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WHAT'S...



COOKING?

BY NORMAN WRIGHT

Well, Happy New Year, folks, and a wet one!

Wouldn't it be marvelous if 1957 turned out to be the one year when we got some good rain and everybody made a crop? Imagine it! There just wouldn't be any way to hold this part of the country if everybody rained up next Fall with a CROP. It would be like the world's greatest boom had struck again! Maybe this will be the year. Let us all hope and pray that it will be!

At any rate, rain or no rain, 1957 has already got a sour note for us. The very first letter we opened this morning on the very first day of the New Year, was from our old Uncle Samuel, who insisted one of those familiar forms and said "Please Remit."

We don't mind paying our income tax. In fact we are happy that we are able to pay one. But we would feel a lot better about it if we didn't think a lot of everybody's money was being thrown away.

Right now, right this minute, today in Washington, we are getting ready to hand over \$500,000,000 to the Middle East to help straighten things out over there, brought on by a war that we are able to pay one. But to do with, and we will only be laughed at and called suckers by the very people who are going to receive the money, and we'll be cussed out because it wasn't more.

We were listening Sunday to a radio commentator telling about the early WPA days of Roosevelt when, in the wee hours of the morning, FDR's budget director checked his adding machine tape for the humpsteenth time and couldn't believe his eyes. He had been adding up the budget and he was so disturbed that he called Franklin Roosevelt in the middle of the night and told him he had to see him.

Upon being admitted to the president's bedroom he said, "Chief, this is terrible. You will just have to go to the people and try to explain it to them but we don't think you'll ever be able to do it. The new budget is EIGHT BILLION DOLLARS!"

At the time, this was more money than most people could imagine and the highest annual budget in the history of the United States government. Today, we can spend that much money before breakfast and never miss it as President Eisenhower prepares to present a budget to the new congress calling for SEVENTY BILLION DOLLARS, FORTY BILLION of which is for the military establishment overseas and around the world.

The United States cannot keep doing this forever. The time must come when it must stop. Any way you look at it, (Continued on Page Two)

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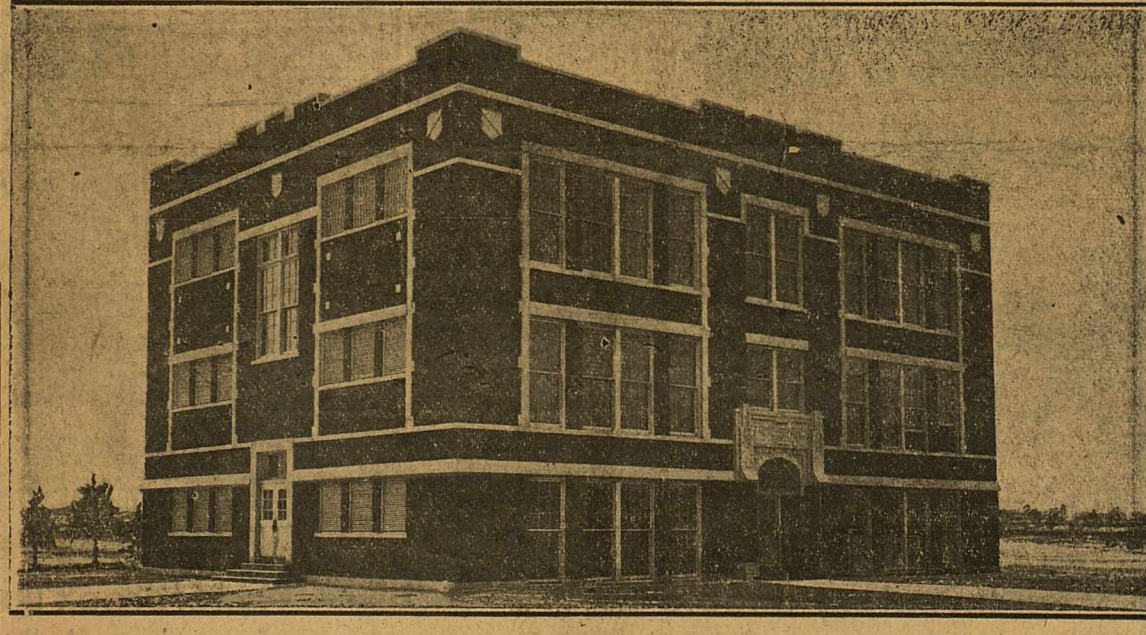
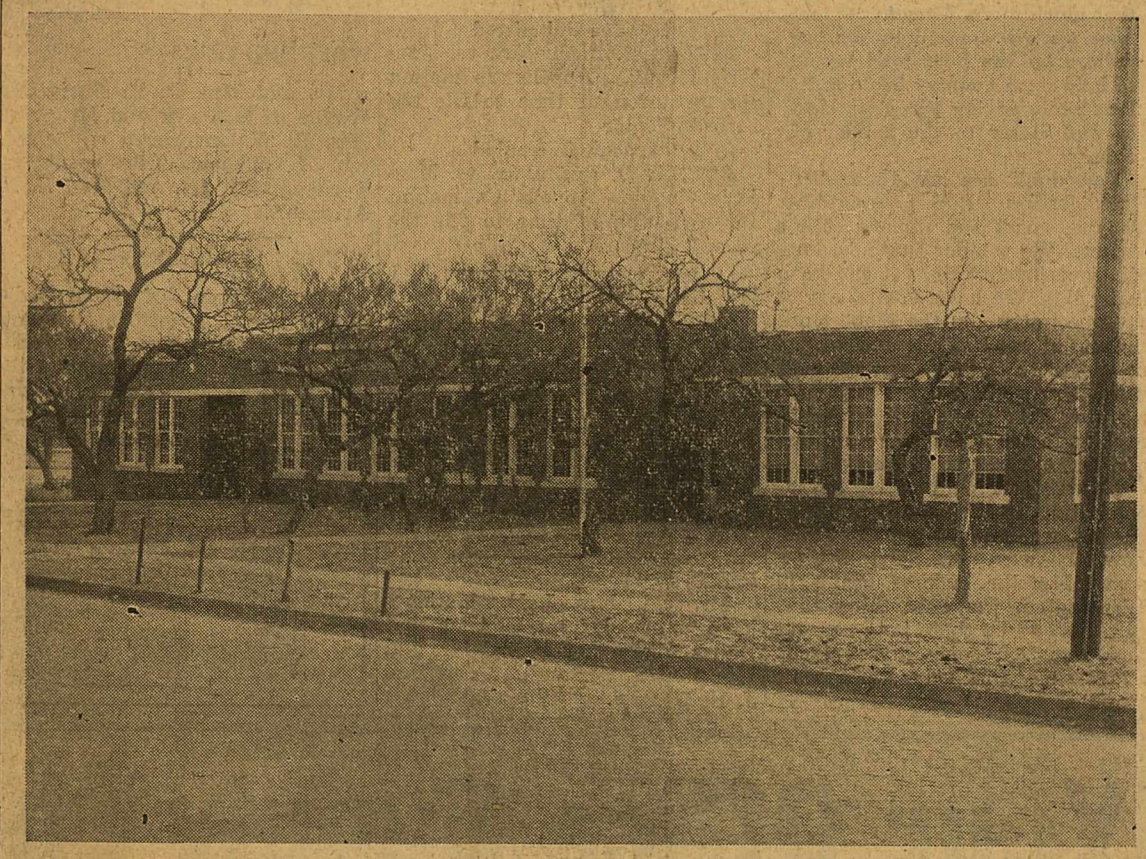
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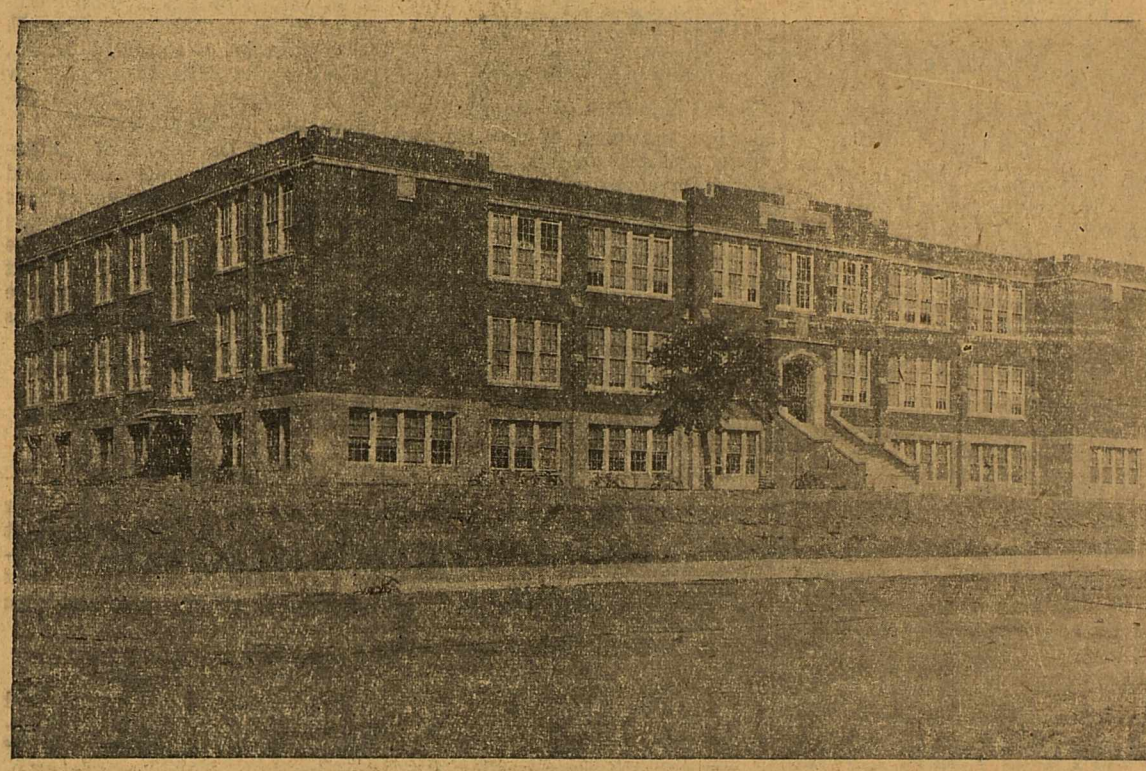
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Ex-Students Meet Huge Success



RANGER'S THREE EXCELLENT SCHOOLS will be the center of all activity tomorrow as kids of all ages file back for the long winter term that will see many a day pass before another holiday. School activity from now on will consist mostly of good hard work sprinkled with a few basketball games, and the next holiday is at least three and a half months off until Easter Sunday, April 21, when a day or two of free time might be thrown in to break up the routine of things.

Ranger Schools Center of Activity After Holidays



Kids Trek Back to School For Long Pull Through Winter

After laying off books and learning for twelve glorious, care-free days, Ranger school students of all ages from first grade through Junior College, drag themselves back to the classrooms tomorrow for the longest pull of the year.

Nearest thing in sight that even looks like a holiday might be the week-end before Easter, which comes this year on April 21, and that is almost four months off.

Usually the first part of school extending from opening day until Christmas does not seem so long to the youngsters because it is all broken up with football games and out of town trips and all sorts of other exciting events, but the long pull through the winter months seems at times like it will never end.

On the other side of the fence, however, are the parents, because as much as they love those young'uns, bless 'em, they get a few moments to breathe when they all get back in school again. But the winter school months also bring on a lot of work for the mamas and papas, too, because P-TA meetings, and other school doings seem to pick up and all those things have to be attended.

Bad weather brings on a problem, too, because many a morning little junior has to be hauled off to school and met that afternoon so he won't catch his death of cold and since there hasn't been any weather yet there is bound to be a lot of it around the corner including a snow or two and perhaps a lot more ice.

More than at any time during the year the months of January, February and March see the attention of many homes focused on the schools because there are few other points of interest anywhere. The usual springtime activities are in hibernation and the outdoor events so much enjoyed in the summertime are a long, long way off.

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Officers Named And Plans Made For Next Year

The town swarmed with old Exes over the weekend as former students of Ranger High School gathered Saturday and Sunday for their 3rd Annual Homecoming, and everybody connected with the affair was amazed and surprised at the crowd which showed up.

Spirits were high and hearts were light as old acquaintances got together Saturday night at the Gholson for a gabfest that was thoroughly enjoyed by everybody attending. All the fun and entertainment needed was furnished by recollections of old class friends and experiences.

The crowd was pleasantly surprised when "Turkey" Hinman, an old Ex now living in Eunice, N. M. dropped in unexpectedly. He was passing through Ranger en route to Weatherford when he picked up a Ranger Times on the news stand and saw a notice of the meeting. His sister, LaVerne, was with him.

A good attendance was also reported for the breakfast at El Rancho Cafe which took place Sunday morning at 8 o'clock. Following attendance of church services all over town, the ex-students met for a luncheon which was served at the Community Club House. J. L. Nichols and David Weems of the Burton Lingo Company had set up the tables, and food was served by Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvan Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Steele and Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Dixon.

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Mrs. A. N. Larson Thanks All For Help With Xmas Baskets

Mrs. A. N. Larson, president of the Child Welfare Organization, said today that on behalf of herself and all members of the organization which she heads, she wanted to thank every man, woman, child, club and organization in Ranger that helped in any way in donating to the Christmas baskets that were sent out to needy families in this area during the holidays.

Mrs. Larson said 68 baskets were given out in all which helped to make Christmas brighter for 274 people by actual count. The baskets were filled with food and toys, and there were at least 87 children who benefitted by the toys and who would not have received any at all if they had not been donated by the people of Ranger, including both individuals and clubs.

Mrs. Larson said special thanks went to the employees of Premier Oil Company for their work in repairing the toys and repainting them so that they were almost as good as brand new.

She extended special thanks to the merchants for their gifts and to individuals who donated food, "and we want to especially thank the school children of Ranger for their marvelous work in collecting and giving food for the baskets. We could not get along without their gifts, and they have such a beautiful ceremony at school during their 'White Christmas' program when all of this food is collected and the baskets are lined up across the stage at high school."

Mrs. Larson said they again wanted to thank Morris Newnam who, this year, as in years passed, furnished meats for the baskets. Newnam gave either a turkey or a chicken for each basket, in addition to a large quantity of salt pork, bacon and lard. All of the (Continued on Page 2)

No Acreage Reserve for Peanuts In '57

No acreage reserve program will be offered on peanuts for 1957, it was announced Saturday by Emmett E. Powell, county manager of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee. New payment rates on cotton acreage placed in the Soil Bank Acreage Reserve are due to be mailed to cotton growers in the next few days.

Mr. Powell also stated that land intended to be placed in the Soil Bank Program for 1957 should not be grazed after January 1, 1957.

Funds for the Conservation Reserve Program are limited to each county and producers will be signed up on a "first come, first served" basis. No more contracts can be taken when the funds are exhausted, and in no case after March 15, 1957.

Practices of the Acreage Conservation Program for 1957 are seedling pasture grasses, controlling oak and mesquite, construction of tanks, diversion terraces, waterways, and standard terraces. Persons interested in carrying out any of these practices were asked to contact the ASC office.

Dixie Drive-In Re-Opens Friday

The Dixie Drive-In Theatre, under management of I. B. Walker, will re-open on Friday night, Jan. 4, with a showing of "Pillars of the Sky," in Cinemascope and Technicolor, starring Jeff Chandler and Dorothy Malone, it is announced.

The Drive-In was closed during December during which time the sound system and screen were given a working over, speakers were repaired and 40 new speakers installed, according to Walker.

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Funeral Services For H. Squires Held Here Dec. 25

Funeral services were held here on Christmas Day, Dec. 25, for Homer R. Squires, 57, who passed away at his home at 701 Blundell on Dec. 23, following an illness of over a year.

Services were in Killingsworth Chapel at 3 p.m. with Sister W. M. Morris of the Church of God officiating. She was assisted by the Rev. J. C. Atkins. Burial was in Pioneer Cemetery.

Survivors include one son and two daughters, also four brothers, N. B. Squires and W. L. Squires of Ranger, Gene Squires of San Diego, Calif., and Riley Squires of Virginia three sisters, Mrs. Lola Wilcox and Mrs. Gertrude Tuttle of Ranger and Mrs. Opal Braddon of La Port, and two grandchildren.

Lions to Meet At New Cafeteria; Pruet Urges Record Attendance

The Ranger Lions Club will hold its first meeting of the New Year at the new Ranger Junior College Cafeteria Thursday.

Every member is urged to be present as Dr. Price Ashton, college president, has promised one sumptuous meal to start with, even if the Lions never get another one. But seriously speaking, Lion President Ronald Pruet has suggested that the meeting Thursday would be a wonderful time for each member to bring a guest that might possibly be induced to join the Lions Club.

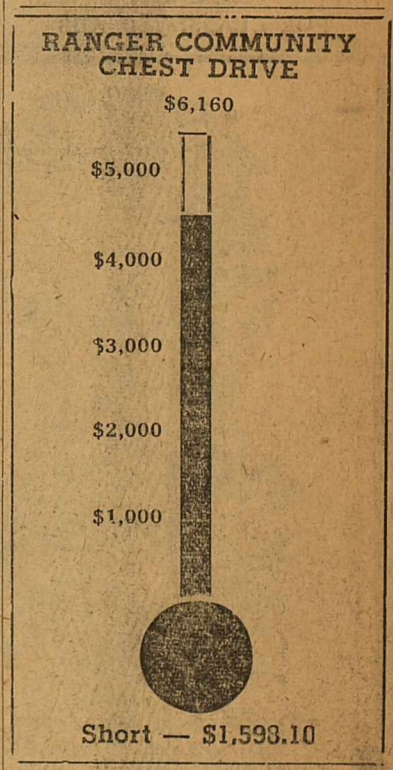
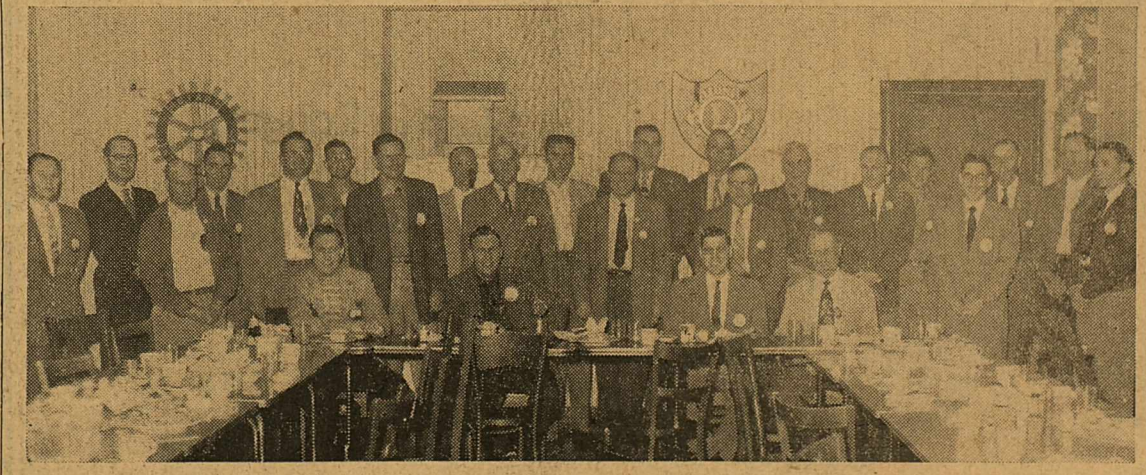
The new surroundings at the cafeteria will be spacious and comfortable, and the building is so constructed that the Lions meeting place can be partitioned off so as to be completely separated from RJC students, and neither one will interfere with the other.

Lion President Pruet also emphasized, in connection with bringing prospective new members to the luncheon, that Lions International usually passed out special awards to clubs for new members received during the month of January, as it was Founders Month, and a special drive is always made at this time.

It is felt that many citizens of Ranger who have not joined the Lions heretofore, may now be ready for membership if they are given the proper persuasion.

All old Lions, who have missed several meetings of late, are also invited to be present Thursday. One of the main goals of Lionism in 1957, according to the district governor who was here recently, is to reactivate old members who have had to drop out for one reason or another.

The meeting Thursday will begin at the same time as always, 12 noon.



Chest Gains \$20 For \$4,541.90; Short \$1,598.10

Since the last report made Sunday, the Community Chest has gained another \$20, making the total now \$4,541.90, leaving a shortage of \$1,598.10 toward the goal of \$6,160.

Mrs. H. E. Angus, secretary of the Community Chest, said the \$20 consisted of one cash gift and one pledge for \$10.

It is expected that a meeting will be called soon of all chest workers, perhaps right after the New Year's holiday.

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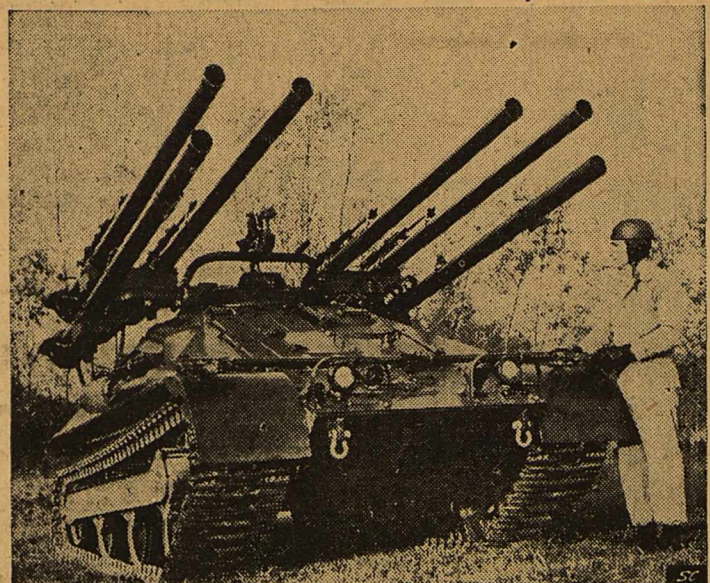
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A deadly military vehicle and machines of peace and plenty are being built at the La Porte, Indiana, plant of Allis-Chalmers. The plant is noted for the manufacture of harvesting equipment that aids farmers in the production of grain, meat, and dairy products. The deadly vehicle is "Ontos," from the Greek word "thing," — a highly maneuverable machine with more firepower than any other land combat vehicle in history. Above is the first production model, forerunner of several hundred ordered by the U. S. Marine Corps. It is a hit-and-run weapon, depending on its low silhouette, maneuverability, and speed in training its six 106-millimeter recoilless rifles on a target for deadliness as well as evasion of enemy fire.

Homecoming-

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 Charlie Hamilton of Ranger was elected president of the Ex-Students Association for 1957; Dr. Alton Davenport of Gainesville was elected first vice-president; Jessie Haney of Sweetwater, second vice-president; Mrs. R. V. Robinson of Ranger, secretary - treasurer, and Lee Russell of Ranger, publicity chairman. Publicity chairmen were also appointed by classes as far back as 1923, and their duties will be to see that all members of their respective classes are informed of the homecoming activities next year.

KIDS-

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 In spite of it all, the winter school months are inducive to a lot of learning because there are fewer distractions and not much of anything else to do but settle down and make the most of it.

VISIT IN USSERY HOME

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Brantly and children and L. B. Ferree of Houston and Mrs. Ada Brantly of Breckenridge have been visiting the John Usserys.

IN FORT WORTH CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. John Ussery spent Christmas in Fort Worth with Mr. and Mrs. Lonny Ussery and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mathis and daughter.

IN GRAHAM FOR HOLIDAYS

Jack Garner spent Christmas with his sister in Graham.

Jeannette Yonker of Waco; Joe Kimbrough and family of Abilene; Volva Kimbrough Doss of Dallas; Vera Morris Baker of Bridgeport;

Four New Oil Tries Staked In Eastland County

Four new oil tries have been staked in Eastland County. R. W. Baxter and Don Bucklew Drilling Co. of Dallas have staked the No. 2 McCelvey Trust in the Kiel Caddo field six miles southwest of Cisco. The 2975 foot rotary try locates 330 feet from the north line and 990 feet from the west line of the southwest fourth of Section 81, block 3, H&TC Survey on a 6 acre lease. The No. 1 W. H. Harvin is a regular field try being drilled by C. U. Norton of Coleman. Location is 150 feet from the south line and 750 feet from the west line of the northwest fourth of Section 15, block 2, H&TC Survey, five miles east of Eastland on a 80-acre lease. Proposed depth is 1800 feet. Elevation has reached 1441 feet on the No. 1 Don L. Choate being drilled by Vern W. Bailey of Dallas. Location on the try is 2290 feet from the south line and 2370 feet from the west line of Section 463, SPRR Survey, 12 miles northeast of Cisco on a 100-acre lease. Proposed depth is 3800 feet. Hansford and Thomas of Cisco are drilling the No. 1 Kimmell 'A' seven miles north of Cisco on a 160-acre lease. Location is 1684 feet from the south line and 1320 feet from the west line of the W. H. Merrill 51 Survey. Proposed depth is 4100 feet with rotary.

What's Cooking-

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seems that Russia is winning the war on all fronts. It doesn't cost Russia a penny to see us bankrupt ourselves. All that the Soviets have to do is to just keep stirring up little wars here and there, and every war they create just bankrupts this country that much more. They know that here we will come dumping our dollars by the boat load trying to help some country back on its feet while edging ourselves closer and closer to the brink of ruin. You don't see all these little wars costing Russia anything. They're smart and we are the suckers. We wonder just how long our government thinks it can keep doing this. We have shelled out to every country on the globe since the end of the last war and we are no closer to peace than we ever were. Our enemies are just now learning real good how to bankrupt us faster and faster with less and less expense to themselves. No we don't mind paying the income tax, if the country needed it, but we hate to pay it, somehow, the way it's being thrown away. For the lack of brains in Washington, the only thing they can think of up there is to run out and give 'em some more money every time somebody starts some trouble.

Court Of Civil Appeals Eleventh District

Reversed and Remanded 3269 Billy Dunklin vs. A. J. Land et ux. (Opinion by Judge Collings). Dallas

Motions Submitted 3292 R. D. Busby, Jr., vs. Marjorie Busby. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file the record. Taylor

Motions Overruled 3292 R. D. Busby, Jr. vs. Marjorie Busby. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file the record. Baylor.

HOLIDAY GUESTS

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McCleskey for the holidays were: Mrs. Oliver Mifer of Oluste, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Glen E. McCleskey and Glenda of Dallas; Ronald L. McCleskey of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Scott and Gerald Jr., Pat and Beth of Odessa; Mrs. J. W. Dugar, Jimmie, Shirley and Jolene of Odessa.

RETURN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mathews have returned from McAllen and Dallas where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Butler and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Morgan.

School Bus Drivers Set Safety Record

AUSTIN — Texas' 7,500 school bus drivers, who, in driving 82,000,000 miles annually, consistently set the state's best safety record, drew a salute here today. The Texas Railroads adopted a resolution lauding the diligence and good judgment with which the drivers protect the lives of Texas children. Pointing out that the school bus drivers' record is seldom accorded the recognition it is due and that it is a wonderful example for other persons using the highways, the resolution set out that a bus is listed in an accident report only on an average of once in every 410,000 miles. That is a distance equal to 16 times around the world at the equator. That record has held for the last five years, during which the school buses have traveled 410,000,000 (million) miles in transporting children to and from school. They annually travel 82,000,000 (million) miles, a distance equal to 3,280 times around

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Mrs. Stanley Stephen . . . marries recently

Jean McCullough, Ensign Stephen Are Married In Bryan Ceremony

The marriage of Miss Jean McCullough, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Raymond McCullough, to Ensign Joe Stanley Stephen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stephen of Eastland, was solemnized at 7:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Bryan, December 21, with Rev. William H. Andrews officiating.

Kelby of Dalton, Ohio, Miss Judy McLeod of Bastrop, and Miss Lynn Hardy of Madisonville. The attendants wore emerald velvet dresses in princess design of ballerina length, fashioned with portrait necklines. Matching hats were of feathers and velvet leaves. They carried bouquets of sweetheart roses.

Lt. Rodney Stephen of Quantico, Virginia attended his brother as best man. Groomsmen were Monty Hawthorne of Conroe, Lt. Robert S. Travis of Ft. Worth, Mike Quigley of Corpus Christi, Henry Seale of Byran, and Tom Grissom of Eastland. Ushers were Lt. Robert Halsell, Charles Dishman, Roland Searcy, and Jimmy Martin, all of Bryan. Candles were lighted by Johnny Halsell and Jarvis Porter.

For her wedding, Miss McCullough chose an ethereal gown in the colonial tradition of crystal white Italian silk douppioni and hand clipped princess lace. The long sleeved bodice, sculptured from a pointed figurine waistline, was inlaid with scallops of the lace to frame the oval neckline. The intricate skirt, billowing in circular fullness, was detailed with three lace-bordered panniers flowing to outline the cascading lace train. The scalloped-edged train swept to cathedral length. Her veil of imported silk illusion, fell in tiers from a cap of matching silk and lace. Her father gave her away. She carried the traditional bride's bouquet with white Bible and orchid.

The mother of the bride wore an ice blue lace and chiffon dress, and the mother of the groom was gowned in a seafoam green tulle and lace. They wore a white orchid.

A reception was held at "The Oaks" following the ceremony. Included in the house party were Misses: John S. Caldwell, Charles Halsell, Harry C. Dishman, Roland Searcy, Charles Edge, Turner T. Walton, Jack Howell, Marvin Porter, Mike Barron, James S. Perry, Holland Porter, J. Cameron Webb, Osborn Johnson, and Frank Ish, all of Bryan, and Mrs. Dwight W. Andres of College Station. Misses: Sandra Hampton, Sally Jordan, Sue Trigg, Augusta Strock, Margot Merkle, Kay Gorges, Dorothea Varisco, Barbara Miller, Reta Sitteler, Kathleen Scale, Barbara Broach, and Shirley Lively. Small nylon rice bags, with ribbon and orange blossoms,

were passed on silver trays at the reception. For her wedding trip, the bride wore a cherry wool costume suit, with white hat and gloves. She wore an orchid. The couple is honeymooning in New Orleans, en route to Newport, R.I. where Ensign Stephen will attend Naval Justice School for two months. Their address is 36 Shore Drive, Middletown, R.I.

The bride was graduated from the University of Texas with a B.S. degree. She was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha. Her husband is a graduate of the University of Texas School of Law. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Delta Theta Phi, law fraternity.

The bridesmaids' luncheon was hosted by Miss Sidney Howell and her mother Thursday, with Mrs. McCullough and Mrs. Stephen attending. The rehearsal dinner was held at "The Oaks" Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Stephen, as hosts. The groom's stag party was given by Henry Seale after rehearsal Thursday evening. Friday noon Mrs. John S. Caldwell was hostess to all the out-of-town guests at "The Oaks."

Guests were present at the wedding from Ft. Worth, Dallas, Houston, Navasota, Austin, and other points in Texas and a number from out of the state.

NEWS FROM STAFF

By Mrs. M. O. Hazard

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Pope, from Monument, New Mexico were here last week to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pope. Mrs. Pope accompanied the Dale Pops to Fort Worth on Thursday for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Jid Blackwell, from Cheaney were visiting with the T. E. Pops on Monday evening of last week.

Mrs. Zona Griffin is spending a few days at Desdemona visiting with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. (Slim) Adams.

Quite a number have been spending some time fishing on Lake Leon during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Uowell went to Fort Worth on Thursday of last week where they meet their daughter, Mrs. W. W. Lee and son, Wilson, who came by plane from Arlington, Virginia to spend the Christmas holidays with the Powells. Major W. W. Lee came Saturday to join his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fonville and Earl, from Desdemona, spent Christmas day with Mrs. Fonville's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Hazard.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Henderson and young son, Kelly from Midland spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Henderson.

Mrs. Zelta Little of Dallas spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mounce.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cole of Beaumont were week end guests of Mrs. Cole's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Hazard.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Puryeur, from Weatherford, spent Christmas day with her sister, Mrs. L. G. Powell and Mr. Powell.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Hazard spent Christmas day in the home of Mrs. Hazard's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ray White at Elliasville.

Anson Little of Odessa was here during the holidays to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Little and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Pope, Jimmy Edward and David from Winters were visiting with Pope's parents the T. E. Pops Christmas evening.

Rev Boyd Tabor from Moran was here Sunday where he preached at the Baptist Church and he and Mrs. Tabor and Barney were guests of Walter Duncans.

Clubwomen To Give Opinion On Establishment of UN Police Force

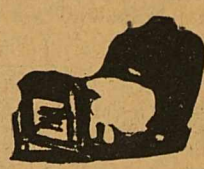
Mrs. A. J. House, Yoakum, President of The Texas Federation of Women's Clubs has requested Texas Clubwomen to cooperate with the General Federation President, Mrs. R. L. C. Prout in her appeal to clubwomen to answer the crucial question "Do you favor establishment of a permanent UN police force?"

This question will be discussed by Brigadier General Carlos P. Romulo, Philippine Delegate to the United Nations Security Council and a panel of General Federation of Women's Clubs members on the Home Show with Arlene Francis (NBC-TV) at 10 a.m. (EST), Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1957.

Representing the General Federation's 15,600 American member clubs, 1,000 of which are in Texas, on the program will be Mrs. Prout, Mrs. Zaio Woodford Schroeder of Detroit, Michigan, GFWC International Affairs chairman, and state international affairs chairmen: Mrs. Clarence Sicard, Chesire, Connecticut, Mrs. Thomas E. McGlade, Haddonfield, New Jersey, and Mrs. George G. Meltun, Massapequa, Long Island, N. Y. Each will pose questions on behalf of GFWC membership to Brigadier General Romulo, ambassador, statesman and top United Nations leader. Mrs. Prout will relay questions from clubwomen all over the nation.

At the close of the program, Brigadier General Romulo will "turn the tables" on the panel, asking them questions about the American woman's role in strengthening the United Nations organization.

HOSPITAL NEWS



NEW PATIENTS IN THE WEST TEXAS CLINIC are: Mrs. A. C. Sarvarough of Strawn and Felix White of Gordon.

New patients in the Ranger General Hospital are: Hermon Stroud, Ranger, medical; Mrs. S. Jack Moody, Gordon, medical; Carolyn Medford, Eastland, medical; Clinton Loveless, Eastland, medical; Alles Leslie, Eastland, medical.

Women's Activities

January 3
The 1920 Club will meet at the Community Club House, 3:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 3. Mrs. George Rushton will speak on New Insight into the Teenagers, Mrs. Judson Hardy will speak on The Case for Driver Education and Mrs. G. B. Rush on Family Hobbies for Family Fun.

January 9
The New Era Club will meet Wednesday, Jan. 9, 4 p.m. for a book review by Mrs. W. A. Lewis. Hostesses will be Mmes. B. S. Dudley, Jr., B. S. Dudley, Sr.

January 10
The 1947 Club will meet Thursday, Jan. 10. Mrs. C. W. Louns will speak on "A More Beautiful You." Mrs. A. P. Thomas, Jr. will be hostess.

The Rho Pi Chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority will meet Thursday, Jan. 10 with Mrs. Price Ashton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jid Blackwell, from Cheaney were visitors in the T. E. Pope home on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Prout urges that every clubwoman watch this program, and report their opinions to her immediately which will be compiled into a report of nation-wide feeling of clubwomen and announced on the January 14 morning bulletin of General Federation of Women's Clubs on the Home show.

PERSONALS

HERE OVER WEEK-END
Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Fields of Stanton spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hardy.

VISIT FROM BIG SPRING
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fields of Big Spring spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Crabb.

ATTEND FUNERAL
Mrs. S. T. Williams and Herbert attended the funeral of Mrs. Williams uncle, L. K. Farris of Seymour last week.

HOLIDAY GUESTS
Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Williams had as guests during the Christmas holidays Mrs. Williams' mother, Mrs. M. C. Keck of Seymour; Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Keck and children of Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams and baby of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Thomas and gene Williams and Regina of girls of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Eubreckenridge; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Keck of Knox City.

WEEKEND GUESTS
Mr. and Mrs. Hayt Agnew of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Agnew and daughter, Pamela of Parr visited Mrs. Katia White over the weekend.

SPENDS HOLIDAY HERE
Scott Forney, University of Texas student spent the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Linda Forney.

HOLIDAY GUESTS
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Todd had as holiday guests their children and their families: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Griffith, Johnny Ferrell, and Grant of Penwell; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Harrison and son, Craig, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bowson, Phillip Joe and Ralph of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hale and Phyllis of Ranger; Mrs. Todd's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kelly of Ranger and her nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Ray Kelley and children of Dodge City, Kansas.

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Mrs. James A. Blackmon . . . married Friday

Maidie Beth Johnson Becomes Bride of James A. Blackmon

A double ring ceremony was performed for Maidie Beth Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otta Johnson and James A. Blackmon, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Blackmon, Friday evening in the Church of Christ, by the bride's father, Otta Johnson, pastor of the church.

Given in marriage by her uncle, Walter D. Davis of Cleburne, the bride wore a powder blue faille suit with rhinestone and pearl trim. Her accessories were a blue hat and white gloves. Ice blue and white rhinestone earrings were her only jewelry. She carried a bridal corsage atop a white Bible. The church was decorated with white gladioli, fern and candelabra. Barbara Brock and Sherry Yarborough of Rule attended the bride. Both wore suits and white corsages. R. D. Blackmon was best man and Neal Edwards and Allan Miller ushered. Candlelighter was Barbara Brock.

Sherry Brock, soloist, sang "Because." "The Wedding March" and "The Lord's Prayer" were sung by Mr. and Mrs. David Fry. Mrs. Johnson chose for her daughter's wedding a charcoal suit with pink accessories while the mother of the bridegroom wore a royal blue suit with black accessories. Both wore pink carnation corsages.

Following their honeymoon in Fort Worth, the couple will make their home at Beville after February 1, where the bridegroom is stationed with the U.S. Navy. The bride is a graduate of Denison High School and is now a junior at Abilene Christian College.

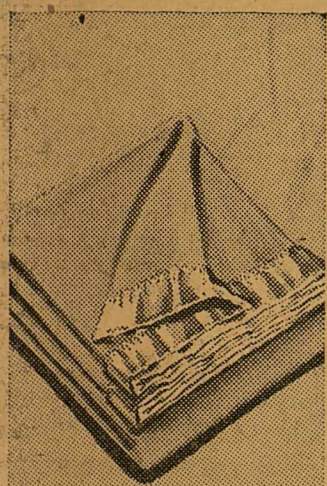
Attending the wedding from out of town were Miss Mae Hamilton, Sherry Yarborough and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Yarborough of Rule; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Davis of Cleburne and Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Boggs and family of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Garvin D. Chastain have returned from Pine Bluff, Ark., where on December 27 they attended the marriage of their daughter, Marise, to Lloyd R. Smith of Pine Bluff.

Mrs. T. G. Deffebach of Snyder, has returned home after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Deffebach and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Deffebach.

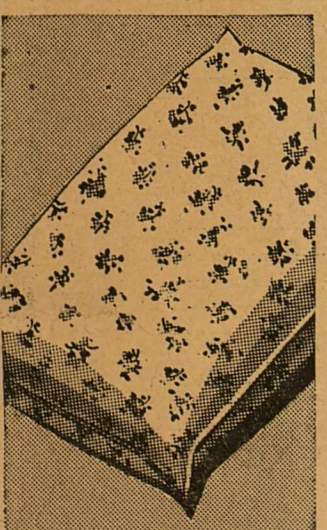
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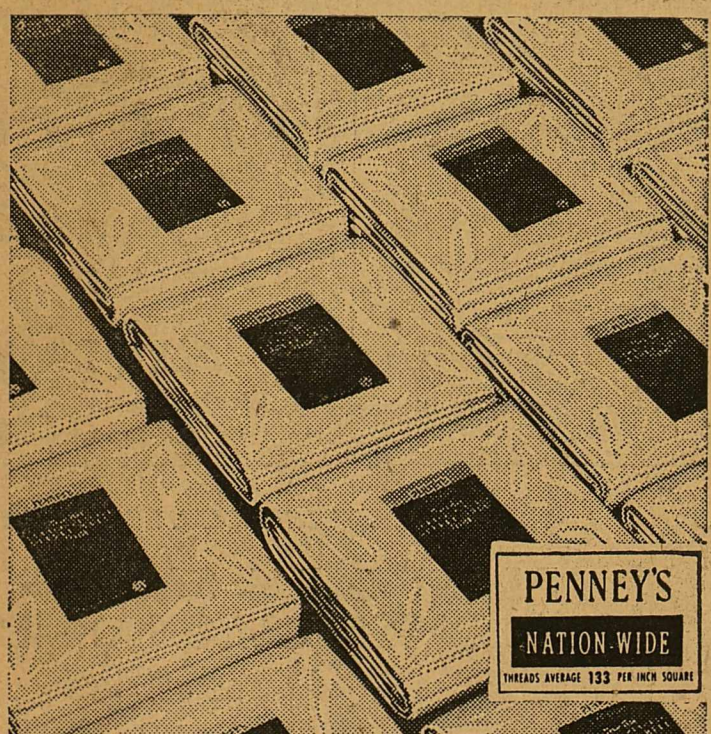
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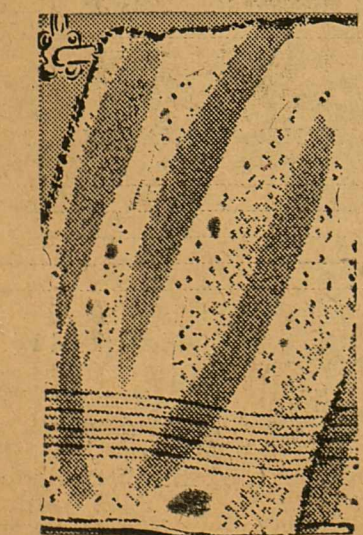
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Services Set Today For Earl Conner Sr.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday for Earl Conner Sr., one of Eastland County oldest pioneers, who died Sunday after a brief illness.

Mr. Conner, 84, moved to Eastland when he was only four years old. At the time of his death he was active as a prominent attorney.

Services will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the First Methodist Church with Rev. Richard Smith, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Eastland Cemetery under the direction of Hamner Funeral Home.

Funeralbearers will be Charles Freyschlag, Bill Frost, Jack Frost, Virgil Seaberry Jr., Russell Hill and J. M. Davis, all of Eastland, Allen Conner of Fort Worth and Ted Frewery of Dallas.

Mr. Conner was born near Waxahachie Dec. 2, 1872 and came to Eastland County with his parents in the fall of 1876, where he resided all his life, with the exception of five years absence in the State of Washington and while attending school.

He received his education in the public schools at Eastland and Seattle, Wash. He was a graduate of Marvin College of Waxahachie and attended the University of Texas in 1894-95. He then taught school at Buenavista in Ellis county, and was principal of Eastland High School in 1895-96. He received his license to practice law when he was 24 and continuously practiced law at Eastland since that time. He was for a while associated in the practice of law with the late Judge J. H. Calhoun and John D. McRae, and in the latter part of his life with his son, Earl Conner Jr.

He served as special district judge, chief justice and associate justice of the Eleventh District Court of Civil Appeals, always by appointment.

He also served on the city commission and the Eastland School Board, and during his early life was active in public, civic and financial matters. He was one of

several who procured the construction of Lake Tully, and with five associates built Lake Eastland, which they later sold to the City of Eastland at cost. He was one of the incorporators of the Eastland, Wichita Falls and



EARL CONNER SR. ... death takes pioneer

Southern Railway, known as the Ringling Railway, the Ringling brothers having bought the road before completion. He and a committee were credited with saving the Eastland Masonic Lodge from bankruptcy. He built the first brick apartment house and the first brick building on the south side of the square in Eastland. He acquired the first inflated tire automobile in the county and the first hot water system for his home.

Conner was instrumental in the establishment of the Eastland Telegram which finally absorbed the Oil Belt News, the Eastland Chronicle and the Eastland County Record.

He was very active during the formative period in the establishment of the oil and gas laws in Texas, and has locally represented the Magnolia Petroleum Oil Co. for more than 40 years, the Lone Star Gas Co. more than 40

Gorman Gatherings

By Mrs. R. E. Boucher

Gorman was a very busy little town during the holidays. Not even a parking space on any of the main streets. It was a day of different story fifty years ago when we had no paved streets and no cars. Looking back to that date 1906 you would have seen the horse and buggy days. In fact, one of our visitors, not quite that old, produced some of the street scenes of 1906 while here. Tommy Jones and wife of Texas City visited with his mother during the holidays. His father was in business at the time the pictures were made and this sign was very plain "B. J. Jones."

While visiting down town Tommy was meeting his old friend and he met J. E. Walker and he pulled the pictures out of his pocket to show to his old friend and he said "that Mr. Walker recognized his own boyhood picture." The scene was the Frassard Farmstead. We are not saying that Walker is old but we are proud that he is one of our early day citizens and that he is alert and still in the pharmacy business.

Visiting in the home of W. L. Andrus for the holidays were Mrs. and Mrs. Aubrey Griffin, James and Michael of Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Marshall of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Cribbs spent Christmas with her father Bob Boucher.

George Crawford Murder Trial Is Delayed Again

A second postponement of the George Crawford murder with malice trial has been granted the defense.

The case, set to go to trial Jan. 21, has been re-docketed for Feb. 18. Crawford, who is accused of fatally injuring his wife, remains in Eastland county jail. Justice of the Peace Jim Boggs has refused to set bond.

Crawford was due to go to trial in December, but his trial was postponed because of the Christmas holidays. The defense asked more time to prepare its case in gaining the new delay. Earl Conner Jr. will represent Crawford and District Attorney Joe Nuesse will prosecute, assisted by special prosecutor Frank Sparks.

The state will attempt to prove that Crawford emptied a .32 calibre automatic into his wife's body as she sat with her back to him in a friend's home. A 150 man special venire will be called by the district attorney.

Nuesse said the three Duval County fund cases which are due to be heard in 91st District Court Jan. 21 are still docketed for that date. The cases were moved here on a change of venue.

COURTHOUSE NEWS AND RECORDS

Real Estate Transfers, Marriages, Suits Filed, Court Judgments, Orders, Etc.

INSTRUMENTS FILED
County Clerk's Office

Rayne O. Baze to Vesthia M. Greer, warranty deed.

Mrs. Bessie Brown to Mary E. Carmon, lease agreement.

H. M. Bagwell to O. L. Cantrell, warranty deed.

George U. Cook to F. A. Seidel, assignment of oil and gas lease.

Glenn D. Compton to Bob Baker, deed of trust.

W. F. Coffman to Pioneer Oil Co., Inc., lease agreement.

W. E. Davis to Elsie Davis, warranty deed.

Elsie Davis to W. E. Davis, warranty deed.

Mrs. Ralph Dean to Ervin E. Addy, Jr., release of deed of trust.

Norman Elson to Henry Lichtig, assignment of oil and gas lease.

Norman Elson to George Aibel, assignment of oil and gas lease.

First Federal S & L Assn. to Rayne O. Baze, release of deed of trust.

Vesthia M. Greer to First Federal S & L Assn., deed of trust.

Bryant W. Howell to Herbert Ekert, deed of trust.

Anna Pearl Henderson to Ransom R. Knott, power of attorney.

Dr. E. L. Haney to H. L. Smith, release of oil and gas lease.

R. L. Jones to Herbert Ekert, release of deed of trust.

Herman C. Jordan to C. U. Norton, oil and gas lease.

K. L. B. Oil Corporation to the following (all assignments of oil and gas leases): Don Pierson, Norman Elson, H. J. Hamilton, and K. L. B. Corporation.

James P. Kiel to K. L. B. Corporation, assignment of oil and gas lease.

F. W. Lavery to J. M. McKendrick, assignment of oil and gas lease.

Nash H. Miller to Brooks N. Ross, power of attorney.

Mile High Oil Company, Inc. to Robert W. Fox, release of oil and gas lease.

Earl Woods of San Antonio visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Richey and son of Tulsa, Oklahoma and Mr. and Mrs. Elvie Clark and daughter of Enid, Oklahoma are visiting their mothers, Mrs. Minnie Richey and Mrs. J. W. Clark. Also visiting in the Richey home were the Browns of Lubbock.

The M. A. Penningtons are visiting their relatives in Athens and Fort Worth.

We have quite a few sick friends; Mrs. Pat Peak is critically ill in her home and Mrs. Florence (Butler) Joy is critically ill in Blackwell hospital.

Mrs. Angie Pritchard, Miss Ethel and Mrs. Ella Logan spent Christmas day with the John Collins in Eastland.

Visitors with Doss Joe Parker were his son, Jesse Parker of San Angelo and daughters, Mrs. Connie Flinn of Dexter and Mrs. Alma Melton of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Nettie Rider's guests for the holidays were her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burk of Austin and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Floyd Rider of Midland.

Mrs. Faye Raines and daughter of Lubbock and Mrs. Mamie Brown of Abilene visited their mother, Mrs. Ella Jobe and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Jobe.

Guests in the J. E. Walker home were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Emmons and Dianne of Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Underwood visited with their mothers, Mrs. T. F. Morrow and Mrs. I. C. Underwood.

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STORY NO. 2

Duval's Background For Dictatorship Is One of Violence and Sudden Death

By FREDERICK HODGSON

SAN DIEGO, TEX.—To know the history of Duval County is to understand the power of George B. Parr. To know the county's people is to know Parr himself.

Parr's power, and that of his father before him, is based on the Latin-American, by tradition an easily led "follower." Almost 90 per cent of the people in Duval are "Mexicans," so called even though their families may have lived on this land since the days of the Conquistadors. Most of them are desperately poor. Many are illiterate. Many speak no English at all.

Perhaps half the population of this little county town, 4,397 at the last official census, live in miserable "jacales," unpainted huts built with scrap lumber.

The town, officially a city, is typically Mexican, with a mission-style church and a central plaza with a band stand. The line separating Duval from Jim Wells County runs through the town, and through the center of the San Diego Cafe, meeting place of the anti-Parr forces. Across the street, Highway 44, and catty-corner to the West is the Court-house and the Windmill Cafe, headquarters of the Parr brigade.

The "Mexican" in Duval is small, dark-skinned, Catholic by religion.

George Parr is an "Anglo" and by all rules of deep South Central Texas he and his followers should be as different as day is from night.

The average "Anglo" in Duval is a big man, taller by inches than the general run of Americans. By religion he is Protestant. He speaks little or no Spanish. He is apt to wear fancy, high-heeled Western boots and a Western hat.

Even though his skin may be burned by the sun to the shade of old copper he thinks of himself as "white"—in contrast to the Mexican-American who is patronized as a peon, as part Indian. The "Anglo" speaks of "good Mexicans" and "bad Mexicans," but always of "Mexicans." He doesn't think of the Latins as Americans at all.

More than a trace of the frontiersman still remains in the Duval "Anglo." There are men still living who can tell truthfully of pulling trigger on yelling Apaches.

It is more than a bit startling to the outsider to get the "feel" of the small towns in Duval, Jim Wells, Brooks, Webb and other counties of the area. A man from north of the Nueces River is a

naughty, fed them when they were hungry, led them like a flock of sheep, robbed them blind, tended their hurts—and used them so adroitly that no man dared oppose him. He made alliances with political leaders in adjoining counties. His power was vast.

Old Archie sat in the State Senate for twenty years, ran a rip-roaring wide open county back home in Duval where not a dog barked without his permission. He controlled the courts, the police, the schools, the racetracks, everything in the county. He manipulated elections with the dexterity of a gambler with a deck of cards.

There were sporadic revolts against his rule, of course, but these were put down ruthlessly. On primary day in 1912, for example, three men were shot to death in the street in front of the Courthouse. Two years later a determined attempt was made by Parr foes to clean up Duval by the simple expedient of abolishing the county altogether. It didn't work. In 1918 the Texas Supreme Court ordered an audit of the county's books and the Courthouse burned down after the auditors had worked only one day, destroying the records.

In building his power, and in consolidating it, Old Archie had one powerful force operating in his favor—the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Ironically, that much-amended Constitution of 1878 was framed deliberately to give counties the greatest possible measure of home rule. Behind the solid rampart of that document the Duke of Duval ruled with the absolute authority of a Medici.

Thus it was the Constitution, as much as Parr himself, that posed the serious obstacle to Attorney General John Ben Sheppard in his march on the Duchy of Duval. He had to stay carefully within its obsolete framework while fighting against forces that cared not one snap of the fingers for all the law in Texas.

Old Archie's son, the present Duke of Duval, grew up in this atmosphere of corrupt politics. He knew of the liquor-laden pack trains that came into the county during the lush days of prohibition. He knew of the other things that went on, and he learned well. His playmates were the Latin children of San Diego. Spanish, not English, was his mother tongue.

Among his playmates was Manuel "Meme" Marroquin, now Parr's most bitter enemy, editor of a militant little bilingual newspaper "New Duval." Other articles in this series will tell more of Marroquin, a man who has suffered much, including physical beatings, at the hands of the Boss and his henchmen.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Lightfoot and daughters and Mr. and Mrs.

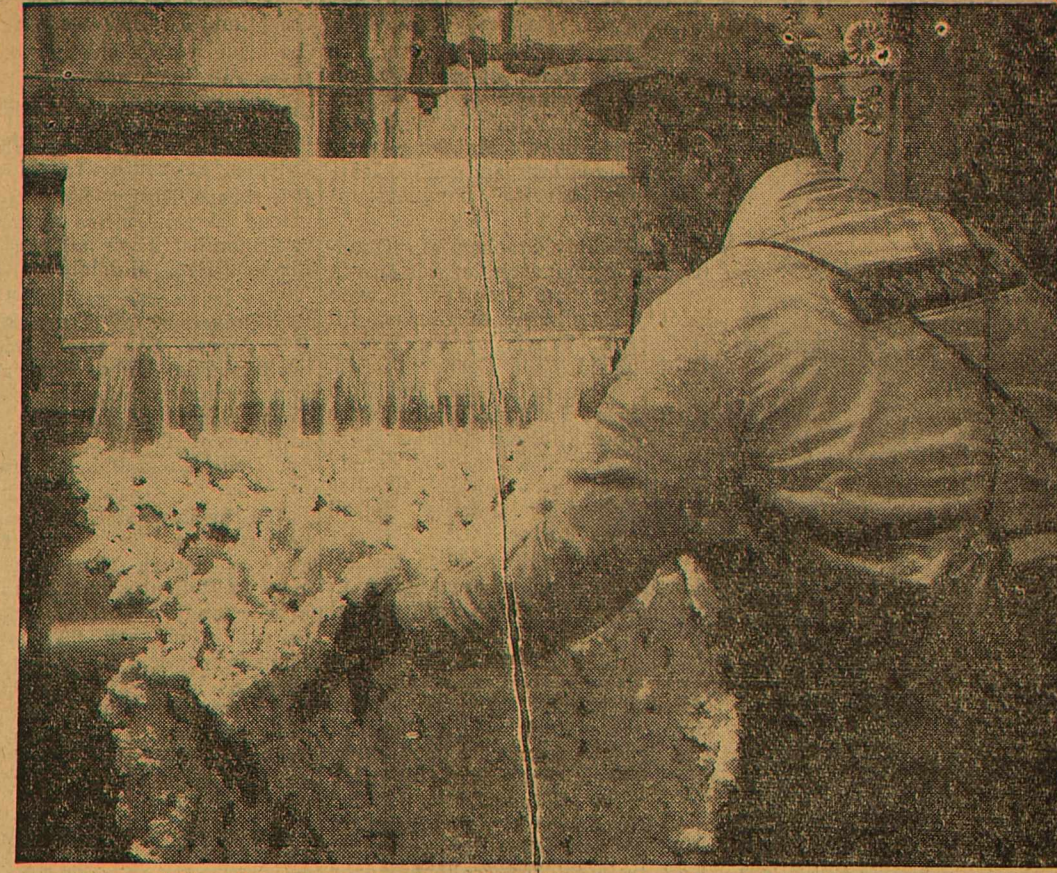
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First rodeo performance will be at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, with two performances daily, at 2 and 8 p.m., thereafter, through Sunday, Feb. 3. The scene will be Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum, which seats 6,600. The Fort Worth rodeo was the first ever held under roof and it is still the world's greatest indoor rodeo. Tickets can be purchased daily except Sunday at central ticket office in Hotel Texas lobby. Mail orders should be directed to P.O. Box 150, Ft. Worth. As all seats are reserved, orders should specify date and whether afternoon or night. Tickets are \$2.50 each, which includes grounds admission.

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| FHA Title I & Other Loans | 51,710.31 |
| Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank | 10,700.00 |
| U. S. Government Bonds | 42,000.00 |
| Cash on Hand and in Bank | 6,000.28 |
| Total Assets | 760,880.80 |
| LIABILITIES | |
| Savings & Investment Accounts | 699,421.38 |
| Borrower's Tax & Insurance Reserve | 1,047.02 |
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| Specific and General Reserves | 44,166.19 |
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