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Santa Claus Coming to Spur Tuesday

Spur Merchants Invite Everybody In Trade Territory For Santa Claus Day

Spur and trade territory will entertain Santa Claus next Tuesday when the jolly old gentleman comes to town for his annual pre-Christmas visit. He will arrive in a truck and will distribute gifts as he travels up and down Burlington Avenue. This will be the day of days for both young and old and every person in this part of the country is urged to come to Spur for the day.

Santa while here will deliver a number of presents to the crowd besides those to the children which will be well worth receiving. From 20 to 30 of these special presents furnished by the merchants of Spur will be presented before the festivities for the day are over.

Last Tuesday was turkey day and a fair crowd was present to make a grab for the twenty turkeys which were turned loose from the tops of three different store buildings.

Save by doing your Christmas shopping in Spur.

Supt. O. C. Thomas Studies Curriculum In Other Schools

Supt. O. C. Thomas and Supt. Hayes Hallmark of Post, spent several days last week in Mineral Wells, Breckenridge and Albany. The two men visited the school rooms, talked to teachers, principals and superintendents discussing curriculum changes.

Mr. Thomas devoted quite a bit of time last year to this study and made some changes in Spur schools at the beginning of this term in line with these studies. His trip to these Central Texas towns was very educational along these lines in that these schools are using advanced methods that are being closely watched by educators throughout the state.

One marked change was the method used at one of these schools. The time honored system of sending out report cards every six weeks or monthly has been done away with. The new way is to keep a close check on the pupil and when it is found that this pupil is not doing the work that he or she is capable of then the parent is notified and a remedy suggested. This method, the school officials claim helps to keep the child doing the work that it is capable of doing.

Mr. Thomas plans no changes at present in the Spur system but is keeping informed on the success or failure of changes in curriculum.

White Gift Service At Baptist Church Next Sunday Night

The First Baptist Church will have their annual White Gift Service program next Sunday evening. The following program to which everyone is invited will be given:

Joy to the World—by Audience.
Invocation.
Come and Worship—By Choir.
Christmas Story—Sunbeams.
Watchman What of the Night—Story—Junior Boys.
Glory Be to God—by Choir.
Christmas Message—Dr. M. F. Ewton.

Silent Night—by Choir
As gifts are presented.
Benediction.

JAYTON WINS DICKENS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Jayton high school girls won the annual invitation tournament at Dickens last week end. Going into the finals were Dickens and Jayton teams with Jayton winning by a top heavy score.

The tournament was a success and the Dickens school was pleased with the general success of the two days meeting.

Palace To Give Kiddies Free Show

A big free picture show for all children under 14 years of age will be given Saturday, December 26 by the Palace Theatre. This is a special Christmas treat for the kiddies of the entire territory that Manager Charlie Hardwick and he wants every child under this age present. "A full house" were the words Mr. Hardwick used in discussing this treat for the youngsters.

The show will open in the morning at 9:30 with special pictures that will please the youngsters from the start to the finish. Make your plans now to bring the children to town early that Saturday morning to enjoy being a guest of the Palace.

PTA Board To Meet In January

Austin, Dec. 14 (Special)—"Planning the work of the Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers, arranging for district conferences, electing delegates to the National Convention and filling vacancies of committee chairmen will be the chief items on the agenda of the State Board of Managers of this organization at its January meeting," said Mrs. M. A. Taylor, president, in a statement made here this week. The dates of this meeting will be January 12, 13, and 14.

Preceding the board meeting will be the convening of the Executive Committee which is composed, in addition to Mrs. Taylor, of the following officers: Mrs. Ella Caruthers Porter, Dallas Mrs. Chalmers W. Hutchison, Fort Worth; Mrs. Fred Porter, Temple; Mrs. A. C. Surman, Post; Mrs. E. H. Becker, Houston; Mrs. E. H. Marek, Yoakum; Mrs. J. J. Devoti, Houston; Mrs. J. H. Emmert, Wichita Falls; Mrs. Will T. Dechard, Austin; Mrs. A. F. Woods, Athens; Mrs. J. H. Moore, Deport; Mrs. R. W. Robbins, Athens; Mrs. R. M. Carter, Sherman.

During the board meeting the fifteen district presidents will also hold special sessions to discuss their problems. In this group will be the following presidents: Mrs. Clarence Longnecker, El Paso; Mrs. W. R. Weaver, Spur; Mrs. Jno. C. Murphree, Iowa Park; Mrs. G. D. McClain Crockett; Mrs. Joe A. Wessendorf, Richmond; Mrs. Carlyle Sammons, Edcouch; Mrs. Wm. H. Parsons, Waco; Mrs. C. T. Hunkapillar, Pampa; Mrs. Dowell B. Johnson, Austin; Mrs. W. P. Riley, Junction; Mrs. Edgar D. Johnson, San Antonio; Mrs. A. L. Morgan, Beaumont; Mrs. Harry Linbarger, Texarkana; Mrs. Jack Little, Dallas; and Mrs. W. W. Wilkinson, Fort Worth.

B. C. LANGLEY SPEAKS AT LUBBOCK MEETING

LUBBOCK, Dec. 14—(Special) Workers in soil conservation, and highway beautification, nurserymen, and vocational teachers of the South Plains section gathered on the Tech campus last week end in a soil conservation and beautification of highway meeting, sponsored by the college plant industry department.

Speakers on the two-day program included: B. C. Langley, agronomist at the Spur Experiment Station; R. L. Burdette, vocational agriculture teacher at Lubbock high school; C. D. McGee, superintendent of the Lubbock parks; and W. B. Holden, special planting foreman of the highway department, Lubbock division.

The program included discussions and presentation of papers concerned with highway beautification and soil conservation in the Northwest Texas areas.

About fifty agriculturists attended the session.

Cotton Report Over 9,000 Bales to Dec. 1

The Bureau of the Census reports Dickens County had ginned 9,175 bales of cotton to December 1st. This number is 4,000 bales short of last year when 13,875 bales had been ginned to same date. Further comparison with last year will show that there is considerably less cotton in the fields at this time than there was a year ago. The two McAdoo gins have practically shut down with a report of less than a thousand bales this year and the other gins of the county are running only part time.

4H Club Boy Wins Wilson Award

Earl C. Van Meter, Jr. of McAdoo community, was presented a gold medal this week by County Agent Lane. The medal was awarded by Thomas E. Wilson of the Wilson Packing Company of Chicago in recognition of outstanding achievements in meat production in the state.

This very attractive gold medal was in the form of a watch charm and valued at \$10.00 but will mean a great deal more in value to Earl Jr. as it represents the feeding of a grand champion calf and among the highest awards given a 4-H club boy, all of which Earl Jr. has justly qualified himself for.

Spur Barber Shops Change Prices

Effective last Tuesday morning new prices on barber work went into effect in the six shops in Spur. The price revision which was upward, was made at a meeting Monday night presided over by W. G. Burk, State Barber Inspector.

Mr. Burk in discussing the changes made by the local shops stated that the price change was imperative due to the restrictions and regulations placed on the shops and the barbers by the present laws. The law now requires every barber to do three fundamental things before servicing a customer: 1. He must wash his hands thoroughly; 2. He must use clean linen on each individual; and, 3. He must sterilize every tool before using again.

The shop owner is required by law to keep his place in a strict sanitary condition at all times. These rules and regulations are enforced through periodic inspection by state enforcement men and heavy penalties are provided for violation.

The inspector remarked during the discussion that prior to the passage of the Texas Barber Law a few years ago 65% of all skin diseases were traced to barber shops. A recent survey showed that only 2% of skin diseases were traced to barber shops, the health measures provided and enforced by the law almost totally eliminated this spread of skin diseases.

WHITE GIFT SERVICES AT FOREMAN'S CHAPEL

A White Gift service will be held at the Foreman's Chapel Church next Wednesday night, December 23. The program will consist of a beautiful Christmas pageant put on by people of the community. The public is invited to be present.

District Court In Session This Week

District Court convened at Dickens Monday with Judge A. J. Folley of Floydada on the bench. The grand jury was instructed and set to work Monday and will probably be in session most of this week. Non-jury civil suits were being tried by the court with the following cases having been completed:

R. E. French vs. Essie French, divorce granted.
Edna Runton vs. Haskell H. Runton, divorce granted.
Geo. Shepherd vs. Pearl Mae Shepherd, divorce granted.
Dixie Williams vs. Clyde E. Williams, divorce granted.
Bryant-Link Company vs. A. W. Hindman, judgment awarded plaintiff for debt and interest.

Court is being held in the Methodist Church and the grand jury is meeting in the Masonic hall. A crowded term is forecast since there are three weeks on the calendar allowed for this year's winter term.

The petit jury is being summoned for next Monday when the court will begin hearing jury cases. No definite date has been set for the trial of criminal cases pending report of the grand jury.

List of petit jurors for the second week, December 31:
W. E. Putman, I. E. Abernathy, H. E. Blendon, Grady Moss, Dick Speer, T. L. Conaway, O. T. Boucher, J. C. Dobson, Clayton Bridge, W. J. Elliot, Jr., I. J. Hurley, John King, Jr., Dempsey Sims, B. F. Middleton, E. M. Hale, M. V. Tidwell, Lawrence Fox, F. W. Jennings, Harvey Giddens, A. B. Winkler, Don Merriman, W. T. Williams, E. D. Engleman, O. L. Driggers, L. R. Burrow, K. W. Street, Geo. S. Link, Jr., P. A. Willmon, John Gay, D. Y. Twaddell, R. M. Richard, E. S. Crider, W. L. Pullen, W. S. Smiley, Watt Holly, Byron Haney.

Old Timer Dies Suddenly In New Mex.

Relatives and friends were shocked to learn of the sudden passing of J. D. Jones of Polvadera, on Dec. 6, 1936 at 1:30 p. m.

Mr. Jones' home was at Roaring Springs, Texas, and with his wife, had spent the summer near Toas. He came to Polvadera in September and opened a service station 12 miles north of Socorro, which he operated until the time of his death. He had made many friends in that vicinity, as he always passed a word of cheer with everyone.

Mr. Jones had recently had the flu but was able to be about, and had just serviced a car when stricken with a heart attack and died instantly. He was 64 years 9 months and 9 days of age.

James Daniel Jones was born in Printess county, Miss., February 27, 1872, and was married to Cansada Carpenter July 7, 1896.

To this union were born five children, of whom there are three living. One passed away in infancy and a daughter followed in death four years ago at the age of 30.

He leaves to mourn his passing a widow, two sons, Austin Jones of Valdez, N. M., and Glinn Jones of Arroyo Hondo, N. M., and Mrs. Hester Vaughn of Magdalena, and 11 grandchildren with one great-

NYA Work Started In This County

Olney Walker has been appointed supervisor of the NYA work in Dickens County and has already started to work. Four youths are being used each day to help farmers who desire the work to run terrace lines on their farm.

The Dickens County quota for this work was first set at 15 but additional help has already been awarded by the district office and as soon as the rolls are revised a larger number will be used. Each youth is allowed to work 33 hours per week.

Schools To Have One Week Holidays

Spur schools will dismiss December 18 for the Christmas holidays and reconvene December 28th, it was announced by Supt. O. C. Thomas this week. The school board at its regular monthly meeting decided on the dates.

Mr. Thomas stated that only one week was taken in order that school may be dismissed May 21 which will give the teachers a short vacation before entering summer school. Too children who are employed on farms during the summer season will have a better chance to complete their year's school work before having to start this work.

Most of the teachers, who are non-residents, will leave Saturday for their homes and return Sunday, December 27th.

School Music Department Presents Christmas Program

The musical program below was presented last night by the Music Department of the Spur Public Schools. This work is being directed by Miss Ramey and those who attended were loud in their praise of the fine work she is doing with the school children.

Invocation—Rev. Fred Cairns.
Processional—Oh, Come All Ye Faithful—Ancient Christmas Hymn
Joy to the World—Handel.
Vesper Hymn—Bortnyanski.
Christmas Hymn—M. Praetorius.
O Holy Night—Adolphus Adam.
Deck the Hall—Traditional
Welsh Air.
Good King Wenceslas—Old English.

Junior High Boys
The First Noel—Traditional.
Christmas Star—Old French Carol.

Senior Girls
Ave Maria—Bach Gounod.
Bill Gruben

Shoe or Stocking—Carl Attenhofer.
Fifth Grade

Carol of the Shepherds—Bohemian Folk Song.
Sixth Grade

Hark the Herald Angels Sing—Felix Mendelssohn.
We Three Kings of Orient Are—Rev. J. H. Hopkins.
Rebecca Underwood, Miriam Reed and Evelyn Greer

O, Little Town of Bethlehem—Redner.
Bertie Belle Glenn and Chorus
God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen—Old English Carol.
Silent Night—Franz Gruber.
Ensemble

Benediction—Rev. Gus Dunn.

grandchild and a host of friends.

He had lived a Christian life since 1902, and for the past six years had been a minister of the Assembly of God Church.—Ex.

Senior Play At East Ward Tonite

"Introducin' Susan" a comedy-farce in three acts will be presented by the senior class, under the direction of Miss Nina Landers, Thursday night, December 17th at 8 o'clock at the East Ward school.

The play is a new one that ran on the stage for six months in New York City. It has a royalty, and should be one of the most entertaining plays ever to be presented in Spur. The plot is concerned with a young college professor and his wife who are on the verge of divorce. Just as the wife leaves for Reno, the husband learns that they are to be visited by his spinster aunt, a lecturer on the evils of divorce. He had hoped that by obeying her wishes, he would be her only heir at her death. Knowing she will disinherit him when she finds he is about to get a divorce, he hastily has one of his young men students, who, by the way, is in dire need of a grade, to dress up as his wife—a misunderstanding ensues and on the arrival of his aunt, the professor finds himself with three wives instead of one.

This embarrassing situation is the background for one of the most humorous plays ever written. Concerning the play the director said, "This is not a play of any special merit. It is a farce in every sense of the word."

The leading male role is taken by W. K. Harvey who plays the part of the professor, and by Fred Kinney, the football boy who masquerades as Susan. Nell Arthur as Aunt Cordelia Quarenbush, has the leading role for the girls.

The title role, Susan, is played by Isabelle Campbell. Others in the cast are Mary Lisenby, Noema Smith, John Hazelwood, W. M. Hunter, Fred Delisle, Junior Ince, Helen Hale and Sherrod Dunn.

FORMER SPUR MINISTER IS ASSISTANT PASTOR AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

Rev. J. Melvin Jones, pastor of Spur Circuit Methodist Church last year, was appointed by Bishop H. M. Dobs as assistant pastor of the Jackson, Miss. Methodist Church. This is the first church in that city and is known as Galloway Memorial and is one of the largest churches in Southern Methodism with a membership of over 3,000 members. Mr. Jones moved from Spur to Hattisburg, Miss. where he was assistant pastor until Conference when he was sent to Taylorville Charge.

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SOCIETY

1925 BRIDGE CLUB

Members of the 1925 Bridge club met at the Spur Inn Wednesday at one o'clock for the usual monthly luncheon.

A lovely fruit cake encircled with autumn leaves and gilded fruit formed the center piece for the table where a delightful four course luncheon was enjoyed.

In the afternoon games of contract were played at three tables in the Inn dining room. Mrs. Geo. Tillinghast made high score in the games and received the beautiful Frosteria glass.

Included on the guest list were Mesdames Della Eaton, L. H. Perry, Nellie Davis, Anna McClure, M. C. Golding, F. W. Jennings, E. M. Wilson, A. C. Hull, Riley Wooten and Arthur Lay of McAdoo, W. R. Weaver, H. P. Gibson and Geo. Tillinghast.

SEWING CLUB HOLDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sewing and visiting were diversions of the afternoon on Wednesday when Mrs. Jephtha Craig entertained the Stitch-in-Time club with a Christmas party.

A beautiful Christmas tree held a gift for each guest, which was given by another guest.

A delightful refreshment plate was passed to the following guests: Mesdames John Albin, Hubert Swan, Charlie Powell, Ralph Sherrill, Foy Vernon, Jerry Ensey and Donald Ensey.

ALATHEAN CLASS HOLDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Thursday evening of last week members of the Alathean Sunday School Class met in the home of Mrs. E. D. Engleman on North Trumbull Avenue for a Christmas party.

A blue and silver Christmas theme was emphasized in the entertaining rooms where tall candles shed soft light. Santa with his

reindeers, the Wise Men giving their gifts and a beautiful silver tree with blue lights were decorative accessories.

A brief business session was conducted by Mrs. Weldon Grimes. Mrs. George Tillinghast directed the following program. The beautiful Story of the First Christmas was read from Luke's Gospel by Mrs. Jerry Willard as soft music was played on the piano by Mrs. Tillinghast. Margie Nell Russell read "Unawares" by Emma A. Lent and Mrs. C. B. Middleton told the story of the First Christmas as seen by a little boy "Laddie" with Mrs. L. B. Tillotson at the piano. Mrs. W. T. Andrews led as the class sang "Silent Night Holy Night" and "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear." Mrs. Engleman assisted by her daughter Gene, and Margie Nell Russell presented a gift from the Christmas tree to each guest. The teacher, Mrs. C. B. Middleton was presented a lovely bag from the class.

Candle holders fashioned of green gum drops and mints, holding tiny red, lighted candles were used as favors on the refreshment plates which were passed to the following guests: Mesdames Jerry Willard, J. T. Campbell, Ralph Sherrill, Jim Cloud, Jephtha Craig, Partain, Hubert Swan, C. B. Middleton, B. C. Langley, Orval Pentecost, W. T. Andrews, Abb Bingham, Foy Vernon, Geo. Tillinghast, L. E. Tillotson, Tyrus Allen, Edgar Hayes, F. O. Britton, Joe Long, Jerry Ensey, M. F. Ewton, Ernest George, T. M. Wetzel, Weldon Grimes, Basinger and Edwards.

BLUE BONNET CLUB

Mrs. O. L. Kelley was a delightful hostess on Thursday afternoon when she entertained members of the Blue Bonnet Club and one guest in her home at three o'clock, with a cleverly planned forty-two party.

The rooms were beautifully decorated for the holiday season, hand painted score cards and tallies were

used carrying out a red and green color scheme. Three tables were in play during the afternoon and a number of interesting games were played.

The chosen color scheme was repeated in the dainty refreshment plate consisting of jelly roll, congealed salad and hot Sanka. Miniature Christmas trees were used as favors.

Guests included were Mesdames J. P. Carson, B. F. Hale, G. L. Barber, Kate Morris, F. H. Blackwell, W. R. Weaver, A. M. Walker, C. H. McCully, L. R. Barrett, G. J. Lane, H. C. Foote, W. S. Campbell and Roy Bennett.

Again on Thursday evening Mrs. Kelly was hostess when she had as her guests the unmarried teachers of the Spur school faculty and a few other guests.

Five tables were arranged in the entertaining rooms where the guests spent the evening playing forty-two. At the conclusion of the game hour the hostess served a delightful refreshment plate. Small poinsettis were given as favors.

Those accepting this lovely hospitality were Misses Cedonia Pittrich, Virginia Ramey, Minnie Bell Johnston, Lydia Kelly, Wilma McArthur, Ruby Rae Williamson, Ann Lasseter, Lola Beth Green, Emily Smith, Jeren Cooner Messrs. Otis Martin, Davir Sista, George S. Link, Jr., Harvey Gillis, Dor Ramsey, Charlie Cravey, Dr. Weldon Callan, Rev. Fred Cairns and O. L. Kelly.

L. L. L. CLUB

Members of the L. L. L. Club and a few guests were delightfully entertained with a turkey dinner on Friday evening at seven o'clock by Mrs. H. P. Gibson in her home on North Trumbull Avenue.

After the guests arrived they were invited into the dining room where the dinner was served buffet style. The table was overlaid with a lace cloth, a lovely lighted little Christmas tree formed the center piece with burning candles in silver holders at either end.

When served the guests found places at foursome tables where games of contract were played later in the evening.

At the conclusion of the bridge hour Mrs. Buster Parrish received a box of dainty bath powder as high score award.

Included on the guest list were: Mesdames Weldon Grimes, Lawis E. Lee, Clarence Lane, B. C. Langley, C. L. Love, Pat Watson, Buster Parrish and two dinner guests: Mesdames I. E. Abernathy and Sam Caldwell of Crosbyton.

THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB

Members of the Thursday Bridge club were entertained by Mrs. W. T. Andrews Thursday afternoon at three o'clock in her lovely appointed home on Trumbull Avenue.

After the usual games of contract Mrs. C. B. Jones and Mrs. R. E. Dickson received the prize awards.

A dainty refreshment plate consisting of orange bread sandwiches, date cookies, pickles and coffee was passed to Mesdames F. W. Jennings, O. C. Thomas, J. R. McNeill, Sam T. Clemmons, Clifford Jones J. C. McNeill III, and R. E. Dickson.

TRIPLE TREY BRIDGE CLUB

A Christmas theme was carried out in room decorations, gift wrappings and table appointments on Saturday afternoon when Mrs. G. B. Wadzeck entertained the Triple Trey bridge club in her home on West Harris Street.

A lovely carved wood trey was presented to Mrs. Henry Bilberry at the conclusion of the games as high score award.

Miniature Santas were used as favors on the refreshment plate consisting of sandwiches, fruit cake topped with whipped cream and hot coffee.

Members present were Mrs. E. D. Engleman, Mrs. Geo. Tillinghast, Mrs. L. D. Ratliff and Mrs. Henry Bilberry.

MRS. ANNIE JOHNSON IS HONORED ON 70TH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Paul Braddock was a most charming hostess on Tuesday evening, December 8 when she entertained her many friends, honoring her mother, Mrs. Annie Johnson on her 70th birthday.

The guests were registered in a dainty guest book presided over by Mrs. D. O. Blassingame.

The lovely Xmas decorations made the rooms more attractive and naturally everyone felt the Christmas spirit. Games were played and a prize was given to the winner.

Mrs. Johnson being the winner was presented a beautiful Xmas tree loaded with beautiful gifts.

Next she was presented a two tier birthday cake with pink and green trimmings and 70 candles.

A delightful refreshment plate was passed.

Those calling or sending gifts were Mesdames E. D. Chambers, F. Alexander, Alice Barton, V. S. Ford, Byron Haney, W. F. Van Cleve, R. C. Alexander, D. W. Sims, L. W. Stark, W. Fullengin, Gus Martin, Miss Minnie Harvey, Marvin Franklin, French, Will Higgins, Jim Offield, H. V. Johnson, T. D. Hale, C. W. Van Cleve, Ola Rainbolt, D. O. Blassingame, Babe Graves, D. Murphy, M. Rasberry, Burnice Burk, Hazel Gates, G. A. Bonham, Joe Cornett, W. B. Bennett, Floyd, Joe Thornton, B. F. Middleton, C. C. Haile, Peyton Legg, Pink Robinson, Homer Dobbin, Lee Wattle, Carl Randolph, L. B. Haile, Melton Thacker, O. C. Southall, Joe Jackson.

BELLE BENNETT MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mrs. Joe Butler was hostess on Monday afternoon at three o'clock when members of the Belle Bennett Missionary Society met in her home for the Christmas social.

PALACE

Preview Sat. nite
SUNDAY - MONDAY

YOU'LL LOVE HER
LAUGH AT HIM... AND
WINK AWAY A TEAR OR
TWO WHEN YOU SEE
THESE SWEETHEARTS
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In the business meeting conducted by Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Bud Rennels gave treasurer report for the year which was very good. The society also decided not to meet again until the first Monday in January.

A delightful social hour followed the business session. Each guest received a lovely Christmas gift and the hostess served a delicious refreshment plate to the following guests: Mesdames Bud Rennels, John Mims, Adrian Rickesi, Lee Hairgrove, Clark Lewis, Jasper

Wood, M. H. Costellow, Cauthery, Henry Simmons, Neil, and Horton Barrett of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all our friends for their comfort during the loss of our dear husband and father.

Mrs. J. D. Jones
Mr. and Mrs. Austin Jones and family.
Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Vaughn and children,
Mr. and Mrs. Glinn Jones and daughter.

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HIGHWAY

By Lavada Hahn

There was a good attendance at Sunday School and preaching services Sunday, also several visitors from other communities. Rev. Grizzle brought a fine message Sunday night on the meaning of Christmas and the scriptural way to observe the holidays.

Our pastor and family received a pounding Sunday night.

Mrs. Lester English entertained her class, the intermediate, after preaching services Sunday night with a Christmas program and tree. Nuts, candy and fruits were served to about twenty pupils and a real nice time was reported by all present.

Our school will close Friday night for the holidays. Friday night a nice program and Christmas tree will be held. The tennis court is up and quite a few of the children are learning to play.

Most of the pupils have worked hard and are making good grades. They all are looking forward to the holidays and wondering what Santa will bring. We hope at least one of our neighbors brings home the Turkey Tuesday and invites us over for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Cox of Matador, were visitors in the Will Smith home Sunday.

Mrs. Ted Mandy and baby son are visiting in Lamesa this week.

Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Miller of McAdoo were visitors in the community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hahn spent the week end visiting in Stonehall County.

Rev. J. W. Grizzle and Bob Eahn attended the Sunday School meeting at Spur Sunday afternoon.

Lester English was on the sick list the past week.

Nolan Smith is sick at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith and children spent the week end visiting in Haskell.

Mrs. Orville George gave a social in her home Friday night for her Sunday School class, the young people's class. 42 and other games were played and a most pleasant evening was enjoyed by all present.

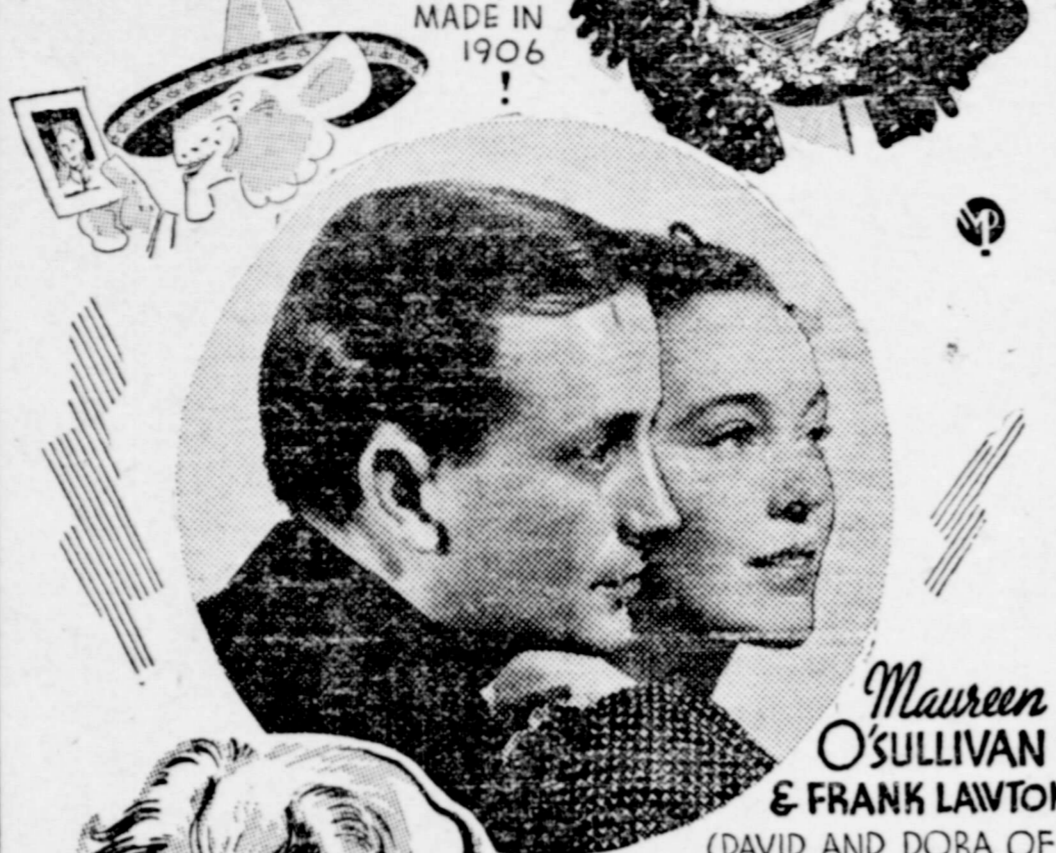
Quite a large crowd enjoyed the singing at Mr. and Mrs. Alton Es-

IT'S TRUE!

By Wiley Padan

"She" is **LIONEL BARRYMORE**
MADE UP FOR HIS ROLE IN "THE DEVIL DOLL!"

DIRECTOR TOD BROWNING
NEEDED A PICTURE OF LIONEL BARRYMORE TAKEN 30 YEARS AGO. BARRYMORE DOES NOT SAVE OLD PICTURES! LUCKILY, THE MEXICAN STUDIO GARDNER HAD SAVED A PORTRAIT OF HIM, MADE IN 1906



Maureen O'SULLIVAN & FRANK LAWTON
(DAVID AND DORA OF "COPPERFIELD") ARE THE ROMANTIC LEADS IN "THE DEVIL DOLL."



HENRY B. WALTHALL
(THE LITTLE COLONEL)
FAMOUS VETERAN OF THE SILVER SCREEN, IS CAST IN THIS WEIRD MYSTERY.

New York, N.Y.—"IT'S TRUE! that Tod Browning's search for his mysterious 'Svengali Girl' ended when the hypnotic eyes of Grace Ford, former dancing teacher of Tulsa, Oklahoma, won her the role," says Wiley Padan. "She plays Lachna, weird mystery woman in 'The Devil Doll', as Browning's new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture starring Lionel Barrymore, is titled . . . Lucy Beaumont, the only woman who has ever played Garbo's mother, is in this unusual mystery production. She was Garbo's mother in 'The Torrent'."

tep's Sunday night.

Three quilts were quilted in Mrs. Will Smith's home last Tuesday for Buckner Orphans Home. The ladies will meet Tuesday afternoon and quilt one more. There were 14 quilters there last Tuesday and everyone enjoyed the day especially the nice dinner. Miss Pratt was a visitor at the quilting and organized a home demonstra-

tion club for this community.

Garvin Hallman is spending a few days visiting in Fort Worth.

Miss Nita Teague and Mr. Charles Sutt were united in marriage on Saturday, December 5th. We wish for them a long and happy life. They are making their home in Spur.

Betty Mae Whitford visited friends in Jayton the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert English and children are visiting her parents in New Mexico.

On Dec. 2 a fine 9 lb. son made his arrival in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Mandy, named Theron Doyle. Mother and son doing nicely. Dr. Alexander was the attending physician.

Mary Rucker and Lavada Hahn were Spur visitors Monday.

NAMES OF CONTRIBUTORS TO DEMO FUND TO BE PLACED ON HONOR ROLL

AUSTIN, Dec. 14—(Special)—Names of all contributors in Texas to the Democratic National Campaign fund, not only in the pre-election campaign, but in the new state-wide campaign to raise an additional \$50,000, will be included on an honor roll, now being prepared by state headquarters.

The lists of contributors to the Democratic party fund will be furnished to Vice President John N. Garner as national committeeman, Mrs. Clara Driscoll Sevier as national committee woman, and other state and national party leaders. In addition, a complete roll of each contributor, listing his name and the amount of his donation, will be on file in Democratic National headquarters in New York City, and in the state headquarters office here.

Officials at state headquarters this week were busy compiling the honor roll which, when completed, will contain the names of more than 20,000 Texas Democrats who contributed approximately \$275,000, to the party's campaign fund before

the election, also the name of each contributor in the present state campaign to raise 10 percent of the \$500,000 needed to remove a national party deficit will be added to the honor roll.

State leaders here also went forward this week with the "deficit campaign" plans, encouraged by pledges of co-operation from district and county democratic leaders throughout the state. Letters were sent to each district chairman notifying him that his district's quota in the new campaign is 20 percent of the same district's quota in the pre-election campaign. In other words, Texas Democrats were asked to raise \$250,000 before the election, and quotas for each county district were established on the basis of the Democratic vote in those counties and districts.

Because of the splendid response from loyal Texas Democrats in the first campaign, national party leaders requested the state organization to raise an additional \$50,000 to help wipe out the national party deficit, and the district and county quotas were fixed at one-fifth the quotas for the first campaign.

Immediately local Democratic leaders throughout the state pledged their support and co-operation, and remittances from donors to the new campaign fund began arriving at state headquarters.

Funds totaling well over one-fourth the \$50,000 state quota already have been received, and State Director Roy Miller expressed the opinion the entire amount will be raised before January 1.

Contributions may be made to the county chairman in each county, or they may be mailed directly to Director Miller at state Democratic Campaign headquarters in the Stephen F. Austin hotel at Austin, and will be credited to the counties and congressional districts from which they come.

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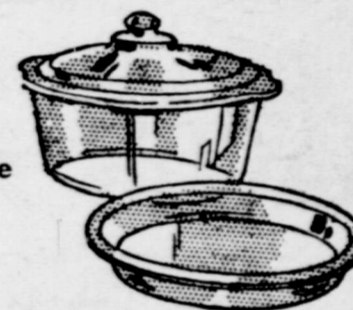


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Letters To Santa Claus

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll. Please bring me a doll buggy. Please bring me some good candy. Please bring me some fruit. Don't forget my teacher. Don't forget my family.
With love,
Hazel Murline Burks.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Don't forget to come to my family. Please bring me a doll and dishes, candy and fruit.
Vivian Jean Reynolds.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring mother a box of fire crackers.
Please bring a set of dishes. Don't forget mother and daddy.
With love,
Patsy Ruth Arrington.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1933
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl. I want a doll, and some fruit and good candy.
With love,
Letha Nell Williams.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl. Please bring me some skates. And don't forget my family and teacher. Good by.
With love and kisses,
Winona Crouch.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 14, 1936
Dear Santa Clause
I want a little care and a gun. I want a flash light and a knife. I want some candy and apples, oranges and firecrackers.
goodby
from Charlie Robinson

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a machine gun. Please bring me a cowboy suit. Please bring me a football.
With love,
Robert Cerey.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Sany Claus
I want an electric car and a cowboy on a horse and a little car with electric lights.
And some fire crackers and sparklers.
And some candy and apples and nuts.

With love
Pikey Robinson
Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a big wagon to me Santa Claus. Please bring three packages of fire crackers.
Lewis Blevins.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have ben a good boy. Please bring me some fruit and don't forget mother, daddy and sister. Bring me a train.
Sincerely,
Pat Copeland.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy, so please bring me a car and a camel and some apples.
With love,
Bobbie George Day.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring five boxes of packages good candy, machine gun, air gun, cow boy suit, scabbard gun and some nice apples.
With love with you,
Joe Day.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring me nice fruit and don't forget my mother and my daddy.
Julian Wells.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please don't forget my family this Christmas. Bring me some fire works.
With love,
Ray Blevins.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a box of sparklers. I have tried to be a good girl. Please, don't forget my family and my teacher, Mrs. Giddens, also, Mrs. Lassetter. Please bring me some good candy and some fruit.
Your friend,
Dorothea Bell Karr.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have ben a good boy. Don't forget my mother and daddy. Please bring me a football.
Love and X's.
Hardy Dement.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me double packages of fire crackers.
James Young.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a cowboy suit and football. Don't forget the family.
With love,
Wayne Carr.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring me an air gun. Please bring me an football. Please don't forget my daddy and sister.
With love,
R. S. Coker.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy. Please bring me an air gun and football. Don't forget my grandfather and grandmother and my father and mother and sisters.
With love,
Billy Joe Crafton.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a machine gun and three dollar boxes of fire crackers and don't forget Mrs. Giddens.
Sincerely,
Ro and W. Hairgrove.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring a petal car, electric train.
With love,
Billy Ray Wright.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy. Please bring a football. Don't forget mother and daddy.
Your friend,
Marion Cleston Pritchett.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a doll. Please bring me a buggy. Don't forget my family.
Don't forget teacher, Mrs. Giddens.
With love and kisses,
Nina Mae Sonn.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy. Please bring me a merry-go-round, some fruit and good candy. Remember my mother and daddy.
Sincerely,
Mack Wilson, Jr.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please don't forget my daddy and mother and my sister and my teacher. Good candy, air gun. I have been a good boy.
Jimmie B. Bradley.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be nice. All the year round. I want you to bring me a box of sparklers and a package of fire crackers and don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Giddens, and my brother and my mother and daddy. I want some good candy and a stove and a doll.
With love and kisses,
Betty Jane Gates.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a box of sparklers. Please bring me some good candy.
With love,
Vera Joe Reynolds.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
Please bring me fire works. Don't forget my mother and daddy.
Engene Sonnamaker.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl. Please bring me a box of sparklers. Please bring me some good candy. Please don't forget my parents and my teacher.
Love and kisses,
Shirley Nell Teague.

Spur, Texas, Dec. 15, 1936
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy. Don't forget my family. Two packages and scabbard gun, cowboy suit.
R. L. Brewster.

Dumont, Texas, Dec. 12, 1936
Dear Santa Claus:
We are two little farm boys, aged 6 and 7, from Croton. We have been very good this year, so please bring me, Abe, some marbles, a scooter, and a tractor, and I. Olon, a tricycle, a rocking horse, and a rubber ball. We both want plenty of nuts, fruits and candy.
Goodbye, Santa, until next year.
Your friends,
Abe Moorgan and Olon Butler.
P. S. Don't forget our little friends, Luke Harris, John Paul Jones and Alton White.

Church News

WOMANS COUNCIL OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Womans Council of the First Christian church met with the pastors wife, Mrs. W. L. Edwards, Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock for a mission program.

Following the opening prayer by Mrs. R. E. Dickson, Mrs. E. C. McGee conducted a brief business session.

Mrs. Edwards directed the program from the "World Call" every member answered the roll call with a scripture reading or a brief quotation from the "World Call." Those taking part on the program were Mrs. O. L. Hale, "The Heart of Woman's Day"; Mrs. E. L. Caraway gave "Son of the Forrest" and Mrs. R. E. Dickson, "Women and the World Highways."

Members present were Mesdames Mary Kely, Edd Lisenby, Henry Dodge, Van Leer, Nellie Davis, B. F. Hale and the above mentioned.

CHURCH OF CHRIST LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Rev. Gus A. Dunn, Jr, minister of the Church of Christ taught an interesting lesson Monday afternoon, on "Confession" from the outline study when members of the Ladies Bible class met at the church at four o'clock for the regular Bible lesson. Preceding the lesson reports were given on visits to the sick and strangers.

Members present were Mesdames John Luce, Mary Johnson, G. W. Conn, W. M. Malone, McKay, E. S. Lee, Chapman, A. Biggs, M. M. Young, Leonard Jopling, Ables, O. C. Arthur, Barkley, Pinkerton, F. N. Oliver, W. R. Weaver, and Rev. McFarland was a visitor.

PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY

Mrs. J. C. McNeill III taught an interesting Bible lesson on Monday afternoon when members of the Presbyterian Auxiliary met in the home of Mrs. Ray Taylor for the regular weekly meeting. Preceding the lesson, Mrs. Alton B. Chapman presided in a brief business session. Members present were Mesdames Sam T. Clemmons, Wright, J. C. McNeill III, Stephens, and Alton B. Chapman.

EAST CIRCLE OF BAPTIST W. M. S.

The East Circle of the Baptist W. M. S. met Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the church with 7 members present. Mrs. Homer Dobbins was in charge of the business meeting. Mrs. John Adams lead in prayer before the Bible lesson was started. The lesson concluded the book of Second Samuel and covered the first three chapters of First Kings. The meeting was dismissed by Mrs. Dozier. Others present were Mrs. Luther Hindman, Mrs. Mrs. Ralph Sherrill, Mrs. Charlie Powell and Mrs. C. B. Middleton.

SETH PARKER CLUB

The Seth Parker Club met at the Baptist Church Tuesday evening at seven o'clock for a business meeting and choir practice.

Mr. Ivey presided in the business. Names were drawn and plans made for a Christmas party next Tuesday evening.

The usual practice with Christmas songs was the diversion for the evening.

SINGING, DANCING, DIMPLES FLASHING, SHIRLEY SCORES HIT



SHIRLEY TEMPLE sings, dances and dimples her way into millions of hearts in her new Twentieth Century-Fox triumph, "Dimples." 2PB

Singing, dancing, dimples flashing even when tears are clinging to her lashes, Shirley Temple will be seen at the Palace Theatre at the Saturday Night Preview and Sunday and Monday in "Dimples," the grandest story Shirley has ever had and the outstanding hit in her parade of successes.

As a little minstrel, harmonizing with street singers, playing every role in "Uncle Tom's Cabin" sing-handed, starring in a minstrel show and mothering and caring for her irrepressible and incorrigible guardian.

Frank Morgan, Shirley shares with you her love and laughter, tears and thrills, trials and triumphs.

In addition to Frank Morgan, Shirley's supporting cast includes

Helen Westley, Robert Kent, Astrid Allwyn, Delma Byron, the Hall Johnson Choir and the inimitable Stepin Fetchit.

Shirley is better than ever before and her new musical numbers literally stop the show. Morgan and Stepin Fetchit furnish abundant and hilarious laughter, while Robert Kent, Astrid Allwyn and Delma Byron provide exciting romantic interest. Helen Westley is superb in her role, and the Hall Johnson Choir provides unparalleled music.

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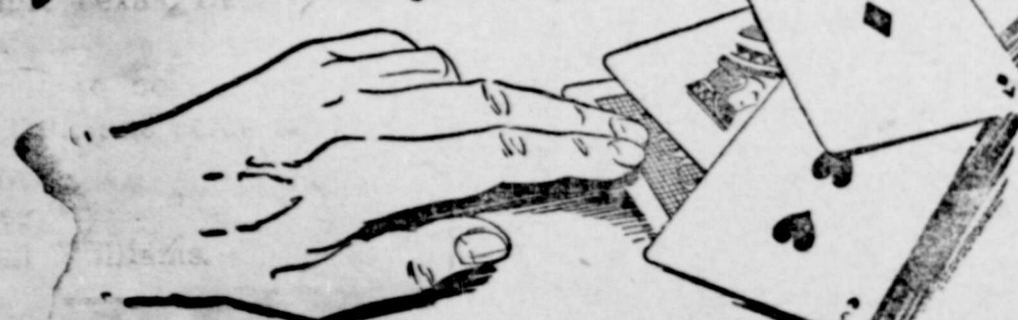
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SOCIETY

TUESDAY BRIDGE CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. O. Smith won the high score prizes and Mrs. L. B. Tillotson the traveling prize on Tuesday evening when Mrs. E. M. Wilson entertained members of the Tuesday bridge club and their husbands in her home on Hill Street with a cleverly planned Christmas party.

The house beautifully lighted and decorated for the holiday season. At the conclusion of the bridge hour the hostess served fruit cake and hot coffee to the following guests: Messrs and Mesdames Roy L. Harkey, Jimmie Smith, Neal A. Chastain, Guy Karr, A. C. Hull, L. B. Tillotson and E. M. Wilson.

CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

"In 1846 Sir Henry Cole of London sent the first Christmas cards. Because of the pictures on the cards they were so talked about that many people sent cards in 1847," said Mrs. G. J. Lane in discussing the origin of Christmas cards in the Twentieth Century Study Club Tuesday evening at the Christmas party in the home of Mrs. O. C. Thomas.

Joyce Koon read "Twas the Night before Christmas." Miss Shields and Miss Koon were visitors.

The Christmas tree was the center of attraction with gifts for each one.

Candy and fruit were enjoyed by Mrs. E. S. Lee, Mrs. B. F. Hale, Mrs. E. L. Caraway, Mrs. Joe B. Long, Mrs. V. J. Campbell, Mrs. P. C. Nichols, Mrs. J. A. Koon, Mrs. G. J. Lane, Mrs. V. C. Smart, Mrs. O. L. Kelley, Mrs. E. J. Cowan, Mrs. L. D. Ratliff, Mrs. Oscar McGinty, Mrs. T. H. Blackwell, Mrs. J. M. Foster, Mrs. H. C. Foote, Mrs. C. N. Lane, Mrs. A. M. Walker, Mrs. F. B. Crockett, Miss Clara Pratt and Mrs. O. C. Thomas.

JO NELL ADDY COMPLIMENTED

Mrs. Cecil Addy complimented her little daughter, Jo Nell, with a party on her fifth birthday Sunday afternoon at her home on North Trumbull Avenue.

The little guests arrived at three o'clock in the afternoon and played dolls and little games until five.

A lovely decorated birthday cake bearing five candles was cut and served with soda pop and sandwiches. Favors were miniature Santas and candy walking canes. Jo Nell received a birthday present from each little guest.

MRS. KOONSMAN AND MRS. SWAN HOSTESSES

Mrs. Johnnie Koonsman and Mrs. Herbert Swan were co-hostesses on Tuesday afternoon when members of the 1933 Study club met at Mrs. Swan's for a Christmas party.

The entertaining rooms were attractively decorated for the holiday season. A lovely lighted Christmas tree formed the central decorative theme.

Preceding the program the guests were served fruit cocktails.

Mrs. Charlie Powell presided in the business. Roll call was answered with Christmas rhymes, Games and contests in keeping with the chosen theme were diversions of the afternoon. Mrs. Swan assisted by her little son Jimmie presented the gifts which were placed on the tree by each guest.

The dainty refreshment plate consisted of congealed salad, potato chips, ritz crackers, apple sauce cake with whipped cream and hot coffee. Miniature poinsettias were used as favors. Members present were Mesdames Frank Watson, W. F. Gilbert, Charlie Powell, R. C. Crockett, C. H. McCully, Geo. Gabriel, John Albin, Thurmond Moore, Jerry Willard, W. R. Weaver, O. C. Arthur, M. D. Ivey, and L. A. Lollar.

SOPHOMORE CLASS HAVE THEATRE PARTY

Sponsors of the Sophomore class Mrs. Illa Johnston and Burgess Brown sponsored a theatre party last Wednesday evening when members of the class met with them at the Palace Theatre early in the evening and saw "3 Married Men"

After seeing the show Spencer Lisenby, a very popular member of the class invited the class group to the home of his mother, Mrs. Ed Lisenby for a party. Favorite games were played and a good time in general was enjoyed. At a late hour the guests were served delightful refreshments. About 35 guests were present.

MR. AND MRS. B. BROWN SPONSOR PICNIC

Mr. and Mrs. Burgess Brown sponsored a picnic Monday at six o'clock for members of the Band.

The class group met in Swenson Park where they spread a picnic lunch consisting of buns, pickles, potato chips and weiners and marshmallows which were roasted over the bon fire. Everyone present reported a good time and plenty to eat.

PEP SQUAD ENTERTAINS FOOTBALL BOYS AND FACULTY OF S. H. S.

Honoring the Football Team and the high school faculty, members of the pep squad entertained with a three course banquet Friday evening in the basement of the Methodist church. Hostesses for the affair were Miss Landers, pep squad sponsor and the pep squad leaders.

A blue and silver color scheme was used in all appointments. In the center of the room was a beautifully decorated blue and silver tree while at one end of the room was a tall white throne, sprinkled with blue and silver snow. Here the evenings entertainment was climaxed when Miss Isabelle Campbell was for the second time, crowned queen of the football team. Her escort was Pershing Lee. Other members of the court included Opal McGlathery, Junior favorite, and her escort, J. B. Haralson; Mozelle Arthur, Sophomore favorite, and her escort, Roger Bingham; Winifred Lee, Freshman favorite and her escort, Fletcher Ballard. Children in the court were Ann Hull and Genevieve Taylor, flower girls, Mackey Brannen, crown bearer, and Finley and Adcoog, train bearers. Miss Campbell was crowned queen by Wilson Garner, Captain of the football team.

Place cards and programs for the banquet were enclosed in a blue bouquet, which had for its cover decoration a hand painted bull dog. Centerpieces were silver painted cedar cuttings in a cobalt vase. These were set on a snow covered mirror, representative of a frozen lake.

The program for the evening follows:

Billie Burke Hisey, Pep Squad President, Toastmistress. "When Football Boys All Fall in Line", Welcome—Billie B. Hisey. "Cheer, Boys, Cheer", Response—Wilson Garner. "At the Ball Game", Reading—Nell Arthur.

"That Good Old Bulldog Line," Humorous Memoirs—Billie D. Bell. "A Song for Old Spur High", Quartet—Arranged by Isabelle "Cross That Goal", An Ideal to Keep—Mr. Thomas.

"Spur High Will Shine Tonight", A Resume—Mr. Martin.

"The Glad Refrain", a saxophone solo—Grace—Foster.

"Around the Corner," A Dream of the Future—Coach Wadzeck.

"After the Game," A Dream of the past—Miss Landers. "Auld Lang Syne," A Farewell—Mary Lisenby.

Coronation—Classes, Alma Mater—All.

An interesting point of the evening came when Mr. Wadzeck announced those making letters this year, and when Miss Landers announced the pep leaders for next year. They are: LaNelle Fallas, Pauline Shugart, Mozelle Arthur, and Opal McGlathery.

The menu consisted of baked turkey with dressing, giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, buttered peas, potatoes au gratin, pecan pie, coffee and rolls.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Wadzeck, O. F. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McGinty, David Sisto, Miss Lydia Kelley, Miss Nina Landers, Billie Burke Hisey, Isabelle Campbell, Nell Arthur, Mary Lisenby, Helen Hale, Noema Smith, Frances Morris, Miriam Reed, Margaret Mae Weaver, Mae Barnette Johnson, La Nelle and Lois Jo Fallis, Opal McGlathery, Joyce McCully, Doris Neaves, Lillian Grace Dickson, Peggy Hogan, Louise Denison, Dorothy Don Flynn, Betty Brown, Sammie McGee, Letha Crouch, Ruby Adcock, Loretta Cruze, Bonnie Campbell, Helen Lollar, Thelma Hale, Ruby Hines, Ione and Evelyn Pickens, Gladys Roberson, Velma Leighton, Ruby Nell Morgan, Nadine Foreman, Emily Cowan, Alba Cozby, Pauline Shugart, Mozelle Arthur, Grace Foster, Jerry Lee Willard, Mary Louise McCombs, Wynelle McClure, Ernestine and Margaret Conoway, Doris Walker, Esther Holloway, Ainsworth Gates, Bill Gruben, Jno. O. Christal, Fred Neaves, Wilson Garner, Elton Garner, Junior Martin, Billie D. Bell, J. B. Haralson, Bill Haralson, Gordon Cravey, Norton Barrett, Carl Arthur, J. C. Draper, Fletcher Ballard, Roger Bingham, Sherrod Dunn, Fred Kinney, Spencer Lisenby, Buck Martin, Pete Willhoit, Victor Arrington, James Bumpus, George Murphy, Tom Starratt, James Culbert, T. J. Horner and Billie Hahn.

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"The Devil Doll," Most Fantastic Plot To Reach Screen

Familiar and beloved though he is to patrons of the screen, Lionel Barrymore is recognizable only by his inimitable artistry, in "The Devil Doll," which will be shown at the Spur Theatre Friday and Saturday at Bargain Prices.

Barrymore impersonates an ancient woman. In wig and skirts and petticoats, the veteran master of characterization achieves something that he has never attempted before. His change from the heavy-browed, shaggy-haired man he is, to the character of a benign old woman is a miracle of the screen.

The story concerns the career of a half mad scientist who conceives a formula that reduces animals and human beings to a sixth of their natural size but leaves them hopeless morons, subject to the will of their insane master. The laboratory with its macabre scenes of tiny humans and the gloating genius plotting his revenge on cruel enemies, is one of the tremendously startling spectacles in which Barry-

more has ever participated.

On the surface, the story may sound unreal and morbidly imaginative, but on the screen it is strikingly effective and highly amusing with a tender romance to provide the gentle touch of love. Frank Lawton and Maureen O'Sullivan, in the romantic leads, are excellent and a first rate cast lends admirable support.

The picture was directed by Tod Browning, frequently called "the Edgar Allen Poe of the Screen", which unquestionably accounts for the charged atmosphere and the element of suspense which will hold the audience in its grip.

The cast includes Robert Grieg, Lucy Beaumont, Henry B. Walthall, Grace Ford, Arthur Hohl, Rafaela Ottiano, Juanita Quigley, Claire du Brey, Rollo Lloyd and E. Allyn Warren.

The picture was adapted from the mystery story, "Burn, Witch, Burn," by A. Merritt, distinguished author of fiction.

1917 STUDY CLUB

Twenty one members of the 1917 Study Club met in the home of Mrs. W. F. Godfrey Tuesday evening for a turkey dinner and Christmas party.

Christmas decorations, a beautifully decorated tree and candle light formed a perfect setting for the evening program.

The dinner was served buffet style from a lace laid table. Tall red tapers formed the center piece for the dining table and the four-some tables where the guests were seated after being served. The menu consisted of baked turkey, dressing, giblet gravy, gelatin salad, asparagus tips on toast, celery, pickles, creamed potatoes, hot rolls, coffee and a dessert course.

Mrs. Nellie Davis gave from memory the nativity as recorded by Matthew. Roll call was answered with Christmas greetings or a verse of scripture. "The Origin of Christmas Cards" was told by Mrs. Ella R. Miller. With Mrs. R. E. Dickson at the piano the club sang the following Christmas carols: "Silent Night," "A Little Town of Bethlehem," "Joy to the World," and "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear."

Each guest received a gift. Included on the guest list were Mesdames Nellie Davis, R. C. Forbis, W. C. Gruben, Henry Gruben, M. C. Golding, W. T. Andrews, M. H. Brannen, E. C. McGee, M. L. Jones, V. V. Parr, E. L. Adams, Lester Ericson, Ella R. Miller, Anna McClure, J. E. Berry, R. E. Dickson, G. M. Williams, E. F. Laverty, and Misses Faye Davis and Jennie Shields.

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CAMPAIGN ON FOR PLACING NYA YOUTHS IN PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT

LUBBOCK Dec. 14—(Special)—The campaign started recently by the National Youth Administration for the purpose of placing young men and women now employed on NYA work projects in private employment is meeting with considerable success in District 17 according to A. V. Bullock, District Supervisor.

Numerous employers of young people in the various counties in the district have been contacted regarding the employment of these youths who have received work experience and training on NYA projects and indications are that a good number of youths will be placed. The youths themselves are eager to get a regular job and those that have been placed have been very appreciative, Bullock stated.

"The NYA is not an employment bureau, but we hope to be able to give the youths work experience and fith them for a job in private employment. We are working hand in hand with the National Reemployment Service," Mr. Bullock said.

During the past eleven months 761 boys and girls have been employed on NYA projects in this district, there are now 373 youths employed, Bullock stated. The following counties make up district 17: Lubbock, Crosby, Dickens, Motley, Hall, Briscoe, Swisher, Castro, Parker, Hockley, Cochran, Bailey, Hale, Floyd and Lamb.

Those in charge of NYA are anxious for the general public to know that there are capable and deserving boys and girls available for almost any kind of employment, and that they can be had, together with a full record of their work experience and qualifications, by getting in touch with the National Youth Administration or the National Reemployment Service.

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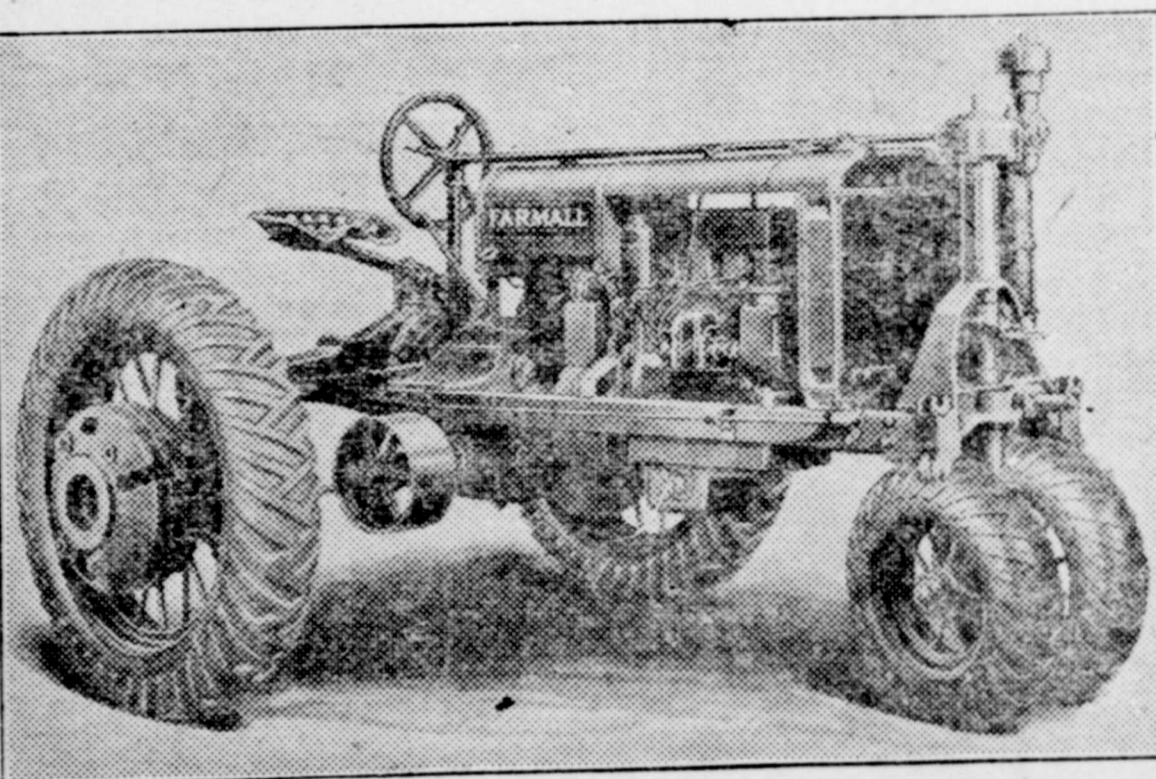
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Rev. P. H. Gates, pastor of the Spur Methodist Church would like to answer any questions about the Methodist Home for children, if anyone in the community is interested. Rev. Gates says that the month of December has been set aside by the Church for donations toward the annual budget. Members of the Methodist Church are intensely interested in the Home and hope that many more transformations such as the above photographs show will be made possible by the continued support of the Home.

Next Sunday, the Sunday before Christmas, will be observed as Orphan's Home day at the Spur Methodist Church and a special offering will be taken.

1937 AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM IS ANNOUNCED

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 14—General plans for the 1937 Agricultural Conservation program have been approved by the Secretary of Agriculture after conferences of representative farmers and Extension staff members had gone over the 1936 work and suggested needed changes.

Cotton and wheat, peanuts and rice, the crops listed as soil-depleting in which Texas is most interested, have been subject to very few changes in the revision. Cotton is again at five cents a pound and the base will be determined in about the same manner as in 1936 but with provision for adjustments such as those indicated by measurements made in 1936. The maximum cotton acreage upon which payments will be made for soil-conserving crops is 35 per cent of the base.

Peanuts have a 15 per cent limit and a 1.25 cent per pound payment.

Rice has a 20 cents per hundred pounds payment which will be conditioned on carrying out certain practices or growing certain specified soil-conserving crops or both.

Reduction from general soil-depleting base will be approximately the same; with the 15 per cent limit still applying.

No farm will be eligible to earn a payment for diversion from the general soil-depleting base except upon approval of the County Conservation Committee. This approval must include the fact that home consumption needs of the farm are taken care of before any diversion of acreage is made.

Each state will have a handbook giving details of the program as they apply to that state with no

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By GENE CARR



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reference to exceptions applicable to other states. This will enormously simplify the administration of the program. The handbook will be prepared by the State Conservation Committee and approved by the Secretary of Agriculture.

In issuing the new program Secretary Wallace said "Despite drought and other handicaps, the majority of farmers who took part in the 1936 conservation program approved its principles. Hundreds of community and county meetings were held at which the growers discussed plans for next year. Many suggestions for program improvement and for simplifying administration were made. We considered all of them carefully and incorporated as many of them as could be well fitted into a national program for agriculture.

"The modifications are intended, for the most part, to adapt the program more closely to the needs of the various regions. As you will recall, this is in line with the state-

ment made by H. R. Tolley at the time the 1936 Agricultural Conservation Program was announced.

"For the 1937 program, additional emphasis has been placed on soil building and more money will be available for soil building practices. Such practices, together with the shifting of acreage to soil-conserving crops on land previously devoted to soil-depleting crops, are essential to any sound plan for restoring soil fertility and preventing erosion.

"The new program should not only improve the soil but it also should protect the interests of consumers and help to preserve the economic gains which farmers have made during the past four years.

"The fact that funds for the 1937 program are not yet available should be pointed out. The Congress, at the time the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act was passed in 1936, authorized an annual appropriation of \$500,000,000 for carrying out a program un-

der the Act. The actual appropriation for 1937 remains to be made, however. The program we have drafted, therefore, is dependent upon the action of Congress."

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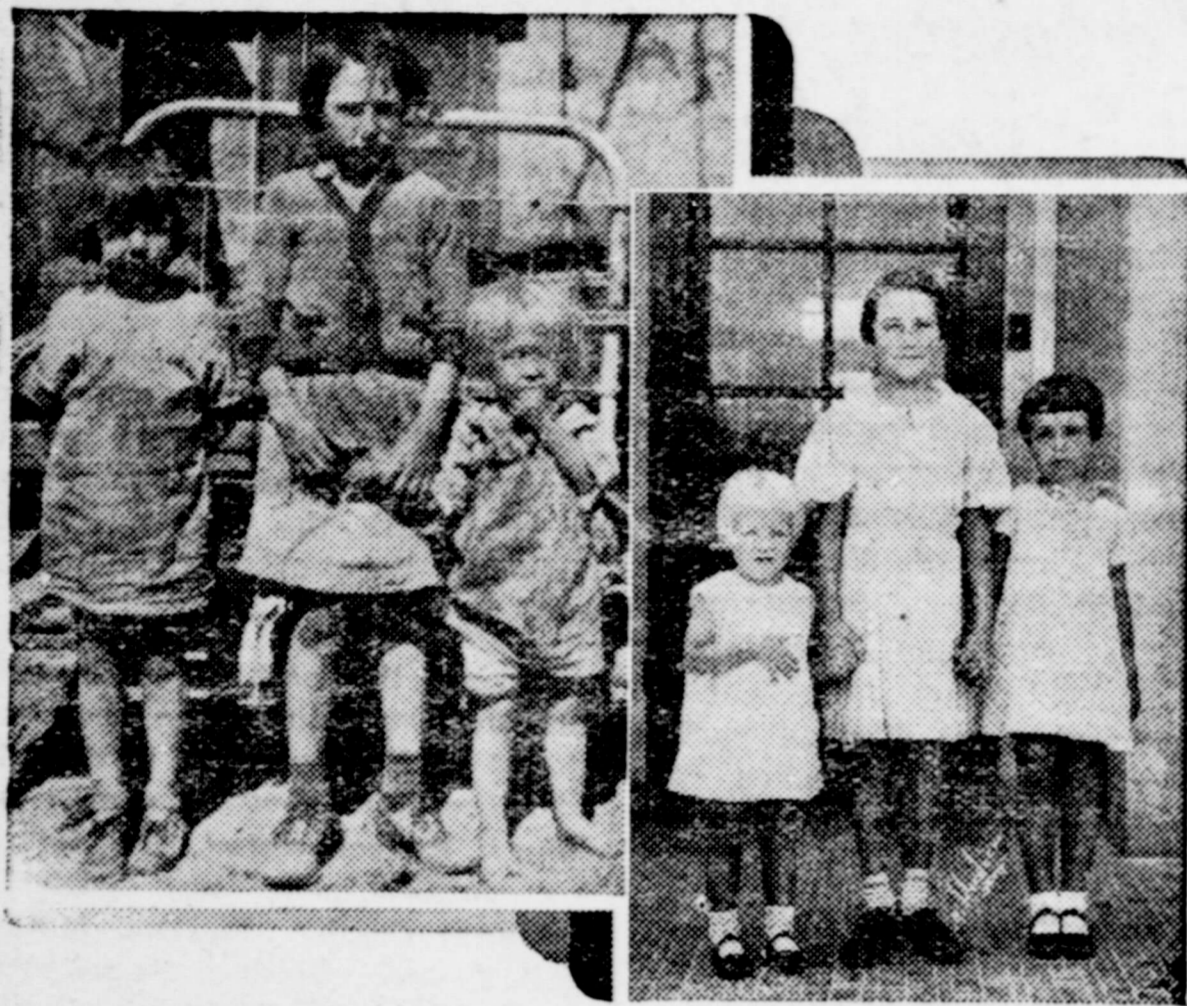
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FROM RAGS TO RICHES

In Waco, Texas, the Methodist Home is giving these three young ladies another chance at life. Their lives might have been another story except for the Superintendent of the home, Mr. Hubert T. Johnson.

The picture at the left shows the children as they were found surrounded by filth and squalor. The oldest was acting as a little mother, obtaining the meager food from "somewhere," preparing and cooking it for the little family. Her prob-

lem was a tremendous task for one so young, as you can imagine.

Looking at the picture you can realize that if these three children were permitted to live by themselves through the winter, a thousand dangers might have swamped them and cast their lot among the hundreds who die of pneumonia and malnutrition every year.

The picture at the right shows the marvelous transformation which has occurred within the last few months. Now they are normal children enjoying a bed and wardrobe for each. Many opportunities will be open to them for advancement and proper education.

The case is only typical of hundreds of duplicate cases which are handled by the Methodist Home in Waco, Texas. Hundreds of boys and girls find new life in the Home which is supported by Methodism.

Taking care of these children would require about \$600,000 a year, but because the children, as they grow older, take turns at farming, raising cattle, gathering crops and fruits; do their own laundry, help wait on table and do the many oth-

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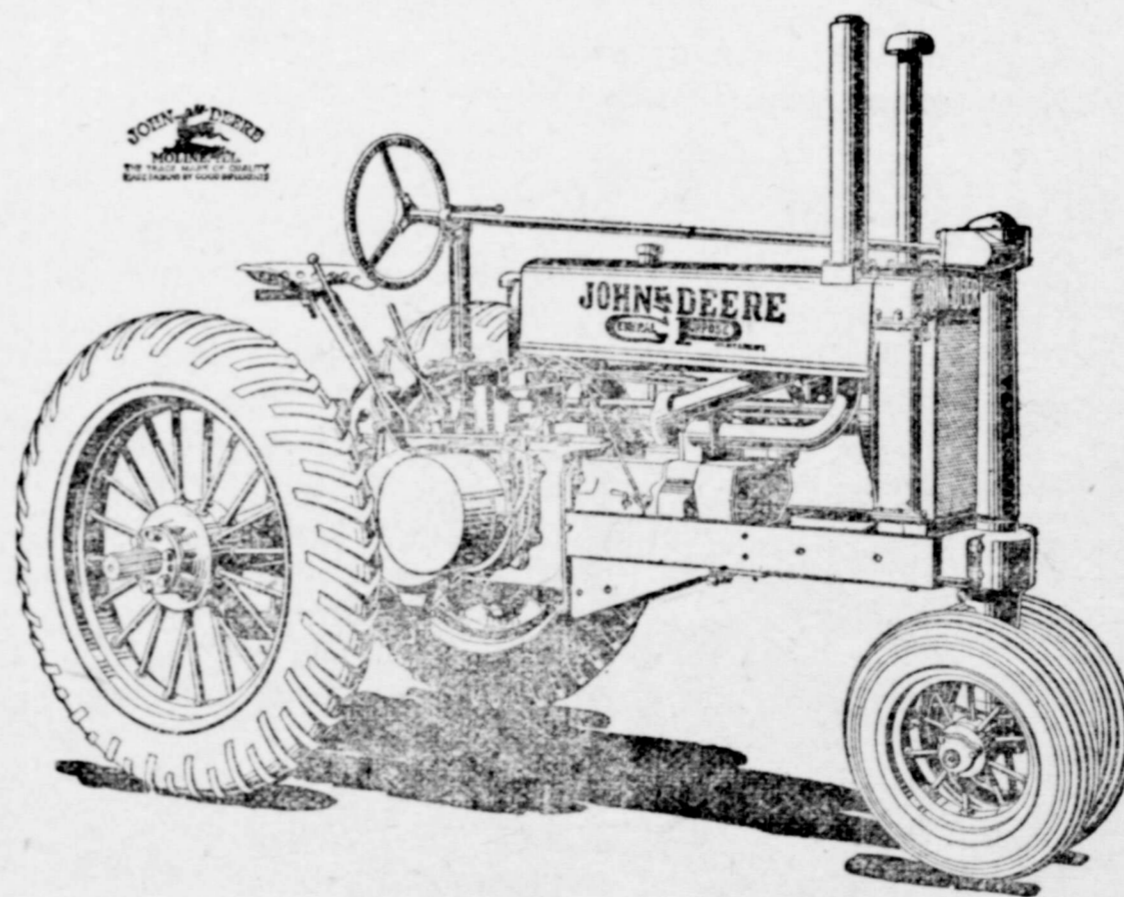
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SPUR CIRCUIT

Our 1st Quarterly Conference will convene at Dickens, Sunday, January 20th.

Rev. E. B. Bowen, Presiding Elder will preach at the 11 o'clock hour.

Dinner on the ground. Conference at 2 p. m.

Everybody is invited to come and be with us. Especially do we urge our official boards to be present.

May the Lord lead us as ye work and plan our year's work.

E. C. Armstrong, Pastor

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

On Monday afternoon at three o'clock members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church met in the home of Mrs. Kate Morris on North Burlington Avenue for the usual weekly meeting.

Mrs. J. R. Laine gave an interesting devotional preceding the reports from the harvest day program, which was given in Stamford last Thursday.

Mrs. J. M. Foster was in charge of the program and also made a report on the "Harvest Day". Others who gave interesting reports were Mesdames W. F. Gilbert, J. R. Laine, Leland Wilson, and H. P. Gates.

Mrs. Foster presided in a brief business session. Reports from the various committees were read.

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BAGBY CIRCLE W. M. S.

Members of the Bagby Circle of the Baptist W. M. S. met in the home of Mrs. A. M. Walker Monday afternoon at three o'clock for a Bible lesson.

Mrs. John Hazelwood called the meeting to order and presided in the business, Miss Jennie Shields led the opening prayer and the personal service report was read by Mrs. Homer Cargile.

Mrs. Walker taught the Bible lesson from the first eight chapters of Second Kings.

Members present were Mesdames S. A. Lawrence, Homer Cargile, Foy Vernon, Minnie Lewis, John Hazelwood, Shockley, Bessie McClung and Miss Jennie Shields.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bible Study—10 a. m.
Preaching—11 a. m.
Lord's Supper—11:45 a. m.
Young People's Meeting—6:30 p. m.
Ladies' Bible Class—4 p. m. Monday.
Prayer and Praise—7:15 p. m. Wednesday.

The pulpit will be filled Sunday at both services by G. A. Dunn, Jr. The subject for the morning will be "This is the Love of God," and for the evening hour "Far be it for Me to Glory Save in the Cross of Jesus Christ."

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GIRLS AUXILIARY

The Girls Auxiliary met at the Baptist Church Monday afternoon at 4:30 with their sponsor, Mrs. Charlie Powell. Ruth Cowan was leader of the program on "Peace."

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In the business session plans were made for a Christmas social next week. The meeting was closed with prayer after which lovely refreshments were served to the following members: Anita Harkey, LaFern Hazewood, Jerry Lee Willard, Lois Faine Adams, Ruth, Ruby and Emily Cowan and Mrs. Powell.

NORTHEAST CIRCLE W. M. S.

The Northeast Circle of the Baptist W. M. S. met in the home of Mrs. E. L. Smith on Monday afternoon at three o'clock for a Bible study.

Mrs. Herbert Swan directed the business session preceding the Bible lesson from the first eight chapters of Judges which was taught by Mrs. E. J. Cowan.

Members present were Mesdames J. A. Marsh, S. I. Powell, Ella Hutto, Jerry Willard, Partain, Hicks, J. H. Swan, E. J. Cowan, Homer Boothe, M. D. Ivey, Campbell, M. F. Ewton, Floyd Adms, Gray Draper, C. L. Martin, G. M. Williams, B. T. Moore, L. W. Langston and Blanche Hembry.

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ATTENDS CONFERENCE MEETING AT STAMFORD

Rev. P. H. Gates attended the District Conference at Stamford, December 10th. He was accompanied by five ladies of the Missionary Society, Mesdames P. H. Gates, Jim Foster, W. H. Gilbert, J. R. Laine, and L. F. Wilson, who attended the Harvest Day Meeting of the Stamford District.

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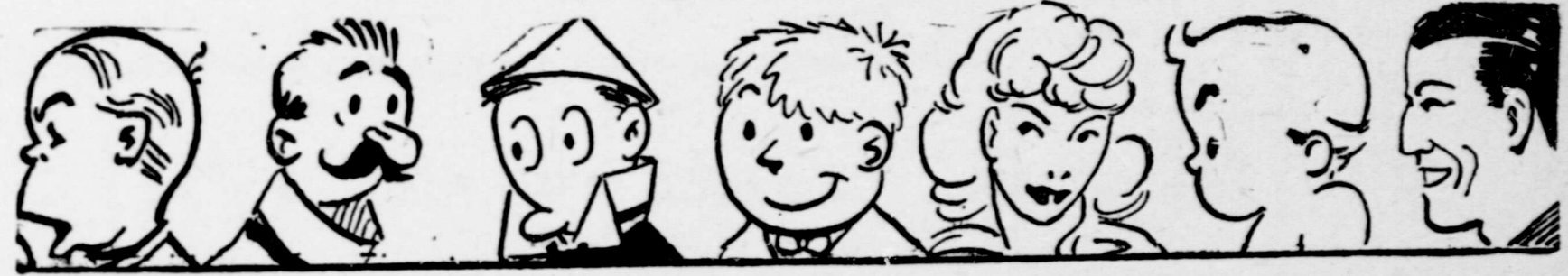
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HE'S GETTING SO BIG YOU WOULD KNOW HIM. HERE HE COMES NOW

By Gene Byrnes

HELLO JIMMIE! BETCH DON'T REMEMBER ME

SURE I DO! YOU'RE THE FELLER POP BROUGHT HOME FOR DINNER LAS YEAR AN' MOM WOULDN'T TALK TO HIM FOR A MONTH

THE CLANCY KIDS

For a Time There Fat Felt Down In the Mouth.

By PERCY L. CROSBY

HEY, FAT! DID YOU SWALLOW THAT GOLD FISH?

NEVER MIND! I FOUND HIM, FAT.

23 YEARS AGO

Taken from the files of The Texas Spur, published 23 years ago this week. Oran McClure, editor and publisher.

Dudley, the thirteen year old son of Bill Ellis of Kent County was brought to the Standifer Hospital Wednesday for an operation. Dudley was accompanied by his father and his sister, Mrs. Lock of Miami.

Miss Trenholm Doyle left the latter part of this week to spend the Christmas holidays at Grandbury, Texas.

Miss Wilson, who has been visiting in the home of her brother, W. D. Wilson, returned last week to her home at Grandbury.

Miss Boyd returned last week to her home at Cleburne after an extended visit to her aunt, Mrs. Geo. M. Williams.

Sol Davis has bought a Ford automobile and is now having it remodeled into a delivery car.

Mrs. E. Ham, who has been in the Standifer Hospital, was taken Sunday to her home at Dickens.

Mrs. W. O. Smith is now assisting in the sales department of Love Dry Goods Company during the busy season and in the absence of Mrs. Cole who is visiting relatives and friends at Hamlin.

R. R. Johns left last week on a business trip to the eastern part of the state.

Experimental Farm Agents I. S. York and W. H. Harrison left this week to attend a convention of experiment farm agents to be held at Temple.

Misses Crockett and Hardin, teachers in the Spur School, will leave this week to spend the holidays with relatives and friends at their homes.

County Commissioner Jeff D. Reagan of Spur, L. G. Crabtree of the Croton country and W. F. McCarty, accompanied by County Judge O. S. Ferguson, County Attorney B. G. Worswick, County Clerk Crawford Cobb, left Spur Monday for a trip to Indiana where they will spend some time inspecting iron works and manufacturers of bridges and other road improvement material.

COURT OF HONOR HELD TUESDAY NIGHT FOR BOY SCOUTS OF EASTERN DIST.

The regular bi-monthly Court of Honor for the Scouts and leaders of the Eastern District was held Tuesday evening December 15th at Lorenzo. Awards were made for the following ranks: Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Start and Life. In addition to the above approximately twenty-five merit badge awards were made.

Preceding the Court of Honor a program consisting of troop stunts, singing and contests was held. Mr. L. E. Wicks, Chairman of the Eastern District Court of Honor was in charge of the program.

The following leaders and their troops were in attendance: Gene Stobaugh, Scoutmaster of troop No. 27, Lorenzo; S. E. Wicks, Scoutmaster of troop 33, Ralls; Charles Brock, Scoutmaster of troop 32, Crosbyton; G. B. Wadzeck, Scoutmaster of troop 35, Spur; Lyle Paschall, Scoutmaster troop 43, Wake School, Vernon Doss, Scoutmaster troop 60 of Matador. Other leaders in attendance were C. Sowell, Ralls; J. S. Garmon, Lorenzo; Hugh Nation, Crosbyton; O. L. Kelley, Spur.

A large crowd of approximately 100 persons attended the Court of Honor.

Date for the Annual Meeting of the South Plains Council, Boy Scouts of America has been set for Tuesday afternoon and evening, January 26th in Lubbock. This is the 11th annual meeting held by the council.

Sessions covering the various phases of scouting will be held in the afternoon. The program for the year will be developed and presented at the evening dinner. All scouters and friends of scouting are invited to attend.

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SANTA VISITS DICKENS H. D. CLUB WEDNESDAY

Santa Claus visited the Dickens Womans home demonstration club on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 9th when the club met at the home of Mrs. Nettie Littlefield.

A little Christmas tree was the social event for the afternoon. After the Christmas program work for next year was discussed. Mrs. Arrington gave a report of the last Council meeting.

Attendance was good and the club enjoyed having Mrs. Alex Winkler, Grandma Winkler, Mrs. Floyd Terry, Mrs. Smith of Dickens as visitors also Miss Dietrich of Denton. Mrs. John Edwards was a new member attending and the club will meet with her the first week in January on the first Wednesday.—Mrs. Overstreet, reporter.

LUBBOCK JUNIOR WELFARE LEAGUE TO GIVE CHARITY BALL FOR ORPHANAGE

LUBBOCK, Dec. 9—(Special)—Jimmy Garrigan's orchestra will play for the second annual charity ball to be sponsored by the Lubbock Junior Welfare League. Admission price will be \$2.00 for couple or stag and \$1.00 for extra women. A limited number of tables for eight persons are available at \$2.00 a table.

The dance is one of two projects sponsored by the league each year to raise money for its welfare program, feature of which is substantial contribution to the Milam orphanage in Lubbock.

The Garrigan recording and dance band needs no introduction to radio fans and Texans who visited the World's Fair in Chicago and the Frontier celebration in Fort Worth. At present the band is engaged at the Ringside Night Club in Fort Worth from which place it broadcasts each night over radio station WBAP.

The leader first gained recognition as a musician while attending the Gulfport, Miss., Military academy. Later he was graduated from the Dominion Conservatory of Music, Montreal, Canada. His orchestra was organized in 1926 and played its first engagement in Pittsburg.

Tickets to the dance are being sold by all members of the league. They may be bought by mail thru Mrs. W. D. Girard Jr., 2219 Sixteenth street. Tables may be reserved with Mrs. R. T. Cannon, 2616 Nineteenth street.

Mrs. Oran McClure, Mrs. Henry Gruben, Mrs. Ella R. Miletr and Miss Wynell McClure were Lubbock visitors Tuesday.

THE CAPITOL ONLOOKER

By CHARLES E. SIMONS
Associate Editor, Texas Parade

Austin, Tex., Dec. 14—First contracts under the 1937 regular federal aid program were awarded by the Texas Highway Commission November 23 and 24. Projects placed under contract involved expenditures of approximately \$1,800,000.

Another group of highway jobs was scheduled for letting in December and actual construction on the program was expected to get under way shortly after the first of the year. The Commission action formally inaugurated the long-awaited program of closing the gaps in the state's cardinal highways. A survey prepared especially for Texas Parade by E. J. Amey, administrative assistant in the Highway Department, shows this program will cost about \$15,542,634.

Expenditures under the program will be limited to mileage on the federal aid system, which includes 12,488 of the 20,900 miles maintained by the Highway Department. The current program involves 1,312 miles and includes 549 miles of grading and drainage structures, of which 457 is new construction, 66 miles of new construction including select material or a first base course and 26 miles of widening existing grades and structures; 258 miles of asphalt surfacing of which 254 is new construction; 202 miles of concrete paving, of which 188 miles will be new; three miles of brick paving and construction of 12 major bridge structures.

The program also proposes the landscaping of ten miles of highway under the federal requirement that one per cent of the total aid be expended on this item.

The completion of this program, according to Mr. Amey, will close many gaps in the heavily traveled and primary highways of Texas and place other sections in readiness for hard surfacing and closing additional gaps.

The need for continued and accelerated construction of highways in Texas is revealed in a recent investigation of the actual condition of the state's highway system, both state and local. Hundreds of miles of the state system could profitably be relocated and constructed immediately. Scores of bridges are now obsolete and should be replaced but the construction of both new roads and bridges must be delayed owing to curtailed funds.

A similar situation exists with reference to the secondary or farm to market roads which mean so

much to the farmer and rural dweller. A study of the secondary road situation is being made with a view of making recommendations to state and federal governments. The problem also is scheduled for discussion at a meeting of highway officials in San Francisco soon.

The obsolescence of Texas roads and bridges is shown graphically in the December issue of Texas Parade. Pictures gathered from the widely scattered corners of this far flung state illustrate in a striking manner the necessity for a continuation of the highway program at least on its present financial basis.

Hundreds of miles of highways long since have outlived their allotted span. With frequent repairing they still are useful, to be sure, but they are as aselete as the old horse and buggy in the light of modern automobiles and trucks. In fact, many of the bridges and roads are hangers on the horse and buggy era, when there was no premium on time and when the avenues of transportation wound over the terrain without much rhyme or reason. Many miles of this type of road were, of necessity, included in the state system but it has been impossible, from a financial standpoint, to convert these misshapen and inefficient roads into a modern highway network.

Nor will the demand for highways decrease. A glance at the changes wrought in the transportation picture in the past 25 years demonstrates the accuracy of this statement. Twenty-five years ago an automobile was almost a curiosity. Within that period their manufacture has grown into one of the world's largest industries. Twenty-five years ago the mileage of paved roads in the United States, outside the cities, was negligible. Within

that period there has been constructed many thousands of miles of paved road throughout the country. By increasing annual purchases of automobiles, Americans have signified that the automobile industry will continue to expand. This is assurance that there will be a growing demand for highways, since it would be a waste of money to own an automobile that would stand idle for lack of roads over which to operate it.

Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Giddens were in Crowell Sunday visiting Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Yeats.

Mr. and Mrs. Burgess Brown spent last week end in Lubbock attending a band directors clinic.

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