

Nazi Defenses In East Prussia Crushed

RANGER BEATS GORMAN; GOES TO THE FINALS

Ranger took Saturday afternoon's game from the Gorman cagers by a score of 29 to 22 to place for the finals Saturday night to be played between Ranger and the winner of the Eastland-Moran game played late Saturday afternoon. At the end of the half in the Eastland-Moran game, Moran was in the lead with a score of 17 to 8.

Ranger had the lead over Gorman at the end of the first quarter by a score of 19 to 4 and at the end of the half was leading by 18 points, the score standing 25 to 5.

In the second half Coach Don Martin gave the second string a fling in the game and Gorman picked up points to end the game with the 29 to 22 score.

First string men who played in the game were: forwards, Frankie Ford, Pete Dawn; center, Lilburn Baker; and guards, Dan Bowen and Bob Franklin.

In the starting game Saturday the Desdemona girls' team defeated the Leaders girls by a score of 22 to 8.

Other games played during the invitation tournament and the scores were: Moran 36, Mineral Wells 34; Ranger B-Team 15, Eastland 24; Gorman 35, Olden 20; Stephenville 25, Ranger 28.

Girls' team games were as follows: Gorman 28, Ranger 25; Eastland 10, Desdemona 16 and Desdemona 22, Leaders 8.

Guard Inspection To Be Held On Monday Evening

Capt. E. P. Latham of Company B, of the Texas State Guard received word late Saturday afternoon that the inspection which was scheduled for January 29 has been moved up to Monday January 22 and all members of the Guard are asked to take notice of the change.

Mr. Col. Olney H. Bryant, attached to the adjutant general's office will make the inspection and every member of Company B is expected to be on hand Monday night, and have every item of equipment that has been issued to them with them at the inspection.

Captain Latham also stated that all men must be in uniform.

TEXAN GETS DSC

WASHINGTON (UP)—The war department announced today the award of the distinguished service cross to 2nd Lt. Hiram F. Felton of Coleman, Texas.

Perseverance Of East Texan Led To Discovery Of Famous Pools

(The first in a series of articles on the Romance of East Texas, the World's Biggest Oil Field by the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Assn.)

"Dad" Joiner believed there was oil in East Texas. So he assembled a block of some 5,000 acres. He selected a location on the Daisy M. Bradford farm because by agreeing to drill there, he could obtain a lease on that tract which consisted of nearly a thousand acres.

MAJ. HERRING IS PRAISED BY COMMANDER

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Herring of Breckenridge, formerly of Ranger have received a letter from the commanding officer of their son, Major Robert Ray Herring who is serving with the Intelligence section of the Air Forces in the Pacific, in which the commander pays high tribute to the young officer.

A copy of the letter has come to the attention of the Times and is printed here so that friends of Major Herring may share it with his family.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED AIR FORCES SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER

Dear Mr. Herring: Recently your son, Major Robert R. Herring, was decorated with the Air Medal. It was an award made in recognition of courageous service to his combat organization his fellow American airmen, his country, his home and to you.

He was cited for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in the Southwest Pacific Area from June 15 to December 16, 1942.

Your son took part in sustained operational flight missions during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These flights included bombing missions against enemy installations, shipping and supply bases, and aided considerably in the recent successes in this theater.

Almost every hour of every day your son, and the sons of other American fathers, are doing just such things as that here in the Southwest Pacific.

There is a very real and very tangible contribution to victory and to peace.

I would like to tell you how genuinely proud I am to have men such as your son in my command, and how gratified I am to know that young Americans with such courage and resourcefulness are fighting our country's battle against the aggressor nations.

You, Mr. Herring, have every reason to share that pride and gratification.

Sincerely,
George C. Kenney,
Lieutenant General,
Commander.

Home Defense Troops Go AWOL

OTTAWA (UP)—Half of the 15,600 Canadian home defense troops who were ordered overseas under the government's new compulsory overseas service act, went AWOL from ports of embarkation and 6,300 of them are still missing, Defense Minister A. G. L. McNaughton announced today.

ROOSEVELT TAKES PRESIDENT'S OATH FOR FOURTH TIME

WASHINGTON (UP)—Franklin Delano Roosevelt, inaugurated today, President of the United States for the fourth time, warned that we shall have no lasting peace if we approach its commitments with suspicion, mistrust and fear.

The President took the oath of office on the south portico of the White House, while some 7,000 specially invited guests stood on the snow-sodden lawn in front of him.

Today's Russian War Map



Red forces drive the Nazis back along a twisting 450-mile front in Poland and advance to within 8 miles of Krakow and 130 miles of Danzig. (NEA Telemap.)

Rev. Dunson To Attend Meeting In Oklahoma City

Rev. Wallace N. Dunson, minister of the First Methodist church will leave Monday for Oklahoma City where he will attend a regional conference of young people's camps assemblies directors of the Methodist church.

The conference will be held at St. Luke's church and four others from the Central Texas conference of the Methodist church will attend. They will include Rev. J. B. Holt, secretary of the board of education of the Central Texas conference. Rev. Dunson will be accompanied to the conference by Rev. Warren A. Flynn of the First Methodist church at Cisco and Rev. Chief Warden of the 12th Street church in Cisco.

Rev. Dunson will be in charge of the intermediate group at summer camp at Glenrose this coming season.

Caddo Soldier Wounded In War In Belgium Jan. 3

Mrs. Cordella E. Truesdale of Caddo was notified late Friday that her son, Pvt. Melvin A. Truesdale, was slightly wounded in action in Belgium on January 3.

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Word Received From Maj Jameson With First Army

For the first time since early December, Mrs. Leslie Hagaman has received word from her nephew, Major Roy Jameson, Jr., who has been in the thick of the fight in Belgium and Germany.

Confirms Signing Of Armistice

WASHINGTON (UP)—The State Department confirmed today that armistice terms with the provisional Hungarian government had been signed in Moscow. It said that the terms would be made public at noon tomorrow.

One Full-Size License Plate To Be Issued

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 20.—Under the authority conferred upon them by House Bill 273 of the Forty-eighth Regular Session of the Texas Legislature, the Texas Highway Commission has passed an order stating that the legal motor vehicle registration insignia for the 1945 registration year will consist of one full size metal license plate to be attached to the rear of all series of vehicles with the exception of truck tractors, which are to have the plate attached to the front. All plates have black numerals and letters on a gold background.

At the time the order for manufacture of the 1945 license plates was placed with the Texas Prison System, rulings of the War Production Board prohibited any State from the issuance of more than one full-size metal license plate per vehicle for the 1945 registration year. The Texas Highway Department not only conformed with the War Production Board ruling but went further in effecting a saving in metal and paint by reducing the length of the plate from thirteen inches in 1942 to ten inches in 1945, or a reduction of approximately twenty-five per cent in area.

A new numbering system is used whereby four numerals are the most used on any one plate and there are preceded by two control letters; for example, A-A18 and A-D 9999. Under the old system of numbering, each hundred thousand over a million was identified by a letter of the alphabet and it was necessary to use seven or eight letters. Under the new system, in each ten thousand registrations, or each time a control letter changes, there are hundreds of plates with three numerals or less. For all series of plates except passenger, the type of series is embossed on the plate.

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ARTERBURNS ADD FOURTH SERVICE STAR

With the departure of Leonard Arterburn for the service of the Army Thursday, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Arterburn, added the fourth star to their service flag and there's one more son to go if the war lasts long enough for him to become of age.

Leonard left Thursday for Dallas where he was inducted into the Army and sent to Ft. Sam Houston where he will be stationed for the time being.

First of the sons to enter the service was D. C. Arterburn, who enlisted in the Coast Guard in September 1942 and is now stationed in Maryland. In March 1944, Walter Arterburn enlisted in the Navy as machinist mate third class and he has been stationed at San Francisco and is now here on leave before being sent to foreign service.

Pvt. Ernest Arterburn enlisted in the Army in September 1944 and is now stationed in Louisiana. He was home recently for a visit with his brothers, Walter and Leonard before they left for their new stations.

Leonard who volunteered for the Navy was assigned to the Army. He finished school at mid-term and during his high school days was an outstanding member of the Bulldog football and basketball teams. He was named on the second all-district football team for the year 1944.

Texas Theatres Prepare For March of Dimes

Theater men of the Lone Star state are mobilizing their forces for the 1945 "March of Dimes" campaign which starts January 25th and continues through January 31st, according to M. C. King, local chairman, who predicts that collections this year will more than double those of '44.

Last year's audience collections in the movie theaters of Texas amounted to \$214,058.13. In commenting on last year's collections, King said that fifty per cent of the money raised remained with the local chapter of the National Foundation while the other fifty per cent went into the National Foundation for use in epidemic aid, research and education. 1944 collections in 150 amount to \$75 and the local committee hopes to collect more than double this amount during the 1945 drive.

In addition, King said that there are 549,542 theater seats in the movie theaters of Texas and if \$1.00 is collected for every seat, a total of \$549,542.00 will be made available for the fight against the dread polio.

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Admits Kidnaped Ft. Worth, Tex. Baby



The pretty chestnut-haired wife of an Army officer, childless and longing for a babe of her own, confessed at Laredo, Tex., that she kidnapped tiny Mildred Louise McGill from her Ft. Worth, Tex., hotel home on January 9th and then left the baby in San Antonio. The woman, Mrs. Melba Branson, 19, above, was arrested in the border city by detectives. (NEA Telephoto.)

DOCKERY GIVEN IMPORTANT SERVICE POST

Lee Dockery was notified Saturday by J. Watt Page, Brigadier General USA and state director of selective service, that he has been named reemployment committee for the Eastland County Local Draft Board No. 1.

The appointment was recommended by Brig. Gen. Page and approved by the National selective service director.

In the office Dockery will assist in the reemployment and rehabilitation of returning servicemen and women and the work will be closely affiliated with the national program.

Aside from this work Dockery is already rendering valuable service as service officer for the Carl Bussey Post of the American Legion and of the 28 cases of families of deceased servicemen in Ranger he has personally supervised the claims of 25. These cases have been handled with dispatch and complete records of all cases have been kept.

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FDR To Join Big Three Across The Seas For Meeting

WASHINGTON (UP)—The secret that President Roosevelt's next meeting with Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin will take him "across the seas" and "soon" was disclosed last night by Senator Tom Connally, D., Texas.

Disposition Of Suspect Awaits Word From N. Y.

FAIR, Tex. (UP)—Callahan county authorities today awaited further word from Nyack, N. Y., as to what disposition to make of a man wearing a navy uniform being held here.

The suspect, arrested for failure to pay for three tires purchased here, fits the description of a man wanted in the New York town for abduction of a 16-year-old girl Sheriff W. A. Peterson said.

Peterson said that Nyack authorities told him the man wanted there married and moved his bride into the home of the girl he is charged with abducting, deserting his wife and absconding with the landlady's daughter.

A young girl accompanying the sailor-clad suspect when he was arrested in Abilene Wednesday, was being held for investigation.

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TILSIT, OTHER CENTERS FALL; REDS 200 MILES FROM BERLIN

LONDON (UP)—Marshal Stalin announced tonight that the Red Army had crumpled the north wing of the German defenses in East Prussia, capturing the great transport center of Tilsit and three other strategic towns.

Russian forces drove into the German border area about 200 miles from Berlin today, clamped a crushing pincers on East Prussia and swept westward in the Carpathians through the big transport centers of Nowy, Sack, Kassa, Prowo and Bardevo.

Soviet forces have driven into East Prussia from the south and in the north are advancing rapidly westward on the road to Konigsberg, Berlin admitted today. The Germans fell back in full retreat before five Russian armies on a jagged line stretching 600 miles through Poland to the Carpathians.

PARIS (UP)—The French First Army today launched a surprise attack in a blinding blizzard along a 25 mile front on the south face of the Colmar pocket in an apparent effort to relieve Nazi prisoners on threatened Strasbourg, 60 miles to the north.

The Germans held the initiative in northeastern France, where the enemy was sending reinforcements across the Rhine in a developing offensive resembling the Ardennes drive. The British and Americans made further steady gains in the Ardennes and Roer river valleys despite heavy snowstorms.

Field dispatches said the German offensive effort in Alsace appeared to be the second blow of a one-two counter-effort which began with the battle of the Ardennes.

At least three Nazi divisions were reported hammering at the Seventh Army's line around Hatten and just west of the Rhine above Strasbourg, with seven to nine more wheeling into attack positions on a 50-mile front running north from Strasbourg to Hatten and thence west to Bitche. A furious infantry and tank assault against the Maginot line defenses at Hatten was repulsed.

The weather again hampered tactical air operations over the front lines, but more than 350 American heavy bombers with an escort of about 550 Mustangs struck today at German supply and communications centers in the Rhineland.

The American air assault on Japan's homeland brought the panicky announcement from Tokyo of a new 460 million dollar construction program to move all government offices into underground shelters.

The program was announced as at least one Superfortress from the Marianas appeared over the Tokyo area, following up the full scale attack yesterday on the Osaka-Kobe raid said they 1 ft the great Kawasaki aircraft engine plant aflame.

In China the Japanese started new offensive, aimed at closing a 140 mile gap in the southern section of the Canton-Hankow railroad.

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The planes were reported to be part of a training flight from San Marcos Army Air Field. Names of the victims were withheld pending notification of next of kin.

THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Light rain or drizzle tonight. Sunday cloudy with rain. Rain or snow in extreme northwest. Colder in north.

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON

NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—In a fight over a poker game at Oran, Ala., last July, United States merchant seaman Albert F. McLeod stabbed a shipmate to death. Brought back to the United States, McLeod was tried before a military court martial at Norfolk, Va., found guilty and sentenced to ten years in Federal Reformatory at Chillicothe, Ohio.



There is no use becoming sentimental about this case or trying to build up any great howl of sympathy that an American citizen's civil liberties have been violated. Seaman McLeod probably got no more than he deserved. In fact, he probably got off pretty light if the evidence was as presented to the military tribunal.

DECISION to try McLeod before a court martial was made after due consultation between legal lights of the Army Judge Advocate General's division, the Maritime Commission and the Department of Justice which would have had to conduct prosecution if the case had been turned over to a civil court.

THE right of the military to administer justice in such a case is well fixed by law and precedent. Navigation laws of the United States have been written with perhaps more detail than any other statutes.

IN criminal cases in time of war, the law gives to the Army and Navy jurisdiction over all men with or accompanying the armed forces into a theater of war.

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON

NEA Sports Editor

CYRIL BUGGER of the F-24 Navy Training School in Fort Lauderdale is reading Ned Brown's NEA series, "They Bet Their Shirts," and wants some of the systems used by men who won and lost fortunes betting on basketball.

It is a strange request, especially at this time, with players possessing the courage and cash to do so struggling with gigs in Havana and trying to figure out Mexico City's distances in meters, weights in kilos and payoffs in pesos.

A way of beating the horses has never been devised. If it had, bookmakers would be players, tip sheets would be a dime a dozen and minus mutual pools would not be tracks out of business.

There are so many contributing factors in racing that practically all horse players must die broke.

DRUG ALLEN, Kansas coach, can't single out the extraordinary thing he ever saw, but the most exciting thing he ever heard of was promoter Ned Irish employing 100 policemen to keep the in-the-middle boys from laying on basketball at Madison Square Garden.

Hodges Oak Park Honor Roll For Third Six Weeks

Following is the Hodges Oak Park school honor roll for the third six weeks of school.

FIRST GRADE: High honors: Martha Ann Thompson, Tallie Towne, John Harvey Wylie.

Honors: Sue Ford, Jerry Bob Greer, Mary Louise Keener, Charles Kirk, Claude Koenig, Edward Miller, Tommy Sanders, William Steward, Thomas Sutton, Betty Sue Woods, Shirley Ann Wymor, Kenneth Cook.

SECOND GRADE: High honors: Richard Hamrick, John Hood.

Honors: Billie Don Brown, Leggett Caughey, Barbara Ann Cooper, Duke Dixon, Ray Falk, Scott Forney, Mary Ellen Gray, Billy Bell Herrington, Donald Darrell Roney.

THIRD GRADE: High honors: Jimmy Arrendale, Bill Brasia, Johnnie Gerie Carve, Betty Jean Howell, Charles David Martin, Dan Mitchell, Berna Alben Richards, Mary Jo Stie.

Honors: Frankie Cook.

FOURTH GRADE: High honors: J. L. Barnes, Madeline Bond, Stanley Harbin, Lynn Nicholson, Lida Jane Smith.

Greer Garson, Walter Pidgeon Co-Starred In "Mrs. Parkington"

Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon, the incomparable and unforgettable team which made boxoffice history with "Mrs. Miniver," "Blossoms in the Dust" and "Madame Curie," are together again in "Mrs. Parkington," as two of fiction's most colorful characters, in one of the year's lushest love stories.

Based on Louis Bromfield's best selling novel, the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film version of "Mrs. Parkington," which opens Sunday at the Arcadia Theater, marks a distinct departure from previous husband and wife portrayals of Pidgeon and Miss Garson.

Veteran actress Gladys Cooper Academy Award contender for her performance as the nun in "The Song of Bernadette," appears in the 1938 sequences as Mrs. Parkington's daughter Alice, the tippling Dutchess de Brancourt.

Moving rapidly along the road to stardom, ebullient Frances Rafferty steps from feature roles in "Dragon Seed" and "Barbary Coast Gent" into his most important part as Jane Stillman, Mrs. Parkington's independent and beloved great-granddaughter.

Tom Drake, former New York stage actor who made his screen bow in "Two Girls and a Sailor" and then went into a feature role in "Meet Me in St. Louis," shares romantic honors in the modern sequences with Frances, appearing as Ned Talbot, the accountant who disclosed a money's fraudulent stockmarket operations.

OFFICE SPROUTS GOVERNORS POSTON, (UP)—After working in the same Boston law office, Joseph B. Ely became governor of Massachusetts, Robert F. Bradford lieutenant governor, and Horace A. Hildreth governor of Maine.

Showtime Soloist



Showtime Bill To Feature Some of Topnotchers

Making further inroads into big time radio productions Interstate Theaters' Sunday "Showtime" broadcast will again this Sunday feature some of the top eth names of the country including the 3rd successive week of the Three Suns melodious, instrumental vocal combination who, besides their "Showtime" stint are appearing currently in the Circus Lounge of the Piccadilly Hotel in New York.

Featured numbers by the Three in effect for the 1944 crop.

Suns will be "Clap Yo Hands," "Circus In Rhythm," "Siboney" and "Cheerful" with Artie Dunn being featured in vocal arrangements of "You Always Hurt The One You Love" and "The Love Is Long For."

Nan Wynn is the new featured vocalist and will sing "When He Comes Home" and "There Goes That Song Again." Miss Wynn, one of the most unusual blues singers in radio today, is also known throughout the southwest for her work in Universal and Metro pictures. Currently, she is being co-starred in Broadway's newest hit show—Billy Rose's production of the "Seven Lively Arts".

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crumley and son of Olney, formerly of Ranger were visitors here Friday.

M. and Mrs. W. C. Gorman and daughter, Miss Billie Gorman, spent Saturday in Dallas.

Rep. L. R. Pearson who has been attending the 49th session of the Texas Legislature at Austin is here to spend the week-end with his family.

Proposed ceiling prices at the grower level for sales and purchases of burley tobacco of the 1945 crop are the same as those of the 1944 crop.

Statement of the Condition of the First Federal Saving and Loan Association of Ranger, Texas. At the Close of Business December 31, 1944.

Table with financial data: First Mortgage Loans \$ 38,995.51, Members' Share Accounts \$40,247.95, Loans on Passbooks and Certificates None, Shares Pledged on Mortgage Accounts None, Other Loans None, Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank None, Properties Sold on Contract None, Borrowed Money None, Real Estate Owned and in Judgement None, Loans in Process None, Investments and Securities 1,000.00, Other Liabilities 970.52, Cash on Hand and in Bank 5,949.57, General Reserves 1,094.89, Office Building and Equipment, Less Depreciation None, Specific Reserves 137.87, Deferred Charges and Other Assets None, Undivided Profits 2,593.85, Total 45,945.08

A. J. Ratliff, President

L. R. Pearson, Vice-President, F. P. Brashier, C. B. Pruet

C. E. May Secretary-Treasurer, H. P. Earnest, J. T. Harness

Freckles And His Friends



By Merrill Blosser



Alley Oop



By V. T. Hamlin



Red Ryder



By Fred Harmon



LABORERS Urgently Needed Now To Help Build CARBON BLACK PLANT At ODESSA, TEXAS By FORD, BACON & DAVIS Construction Corporation GOOD PAY 60 Hours Per Week. Time and One Half Over 8 Hours Hiring on the spot and Transportation Advanced To The Job At United States Employment Service Office 1141 No. 2nd St. Abilene, Texas

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THREE DAY PASTEURIZED LAUNDRY SERVICE NOW AVAILABLE AT RANGER STEAM LAUNDRY Phone 134. L. T. RUSHING, Owner

LAKEVIEW CLUB 2 1/2 Miles North of Cisco on Lake Road (Highway No. 23) Where everybody has a good time. Open every night at 8:30 except Monday which is reserved for private parties by arrangements. Open Sundays at 2 P. M. Plan now to celebrate the holidays At the Lakeview Club DINE AND DANCE TO GOOD MUSIC

Churches

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
(Across the street south of High School).
Wallace N. Lunson, Minister
A. J. Ratliff, chairman of the Board of Stewards.
Mrs. Leslie Hagaman, general superintendent.

Church school at 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 10:50 a. m.
Choir led by Mrs. Homer Heatley.

Women's Society of Christian

Service every Monday at 4 p. m.
Mrs. A. J. Ratliff, president.
Board of Christian Education meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p. m.
Board of Stewards meets every Second Monday at 7:30 p. m.
A. J. Ratliff, chairman.
The choir has weekly rehearsal every Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Welcome to First Methodist Church.

CHURCH OF GOD
Strawn Road
Rev. Atha Anderson, Pastor
Sunday Services
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Preaching Service 11:00 A. M.
Evening Services

Y. P. E. 6:20 P. M.
Evangelistic Service 7:30 P. M.
Wednesday Service
Bible Study 7:30 P. M.
Welcome to all

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Walnut and Marston
W. H. Clark, Pastor
Sunday School begins at 9:45 a. m. with Mr. A. W. Warford Superintendent. There are classes for every age. There will be a closing assembly at 10:50 a. m.
Morning Worship is at 11:00 a. m. with Mrs. M. Ruth Hamrick directing the music, Mrs. F. P. Rashier at the piano, and Mrs. W. H. Clark at organ. Mrs. Brashier will play as prelude, "Prayer for Thanksgiving," by Kremer. The choir will sing the anthem, "The Beautiful City." In the absence of the pastor, who is in a revival meeting in Missouri Grady Allison of Eastland will preach the morning sermon, using as his subject, "Humility."
The Training Union with W. A. Lewis director meets at 6:30 p. m.
Evening worship begins at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Clark will play an organ prelude from 7:15 till 7:30 p. m. Grady Allison will bring the evening message also.
The W. M. S. meets at the church Monday afternoon at 2:30 for Bible study with Mrs. Clark teaching the lesson.
Each evening, Monday through Friday, at 7:30 o'clock the adults and young people of the church will meet for a Sunday School Study Course.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICE
"Life" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, January 21.
The Golden Text is: "This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus 'Jesus said substantially, 'He that (John 17:3).
Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son" (1 John 5:11).
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Church school 10 a. m., with Lawrence Bryan, Supt.
Golden Rule Bible Class, taught by the pastor.
Preaching and communion 11 a. m.
Subject for morning sermon, Christ's notice of the natural things about Him.
We will begin this evening at 7:30 with the evening service. We would be glad to have all members and friends present at this service.
We take this opportunity of expressing our very deep appreciation to our friends for all the kindness shown during the sickness and death of brother Adams.

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WHEN NEW YORK WAS YOUNG
IV
"THIS financial report," said Major Lawrence, "holding up the papers, seems to be perfectly clear. Expenses didn't eat up quite all the income last month, I see. Excellent—How did that happen?"
"We were rather lucky, I suppose," said Miss Fraser.
"I see. The trustees will be pleased. I must pay the school another visit this month—say about the fifteenth."
"Oh, do come, Major. We were all so pleased with your talk the last time you came. The girls thought you were really. The new girls were surprised. They had never heard you talk before, and when I told them you were coming they expected a tight-lipped, gloomy talk on behavior, but you talked about New York, and the strange sights that may be seen right here."
The Major laughed. "Yes, yes," he said, "I'm one of those old-fashioned fellows who believe that education should begin at home. Learn your own neighborhood first—and then spread out. That's my way."
"It's mine, too," said Miss Fraser. "It's the only sensible way. You said something that has interested me very much. New York, you said in your talk to the girls, is the most cosmopolitan community in the world. Are you sure? This little colonial town?"
"Well, I'm not absolutely sure," the Major replied, "for I have not counted the people here or anywhere else, but I'm fairly certain that this little town on Manhattan Island would stand—if not at the top, then very near the top, in the list of cosmopolitan communities. At least 15 languages are spoken here."
"As many as that?" queried Miss Fraser, who seemed astonished.
"Quite. I see you're surprised,

but you don't have to deal with all classes of people, as I do in my importing business. It's a town of many nationalities. Jews come here from all parts of Europe because they are free in this colony to live their own way and practice their religion. Then there are the French Huguenots, and the Swedes, and the Italians. Even the Arabs. We have a group of them here."
"Arabs? I've heard of them," Miss Fraser said, "but I don't think I've ever seen one."
"Oh yes, you have. They look somewhat like light-colored Negroes."
"How did the Arabs ever get here?"
"They were brought by pirates," the Major replied. "Have you ever learned of our piratical history?"
"Why, no," Miss Fraser said, after a little hesitation. "Of course, we read of Captain Kidd, but that's all, think. Where there there?"
"Many," said the Major, "but I must be said in whispers only. About 50 years ago, piracy was a flourishing New York business. It prospered ever since, but it is carried on under various respectable disguises. Now we call them privateers, engaged in lawful warfare. Our privateers seldom preyed on ships in the Atlantic. Their operating headquarters were in Madagascar. When they returned to this port, they brought Arabs with them, sometimes—and the Arab remains."
"How extraordinary!"
Major Lawrence looked at his watch. "It's 'clock," he said, "and my wife expects us to have tea with her."

The Lawrence's had two guests besides Miss Matilda Fraser; they were young Charles Mason and his wife, from Williamsburg, in Virginia, who were in New York on a honeymoon trip. They were house guests of the Lawrence's.
Mrs. Lawrence came forward, smiling, to greet Miss Fraser. She was dressed and decorated in the latest fashion as it was interpreted by the socially elect of Manhattan. She wore a sacque of white silk, with an elaborate design of flowers on it. Below the waist it spread out, for she wore underneath a petticoat with whalebone ribs in it, so that it resembled a hoop skirt. The stays below and below her waist were highly acid. They were not as flexible as modern corsets, but held the figure rigid. The sleeves of the sacque were short and ended in a full of lace. Over the skirt on the sacque she had on a beautiful apron of white muslin. The apron was very fashionable.
Mrs. Lawrence's hair dressing would have seemed nothing less than preposterous to any modern woman. Her black hair was worn up straight for about six inches above her head, and was held in that position by some ingenious devices.
At that time—in 1750—there were 41 professional hairdressers in New York, and all of them were kept busy. The elaborate piles of hair affected by the women of that fashion could not remain in good order more than a week or two before they had to be taken down and rebuilt.
Mrs. Lawrence received Miss Fraser rapturously, calling her "my dear" and inquiring "the late or the late." Then she introduced her to Mason and they went to the main dining room. A maid servant in a green dress and a white apron bustled in and out of the dining room. In the fireplace a cheerful fire was burning.
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From 4 to 5:30 o'clock a group of the young man's friends were entertained with various games and at the close of the games refreshments were served to the following: Jackie Richard Williams, Desma Eakins, Laura Frances Mitchell, Louise Mitchell, Joy Harper, J. D. Harper, and Charles Franklin Harper. Mrs. Harper was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Jack Williams and Mrs. Tom Williams.

Hodges P-T. A. To Meet Tuesday

The Hodges Oak Park Parent-Teachers Association will hold the regular meeting Tuesday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock at the school and all members are urged to attend.

Mrs. A. W. Brazda is to be the speaker for the afternoon.

O. F. S. MEETING TO BE HELD MONDAY P. M.

The regular meeting of the Ranger chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star will be held Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Masonic Temple and all members are urged to attend.

ALTAR SOCIETY TO MEET WITH MRS. ERNST

Mrs. A. E. Ernst will be hostess to members of the Altar Society of St. Rita's Catholic church at her home, 815 Cypress, Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock and all members are invited to attend.

MRS. WEAVER HONORED ON 83RD BIRTHDAY

Complimenting Mrs. T. A. Weaver on her 83rd birthday, Mrs. J. C. Weaver entertained at her home Friday afternoon with a surprise party for the honored guest who has been confined to her bed for a number of months.

During the afternoon a large group of friends called and presented Mrs. Weaver with a shower of lovely gifts.

At the close of the afternoon refreshments were served to the following guests: Misses E. H. Mills, Edgar Cotton, Dorothy Walker, E. P. Mills, Colonel Braahler, Alice Landers, Ballard, W. O. Cox, E. C. Dugan, Kate Shinner, Minnie Lee, and Misses Norma Mills and Misses B. W. Burnett, Alice Weaver, Mae Weaver, Annie Weaver, D. C. Singleton, J. W. Burch and Pvt. and Mrs. J. C. Moore.

CHILD WELFARE CLUB MEETS ON FRIDAY

Members of the Child Welfare Club met Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of Mrs. P. M. Kuykendall for a business meeting.

Mrs. Saunders Gregg, president, presided over a short business session after which a salad course was served to the following members: Misses Gregg, W. L. Downtain, A. W. Brazda, Blanche Murray, J. R. McLaughlin, M. I. King, David D. Pickrell, G. C. Boswell, E. L. McMillan, Stanley McAnelly and the hostess.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Weber of Andrews left Saturday to return to their home after spending the past two weeks with Mrs. W. S. Lawson of South Austin Street.

Mrs. L. R. Pearson and daughter, Miss Mercedes Pearson, spent Saturday in Dallas.

Mrs. Oscar Chastain who is employed in the Senate at Austin is here to spend the week-end with her sister, Mrs. M. H. Hagaman.

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Following the luncheon, Mrs. Glen Simons, president, presided over a short business meeting and the devotional was given by Mrs. B. S. Dudley. The closing prayer was offered by Mrs. Raymond West.

NEW ERA CLUB WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY

The regular meeting of the New Era Club will be held Wednesday, E. R. Green, Interracial Unity will be the subject of study and Mrs. A. W. Warford will review the book, George Washington Carver by Holt. All members are invited to attend.

FIDELIS MATRONS TO MEET ON THURSDAY

The Fidelis Matrons Class of the First Baptist church will have a business and social meeting Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. R. H. McKelvain. All members, associate members and prospective members are invited to attend.



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