother were in Eastland and Ranger Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde King and children of Stephenville were guests of Mrs. W. R. King and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Neill Sunday.

Brooks Ross was in Brownwood on business Wednesday.

Mrs. Brack Sones is visiting her sister, Mrs. Walker, in Fort Worth this week.

Mrs. Joe Loughry is visiting her daughter in Rochelle this week.

T. C. Wylie was confined to his bed the first of the week with influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kimble, Mrs. Jess Richardson and Mrs. Brandon accompanied Mrs. Oldham to Ft. Worth Wednesday. Mrs. Brandon remained for another treatment.

Mrs. Frank Dean left Friday for San Antonio where she will spend several days in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Neal Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kinney, and daughter, Katherine—now Mrs. Ross—and her little son of Stamford spent Tuesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kinney.

Mrs. Reuben Ross had as her week-end guests her father, J. E. Puett, of Abilene, and her sisters, Mmes. Davis and Byers and their families.

Mrs. Tom Fuller accompanied Mrs. Check Smith to Brownwood Monday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Aubrey Warford, who has been in a hospital there ten days or more with pneumonia. We are glad to report she is now on the road to recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Townsend of Big Spring were Saturday and Sunday guests of Mrs. Cockrill and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hamrick.

D. W. Allsup and family of Rucker were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leander Bennett on Sunday.

Mrs. Mack Underwood and nephew, Billy Smith, were in Gorman over the week-end.

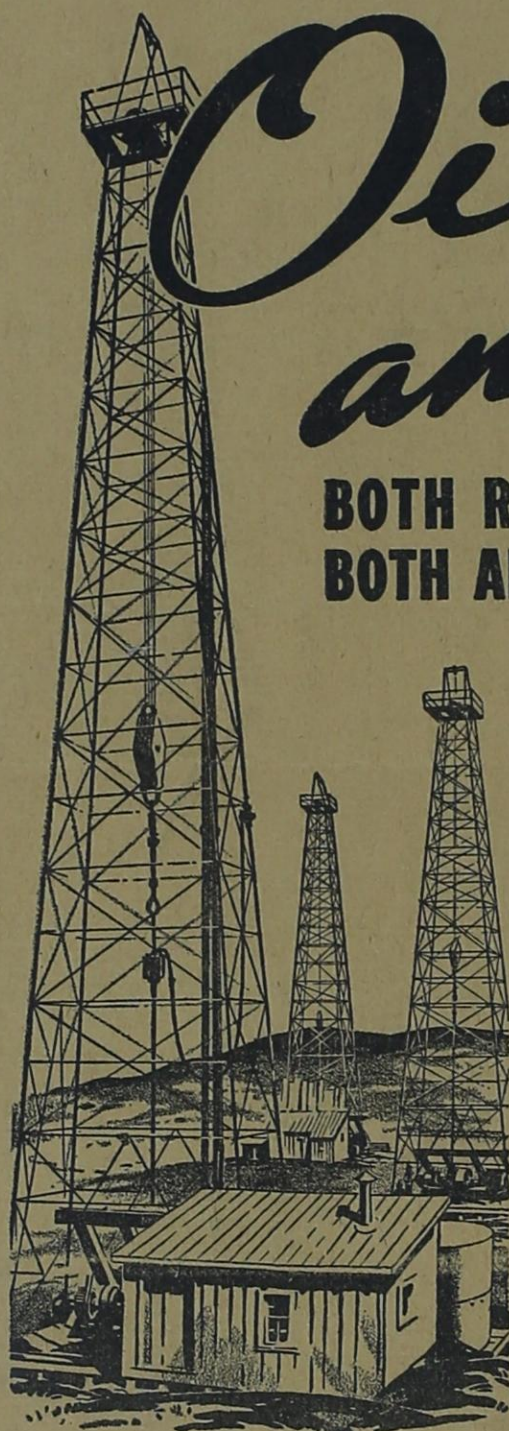
Mrs. Garland Loudermilk, Jean Loudermilk and Mary Gwen Harding of DeLeon were guests of Misses Florene Love and Jean nited them to DeLeon for L.L. They. Childers Saturday who returned who returned with them to DeLeon for a short visit.

Mrs. John Russell of Cross Plains was over Sunday to see her husband who is in the Blackwell Sanitarium.

Mr. and Mrs. Check Smith and son, Bill, were visitors in Dallas Friday.

Mrs. Jody Grisham and Mrs. J. W. Tunnel of Rucker were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leander Bennett Wednesday.

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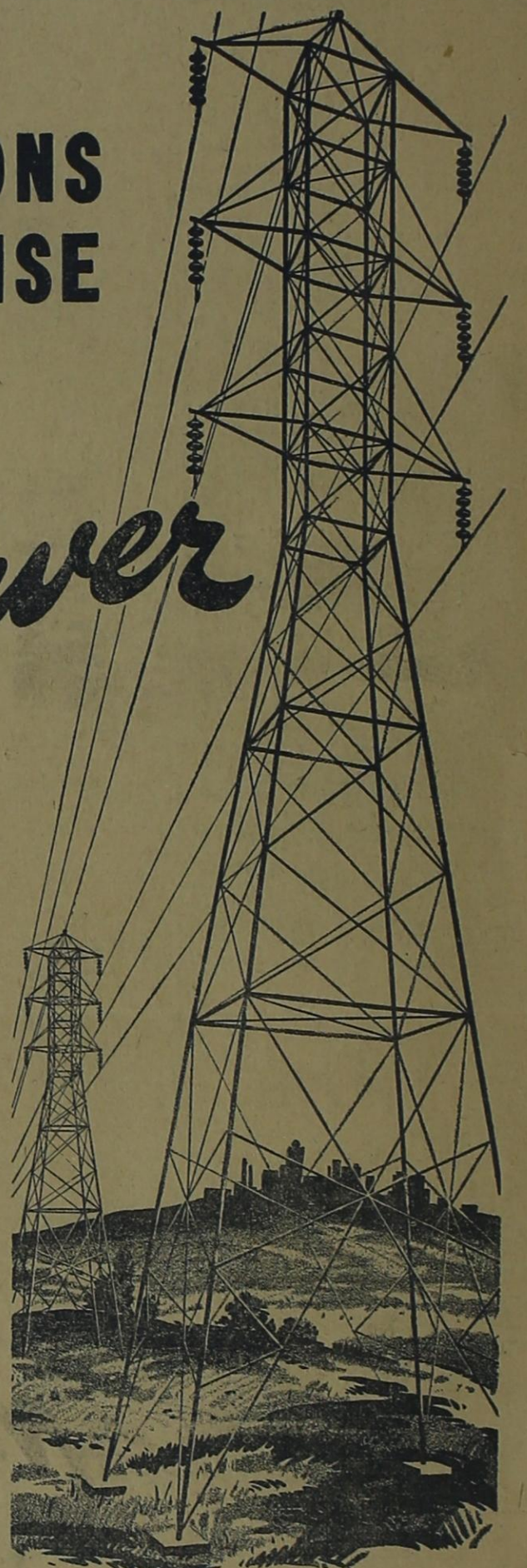
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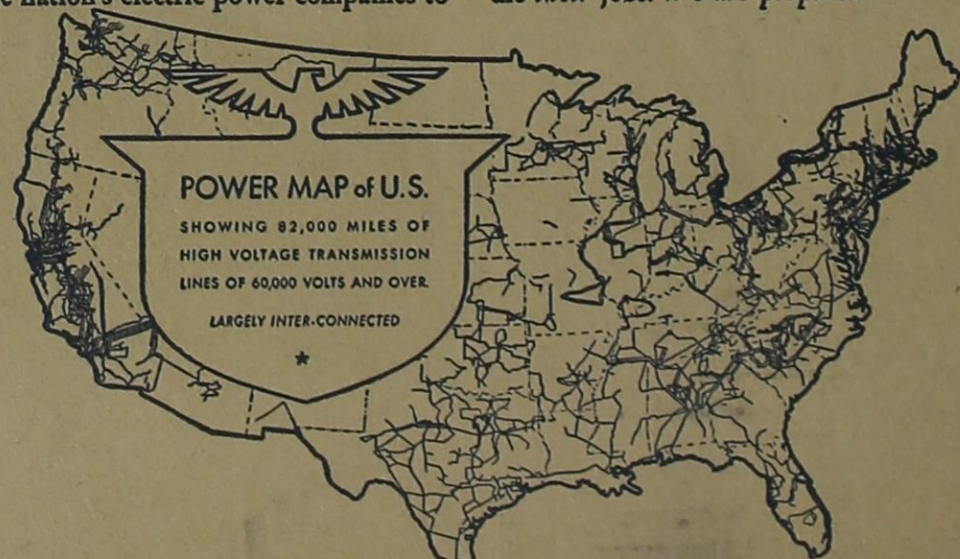
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