

THE RANGER TIMES

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RANGER, TEXAS, SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 1957

TURKEY MEET, JAN. 17
Ranger Junior College

Sponsored by Central Texas Turkey Growers Ass'n., and Texas Turkey Federation. Free Turkey Barbecue, 6 p.m. Dr. D. E. Davis, A&M College, speaker.

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WHAT'S...



COOKING?

By NORMAN WRIGHT

Dr. A. W. Brazda, who, among other things, is Ranger's City Health Officer, was so disturbed over the chicken pox situation in this city that he made a special trip to the Times office this past week to make the announcement which appeared in Thursday's paper.

Dr. Brazda said there was great danger of a city-wide epidemic of chicken pox if children who have had the disease are allowed to return to school too quickly, and pointed out that a quarantine of 14 days or more from the date of onset of the disease was necessary to prevent its spread.

Parents are asked to cooperate by keeping their children out of all public places if they have been ill with chicken pox until the city health officer has issued a certificate attesting to their recovery and non-infectiousness, and teachers are asked to cooperate by not readmitting children to school until such certificate has been obtained. Parents are asked to cooperate further by keeping their children out of such places as Sunday school and picture shows where regulations are more difficult to enforce than in the public schools, until clearance has been given.

We have at last received some official word on those Whooping Cranes which we were so worried about several weeks ago on account of the dwindling numbers of the last remaining few on earth. It is a fact that five of them are lost this year. There were only 28 to begin with, and the announcement has come from Claude Lard, manager of the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge that 23 is all they can possibly find, and this includes two babies. Actually, that makes a total of seven adults lost since the last migration to and from the nesting grounds in Canada. We're still pulling for those Whooping Cranes to stage a comeback and we still hope they make it.

While we are thinking about it, and so there will be no misunderstanding, we want every club and organization in Ranger, no matter how large or how small, to know that they can get all the publicity they want at the Ranger Times on any project they undertake simply by letting us know about it and making their wishes known. Any club or organization can have the whole front page if they want it, and we will get up in the middle of the night to cooperate with any of them, and we will go all out and whole hog to make their undertakings a success. If there is any club or organization in town that does not think so, just let them try asking. It is all here, waiting for you, and we are as near as your telephone. Sometimes, though, on account of the noise in a printing office, it is much better if we can talk to you personally. If you don't get publicity, blame nobody but yourself. We have a new deal on down here, and can furnish references.

We have a sad announcement to make to all you women folks. You had better get to town as soon as you can and buy yourself a new broom. In fact, you'd better stock up on brooms because the price is going to double. We have an announcement here which says the broom corn crop is just exactly half of what it was a year ago. Where (Continued on Page 2)

Weather Reports

Sunny and sprinkly Saturday and Sunday with high both days in the 60s and low both nights in the 40s.

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Community Chest To Pay By Quarters

With the Community Chest Drive apparently stuck at \$4,611.90, being \$1,548.10 short of the goal of \$6,160, officers of the Chest met Thursday morning and decided to pay all participating agencies by the quarter, and checks for the first quarter of 1957 will be mailed within the next few days.

C. E. May Jr., who presided at the meeting in the absence of Dr. Price Ashton, Chest president, said they would operate as long as the money held out and cross the final bridge when they came to it. He made it clear that the drive was not closed, and would not be closed at any time during the year.

The Community Chest is still open for donations, and Mrs. H. E. Angus, secretary, is the person to receive them. She can be contacted during the day at Ranger Insurance Agency, 115 S. Rusk.

Baptists Start Evangelical Conference

Thousands of men and women of all faiths and from all walks of life will make their way to Fort Worth Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday to attend the Twenty-First Annual Texas Baptist Evangelical Conference which will open Monday evening at 6:30 in the Will Rogers Coliseum.

Monday evening speakers include Dr. W. R. White, president of Baylor University, Dr. C. E. Autrey, one of America's greatest pulpiticians and Dr. Robert G. Lee of Memphis, Tenn.

Tuesday morning services begin at 8:30 with a prayer meeting, and speakers include Dr. E. S. James, Dr. Wallace Bassett, Dr. Frank Weedon, and Dr. H. Franklin Paschall of Nashville, Tenn.

Tuesday afternoon program begins at 2:00 o'clock with speakers being Dr. Robert E. Naylor, Dr. C. B. Jackson, Dr. D. D. Sumrall and Dr. Robert G. Lee.

Crowds will assemble early for the Tuesday evening services (Continued on Page 2)

100 Or More Due For Turkey Bar-B-Q

Preparations have been made to entertain at least 100 turkey growers, county agents, turkey processors and feed men from a 14-county area around Ranger with a big turkey barbecue at Ranger Junior College Cafeteria next Thursday night prior to a meeting of the Central Texas Turkey Growers Association and the Texas Turkey Federation to be held in the auditorium at the college.

The barbecue is being given by the Chamber of Commerce and the business men of Ranger and will get under way at 6 p.m. All of the business men in town are urged to attend this event and help with the serving and eating and welcoming of these turkey growers. Many of the growers will be men from Ranger's immediate area who come here to do business all the time and it is the hopes of the Chamber of Commerce that Ranger can be an appreciative host and show them all a pleasant evening.

Ranger Beats Cisco; Continues Hot Pace

The Ranger High School Bulldogs continued to set the District 7-AA game race afire Thursday night with a 43-36 trouncing of Cisco for their second district win of the season, having beat Winters 49-45 earlier in the week here.

Paul Hinds continued to set the pace in scoring with 21 points chalked up in the Cisco game. Last year, in the Bulldogs' old District, Hinds was high point man for the District, and the way he is going he will probably repeat that performance this year. He is a whiz at hitting the basket and is a hard man for opponents to handle. Benji Lipsy was high-point man for Cisco with 10 points, less than half of Hinds' total.

Ranger also won a 22-20 victory in the B game. Yarbrough scored 14 for Ranger while Randell Hess netted 7 for Cisco.

The box score (field goals, free throws, total points):

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W. F. CREAGER
... For Mayor

John C. Jones Made Vice-Pres. Bank at Waco

John C. Jones of Waco, formerly of Ranger, has been promoted to Vice-President of the National City Bank at Waco, it has been learned here.

Jones is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Jones on Highway 80, near Ranger, and is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Boyd, having married Mrs. Boyd's daughter, the former Joy Joyner of Ranger.

Jones first joined the bank in 1951 as head teller and was promoted to assistant cashier in 1952, a position he held until he was appointed assistant vice-president in 1953. He is a member of the Lions Club and the Karem Shrine Temple.

Driving Safer in County In 1956

According to a report of the Texas Highway Patrol, seven persons were killed in Eastland County during 1956 and 61 injured, compared to 13 killed and 79 injured in 1955.

Property damage as a result of accidents was also less, with \$61,750 damage in 1956 and \$107,985 in 1955. The County was almost accident free during the holidays, with the exception of two youths who turned their car over near Cisco and were killed.

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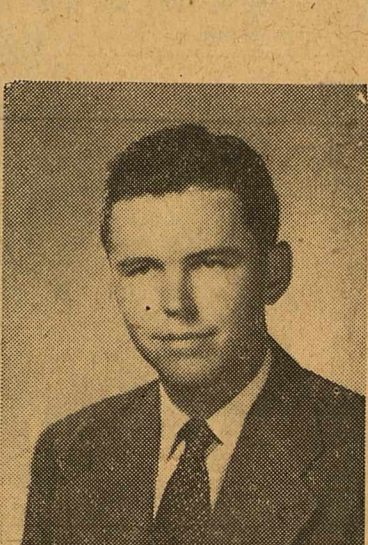
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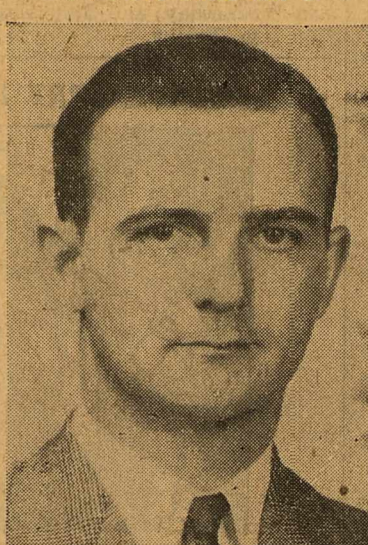
H. E. ANGUS
... For Place No. 1



BUCK WALLACE
... For Place No. 2



C. E. MAY, JR.
... For Place No. 3



A. P. THOMAS, JR.
... For Place No. 4

Ranger Garden Club Has Interesting Meet

Members of the Ranger Garden Club had an interesting meeting Thursday which ran all the way from a discussion of the Mrs. America Contest to the appointment of Committees for 1957.

Mrs. Jake Lawson told of the "Mrs. America Contest" which is being sponsored by the American Gas Association, and pointed out that complete information and entry blanks could be secured at the Lone Star Gas Company in Ranger. Club members thought it would be a wonderful thing if somebody from Ranger could win the title and all the resulting financial glory.

Program Chairman Mrs. John Robertson introduced Mrs. Ed Lummus who showed films on Gardens of Holland with a very interesting commentary.

Mrs. C. E. May, Jr., gave a talk on "Compost—How to Make It and Use It." She pointed out that a person can't put a price on compost because "you can't buy anything that does so many things so well—it's a moist, soil conditioner and a source of plant nutrients, all in one."

Mrs. May told how to make a compost bin, making a wire cage about 4 feet square and 3-feet high into which falling leaves and grass clippings are added as they are collected. Each addition should be covered with a thin layer of dirt to help hold moisture and nature does nearly everything else. It helps to sprinkle the bin occasionally, and to turn it, she said, and a person can manufacture all the mulch they need right at home.

In appointing committees for the year, the following were named:

Civic Beautification, Mrs. A. W. Brazda, chairman, Mrs. Floyd Killingsworth, Mrs. James Ratliff, Mrs. Buck Wallace and Mrs. W. F. Creager.

Hobby Committee, Mrs. C. B.

Pruet, chairman.

Program Committee, Mrs. J. T. Roberson, chairman, Mrs. Herman Boyd and Mrs. J. B. Craig.

Yearbook Committee, Mrs. W. H. Clem, chairman.

Flower Show Committee, Mrs. Herman Boyd and Mrs. Sam Ails, co-chairmen.

Library Committee, Mrs. C. E. May, Jr., chairman.

Courtesy Committee, Mrs. F. P. Brashier, Jr., chairman.

Budget Committee, Mrs. P. T. Smith, chairman.

Plant Exchange and Horticulture Committee, Mrs. Bob Allen, chairman, Mrs. W. A. Lewis and Mrs. L. L. Bruce.

Social Committee, Mrs. Van Bibber, chairman.

Telephone Committee, Mrs. F. E. Langston, chairman.

Membership Committee, Mrs. Roscoe Hopper, chairman, Mrs. Floyd Killingsworth, Mrs. W. H. Clem, Mrs. P. T. Smith and Mrs. Sam Ails.

Announcement was made that all the men of Ranger who are interested in garden work will be invited to join the Garden Club and to take part in the Flower Show which will be staged some time in the future.

Members attending were Mes: Mesdames R. W. Gordon, R. L. Hamrick, J. T. Roberson, Virgil Elliott, H. C. Edwards, P. T. Smith, A. W. Brazda, O. C. Ward, B. Buck Wallace, W. A. Lewis, F. E. Langston, P. C. Long, Felton Brashier, F. P. Brashier Jr., Sam Ails, W. F. Creager, Roscoe Hopper, H. E. Lawson, Edwin Lummus, Herman Boyd, Bob Allen, Arthur Deffebach, Lois Fyffe, C. E. May, Jr., Floyd Killingsworth, Homer Perry, W. W. Mitchell, P. M. Kuykendall and W. H. Clem.

Mrs. R. L. Hamrick is president of the Garden Club and made all the Committee appointments.

JURY CALLED IN BAIRD MURDER

Ranger citizens who showed a lot of interest in the case when it happened will be interested to know that a special venire of 100 men has been called for the trial of Albert Kanady, 25, of Baird, who is charged with the murder of 16-year-old James R. Tyson, Baird High School student and football quarterback.

Kanady, operator of a Gulf service station, was standing guard against a possible burglary of his place of business on the night of Oct. 28 when young Tyson was shot as he and some companions drove in the station and allegedly quarreled.

A complete schedule of all remaining conference games follows: Jan. 18 Ballinger Here Jan. 22 Coleman There Jan. 25 Winters There Jan. 29 Cisco Here Feb. 5 Ballinger There Feb. 8 Coleman Here

After death of the youth, the

operator was charged with murder with malice and released on bond. Trial will be in 42nd District Court at Baird. Defense attorney is David Scarborough of Abilene. District Attorney Wiley Caffey will prosecute. Trial starts Jan. 21.

40-Mile Speed Limit Under Traffic Light

Since the State Highway Patrol ruled that Highway 80 traffic could legally make 40-mph through the signal light at the end of Main Street, police have been hampered in catching speeders at this spot. Time was, during the old 30-mph limit when several speeders were caught every day, now practically none.

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FOR APRIL 2ND ELECTION

Mayor, Commissioner Candidates Announce

Lions Aunt Jemima P'ncake Supper Near

Plans for the annual Aunt Jemima Pancake Supper, sponsored by the Ranger Lions Club for benefit of the March of Dimes, are all but complete, and local Lions were given their choice of two things to do in connection with this event at their weekly meeting Thursday.

They were given the choice of helping to cook pancakes, helping to serve pancakes and helping to wash pancake dishes, or pay to the taitwister a \$5 bill. Most Lions said they would cook, serve and wash.

The supper will be held at the Gholsen Hotel Coffee Shop on Friday night, January 25, and will consist of Aunt Jemima Pancake stripped with bacon, butter, an syrup and coffee. The Quaker Oat Company of Sherman has donated the pancake flour to the Lions, and other concerns will donate all or most of the other ingredients.

Tickets will be distributed and given to all Lions at the meeting next Thursday, after which they will be placed on sale all over town. They usually sell like the proverbial "hotcakes" because Ranger people really go for the pancake supper as nearly 400 people were fed last year.

The March of Dimes benefit considerably from the supper because it gets all the money, after a few expenses are paid.

Ranger citizens are asked to hold the night of Jan. 25 open on their calendars, and prepare to attend the supper in a hungry mood.

July 1 Is Time Limit On GI Housing Loans

Contractor M. L. Lawson, who is building the new GI Homes in Ranger, reminded members of the Lions Club Thursday that July 1, 1957, was the last day when Veterans of World War II could apply for GI Homebuilding Loans.

The present law runs out at that time, and it has already been extended several times in the past. Nothing has been heard from any quarters whether it will be extended again as the Veterans have already had ten years to take advantage of it and further extension is not expected.

Lawson was chief speaker at the Lions meeting and answered questions relative to the new building program here. He said there were several loan applications in the mill, and construction would start as soon as they are approved.

Quiet Week With Ranger Police

Ranger police have reported another quiet week as there have been only three arrests since last Sunday and they were for minor offenses. Two men were arrested for being drunk and another was arrested for speeding. One man was picked up and held for investigation but later released. The city jail accommodated three "sleepers" during the week.

You May Not Use Tax Form 1040A If:

As a result of surveys and studies conducted by the Internal Revenue Service, several million taxpayers who last year filed their returns on Form 1040 are this year receiving in the mail the simplified punch-card Form 1040-A, which makes possible easier preparation of a return that can be more readily processed by the Service.

The card form enables the taxpayer to provide all pertinent information on his income and exemption status, if his income was less than \$5,000 during 1956, consisting of salary or wages from which tax was withheld, and he had no more than \$100 total of other wages, dividends and interest, and if his deductible expenses were less than the standard 10 per cent calculated as part of the tax table for incomes up to that figure.

For those taxpayers with less than \$5,000 income but with allowable deductions exceeding 10 per cent, the regular Form 1040 should be used to obtain a refund or reduce the balance of tax due. You may not use Form 1040A if you: Have other income other than that described above; Claim status as Head of Household; Claim status as Surviving Spouse; Claim credit for Retirement Income; Claim credit for dividends; A re delinquent in filing your return; Claim exclusion for sick pay; Do not use cash basis; Use fiscal years; File a separate return from your spouse in Texas, a community property state; Paid estimated tax during the year; Are subject to Self-Employment Tax; Itemize deductions; Claim credit for overpayment of Social Security Tax; Claim travel, transportation or other expenses; Are a nonresident alien; Your income was more than \$5,000.

A new feature of the card form this year is the addition of lines making it possible for the taxpayer to compute his own tax from the table provided on the instruction sheet. District Director Ellis Campbell, Jr., urged North Texas taxpayers to make this calculation, rather than have the revenue service do it, so that they may know at once whether they owe additional tax, are due a refund, or have exactly fulfilled their tax obligation by withholding tax payments. Where additional tax is shown due, the taxpayer should send remittance with the card form.

Taxpayers required to file on Form 1040 and who did not receive a Form in the mail may obtain a Form 1040 from their bank, post office or the nearest Internal Revenue Service office.

Candidates for Mayor and four City Commissioners formally filed Friday for the offices to be filled in the vacancies at the expiration of the present incumbents' terms which end on April 30, 1957.

W. F. Creager filed for Mayor; H. E. Angus for Place No. 1 (Fire and Police); Buck Wallace for Place No. 2 (Street, Cemetery and Parks); C. E. May, Jr., Place No. 3 (Finance) and A. P. Thomas, Jr., for Place No. 4 (Water and Sanitation).

The election will be held in the First Tuesday in April which is April 2, and a brand new 1957 poll tax will be necessary to qualify as a voter. The last day to buy poll axes is January 31, and they are available in Ranger at the office of C. E. May, 214 Main, having been placed here by the county tax collector as a convenience to Ranger citizens.

City Commissioners whose term of office expires on April 30 include Addie Williams, Place No. 4, who has also been serving as Mayor "pro tem" since the death of the late Lee Dockery; Jim Ingram, Place No. 1; Owen Bray, Place No. 2; and Holman Bagwell, Place No. 3.

All of the announced candidates have said they will have individual statements to make at a later date.

Gasoline Price War Going On In Eastland

A full-fledged gasoline price war is going on in Eastland. It was started in the middle of the week by several Gulf and Texaco stations which cut the price of their Fire Chief and NoNox Regular to 26 1/2c on the grounds, according to some operators, that they had to meet Fort Worth competition. They said highway traffic was driving into their stations, and buying only two and three gallons, just enough to get to Fort Worth, instead of filling up.

The Gulf and Texaco price cut was countered at 9:00 a.m. Friday when Earley Tire Service reduced the price of Magnolia Regular from 30c to 24 1/2c, and several other Magnolia stations followed.

As of right now, 24 1/2c is the lowest to be posted in the county seat, and as of early Saturday morning, Texaco, Gulf and Magnolia were the only stations involved in the fight, although Humble and others were expected to get in before it was over.

One Eastland service station operator said he was prepared to go as low as 19 1/2 a gallon for Regular gas and said he expected it to reach that before things got straightened out.

There has been a growing unrest among service station operators all over the state since the hike of crude oil also hiked the price of gasoline, and operators have complained that their business was not helped the operator, they are a boom to motorists who don't care how low the price goes.

Important To Pay Poll Tax

Practically nobody has bothered to pay their poll tax so far this year, either in Ranger or in the County. Ranger citizens are reminded that a poll tax is needed to be able to vote in the Mayor and City Commissioners election of April 2, and there is also a U-S-Senate election coming up.

Poll tax receipts are available in Ranger at the office of C. E. May, 214 Main Street, and January 31 is the last day to obtain them.

Everyone is asked to qualify every member in the family who is eligible to vote by paying the poll tax fee.

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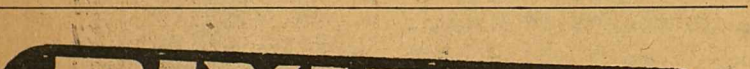
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New Auto Plates To Be Black And White

Texans will have to dream up something new this year to ward off attacks by State Highway Patrolmen. That's the consensus of most Eastland Countians, anyway, after looking at the new automobile license plates.

For the first time in years, Texas license plates will not be the familiar black and yellow. This year's plates all look like those that have been used by patrolmen and other exempt cars for years. They have black numerals and white backgrounds, so near the silver ones in use by patrolmen that a fast look won't tell the difference.

Prefix for Eastland County license plates this year will be "DK" and "DJ". The "DK" plates will be issued first. The new licenses go on sale Feb. 1.

The Tax Assessor-Collector's office revealed that 9990 plates have been received for auto-

biles, 2000 for trucks, 1125 for farm vehicles, 125 for truck-tractors, 500 for trailers, 50 for home trailers, 50 for motorcycles and 100 for dealers.

The license plates, which are annually made by convicts in Texas prisons, are the same size as the ones were last year, and appear the same except for the new coloring.

Next to radar, they may turn out to be the biggest slowdown in Texas in years!

Church of God Services Set

The following is the weekly schedule of services for the Church of God, Strawn Road and First St. as announced by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Atkins.

Sunday School 10 a.m.; Morning Services, 11 a.m.; Evening Evangelistic, 7 p.m.; Y.P.E., 7:30 p.m. Wednesday; and Bible Study, 7:30 p.m. Friday.

What's Cooking—

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the farmer was paid \$223 a ton last year for broom corn, he is now getting \$445 a ton. That is a boost of 100 per cent in cost of the stuff it takes to make them, so you had just as well prepare to pay the difference. In fact, it may get so you can't get a broom at any price.

Incidentally, this thing here says broom corn is a dry, tasteless species of corn which has no other known use, that 45,000,000 brooms are manufactured in this country each year (that is, broom corn brooms) and it takes a ton of broom corn to make 1,000 brooms.

Incidentally, talk about stuff going up—and you will hardly believe this—but newsprint, the stuff this paper is printed on, has gone up another \$4.00 a ton. That makes it cost \$135.00 a ton in New York, and by the time we pay excise taxes on it and the freight to Ranger, and get it moved from the rail car to our building, it is costing us \$160.00 a ton in U. S. money, and in the past we have bought thousands of tons of it for \$20 a ton! The reason we say "U. S. Money" is because the paper comes from the Abitibi Sales Company Ltd., of Canada, and when they are paid in U. S. money they make more than when they are paid in any other kind of money and they won't take anything else. In order to make a profit off of your newspaper, we would have to charge you at least 25c or 30c a copy. And what's more, since we received the last shipment of newsprint, freight rates have taken another jump.

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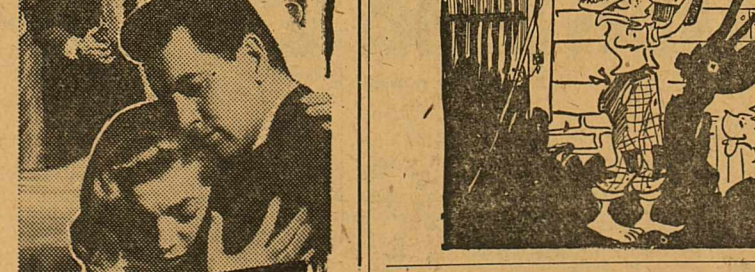
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which begin at 6:30 because Dr. Billy Graham will speak, and also Howard E. Butt, Jr., as well as a program by the 120 voice choir of the First Baptist Church of Dallas.

Wednesday morning services begin at 8:30 with a prayer meeting, and speakers are Hermond Westmoreland, president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas; the famous young evangelist, Buckner Fanning, R. A. Hernandez, Dr. Fred Swann and Dr. W. A. Criswell. A special choir from Baylor University will furnish the music.

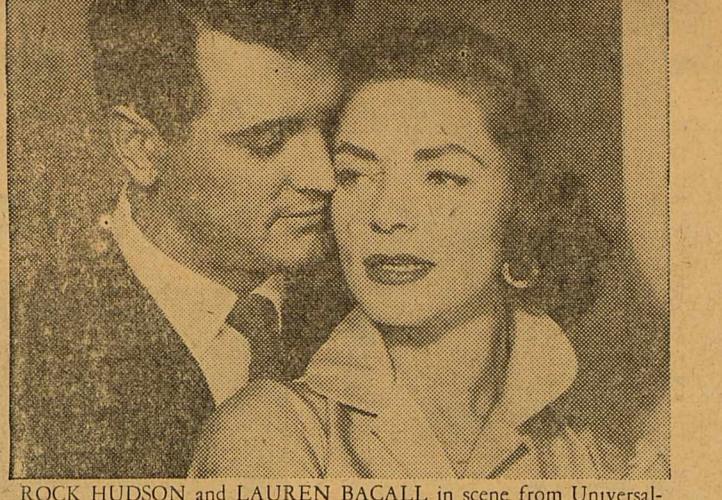
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WEDNESDAY GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Brummett had as their guests Wednesday night, their son, wife and son, Bob, Helen and Larry Joe, who are moving from Fort Worth to St. Joseph, Michigan. Bob will be local minister for the Church of Christ there.

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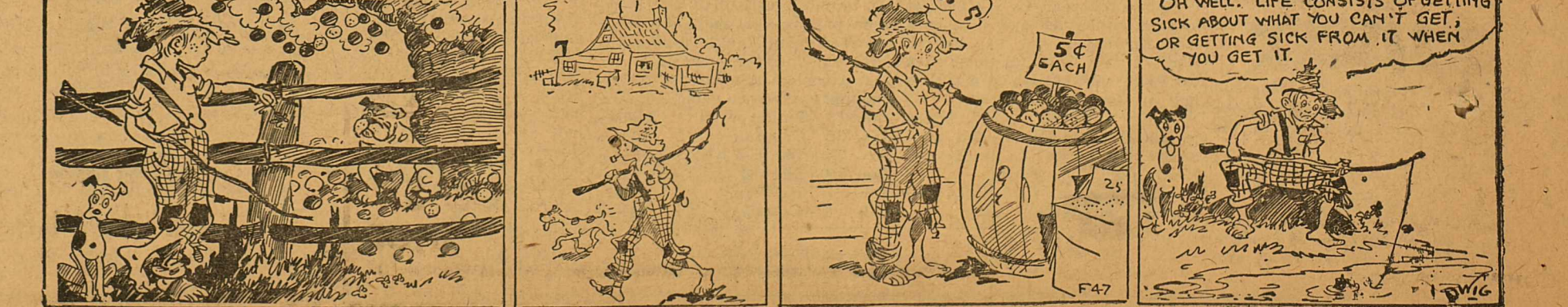
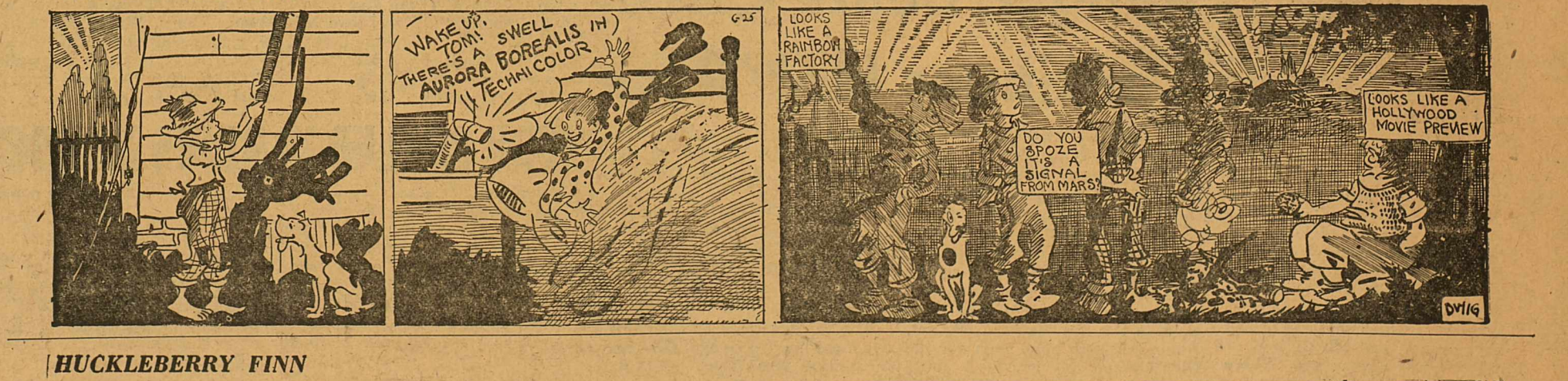
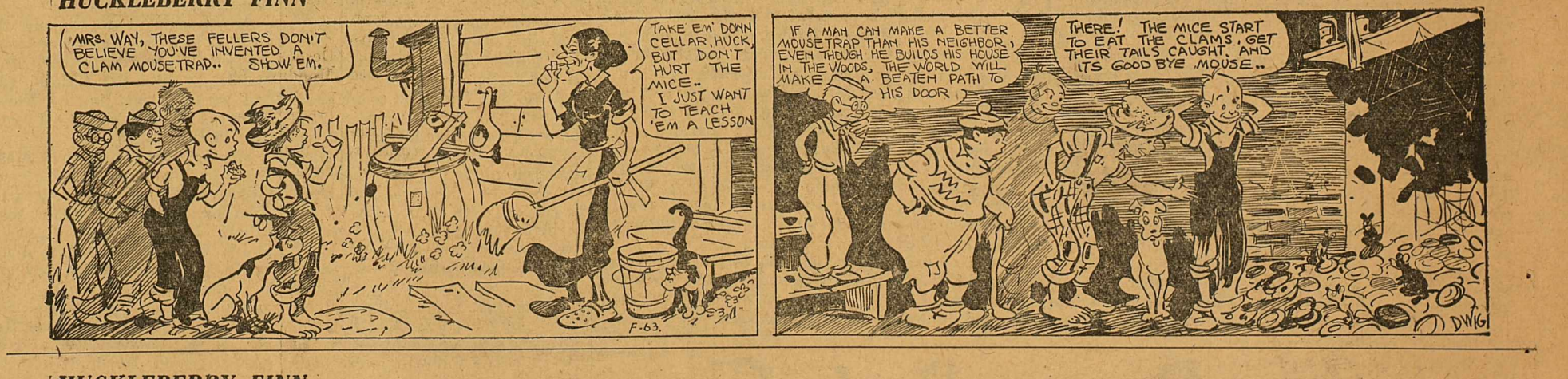
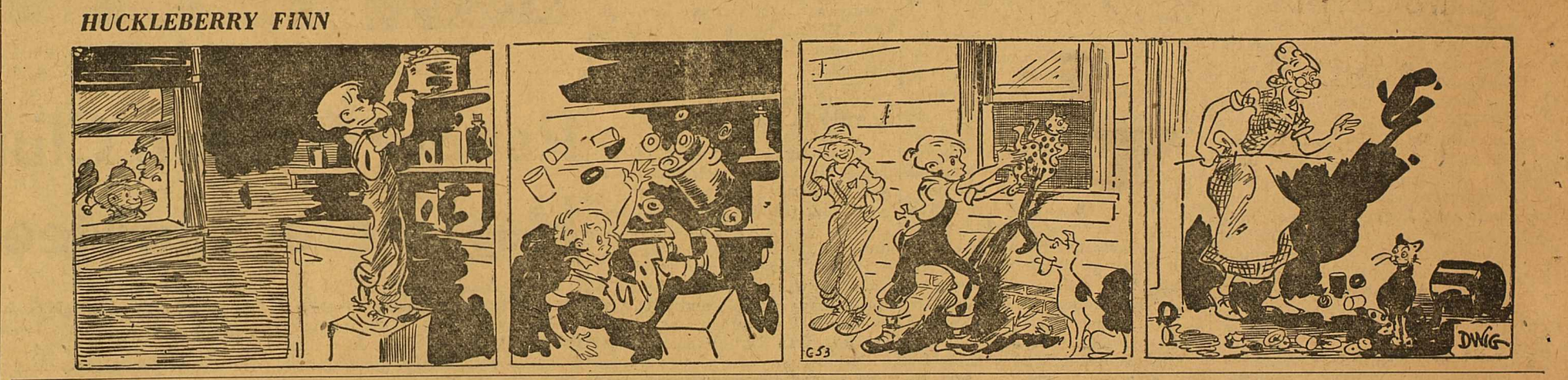
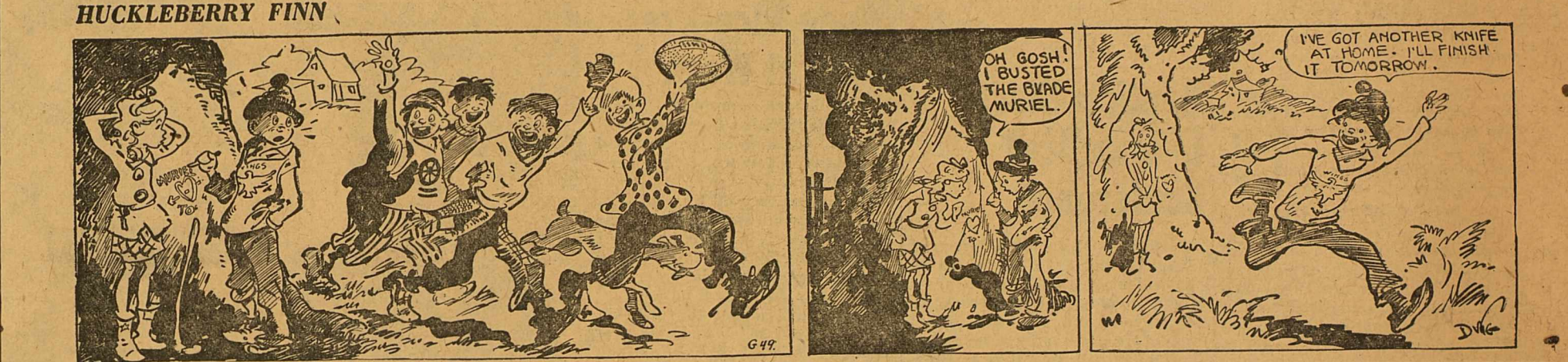
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Rebekah Lodge Has Meeting

The Ranger Rebekah Lodge No. 244 met Tuesday night in the IOOF hall at 7:30 in regular session with the noble grand presiding.

Sick visits were reported and those reported ill were: Winnie Pirkle, J. W. Winset, Leona Arterburn, and Mrs. Ellen Jones' son-in-law, Harry Wheelon of Amarillo.

The charter was draped in memory of Lval Kee, past president, who passed away in Dallas, Dec. 19.

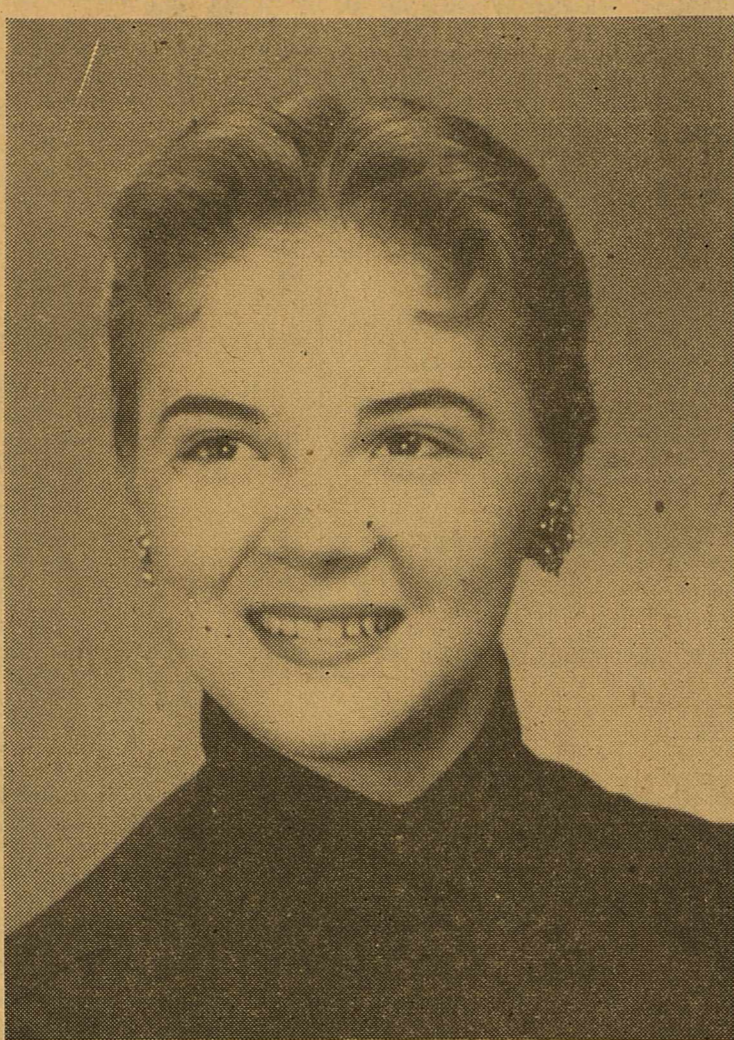
The district deputy president Lena McKee and staff of Breckenridge will install the new officers next Tuesday night. Each one is asked to come dressed formal. Refreshments of cake and coffee will be served.

The penny prize was furnished by Ellen Jones and was won by Alberta Miller.

There were 22 members present.

Woman's World

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Glenda Huffman, Harold Pippen To Exchange Marriage Vows

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Huffman of Cisco, formerly of Ranger, have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Glenda Lee, to Harold Pippen, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Pippen of Abilene.

The wedding is planned for January 19 at 7 p.m. in the Cisco Church of Christ. All friends of the couple have been invited to attend.

Miss Huffman is a junior student at Cisco High School. Pippen is a graduate of Cisco High School and attended Abilene Christian College. He is presently employed by the Dowell Chemical Company in Abilene.

New Era Club Meets In Dudley Home for Review

Mrs. B. S. Dudley, Jr., and Mrs. B. S. Dudley, Sr., were hostesses to the New Era Club Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Dudley, Jr. Mrs. A. W. Warford presided over the business meeting, during which Mrs. Richard Henderson was voted into the club.

An interesting book review "Old Yeller" by Fred Gipson was given by Mrs. Arthur Deffebach.

Refreshments were served to: Mmes. Ruby Springer, Charlie Garrett, L. L. Bruce, Glenn West, A. W. Warford, Buck Wallace, V. V. Cooper, W. F. Creager, Arthur Deffebach, Vernon Deffebach, J. L. Turner, Lee Russell, Myrtle George, E. R. Green, N. E. Landers, M. H. Hagaman, W. W. Mitchell, Alex Roberson, George Robinson, W. A. Robinson and the hostesses.

Royal Neighbors Install Officers

The Ranger Royal Neighbors of America No. 9059, the Marlow Carter Camp No. 10749 and the Dona Mae Camp No. 5766, both of Abilene, met in the Ranger IOOF Hall last Monday night at 7:30 in a joint meeting of the installation of officers for the new year. The meeting was called to order by the oracle, Della Rushing of Ranger for a short business meeting.

The installing officers were district deputy, Maudie Marlow and staff of Abilene. New officers installed in the Ranger camp were: Della Rushing, oracle; Callie Lee, past oracle; Eleanor Horton, vice oracle; Laura Todd, chancellor; Brown, receiver; Maudie Ellis, Izzetta Smith, recorder; Julia Marshall; Leona Arterburn, assistant marshal; Mattie Moody, inter sentinel; Laura Melton, outer sentinel; Viola Law and Fred Ellis, managers; Mary Mahaffey, musician; Winnie Pirkle, faith; Mildred Loper, courage; Virgie Edwards, modesty; Fay Hull, unselfishness; Viola Law, endurance; Lem Rushing and team captain, Fred Ellis, flag bearers.

Refreshments of cake and coffee were served to 50 members and visitors. Winnie Pirkle, Virgie Edwards and Mildred Loper were not installed because they were ill.

Dutch Club Has Meeting

The Dutch Club, met Wednesday morning at King's Cafe where 12 members were served breakfast. The business meeting was presided over by Virgie Edwards. Sick reports were given and a box of food was prepared for a shut-in.

The meeting was closed with a group prayer.

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Electra Class Meets With Mrs. Arrendale

Members of the Electra Sunday school class of the First Baptist church met in the home of Mrs. Frank Arrendale Thursday afternoon for a business meeting and social.

Mrs. W. C. McDonough, opened the meeting with a prayer.

In absence of the president, Mrs. Arrendale presided over the business session, in which the minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary, Coro Preslar.

The class plans to visit, call and send cards to shut-ins for their mission project for January.

The devotional was brought by Mrs. Arrendale from the third chapter of Phillipians entitled, "The Opportunity of the New Year."

Mrs. Tom Lang read a poem, "1957, Another Year."

Following the meeting the group enjoyed a Bible quiz and other games.

The following attended: Mmes. A. N. Anderson, H. G. Burch, J. U. Elrod, M. E. Crossley, W. C. McDonough, Coro Preslar, Linora Franklin, S. M. Shell, Tom Lang and the hostess.

Women's Activities

January 17
The 1920 Club will meet Thursday afternoon at 3:30 at the Community club house. Mrs. R. L. Hamrick will review "The Mind Goes Forward" by Harry and Bonaro Overstreet.

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The AAUW will meet Thursday in the home of Mrs. George Rushton. Mrs. Edwin C. Lummus, guest speaker, will show colored pictures of Germany.

January 15
The Columbia Study Club will meet in the home of Mrs. L. R. Pearson Tuesday afternoon at 3.

NEWS FROM DESDEMONA

By Aneil McMasters

Mrs. Joe Murrel is in the Gorman Hospital and is feeling a little better.

Mrs. P. E. Fox underwent surgery Wednesday but is doing fine in the Gorman Hospital.

Floyd Moore is a patient in the Gorman Hospital but is doing pretty good.

Mrs. Katie May is still in the Gorman Hospital and would like to have visitors.

Mrs. Morgan Roberts is also a patient in the Gorman Hospital.

Other patients in the Gorman Hospital are L. V. Williamson and Brady Morris.

The First Baptist Church of Desdemona had a business meeting Monday. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Sam Powers the president.

The Desdemona Study Club will have their first meeting Saturday night at the home of Mrs. Homer Hall.

COTTON ON ICE



Cotton costumes by internationally known designer Renie are featured in the 1957 Ice Follies. Mary Godreau is dressed as a bootblack for one of seven productions in the Shipstads and Johnson show. Her long-sleeved blouse is tangerine cotton with black-stitched patches. All costumes are lined with cotton broadcloth.

January 11, with Desdemona playing Gorman, Both the girls and boys will play.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Luker and son Jimmy visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Roy Northcutt.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward May of Uvalde are visiting here this week.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Sparkman and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Murrel was Mr. and Mrs. Homer Joe Sparkman and Children, of Stephenville, Walter Sparkman, and Raymond Sparkman and son R. A. all of Frier.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Mosier and children visited her mother here this weekend. They are from Carbon.

Mrs. Ollie Fiens is visiting in Ft. Worth with her son, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Fiens.

Visiting here with friends this weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Adams and children. They are from Ft. Worth.

Mrs. Bill Davis and Mrs. Marge Bensley and her daughter Sandra Loving shopped in Ft. Worth the past week.

Mrs. Charles Marrow of Frier visited friends here Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Johnson took her daddy Bud Carter to Abilene to the hospital.

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Business Womens Circle Meets

The Business Womens Circle of the Women's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist Church met Monday evening in the home of Mrs. Jess Weaver.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Mrs. Herman Boyd. The leader, Mrs. Weaver, held a short business meeting. Mrs. Walter Daniel gave the devotional, which was taken from 1st Corinthians, 13th verse.

Mrs. Vernon Deffebach gave the program. It was taken from the study book, "A Sower Went Forth" The subject was "Lover Never Fails."

After the meeting refreshments were served to Mmes. B. H. Peacock, Charles Mohaffey, Walter Daniel, Eddie Boho, Tom Stewart, Herman Boyd, Vernon Deffebach and the hostess, Mrs. Weaver.

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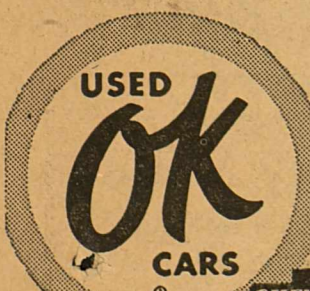
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DIMES DRIVE UNDERWAY—The annual March of Dimes drive is underway in Eastland County. Gov. Allan Shivers, pictured above center, is shown signing the official proclamation designating January as March of Dimes month in Texas. Looking on is Major General K. L. Berry, adjutant general of Texas, who is the 1956-57 campaign chairman, and Kayne LaGrone, 10-year-old Austin girl who has been a polio victim since September, 1955.

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STORY NO. 6

Duval Plunderbund Plucked \$7,187 From Benavides Schools in One Day

By-FREDERICK HODGSON

SAN DIEGO, TEX.—One of the Federal Government's experts working on the sticky financial morass that is Duval County figures the cost of operating a political machine such as this at about \$1,000,000 a year.

This doesn't include what goes into the pockets of leaders through big "deals" which otherwise wouldn't have been possible. John Ben Shepperd has estimated the total of "money diverted from intended, lawful purposes" in Duval County has been four or five million dollars a year for the past ten years.

That's a lot of money even for Texas where millionaires are supposed to hide behind every bush.

Political machines fall apart when something interferes with the free flow of cash. Attorney General John Ben Shepperd and District Attorney Sam Burris have turned off the faucet in Duval.

Donato Serna, a determined little Latin-American who spotted a crooked ledger a mile away, now sits in the Courthouse at San Diego as County Auditor. Serna doesn't like George B. Parr one little bit. And for good reason. Parr once gave him a thorough going over with a five-cell flashlight, a beating so severe that one of Parr's then deputy sheriffs, Manuel Amaya, was forced to intervene and disarm the Boss.

"Our County is not in a very good financial condition," says Serna.

Only one county in Texas has a higher tax rate than Duval. The County, with a population in the neighborhood of 12,000, has a bonded indebtedness of \$3,113,000 and a \$2.55 tax rate.

The adjoining county, Webb, another political hot spot, has a \$2.65 rate.

In contrast, Val Verde County has a 58 cent rate. Perhaps the avenging shade of Judge Roy Bean, "the law West of the Pecos," who held court in a Val Verde saloon, keeps sticky fingers out of the public till. There's nothing like a little fancy embezzlement to shoot a tax rate sky high.

Beside my typewriter are two documents, Donato Serna's current annual report on Duval County finances and an affidavit signed by Diego Heras, former acting secretary to the board of trustees of the Benavides Independent School District.

The two documents complement each other perfectly, the latter providing a good picture of the financial shenanigans responsible for the "not very good financial condition" of the County of Duval.

In just one day, October 19, 1950, nimble fingers lifted \$7,187.80 from the school district treasury.

The chubby Mr. Heras lists 101 checks made out to fictitious names, the whole batch amounting to \$67,414.17. His affidavit makes an interesting reading.

"I know George B. Parr of San Diego, Duval County," Mr. Heras swore. "Although he has dominated the Board of Trustees for many years, and has taken it upon himself to countersign all vouchers issued by the District, Mr. Parr has never within my knowledge been an employee of Benavides Independent School District W. M. Benson of San Diego, who keeps Mr. Parr's books, and who offices in Mr. Parr's office across from the Courthouse in San Diego, has served as auditor for said Benavides School District for many years.

"B. W. Milligan is Superintendent of Schools in the Benavides Independent School District, and W. F. Reed is Principal of the Freer Schools in said Benavides District. During the years I worked for the Benavides District the method of handling Teacher Retirement money was to make up the teacher contribution lists from the payrolls, and then to issue vouchers against the School District to Mr. Milligan or Mr. Reed for the amount of the Teachers' contributions. These men in turn were to purchase cashier's checks to be remitted to Teachers Retirement System.

"I have carefully examined annual report of School Funds to Texas Education Agency submitted by Benavides Independent School District for the year ending August 31, 1950, and have also examined a like report submitted for the year ending August 31, 1951. These reports were prepared and submitted by the Texas State Bank of Alice, the depository for Benavides Independent School District. In these reports I have found many irregularities. On Exhibit A to this affidavit, I have listed a number of vouchers issued by Benavides Independent School District to fictitious persons. The persons so listed as fictitious are actually fictitious, never existed, and of course never performed the services for which the vouchers purportedly were drawn. Many of these vouchers were issued at the express direction of W. M. Benson. At times I would deliver the vouchers to Mr. Parr or Mr. Benson. At other times, I would present them at the depository bank, where I would be handed an envelope containing money. This envelope would then be delivered to Mr. Parr or Mr. Benson.

"On Exhibit B to this affidavit, I have listed another group of vouchers which were issued in the same manner and under the

Merriman Baptist Announcements

The following is the weekly announcements for the Merriman Baptist Church, Sunday school, 10 a.m., church services, 11 a.m., evening service 7:30 p.m., Wednesday night prayer meeting at 8 p.m. Rev. Jack Walker will do the preaching. Everyone is welcome to attend these services.

Nazarene Church Weekly Schedule

The weekly schedule for the Church of the Nazarene, as announced by the pastor, Rev. B. L. Hagar, is as follows: Sunday School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; NYPS, 6:45 p.m.; and Evening Worship, 7:30 p.m. Prayer meeting is held at 7 each Wednesday evening. Everyone is invited to attend these meetings.

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same direction, to actual persons. However, none of these listed persons who are payees in the listed vouchers ever performed the services for which the vouchers were purportedly issued, and these persons did not receive such vouchers. Such vouchers were handled in the same manner as those issued to fictitious persons.

"On Exhibit C to this affidavit, I have listed another group of vouchers which were issued, in the same manner and under the same direction, to actual persons. However, none of these listed persons who are payees in the listed vouchers ever worked for said Benavides District."

There you have it. And this sort of thing has been going on in Duval County for half a century.

The Diego Heras affidavit tells but a small part of the story of how the plunderbund operated in one school district during one short period of time. More of the Benavides story can be found in the transcript of the trial of D. C. Chapa, tax assessor and collector for the district. Chapa is now free on bail pending a hearing on his appeal from a five year prison sentence.

Equally enlightening facts can be seen in the official transcript of the trial of B. F. Donald, former cashier of one of Parr's banks put out of business by Shepperd in 1955. Donald, too, recently was given a five year prison sentence for conspiracy to steal Benavides school funds.

It is no wonder that evidence-destroying bonfires blazed like a Fourth of July celebration all over Duval County when Attorney General Shepperd arrived on the scene with a small army of assistants, including State Auditor C. H. Cavness. County records vanished in all directions.

A political boss on plunder bent must have a machine so well armored that no dent can be made in it. But machines grow old and rusty and the engineers sometimes get careless. This happened in Duval. Some of the thick rust crust flaked off, revealing the bright metal of loot beneath. It is no wonder that the Parr machine fought with every legal, and semi-legal, weapon at its command to keep an honest auditor out of the Courthouse in San Diego. It took the full power of the State of Texas thirteen months to put Donato Serna into office in Duval.

The result, according to Attorney General John Ben Shepperd, is the first honest audit of Duval County in more than half a century. And, to quote Shepperd, "Nobody can steal anything else in the county without getting caught."

George B. Parr's two banks, one in San Diego and the other, the Texas State Bank in Alice, Jim Wells County—the bank mentioned by Diego Heras as the depository for funds of the Benavides School District—are both out of business, "in liquidation," signs posted on the windows.

First Baptist Announcements

The spiritual leadership of any community will be the determining factor in the ultimate prosperity and longevity of their enterprises. Plan now to make your contribution to the cause by attending all the religious services this Lord's Day. Bring your family, stay and worship the Lord.

Sunday School begins at 9:45, morning worship, 11. The pastor's theme will be, "Using God's Plan." We have the physical resources in Ranger, water, clay, coal, oil, gas, schools, churches, educated people, building sites, roads, Christian people, and on-and-on.

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First Methodist Announcements

The following announcements were made by the First Methodist Church for the coming week.

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. There is a class suited to the needs of every age. Come and learn more about your Bible teaching.

Morning Worship at 10:50 a.m. Sermon by the pastor on "Missing Men and What They Miss." The Chancel Choir will sing the anthem "Give Us Faith for Today" by Wilson.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship meets at 6 p.m. Sunday and all the youth are expected to attend. Let nothing keep you away.

The Evening Worship at 7:00. The pastor speaking on "Looking Forward or the Forward Look." Kaye Hopper will be soloist, singing "Teach Me To Pray."

The Woman's Society will meet Monday, Jan. 14 in the church at 3:30 p.m. There will be a devotional program followed by a business meeting. All members urged to attend.

The Choir rehearsal is Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock and every member should be present.

Let all Methodists remember that we are looking for them in Sunday school and church. The attendance is being registered in each service. Will your name be among those who attend worship regularly?

A most cordial invitation is extended to all to worship at the First Methodist Church.

Eastside Baptist Announcements

The Eastside Baptist Chapel extends an invitation to everyone who does not have a church home in Ranger to attend their Sunday services. Sunday school beginning at 9:45 a.m. provides Bible study for every age group. Unions are also provided for all age groups in the raining Union from 6:30 until 7:30 Sunday evening.

The pastor, Rev. Jackie Heath, will preach both the morning and evening sermons. The morning worship begins at 11:00 and the evening at 7:30.

An invitation is also extended to all to attend the mid-week prayer service at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday.

Church of Christ Announcements

The Mesquite and Rusk St. Church of Christ extends to one and all a friendly welcome to all services of the church.

Bible classes for all ages meet at 9:45 a.m. To study the inspired word of God. The public is especially urged to hear the message, "Is Church Membership Essential to Salvation?" Sunday Morning at 10:45. The preacher will discourse on "The First Temptation of Christ" at the 7:00 p.m. worship.

A Bible class for ladies meets each Tuesday morning at 9:45. Visitors are welcome. There will be a general discussion on John 6 at the Wednesday evening mid-week service, 7:00 p.m. You are urged to be present.

Weekly Schedule For St. Rita's Catholic Church

The following is the weekly schedule for St. Rita's Catholic Church:

Holy Mass every Sunday morning at 8 o'clock.

Evening devotions on Sundays at 7 p.m.

Study club for the high school students Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.

Choir practice Wednesday evening at 7:45 p.m.

Study club for the Junior College students Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Religion class for the grade school students at 6:30 p.m. Thursday.

Rev. Fr. Boesmans, pastor of St. Rita's Catholic Church, is always available to give information and to explain the Catholic faith to those who want to know more about it. This information is given without any obligation whatsoever and without prejudice against any other religion.

Christian Science

The answer to mankind's great need of purity and regeneration will be emphasized at Christian Science services this Sunday.

Keynoting the Lesson-Sermon on "Sacrament" is the Golden Text from Psalms (24:3,4): "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully."

Selections to be read from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy include the following (241:23-27): "One's aim, a point beyond faith, should be to find the footsteps of Truth, the way to health and holiness. We would strive to reach the Horeb height where God is revealed; and the corner-stone of all spiritual building is purity."

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Youth Rally To Be Held In Ranger

The Youth Rally will be held at the First Baptist Church of Ranger Saturday night, Jan. 12th at 7:30. A Special Program has been prepared with Bro. Mario Benitez of Fort Worth as speaker.

After the worship service a fellowship and refreshment period is planned. The young people of the First Baptist Church want you to be their special guest for this Saturday night.

First Christian Announcements

Sunday school at the First Christian Church begins at 10 a.m. and the church service at 11 a.m.

During the time the church does not have a minister, they are fortunate in having a professor or teacher from Brite College of the Bible, TCU, each Sunday. All members are urged to attend. Also friends and visitors are welcome. Rev. Roy Curtis will be with us again Sunday and is a very fine speaker. There will be no evening service until further notice.

Bible Study will be in the home of Mrs. Eary Wallace, Monday, 3 p.m. The CWF luncheon will be Thursday, Jan. 17 in the dining room of the church.

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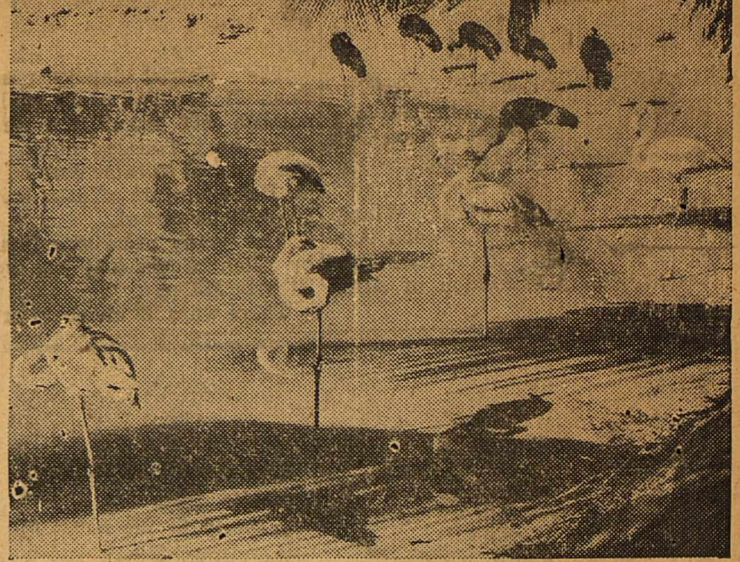
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