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GORMAN TEACHERS ATTEND T. S. T. IN DALLAS

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bramlett, teachers in the Gorman High School and grade school, respectively, attended the Texas State Teachers Association, an annual event, which was held in Dallas Nov. 23-25.

At an interview, Mrs. Bramlett said she wished that every parent and teacher could have heard the wonderful thoughts which were brought to the 15,000 teachers attending the general assembly. Mrs. Bramlett has returned with a new enthusiasm which is being reflected in her students. She has been made more conscious of the very great need for change and progress in the schools of Texas.

Mrs. Bramlett, as all good teachers, realizes that books can do very little if parents and teachers do not cooperate with each other in stemming the tide of delinquency and blotting out political, racial, religious and social hatreds.

She told of the address given by Dr. Roe Bartel, a well-known educator and a boy scout executive of Kansas City in which he said, "If we have peace on earth and goodwill toward men, there will have to be some changes. There will have to be brotherly love right in our own back yard."

The equally famous Bruce Findlay of Los Angeles, California spoke on "A New Look at Education." He stressed "Control of Visual Education." The hundreds of thousands so-called comic books devoured by the children of today having the makings of criminals of tomorrow. Parents should know what their children are reading. Tensions in other towns have banned some towns and some organizations the sale of such books which have now claim to the title "comics."

Along with the sale and reading of the little books which can be controlled comes the undesirable movies. The producers will produce what the public demands.

Three years have passed since the end of the war. The modern efficient methods of the army and navy which were used in training were thought at that time to be the next step for the public school but the smaller schools have not touched the same. Science has produced and today's child should have the advantage of their discoveries in visual aid.

Mrs. Bramlett commented on the absence of young faces in the vast throng of educators. There was a time when youth and beauty were demanded of teachers seeking a position in the better schools but that was a time before all other salaries had outstripped the teaching profession.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends for all that has been done for us through the loss of our home by fire. May God's richest blessings be upon each and everyone of you Otis Guy and family.

Our Library

LUCRETIA FAIRBETTER

HUNTING AND FISHING IN TEXAS

The hunter and fishermen or the would-be hunters and fishers will want to read the factual and humorous book, "Hunting and Fishing in Texas" written by Hart Stillwell.

Hart Stillwell relates his fish tales and the stories of the hunt in the first person. He gives bits of lore, tells where the fish are to be found; for good measure throws in the secret of how he always gets his fish. The methods of some fishers are to him ridiculous.

Mr. Stillwell says, "The sea gulls are the bird dogs of the fisherman."

Fishing isn't fishing for Hart Stillwell unless the fish put up a fight. He considers tarpon and bass fishing the best.

Some local fishermen may be interested to know more of the Fishing Rodeos that he speaks of.

Hunters will find interesting the accounts of the hunt for the blue quail, white winged, the deer and even the jauguar.

The book is easy reading.

BAPTISTS TO HAVE FORMAL OPENING OF ED. BUILDING

The First Baptist Church is announcing the formal opening of the new educational building. Open house for the public will be held Sunday December 5th from 3 p. m. until 4:30 p. m., during which time all friends in the city will be welcomed through the entire building.

With present equipment the building has been erected at a cost of \$20,000. The floor space totals 4200 sq. ft. It is of tile and light brick construction. It has been arranged for six departments of the Sunday School. But the facilities of the building will be in use for all regular services of the church and its organizations, the Sunday School meeting at 10 a. m. and the Training Union at 6:30 p. m.

Rev. Taylor Henley and his congregation are to be congratulated by the people of Gorman on this splendid contribution to the city. This Educational Building will facilitate more efficient work with the children and youth of the community.

Children who did attend were: Mrs. W. B. Richards of Desdemona; Mrs. Luther Harper of Belton; Mrs. Otis Harrell of El Reno, Okla. Mrs. Ott Ragland, Mrs. Norris Nance, Frank Genoway and Thea Genoway of Desdemona. There are thirteen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren in the family.

Guests were greeted by Mesdames W. B. Richards and Otis Ragland. Miss Billie Richards presided at the register. At the tea service were Miss Molly O'Neal, Mesdms. J. M. Harper and Paul Moore, where cake and coffee were served.

DESDEMONA GIRL ENTERS KRUEGER SPASTIC SCHOOL

Billie Richards, a young woman of Desdemona has become a resident at the Krueger Spastic School in Meridian, Texas. Miss Richards hopes to have her own spastic condition improved by the modern methods of therapy used in the school. But she has been employed by the school as a helper with the younger children.

Mrs. August Krueger, the founder of the School for Spastics in Meridian, discovered immediately that Miss Richards could serve the school as a pianist and as a teacher. She, however, has recommended that Miss Richards enter John Tarleton at the beginning of the spring semester for further training in piano and speech, at the same time looking forward to continued work in the Krueger School.

Miss Richards deserves much credit for her own progress for she has been a spastic since birth. But much of her handicap she has overcome through persistence. Her untiring mother, Mrs. Whit Richards, and Mr. Richards have sought to give her every advantage. The daughter has taken advantage of opportunity and in addition to her music, she has done some painting and writing.

Miss Richards friends will be glad to know of this new opportunity for the young lady.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR JOEL BROWN KING SATURDAY, ALEMEDA

Funeral services for Joel Brown King, 70, who died in the Ranger Hospital on Thursday, November 25th, were held in the Alameda Tabernacle at 2 p. m. Saturday. Rev. W. L. Skaggs, pastor of the Kokomo Baptist Church and former pastor of the Cheaney Church conducted the services.

Mr. Brown was a retired farmer. He was born August 26th, 1878 at Cleburne, Texas. In 1890 he came to Comanche County. Later he settled in Eastland County where he married Miss Elvis Haney. Three of the children of this union preceded him in death. He was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church at an early age.

Surviving Mr. Brown, besides his widow, are a son, Lewis M. King of Philadelphia, who was unable to attend the funeral and two daughters who were present for the funeral. They are Mrs. Otto Lamb of Breckenridge and Mrs. Morris Underwood of Ranger.

Interment, in charge of the Ranger Funeral Directors, was in the Alameda Cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank each and everyone for the many deeds of kindness shown us during the death of our darling baby. Especially Dr. Brown and the nurses, and for the lovely flowers.

May God's richest blessings be on each and every one.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Curtis Eastland, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Ross spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ables in Plainview, Texas.

60TH ANNIVERSARY OBSERVED BY THE CHARLIE GENOWAYS

At their home in Desdemona, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie H. Genoway celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary, when they were at home to their relatives and friends, Sunday November 28th from 2 p. m. until 5 p. m.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Genoway had come to Desdemona as early as 1881. Mr. Genoway, Charlie came in that year with his grandmother, Mrs. Martha McCoy from Bosque County. It was in November 1888 that the couple, Fanny Cooke and Charlie Genoway were married in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Cooke. Rev. Jake T. Cumby, pastor of the Baptist Church performed the ceremony.

The Genoways reared a family of nine children. A daughter, Mrs. Roy Cypert died in 1914. Mrs. John Shakkelford of Kerrville, another daughter, was unable to attend the celebration.

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Great-grandchildren, Carolyn and Cheri Moore sang "I Love Somebody But I Won't Say Who" as a duet. Beverly Harper paraphrased and sang, "I was seeing Fanny Home".

The house was decorated with autumn leaves and mums. The cakes, two lovely creations were baked by granddaughters, Mrs. J. M. Harper and Mrs. Paul Moore. One was centered with a miniature bride and groom, the other had a bower with "60" set with rhinestones.

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LORA BROWN DONATES BOOKS TO LIBRARY

Twelve novels and short story books were recently presented to the Library by Lora Brown. The Progress appreciates this nice contribution. Among the books she brought in are: "The Thresher", by Herbert Krause; "The Egoist" by George Meredith and "The Squirrel Cage" by Edwin Gilbert.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD WILLIAM LEON ALREAD

William Leon Alread, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Alread, 3808 N. Harding, Fort Worth, Texas passed away at All Saints Hospital, Ft. Worth, Texas, Nov. 17, 1948.

Funeral services were held at Shannon Funeral Home at 10 A. M. Thursday, November 18 with Bro. Stuart officiating. The body was brought to Desdemona where services were held at the First Baptist Church with Bro. H. D. Martin officiating. Interment was in the Desdemona Cemetery.

Rusty, as he was better known, was born September 19, 1931. He had resided in Fort Worth over a period of fifteen years where he had been a student in the Diamond Hill High School, but had enrolled in the Desdemona High School for his senior year when he was taken ill. He was a patient in the Blackwell Sanitarium for a month and was only home a short time when carried to All Saints Hospital in Fort Worth where he passed away.

Pallbearers were: Pug Guthrie, Winfred Lindley, Ray Brazzell and his brother, and Don Wittie.

Flower Girls were his school mates.

Those to mourn his going are his parents Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Alread and brother, Larry of Fort Worth. His grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Abernathy, Desdemona and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Snooks Craddock of Sundown and their daughter, Billie Jo have been visiting friends and relatives.

Spirit of Gorman

A LADY IN WHITE

She is one of those ladies in white. Without one word she says a thousand things. Your welcome is the light in her eyes.

Accidents, mishaps and worries are continually present, but the victim or the offender knows by this lady's countenance that "No matter how dark the night, the dawn will come."

She is adept at placing each incident in its proper category of tragic, humorous, regrettable or commonplace.

Just this week there was really a full house where she works. Tired members of the staff had to slip into a hidden place for a breathing spell. Their weariness did not escape this lady. Her face told that her heart reached out.

Her charm, if you have not guessed is that unique smile of hers which every feature of her lovely face coordinates to form.

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BASS LAKE CLUB TAKES TOP HONORS AT CAKE SHOW

At the recent cake show held in Eastland and sponsored by the Eastland County Home Demonstration Clubs, three local women, won top honors.

Mrs. E. Barron and Mrs. Ernie Todd, president and civic president respectively of the club had cakes that rated 90 percent on the score sheet. They were graded off one point on the icing of the cakes.

There were four cakes in top place. No cake rated 100 percent. The judge said it was practically impossible to remove icing from the stove at the proper split-second.

Mrs. Bob Browning, a first year member of the club, came up with a 98 percent rating. All cakes entered from this club placed for the coming winter.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their deeds of kindness shown us thro' the illness and death of our dear sister, and the kind words spoken by brother Collin, may God bless each of you.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Underwood and family

HOMEMAKERS CLASS TO MEET FRIDAY NIGHT

The Homemakers Class of the First Baptist Church will meet Friday night, December 3rd at 7 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Eva Stout. All members are urged to be present.

O E S TO ENTERTAIN D. D. GRAND MATRON

Gorman Chapter Order of Eastern Star will entertain the District Deputy Grand Matron, Velma Van Hoy, of Eastland, Monday evening at 7:30 P. M.

All officers please come formal. Members and visiting members are urged to be present.

Pauline Love, W. M.

THREE INTERESTING PROGRAMS ON WSCS PROGRAM FOR DECEMBER

The three approaching programs of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be of special interest to every member of the society.

On Dec. 6th, Monday at 3 P. M. a Christmas program entitled "Miners and the Christmas Lights" will be presented. All members will want to take advantage of hearing this program and of getting into the Christmas Spirit -- the real Christmas Spirit.

The second program is the Christmas Party, December 18th at 4 P. M. The hour is for the convenience of professional women. Mesdms. J. E. Walker and W. F. Smith will host the party.

Then on Sunday, January 2nd, the W. S. C. S. will sponsor an Epiphany Service in connection with the church's recently adopted program, "The Day of Advance."

All women of the church are asked to mark these dates on their calendar.

TO PRESENT CHALK TALK AT HIGH SCHOOL DEC. 3

Garnet Hazard of Toronto, Canada, presents a brilliant chalk talk on the work of old masters and Modern Art.

Hazard studied in Chicago and New York. He was Art Instructor in Regina College, Regina, Saskatchewan before joining the staff of the Technical School there, where he was Director of Art Education for twelve years.

He has exhibited water color paintings in many Canadian cities and also in New York. He is an etcher of distinction and is a member of the Canadian Painter-Etchers Society.

He has always been interested in Art Education among students as well as adults, and is an experienced and capable speaker on the work of the Old Masters and Modern Art. Following a tour in Canadian schools where he emphasized the beauty and resources of that country, he has received Dominion, he has come to the United States where he has received the same spontaneous approval.

Typical of the many comments received concerning Hazard's chalk talk is the following: Scarcely an eye left the drawing board from the start to the finish of the lecture as Mr. Hazard gave a demonstration of chalk wizardry never before witnessed in the city. With deftness of finger and application of color, he took the eyes of the audience to the final destination as surely as if by force in producing a scene of unparalleled beauty.

He will appear at the Gorman High School Gym on Friday, Dec. 3rd at 7:30 p. m. Admission will be 15 and 25 cents.

LENA RIVERS TO BE PRESENTED BY STUDENTS

This is the first time that a dramatization of Mary J. Holms most popular novel, "Lena Rivers" has ever been done in one simple interior set, and it has been accomplished without losing any of the warmth or fragrant charm of this best seller.

Did you ever think that you would have the opportunity of seeing Lena Rivers in a modern version. That opportunity is close at hand for the Junior and Senior students of Gorman High School will present this play on December 17, at 7:30 P. M. in the High Gym.

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We want to express our sincere appreciation to our many friends and neighbors who were so kind to us during the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother.

Especially we want to thank the doctors and nurses of the Blackwell Hospital.

May God's richest blessings be upon each and everyone of you.

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WATER WELLS DRILLED BY GORMAN RESIDENTS

Luke Groves has recently drilled a 96 foot well in his backyard which he expects to produce an abundance of water. Mrs. Cissy Williams, his sister, says the electric pump will be installed in a few days and she will be able to tell just how hard the water is.

A. L. Butler passed up surface water at thirty feet and found a plentiful supply at 68 feet. The Butlers will have an electric pump.

The Hulon Pulligs also have a new well, equipped with pump.

The ladies of the families are expecting prettier yards.

Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Parker announce the marriage of their son Gene to Miss Marie Bear of Comanche, April 2nd, 1948.

The couple plan to make their home in Eastland where Gene is employed by the Texas Electric.

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FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR MRS. NOAH UNDERWOOD

Funeral services were conducted for Mrs. Noah Underwood Thursday afternoon at 3 p. m. at the Midway Baptist Church where she was a member for 44 years. Rev. Floyd Allen, pastor of the church conducted the services.

The deceased was born March 22, 1885 to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gann in Tennessee.

She was married to Mr. Noah Underwood December 3, 1905 and to this union were born, one, Iva Dell preceding her in death.

Survivors are her husband, Noah Underwood and sons, Loy of Andrews, Texas; Jack of Rochester; T. L. of Antioch, Calif.; Roy B. of Richmond, Calif.; Jodie of Gorman and G. D. of Andrews and one daughter, Mrs. Opal Floyd of San Francisco, California.

Eleven grandchildren. Three sisters, Mrs. Hattie O'Brien, Corpus Christi; Mrs. Mattie Underwood and Mrs. Ada Underwood of Gorman. A host of nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Dean Bennett, Elmer Rachels, Rob Kinser, Rex Kinser, Stanley Porter and Jessie Broom.

Interment was in the Oakland Cemetery.

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New Arrivals In G'man

The Rae Rankins and the Junior Montgomerys each have a new baby girl. The young ladies arrived shortly after noon on Tuesday in the Blackwell Sanitarium. The two new Gormanites have been named Carole Rae Rankin and Linda Kay Montgomery.

MRS. W. F. SMITH PRESENTS PROGRAM "DAY OF ADVANCE"

On Monday afternoon at the W. S. C. S. Mrs. W. F. Smith spoke on the new program of the church "Day of Advance", a program which has been adopted by many protestant churches. The term advance of Christ and the advance of the Christian Church. The span of the program is five years.

The speaker recently attended a meeting for church men and women in Dallas where notables of the Christian World spoke on the promotion of the program. Some of the speakers had attended the World Council of Churches in Amsterdam which was held earlier in the year.

Mrs. Smith quoted an Episcopalian minister, Bishop Tsu, on the subject of the Orient, "No need is so great as the need of missionaries."

The goal of the W. S. C. S. (a member of the largest organization of its kind in the world, "The World Federation of Church Women") is the giving or being instrumental in giving 1,000 world service workers.

DE LEON CHURCH OF CHRIST TO HOLD LECTURE WEEK

Much interest has been manifested by the members of the Church of Christ in De Leon in their preparation for a lecture-series program which is being held in their church on the dates December 6 to 12 inclusive.

It should be of interest to all to hear the out of town speakers which will appear on the program. Different speakers will give various lectures.

The theme of the week will be centered around the New Testament Church. The time is 7:30 p. m. All people around Gorman and its vicinity are invited to attend the lectures.

The pastor of the De Leon Church is Rev. Kenneth Arrington.

COFFEE SHOP IN HOTEL UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Raley of Clifton, Texas have come to Gorman to operate the Gorman Hotel Coffee Shop, which was formerly called the Top Notch Cafe.

The eating place was closed Monday afternoon for a general clean up. The equipment, the furniture and floors are being given a new appearance.

The Raleys with their children, Marshall Odis, 3 years old and Patricia Kay, 10 months, are now living in the Hilliard place on the Carbon Highway west of town.

GORMAN FOOTBALL FANS SEE COTTON BOWL GAME ? ?

Attending the T. C. U. - S. M. U. Football Game in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas Saturday afternoon were Messrs. Junior Leazar, Othel Clark Floyd Rider, and Doyle Lynn Clark.

In another party attending the game were Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Meahaffey, Joe and Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Shelley and Jack Benny.

Ed. note:- It is reported that some of the above group are wanting a refund on their tickets as they had forgotten S. M. U.'s habit of scoring in the last few minutes of a ball game and left the stadium before SMU made their touchdown.

LADIES SHOPPE MOVES TO NEW HOME THIS WEEK

The Ladies Shoppe, owned by Mrs. Elsie Gates, is being moved to a new location. The shop will be opened in the rock building across the street from Eppler and Thompson Furniture Store.

The new building has been completely renovated and will give Mrs. Gates ample room to display her merchandise including two new lines of dresses which will be added in the new store.

Since taking over the Ladies Shoppe almost two years ago Mrs. Gates business has grown until there was hardly room for customers to enter her old place of business.

SCOTTS BUY ELITE CAFE

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Scott, who formerly managed the Top Notch Cafe, liked Gorman so well they purchased the Elite Cafe from Mr. and Mrs. Roy Crawley. They took possession Wednesday afternoon.

OIL NEWS and PERSONNEL In and Around GORMAN

T. A. Walters No. 1 Brown set pipe after having gone to the Eilenberger at 3213 feet. However they bottomed under the Marble Falls and intend treating that structure.

Lucas Oil and Gas No. 1 Rumphus at 2900 feet. That took ran casing in the Marble Falls them through they are now WOC. Formation.

The Gas No. 1 Moate Luling Oil and Gas Monday morning have acidized Tuesday. The mud, using 8000 gallons acid flowing into oil and acid water is flowing into the pit.

KING THEATRE

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Kokomo News

FINAL RITES

Funeral Services were held for Mrs. Ada Burns, 76, of Olden, Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at Eastland.

Mrs. Burns died at Gorman Monday morning at 11 o'clock. She is survived by two sons, Doyle Burns and Dann Burns of Olden and one daughter, Mrs. Opal

Estelle of Oklahoma. Before her marriage she was Miss Ada Jones, sister of Buster Jones of Kokomo.

Interment was in the Simpson Cemetery of Kokomo.

Word has been received that Aunt Mug Neil, who was carried from the Gorman Hospital last Thursday to the home of her son, Pete Neil of Lamesa, is doing just fine. She was accompanied by a daughter, Mrs. Ellen Clearman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerrel Johnson of Fort Worth were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Johnson Thanksgiving. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks were in Eastland and Ranger Monday. Mrs. Ella Garrett of Eastland spent part of last week with her son Vern Garrett and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Higginbottom honored Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Donaldson Jr. with a wedding shower Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Donaldson are employed at Crane. They spent

the week end here visiting relatives. Mrs. J. M. Hendricks spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Will Whitley of Gorman.

Mrs. Billie Paul Lewis is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Buford Parker.

Fire completely destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Guy last week.

Shirley Lasater spent Friday with Mrs. Jake Caraway.

Raymond Hattox spent part of last week with his grand-parents Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Rieberg.

Rev. and Mrs. Joe O'Neal and family of Brownwood and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. O'Neal.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Jacobs and daughter of Lorena spent Thanksgiving with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Rieberg.

Mrs. John Wheeler and Jackie spent the week end in Crane visiting her daughters, Mrs. Vernon Bennett and Mrs. Wayne Eaves and families.

Mr. Bob Sessum is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bueron Sessum of Seminole he was accompanied as far as Snyder by his mother, Mrs. Carra Sessum, who planned to visit a sister, Mrs. Rob Neuman and husband.

We are happy to report Mrs. Joe McNeely is home again and is in much better health. Mrs. Tom Etheredge and Jana Kay of Amarillo are still with the McNeelys.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hendricks of Ranger spent Thanksgiving with his mother, Grandma Hendricks and Miss Sarah.

KING OF HILLBILLY PASSES ON

By Nora Lee Smith

Our beloved Pappy Hal Horton, known as King of Hillbilly, has passed on. He had been in failing health since a major operation two and one half years ago, but he laughed, joked and carried on all his radio programs.

Pappy Hal fought to live, and he inspired others as he staggered on his feet fully aware of the fact he was doomed to die. He was "a great guy indeed," daily gave the world a smile by making more

than one sad heart glad. He was very sentimental, that is, in regards to other peoples worries, but unselfishly forgot his own.

Almost single-handed through his radio program he raised thousands of dollars for the survivors of the Texas City disaster.

His superlative breadth of vision gave him a keen interpretation of both young and old and with largeness of soul administered generously to all. Yes, he made us cry. He often made us forget the sordidness of existence and enabled us to peer into that enchanted sphere where only immortals dwell.

Pappy Hal was a friend to old and young alike. He sought homes of the underprivileged and forgotten children and gladdened their sad hearts by opening up a story book of toys, fruits, candy and all necessities to them.

He was a never failing friend to all shut-ins. In 1946 in an effort to give G. I.'s a home coming party by yours truly, he learned of the plan. He immediately conferred with the Brass at the station, KRLD, Dallas, then called Mr. Bran Garner, manager of Theatres in Ranger and asked him to visit your columnist in order to learn what items were needed to complete the party. At once every thing was furnished to make it a grand party. No, Pappy Hal was not only King of Hillbilly, but "King of Hearts".

He leaves a widow, Irene, who was known to most radio fans as Susie, and a son Arthur, of Washington, D. C. We mourn the loss of such a great person but could he speak he would say, "So long, neighbor, erase that lump from your throat and dry that tear from your eye, I'll be seeing you." This world has been made a better place in which to live by his having been born and giving to it his all in all.

Bro. Morris Womack of A C C filled his appointment Sunday with the Cheaney Church. Night services were omitted in order to attend services at Alameda conducted by Bro. Harry Payne.

Bro. Womack took dinner in the Richard Tucker home, while Bro. Payne and family were guests in the Melva Love home.

Electrical Gifts

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 DINETTE SUITES
 STUDIO COUCHES - with
 PLATFORM ROCKERS to match
 Baby Beds with New Englander
 Spring Mattresses - water-proof
 Card Tables - Radio Tables

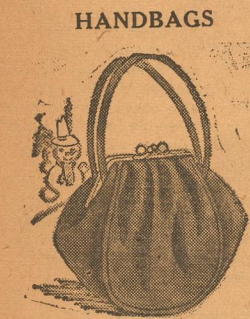
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 Hardware - Furniture - Plumbing Supplies
 Cook's Paints & Varnishes - Butane Gas Systems
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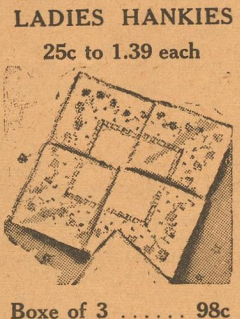
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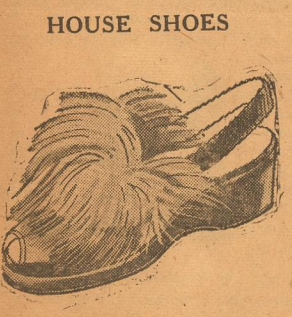


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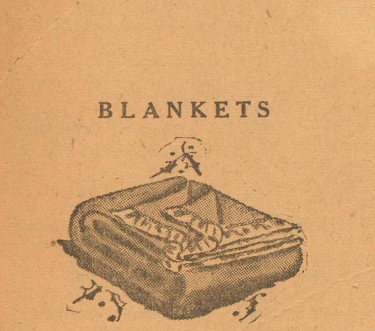


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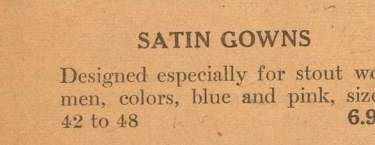


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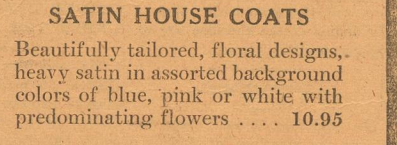


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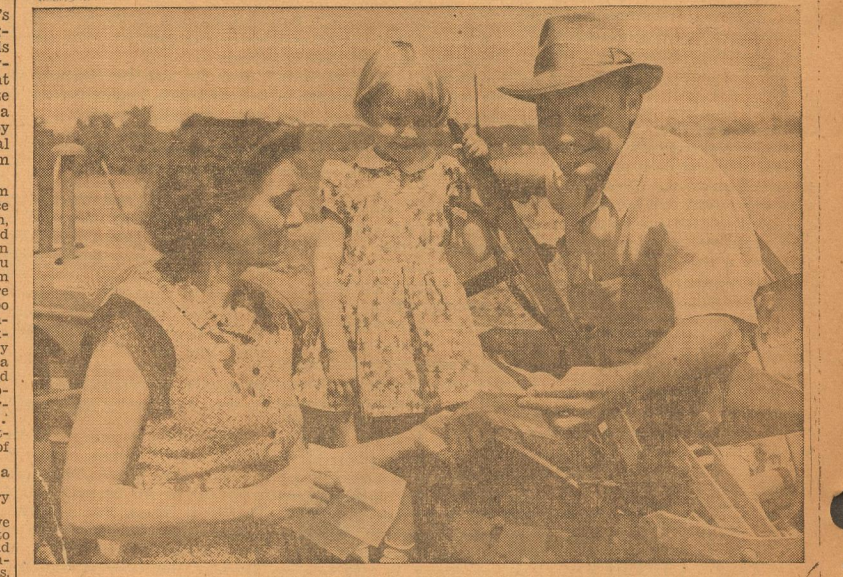
Giddings, Texas—F. B. Curry's human interest story on how regular investment in Savings Bonds by farmers will do more than anything else they can do to fight inflation has won him first prize — \$300 in Savings Bonds—in a nationwide contest conducted by Nation's Agriculture, the official publication of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Mr. Curry, who has been a Farm Bureau member off and on since 1938, is a combat infantry veteran, a vocational agriculture teacher and a part-time farmer. He has been active in building Farm Bureau membership in his home county from 13 in 1947 to over 240 now, a figure which he concedes is still "far too low." Although his personal farming operations are confined to chickens, hogs and gardening, Mr. Curry says, "I am probably more of a farmer than most, for I plan and supervise the complete farming operations on 25 veterans' farms, averaging about 200 acres each. . . . These are mostly veterans just starting out farming. Ninety per cent of them are farm Bureau members."

Mr. Curry is married and has a four-year-old daughter. Mr. Curry's prize winning story follows: "Inflation is upon us, whether we like it or not. It is beginning to undermine our physical, mental, and social framework. People are beginning to lose their sense of values, buying worthless things because they are cheap, and refusing to buy some necessities because they are high. We must recognize this condition and cope with it. "In 1938 we saw good, wholesome grade A milk, bottled and delivered, going for 8 cents per quart. Now they pay 24 cents, and have to go after it. The cost has tripled. Other items have risen proportionately. I have a friend in town, a low-salaried man with a wife and two growing boys, who does not buy milk, because the cost is prohibitive. And the youngsters need milk, for their health's sake!

"Checking this greater inflation threatening us must stem from the individual citizen; the individual producer, processor, middleman, and consumer. The Government is composed of the people, and the people are merely a collection of individuals. Every individual has an influence of a sort, and the millions of aggregate influences shape the destiny of a democratic nation. "An individual can do more in shaping our destiny than he thinks. Especially can farmers exert their individual influences. In fact, the present seems to be a very opportune time for the farmer to secure his future economic stability. He can watch prices of useable goods, and if outrageous, LET THEM ALONE. He can endeavor to make other means suffice if plausible. "Lack of demand will finally bring these costly items down. "There are not a few, but many ways a farmer might help control inflation. He can be thrifty, but he should not rob Peter to pay Paul. For example, one friend of mine would not buy mineral for his cattle, because his money was running short; although he knew his pasture was mineral deficient and the extra

First Prize Winners for Best Story Why U. S. Farmers Should Buy More Savings Bonds No.



GIDDINGS, TEXAS—When the American Farm Bureau Federation, through its publication, asked the country's farmers to tell why they are investing part of their crop income in United States Savings Bonds, F. B. Curry, shown above with his wife, Mary, and four-year-old daughter, Carolyn Sue, responded with a simple human interest narrative, the key theme of which was: "Don't feed inflation. Save for your future by building a financial reserve in the form of U. S. Savings Bonds." His story won him the first award of \$300 in savings bonds. Fridge of the Curry family in their ownership is reflected in this scene on their farm as Papa Curry exhibits the \$300 to Mama Curry and daughter, Carolyn Sue. Expenses for greater and better production, expenses which will more than liquidate themselves, are wise. Greater production will slow down skyrocketing prices. Thrift is not miserliness. The farmer can budget his time more profitably, employ labor saving devices, spend his profits on capital goods with a lasting or expanding value, insure his more valuable possessions, including his life. Ad infinitum.

"But best of all he can buy U. S. Savings Bonds. Bonds will do more toward fighting inflation than anything else, because they take savings out of the spender's hands. Also, the longer they are held the faster the interest piles up. Yet the more bonds one buys, the more he wants to buy. It is habit forming. And, of course, it builds security."

EDUCATORS ORGANIZE TO HELP SELL BONDS

Under Secretary Edward H. Foley Jr. told representatives of the National educational system assembled in Washington that maximum effort must be devoted to the sale of Savings Bonds to non-bank investors "to assist the Treasury in its anti-inflation efforts to reduce the amount of bank-held debt."

The meeting of the group, called by Secretary Snyder to map out plans for enlisting the continued aid of teachers and pupils in the United States Savings Bond program was attended by the following:

Arthur Bowie, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, New York, N. Y.; Edward Alvey, Dean, Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Virginia; James E. Bauseman, Supervisor of Elementary Schools, Fairfax County, Virginia; Cyrus L. Burnett, Assistant Superintendent of Postal Savings, Post Office Department, Washington, D. C.; John Callahan, State Superintendent of Public In-

struction, Madison, Wisconsin; Mrs. E. L. Church, President, Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers, Lansing, Michigan.

Howard Cummings, Assistant for Government and Economics, Division of Secondary Education, U. S. Office of Education; James Cummings, Assistant Director, Department of Education, National Catholic Welfare Conference, Washington, D. C.; Merrill F. Hartshorn, Executive Secretary, National Council for the Social Studies, National Education Association; Floyd W. Larson, National Secretary, American Institute of Banking, New York, N. Y.; J. L. McCaskill, Associate Secretary, Department of Higher Education, National Education Association; Miss Winifred Newman, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Charleston, West Virginia; W. L. Nicholas, President, Peru Teachers College, Peru, Nebraska; Miss Eva G. Pinkston, Executive Secretary, Department of Elementary School Principals, National Education Association; Robert G. Smith, State Department of Education, Springfield, Illinois; Louis Thiele, Division Director, Exact Sciences, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit, Michigan.

Dr. Jarvis M. Morse, head of the Educational Section of the Savings Bonds Division, outlined the progress of the school savings program, and particularly congratulated the school children of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Illinois, Michigan, Kansas, California, Missouri and the State of Washington for outstanding work.

The conference concluded with the adoption of a recommendation offered by Louis Thiele of the Detroit school system, that a permanent National Education Advisory Committee be designated by Secretary Snyder to help in the continuous promotion of the school savings program in the Nation's schools. This group would meet periodically with the Secretary of the Treasury for the review and development of the Savings Bonds program.

Desdemona News

The Thanksgiving dinner sponsored by the P. T. A. held Monday night, Nov. 22 in the Desdemona High School was attended by a large crowd.

More than 200 plates were served on tables laid with white table cloths. Bouquets of yellow and orchid mums with miniature turkeys made of pine cones were placed at irregular intervals along the center of the tables.

Chances were sold on a nice fat turkey. The winner being Mrs. Nina Lohman.

An outsiders ball game was Desdemona winning 40-28.

The Howard Home Demonstration Club was well represented at the County Club's Cake Show held Tuesday, Nov. 22 in the annex of the First Christian Church in Eastland.

All cakes entered through this club winning blue ribbons, Mrs. Jimmie Heater winning first place.

Attending from this club were: Mesdames Heater, P. Sparks, Hardy Tidwell, Ray Watson, Doyle Johnson, G. C. Tate, M. J. Keith, Charlie Maltby, Bob Koonce, R. G. Lewis and Mrs. Ida Wilhite. Visitor Club meets Tuesday, Nov 30 with Mrs. Doyle Johnson.

Mrs. S. W. Johnson of Oil Center, New Mexico who has been visiting the past two weeks with her

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Able, is spending this weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walker of De Leon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Able spent Sunday with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Collins of Comanche.

Mrs. Stella Keith and her son, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Keith, of San Angelo spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Major Keith.

The Desdemona basketball girls entered the Huckaby tournament Friday and Saturday and won second place.

The boys played some practice games and lost.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Voorhies had as their guests Sunday his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Voorhies and daughter, Helen, of Alexander.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Taylor and children, Jean, Alene, and Darrel, of Comyn visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Keith Sunday.

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Cheaney News

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 2:00 p. m. amid a profusion of flowers, at the Alameda Cemetery for Mr. Joe King, who passed away last Thursday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Jo Underwood near Ranger.

Mr. King who had been in failing health for quite a while, was one of the old timers of this neighborhood. He operated his farm until prevented by bad health, but he and Mrs. King have continued to live there until he was moved to closer medical facilities during his last illness.

By a son, Doc King and two daughters, Mrs. King, he is survived by Mrs. Loneta Lamb of Breckenridge and Mrs. Dorothy Jo Underwood. Several grandchildren also survive, including three great-grandchildren.

Interment was under the direction of Killingworth-Cox Funeral Home in Ranger.

Salem Club members entered 13 cakes in the recent cake show at Eastland and came back waving 13 blue ribbons, which seems set of a record for the club.

Blue ribbon winners each received a 5-cup aluminum flour sifter as a prize from Bewley Mills. Both Alameda Club enteries were also numbered among the 44 blue ribbon winners. 65 cakes were registered No. 1 cake was baked by Mrs. Inez Heeter of the Howard Club.

No. 2 and No. 3 cakes were baked by Mrs. Ernie Todd and Mrs. Polly Barron of the Bass Lake Club. Mrs. Kelly of the Word Club baked cake No. 4. These cakes scored a 99 each.

Red ribbon winners each received aluminum pie pans and white ribbon winners received a pyrex measuring cup from Bewley Mills.

Mrs. Hodges from Olden was the auctioneer and the 4 high score cakes were sold at the highest bid, which added a neat sum to the \$25 check already presented by Bewley Mills to the County Home Demonstration Council.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tucker and Mr. and Mrs. Ima Howard of Ranger enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner with the Jno. Tucker family.

Billy Tucker spent the Thanksgiving weekend with Bill Griffin and Earnest Mehaffey in Eastland.

Mrs. Lena Jones was returned to her home last Monday following several days in the Ranger Hospital. She is recovering nicely.

Mrs. Bessie Perrin was also reported on the sick list last week.

Mrs. Bill Logan spent Thanksgiving near Meridian with her mother, Mrs. Harris, who is well known here.

Minister Harry Payne was the overnight guest in the Joe Hudson home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Cozart of Olden and their daughter, Mrs. Odesa Mitchell and daughter, Linda, of Strawn were visitors in the Jno. Tucker home last week. Travis Cozart also visits them recently.

Mrs. Eva Wright and daughter, Misses Georgia and Frankie Stacy of Gorman were visitors at Alameda Saturday night for Bible study and singing. Mrs. Sallie Bishop also came for the services.

Contractors from Eastland were busy here Tuesday repairing the roof on the Oliver Galloway home, which was damaged by fire last week. Soot from the oil heater which had collected in the chimney was thought to have caused which fell on the dry shingle roof.

A huge hole was burned in the main roof, but prompt help from close neighbors got the blaze deluged quickly.

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Once when I was eight, Dolly had the prettiest flowers. They were growing right in the dining room where the sunlight fell upon them during the day. It was almost Christmas. Dolly always had flowers for Christmas. It was cold that night. The wind blew hard and sometimes it sounded as if it were weeping and moaning bitterly. The little cherry peppers had all turned red. The begonias were their richest wine and their brightest green. Narcissus were in full bloom. The fronds of maidenhair ferns fell luxuriantly below the Jardinieres.

Seeing them Dolly regretted, "My flowers'll freeze tonight." And Manning, my father said, "Maybe not."

Next morning not a leaf had frozen. Manning was astride a chair back, asleep. The fire had been stoked all night at intervals.

Carbon News

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gray and children spent the week end with his sister Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Barrow of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wilson are visiting relatives in Ford County this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Buell Rhyne visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Rhyne and family last week.

Mrs. Lena Stubblefield of Spur visited her children here over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Mason and Mrs. W. M. were visiting in Abilene Sunday.

Bill Murphee and George McBee visited relatives over the week end. They are from A & M College.

Rev. Dick Murray and wife of Lamesa spent the week end with her sister and father J. G. Nowlin and Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Payne and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Robertson spent the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Parker of Westover.

Mrs. C. R. Yarbrough visited relatives in Weatherford over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Jackson spent Thanksgiving day with their daughter Mr. and Mrs. Leak Lane and family of Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. McCracken and daughter Sue of Wichita Falls spent the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. Dunn.

Mrs. Mamie Redwine visited relatives in Dublin over the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hines of Fort Worth visited his mother Mrs. W. J. Hines Sunday.

Richard Cloud of Ft. Worth spent the week end with his parents Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Cloud.

Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Cloud visited F. D. Reed and wife of Breckenridge last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Seastrunk and Mrs. Bill Bouldin and daughter of Odessa attended the funeral of Guy Chambers of Dublin. He is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Seastrunk and Mrs. Bouldin.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Reese had as their week end guest Mrs. Reese of Crockett. Mrs. Ruth Woolen of Mesquite, Mrs. Marie Chambers of Port Neches and their son Billy of Hobbs, New Mexico.

Mrs. Ruth Speer and daughters Jane and Kay of Port Neches spent from Thursday until Monday with her mother Mrs. W. J. Hines.

Mrs. H. M. Weston has returned home after an extended visit with her son Buck Weston and family of Fluvanna.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jackson have returned home after several days visit with their children in Andrews. L. Seastrunk of Waco visited his mother Mrs. Hallie Seastrunk last week end.

Tommy Nicholas and family of Jal, New Mexico visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. John Nicholas and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hogan and family last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Mahan visited in Dublin and De Leon over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Hogan visited in Illinois last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene White of Winters and daughter Barbara of Abilene and Mrs. J. E. Talley of Ballinger visited their cousin Mrs. Bill Edmondson and Mr. Edmondson Thanksgiving.

D. D. Feldman No. 1 Cooper Grocery treated the well last of the week with 3000 gallons of acid. They have about an 85 BBL. well and are now waiting for tanks to turn it into.

Desdemona News

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leazar of West Texas visited with her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Arnold through the holidays. Their daughter, Beverly Joe, who had been staying with her grandparents returned home with them Sunday.

M. J. Keith underwent major surgery at the Blackwell Sanitarium at Gorman Thursday. His Doctor reports his condition at this writing to be satisfactory. Cagie Keith and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Clements of Wright City, Texas, have been at his bedside.

Mrs. Joda Lewis who underwent surgery Friday at the Blackwell Sanitarium is reported doing nicely and will return to her home in Desdemona Sunday.

Mrs. Lemmie Macon underwent surgery at the Gorman Hospital Saturday. She is doing nicely and will be able to go home soon.

Some of the friends and relatives to visit Mrs. Joe Sparkman for the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sparkman and children of Freer, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Adams of Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Rogers are the proud parents of a baby girl born Sunday November 21st.

The Basketball game played here Friday between our teams and Huckaby teams was enjoyed by all - of course, Desdemona won both games, boys and girls.

Hospital Notes

Annie Kate Blair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Blair has been confined to the hospital for several days. She has had a severe infection in her right eye. Mrs. Blair said at this writing the drugs administered were having the desired effect and that Annie Kate would be able to go home soon.

Other patients in the hospital at this time who live in this area are Mesdames Jack Wilson, T. F. Cunningham and Mrs. Clyde Cornwell of Carbon.

Soph Suds

Joy Hampton, Reporter

If we sit and glance over all the Sophomore pupils, we wonder what one person would be like if he had some of the features of each member.

The situation has been looked over carefully and it was decided that the ideal sophomore boy would have: Martin Bailey's Ford Nick Eaker's cute personality, Bob Enloe's large build; James Brown's blue eyes; Edaward Stewart's intelligence and Warren Cate's quite ness. Of course, we couldn't leave out Joe Mauney's bright smile.

The ideal girl would have: Betty Brightwell's brown eyes; Fannie O'Neal's complexion; Betty Beard's blonde hair; Nina Hale's intelligence and of course, Hapel Moore's smile. Don't forget Rena Wright's personality.

If you have an imagination you may get an idea of this ideal person. Betty Brightwell was kept very busy this week end because of Wilbur Mehaffey's and Gerald's mad rush.

Joe Mauney and Martin Bailey have been keeping Ruth Helen Warren and Nell Choate busy.

Betty Beard has admitted that Wade Russell is only a pal, but she has a bright smile since J. F. Lily and she talked a few matters over.

Nina Hale is never left out of anything and she sure wasn't at home this week-end.

By the way, Beard lost an important bet with Martin. Wonder what it was?

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Personals

Gorman looked like "Old Home Town Week" with all the college students home for the Thanksgiving holidays. Among those at home were: Bob Boswell, Dick Ormsby, Bill David, Jerry Clark, Bob Smith, Wanda Bailey, Ennis Joiner, William Franklin, Wade Russell, Tommy Brightwell, Billy Jack Maupin, Billy David, James and Jamie Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ormsby had as their Thanksgiving guest their children; Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Estlin and daughters of Bryan, Dick of A. and M., Mr. and Mrs. Basil Ormsby and children of Garland, Mrs. Joe Ormsby and son of Borger, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ormsby of Gorman and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ormsby and son of Gorman and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer J. Stacy and children of Fort Worth.

E. Clyde Whitlock of Ft. Worth was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Brummett on last Friday.

Mrs. John Kirk and Mrs. Berenice Jeffs spent the Thanksgiving holidays visiting relatives in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Bro. and Mrs. Taylor Henley and son and Miss Beuna Van Winkle spent the Thanksgiving day with Mrs. Henleys mother in Ballinger, who is also the aunt of Miss Van Winkle.

Mrs. Ruby Haynes and children of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Gilbert and W. W. Gilbert during the holidays and the group attended a family get together at De Leon at the home of Mrs. Fowler, mother of Mrs. Haynes.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Fairbetter and family spent the weekend in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Todd, Mrs. Ernie Todd and Tina and Mrs. D. O. Munn spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Todd in Ft. Worth. Mrs. Elmer Todd and children accompanied them home, remaining until Sunday.

Mrs. W. W. Sims is spending the month until Christmas with her daughter in Pecos.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Koen of Borger spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. L. N. Koen and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mauney.

Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Fairchild spent last week in Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Ann Stonehall of Corpus Christi spent the week end with Miss Eusa Lindley.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Ellison enjoyed a holiday trip to San An-

tonio. Mrs. Ellen Oldham returned Friday from an extended visit in the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. E. Moake in San Antonio. Mrs. Moake and Joe accompanied her home returning to San Antonio Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. Edward Blackwell spent part of last week in Kerrville and also attended the Texas-A. & M. game.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Mehaffey of Coleman and Charles Harrell of Odessa spent the week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Mehaffey.

Guests for Thanksgiving dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Z. O. Mehaffey were: Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Williams and daughters, Marsha and Mary Sue of Walnut Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Williams of Glenrose, mother of Phillip and Wilbur Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Blackwell were in Waco Tuesday to take Bob Brogdon and Wilbur Mehaffey back to Baylor after Thanksgiving at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Ross had as their guests the past week, Mr. and Mrs. Nash Miller and their children of Tulsa, Okla. Terry Lynn, Mrs. Ross' niece remained for an extended visit.

Mrs. O. R. Buchanan visited in Brownwood during the Thanksgiving Holidays.

Guests in the J. A. Baze home Thanksgiving Day were Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison and son, Billy John of Jayton; Mr. and Mrs. Odell Harrison and daughter, Dorothy Lee and Mr. Jack Harrison of Jayton; Lee Harrison, Gorman; Mr. and James Wilson, Irian; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Evans, Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Baze and son, of Ft. Worth; and Mavis Baze of John Burl, and Dorothy Ann Baze San Antonio. Cpl. Mavis Baze returned to Kelly Field, San Antonio Tuesday morning after spending two weeks with his parents.

Mrs. M. F. Allen was in Ft. Worth Saturday.

Mrs. Deola Moates of Houston is visiting her cousin, Mrs. A. L. Butler. Mrs. J. E. Whiteside of Brownwood visited her sister Mrs. Cissy Williams, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Shamblin are visiting Mrs. Shamblin's niece Mrs. Granville England. The Shamblins are from Pleasanton, Calif. J. J. and William Moates of Houston are visiting friends and relatives in Gorman.

Mrs. Jess Richardson spent Thanksgiving Day with her daughter and son, Mrs. Bill Woods, Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Ardell Kirk and daughters of Ranger and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Kirk of Austin visited Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Kirk during the Holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Higginbotham were in South Texas visiting during the Holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Park of Sudan are visiting relatives and friends in Gorman this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Cross and children of Duncan, Okla. spent Thanksgiving with his father Mr. J. L. Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Rodgers of Placedo, Texas, formerly of Gorman, spent the week-end visiting friends and relatives.

Relatives of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Morrow, who visited them during Thanksgiving were Mr. and Mrs. Turner Collie and Bobbie of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Haley, Eastland and Thomas Haley, Jr. of Brownfield, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Emmons and Diane of Albany, Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Allen of De Leon, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Underwood, Ann and Peggy of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Walker of Gorman.

Visiting Mrs. W. R. Eppler at Thanksgiving time were her daughter, Mrs. Edna Nunnally of Causey New Mexico, Rev. and Mrs. Paul Eppler and family of Coahoma and Mrs. B. M. Collie of Austin.

Mrs. Elsie Gates had as her guest over the week end Mrs. J. A. Cole of Palestine.

Mrs. J. E. Walker is visiting for a few days with her daughter, Mrs. W. M. Emmons and family in Albany, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Treadwell, Mary Beth, Clovis and Alfred of Austin, visited Mr. and Mrs. Mike Treadwell on Thanksgiving Day.

Mrs. E. L. Mason, Mrs. W. G. Winters and Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Mason spent Friday and Saturday of last week in Ft. Worth, Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Sherman were guests in the W. F. Smith home on Monday. Mrs. Sherman is a sister to Mrs. Smith. The Shermans were enroute from California to their home in Waco, Texas. They had carried their daughter, Mrs. Herschel Guy and her young son to the coast where they had embarked for Saipan to join Lt. Guy.

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Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker for Thanksgiving were relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Carter Hart, Carol Kay; Mrs. Eva K. Milmo and Marianne and a friend, Mrs. Bruce Haile, of Ranger.

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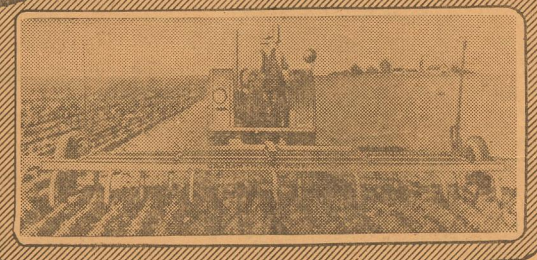
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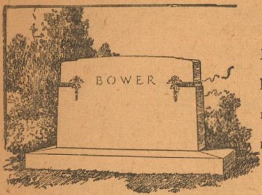
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MEETING OF FUTURE FARMERS AND VOCATIONAL AG. TEACHERS HELD

On November 28 at 5 P. M., the Stephenville District of Vocational Agricultural Teachers and Stephenville District of Future Farmers of America held a joint meeting in the F F A chapter room of the Stephenville High School Voc. Agricultural Building.

E. C. Bramlett, vocational agricultural teacher, Gorman Schools, the president of the V. A. Teachers, presided over the meeting. The following business was transacted: December 7, at 6:30 p. m. was the date set for the District FFA Banquet to be held in the Tarleton College Dining Hall; it was decided that the local advisers and their chapter members decide whom they wish to bring to the banquet; the group decided on the member to be invited from the Tarleton College Collegiate F F A Chapter; three teachers and three F F A

members were appointed to draw up the program which was drawn up during the meeting; the meeting was then turned over to the District F F A Chapter, Gene O'Neal of Granbury, president of the District Chapter, presiding. The meeting was opened with the official F F A opening ceremony with officers at each station; the program planned by the committee was accepted and the committee discharged of its duties, the program planned was as follows:
(1) Invocation; (2) Eats Steak menu (3) Opening Ceremony (4) Introduction of boys and guests by chapter representatives; Short talk by R. L. Barron, State F F A Adviser and to be introduced by Jimmy Darling, State FFA President; (7) W. Doyle Graves introduced Collegiate Chapter members; (8) District FFA report by District Chapter representative; (9) Award to Lone Star Farmers; and (10) Speech by President E. J. Howell, John Tarleton Ag. College; meeting was closed with the official closing ceremony.

There is an expected attendance of 150 people.

The schools represented at the meeting were as follows: Comanche, Comyn, De Leon, Dublin, Gordon, Gorman, Granbury, Gustine, Santo, Sidney, Stephenville, Tolar, and Mineral Wells.

Miss Joan Graham of Denton was the week end guest of Jerry Clark in the home of his mother, Mrs. Grace Clark.

METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Sunday marked the close of a busy month in our church calendar. The Board of Education, meeting the very first day, has made plans which include a special Christmas program on the morning of the third Sunday and the annual Carolling for the evening. On the fourth Sunday "Student Recognition Day" is to be observed. Various classes and age groups are to have planned activities and the W. S. C. S. is sponsoring a Christmas party for the women at the parsonage on the 13th. The program for the W. S. C. S. includes three other meetings for the month, one at three o'clock Monday the 6th, then a district meeting in Breckenridge Wednesday, December 8th, and an executive meeting about the middle of the month.

The Advance for Christ and His Church, which represents a great four year Missionary program throughout the Methodist Church is being presented at different services and will receive the loyal support of every interested member.

Attend the services of your church and become an informed member, enjoying the blessings that come to those who are seeking to do the Master's will.

Sunday School at 10 o'clock each Sunday morning, worship services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. A welcome awaits you.

Reading Yuletide Stories Adds to Family Christmas

THE reading of literature's most loved Christmas stories, including the Gospels, is one of the best ways for a family to prepare for the day itself.

A family reading session, planned for the last few days before Christmas, will make it easier for the children to stand the tension of waiting and will add meaning and happy family memories to the occasion.

Christmas is, first of all, religious, and the New Testament accounts of the birth of Jesus ought always to be read first. Both the Christmas tales of Matthew and Luke are beautiful poetry and literature.

Perhaps the most famous Christmas book in the world, after the Gospels, is Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," written in 1843. It is a tale which will be told and retold as long as there is Christmas. It is profound enough for the most adult taste and it is still a children's classic.

Henry Van Dyke's "The Other Wise Man," is another story which has become a Christmas classic.

It tells of a fourth wise man who saw the star rising and set out to follow it. The great desire of this pilgrim was denied, yet fulfilled in the denial.

For a good, unoffensive funny story about Christmas try "How Come Christmas?" by Roark Bradford. It concerns the efforts of a group of Negroes to decide which came first, Santa Claus or the little Lord Jesus.

Probably the most famous American Christmas tale is Kate Douglas Wiggin's "The Birds' Christmas Carol." There are other American Christmas stories well worth reading, though, such as Louisa May Alcott's "Christmas at Orchard House" and Vincent Starrett's "Snow for Christmas." Christopher Morley's "The Worst Christmas Story" happens to be almost one of the best.

These are just a few of the possibilities for a literary Christmas menu. When it is selected and served to the family circle, have the fireplace going and the tree lights on.

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Fish Bait

By two unusual reporters S. R. and D. M. C.

Last week, you know, was Thanksgiving but so far no one has come back to school with the tummy-ache. Say, Glenna, you really took in the show last week, didn't you? Same for you, Joy! Wasn't it nice and cozy in a certain car in front of the Corner Drug Store Saturday nite Dessie?

Say, Audrey, it's getting to the place where you aren't seen out nights, how come? J. F. was kind of turning his gaze back to grade school in the show Saturday or at least it looked that way. How about that J. F., after all, there is high school. How was the skating rink Saturday night, Shirley R? Did a certain person get mad?

Merlene, how did you like driving home Saturday night, by yourself, that is! Shirley S. did you sit with D. W. in the show at Ranger Wednesday? Patsy, do you think that B. E. is still as cute as he use to be? Jean Carr how about that cigar, Saturday night? Huh! Mary Ann, how was that sucker you had in the study hall?

SENIOR SEZ

Mack Bryant, Reporter

For some "after Holiday" news. Most of the seniors were in town over the weekend. There were quite a few of the college kids home and they were very welcome faces. It seems that most of the Seniors managed to find something to do to keep themselves busy.

Freda visited some relatives in Crane but was home Saturday nite and visited the movie at De Leon with Ronnie.

Doyle Lee and Louella are still hitting it off O.K. Doyle Lee gave her a compact to prove he likes her better than a certain Senior he did go with.

Carl was on a mad DEAR hunt Sunday afternoon. The dear was Verlan, as usual.

Say Carolyn how did you like Dublin Saturday night.

Shirley, we can't seem to find out who you go with, but we know you go.

Betty was with Wilbur Friday night. From all reports they must have gone to De Leon to the movie.

Patsy was seen in De Leon Saturday night, she and Carolyn were with some more Gorman people.

Dear! hasn't been going with anyone lately. Say boy I know

one girl that's available, nearly always.

Emmer who is your latest interest? You keep us guessing most of the time.

Dearl and Willie Burl were in Dublin Friday night. For the ball game, we hope.

The Senior Class received their rings a few weeks ago. They are the prettiest yet and if anyone feels in an arguing mood, well any way ours are the prettiest.

The Seniors still have some Christmas Cards left. If anyone is interested, we will appreciate it.

Nearly everyone is happy now. Basket ball season is here and Gorman will play her first game in a few more days. Maybe with something to work for everything will soon be back to normal. There isn't much more news so I'll leave off here.

JUNIOR JOTS

Peggy Bell, Reporter

This is your reporter, Peggy "Scoop" Bell bringing you a scoop on the latest news.

Lavelle has been flashing that black and gold compact before everybody's eyes this week. Wonder who gave it to her?

FOUND: One heart hanging in a mulberry tree.

Jo Olive, who were you stepping out with Sat. night? Did you go to "Mystery in Mexico?"

Ruth Helen, we hope we can teach you to skate Tues. night. It wouldn't happen to be that certain siph would it?

Parilee, why the sad face? He'll be back and when he does he'll bring that certain something I spoke about in last week's news.

Janette and Jo can hardly wait until our first basketball game.

Our Jr. and Sr. play will be presented December 17th in the High School Gym. If anyone wants to buy a ticket see either a Junior or a Senior. The price is 25c and 50c. Everyone is invited.

Louise, I thought you were going skating Friday night. Why didn't you?

Mary Ruth has been going to church every Sunday. She stays home week nights and studies.

annita, our cute little secretary, doesn't go very much. She must enjoy staying home with Mama. By the way, she was seen with a cute little boy Monday night. There's always an exception to the rule.

Mrs. Wright, our home room teacher, sits at her desk in study hall and grades papers.

SHORT STORY

Fifty Grand A Year

By FREDERICK MEDLIN

THEY still wonder why Johnson went mad so suddenly after he got out of stir. That is, all but Leo, the fence.

Johnson remembered it all as he strode feverishly through the hot, breathless night.

3-Minute Fiction

The black curtain of darkness that pressed upon every side could not hide those things that had gone before. Even their memory increased his furious pace, and it was an effort not to cast a furtive glance over his shoulder as he drew near the spot on which the great oak should stand.

He remembered the night of ten years ago that he had stolen the Alsmeyer jewels. It had been a desperate thing to do, and he had half expected to be caught. His mind's-eye saw himself crawling up those precarious tracers of ivy on the high back wall of the Alsmeyer mansion. He recalled how cautiously he had opened the window with a glass-cutter and a file, how carefully he had placed the charge of explosive against the cleverly-concealed wall safe, how feverishly he had hurried through the acrid smoke to the battered door after the muffled explosion had shaken the room.

THEN down that sweep of ivy again to the ground and over the wall and along the hard road as the uproar behind him steadily grew

... the car with the fingering searchlight darting down the road ... his dogged flight across the field to the momentary haven of the huge oak ... His fingers trembled convulsively again as they had when he had tumbled the jewels quickly into the leather bag and buried it safely, far back under the upcurled root. He heard again the deep-throated baying of the hounds, growing always closer, as he had heard it that night, hour after hour, twisting and dodging and hoping, knowing in his own heart that he would be caught, and fearing it with hysterical terror.

And that capture! The quick shots ... the rapid whine of the bullets ... the huge dogs dragging him down ...

But they had never found the jewels. He had hidden them well, and for that he had been grateful for ten years.

He came quite suddenly upon the clump of trees. They seemed in the thick darkness to be the same stand of ten years ago. He moved about quickly with the flashlight until he found the peculiar root that curved outward and looped upward slightly, just as it had so long ago. He dug back through the loose earth



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under it; his fingers tingled as they touched rotten leather, and there were the jewels spread out. They were dull—but they were the Alsmeyer jewels.

AN HOUR later they were shimmering on velvet in Leo's back room that he used for business of secrecy; and Johnson was trembling with excitement.

Johnson paced the floor. "Five hundred grand!" he gloated. "That's fifty grand a year in the big house, and still they say crime don't pay. Why, Leo, I know lots of big guys that don't make fifty grand a year. I'm up in the big money now and it feels wonderful."

"You know what these are worth?"

"Yeah. Sure I do. So do you." Perhaps he only wanted to bargain. Some of the dread died in Johnson's heart. "Ain't you the best fence in the East? That's why I came to you."

"You know that I'm honest?" Leo's query was very grave and very earnest.

"Sure. You always have been."

"The Alsmeyer jewels," said Leo slowly, almost sadly, "are just imitations. They might be worth five hundred dollars."

They still wonder why Johnson went mad so shortly after he got out of stir, that is, all but Leo, of course. Leo would know, for he is a very shrewd judge of human psychology—and jewels. It is said, by those who know, that Leo made almost half a million dollars out of the Alsmeyer jewels.

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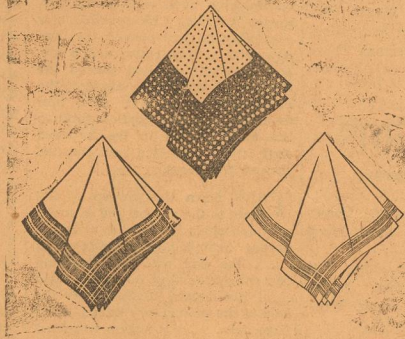
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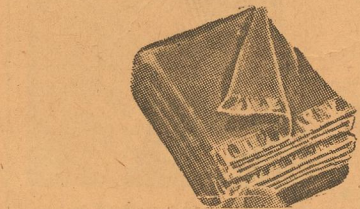
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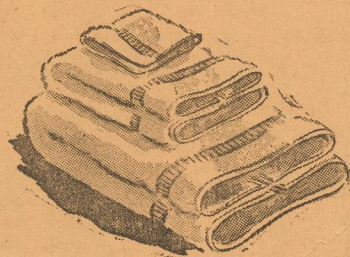
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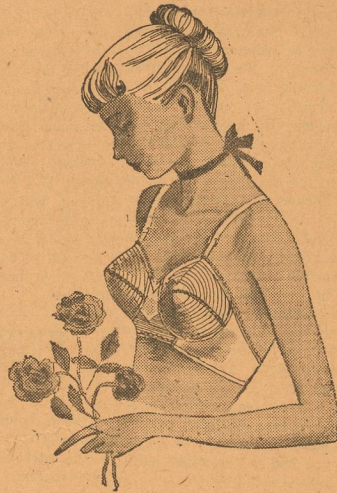
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