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Heartsease

by Elsie Glenn

At least once in a lifetime an experience vividly colors the entire being.

Such an experience has recently come my way in the meeting of Father James McClain, the new Episcopal minister and priest in Eastland, Texas. He has been called in newspaper stories "The Flaming Priest," but he is far, far more than that.

There are a few people born into the world with almost superhuman spiritual strength; born

leaders of men, and such is Father McClain.

The strength of the man is superb; his utter simplicity, his devotion to his belief, his manliness, breeding, his integrity. The most impressive thing about Father McClain is his humanness, that element so often lacking in the majority of ministers. There is something in the eyes of Father McClain that sets the soul at rest immediately; one feels that quite suddenly, one is at peace. That power, above all others, to me, sets Father McClain apart.

I had the extraordinary pleasure of talking with him for several hours. In no way does he thrust his religion upon you. His religion

But Why!



Intrepid Coast Guardsman Lenny Webb uses a paddle in an attempt to rescue a half-drowned skunk caught in the flood near Prairie du Rocher, Ill., while other rescue workers maintain a discreet place to windward. But the skunk just wouldn't be rescued.

simply pours out of him, even with out words. I felt that I was in the presence of a Man of God, and yet, that I was sitting comfortably talking with a normal man, a man who is vastly interested in people, in the community, and in all manner of mankind. His is no religion that adheres closely to a set of laws; his is the religion that deals with the pouring out of the milk of human kindness.

The most profound feeling I had with Father McClain was of utmost and utter respect. I knew in my heart that the town of Eastland, Texas, where Father McClain is to live, was doubly blessed.

I shall never forget his first service held in the community. The dignity, the complete beauty overshadowed with the ritual of his church which in itself lends a sort of enchantment to the congregation of a worshipping people. Father McClain's voice, his manner, his devotion to his God, spreads over his congregation in a magnificent display of religious eloquence that is difficult to describe. This young man, handsome, simple, filled with the goodness of devotion, human, eloquent, com-

pletely wonderful, turned to his congregation, raised his hands and in a voice calm, with belief, and with faith, said:

"May the Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ go with you now, and forever, Amen."

And my heart replied: "May His Grace rest upon thee, Father McClain, now and forever."

"Father McClain has come home to his ministry.

I, among many others offer whatever is best in me to Father McClain.

God is on his side, too.

Tom Connally To Be First Speaker In Fall Series

DETON, Tex., (UP) — U. S. Senator Tom Connally of Texas will be first speaker next October at North Texas State College in a series aimed at stimulating thinking on national and international problems.

The series, open to the public, is under sponsorship of the NTSC International Relations Club.

SUBSISTENCE CHECKS BIGGEST ITEM IN BUDGET

Monthly subsistence checks provide assistance to veterans attending colleges, trade and industrial schools or enrolled in job training were the biggest item in the 1946-47 Veterans Administration Dallas Regional Office budget.

The subsistence figure was \$34,307,867 for the 11 months of the past fiscal year, the Dallas Region was in operation, Robert C. Rice, manager, reported today. Rice said that the furnishing of all types of benefits provided veterans by Congress is resulting in an expenditure of approximately \$8,860,000 monthly in the Dallas Region.

This region comprises 51 counties and serves 270,000 World War I and II veterans.

Schools participating in the educational program were aided in helping the GI take up his education where it was broken off by enlistment, or to train for a new vocation, by tuition payments aggregating \$10,703,940 during the past fiscal year. Books and tools furnished by the training institutions and paid for by VA under provisions of the law were responsible for the expenditure of another \$1,462,982. Supplies and equipment used by students amounted to \$244,751.

Veterans of the two wars who suffered disabilities were paid

\$25,506,352 in pension and compensation checks during 1946-47, Rice said.

In its objective of guiding veterans into fields where they had the highest probability of success, VA spent \$92,115 to counsel disabled men and women and to give tests to determine proper training objectives.

The sum devoted to counseling of non-disabled veterans was less — \$41,140 — since it is not mandatory that they avail themselves of this service. Counseling, however, is required of veterans with rated disabilities.

Under terms of the law governing training, VA is required to pay for travel expenses of veterans ordered into guidance centers for counseling, or to the regional office for pension examinations. Expenditures for these purposes were \$7,000 for guidance and \$37,895 to physical examinations.

Payment of automobiles for veterans who had lost use of one or both legs, or above the ankle was another big item in the regional office budget. At the end of the fiscal year, the Dallas Region had paid \$343,005 for 216 delivered cars. The finance division earmarked \$56,000 for cars which had been authorized or not delivered, Rice said.

Other factors in the 8,500,000 monthly expenditures are fees to approved doctors and dentists who offer home town treatment as a part of VA's medical rehabilitation program; out-patient

medical and dental care; case work counseling; payment of interest for the first year on VA's guaranteed portion of loans for homes, farms and business enterprises; purchase of artificial aids, and administrative expenses.

The budget figure does not include death claim benefit payments, which are handled by Branch 10, of VA, or hospital care. VA hospitals are administered and operated separately from regional offices.

Odd Shipments Go Through Air Express Office

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., (UP) — Those working in the air express office at the Brownsville airport never know what to expect next.

One day they handle a shipment of California Orchids being sent to Mexico, supposedly for pollination, while another day they may receive a shipment of tropical fish being sent from New York to Latin America.

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29. English forest
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33. Glutted
35. He is interested in
36. Any
39. Accomplish
40. Edward (ab.)
41. Compass point
42. Exposure
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VERTICAL
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10. He is in the
11. Applauds
12. Placed
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16. Note of scale
19. Altar screen
20. Empowered
23. Reigned
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28. Grain
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Russian actress Tamara Desni and English actor Raymond Lovell are pictured as they were married in a colorful Russian Orthodox wedding in the Russian Parish Church, London. The crowns, held over the couple's heads, are part of the ancient traditional ceremony. They symbolize his becoming king, and her queen, of a family.

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BY MERRILL BLOSSER
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GOSH, YOU MEAN THE DRUM REALLY FOOLED PEOPLE?
I'M SORRY ABOUT THIS OFFICER!
JUST BETWEEN YOU AND ME, THE ANXIETY TO GET A JOB IF HE GALLOPED DOWN MAIN STREET ESCAPED LION, SOMEBODY HOLLERED, AND...
...OLD LAFE GEYER, SLOWERN A SNAIL FOR FORTY YEARS, GALLOPED DOWN MAIN STREET LIKE MAN O WAR!
I'D LIKE TO HAVE SEEN THAT!

RED RYDER
BY FRED HARMON
I GUESS WE STOPPED THE WORK ON THE SCHOOL HOUSE, CROSS?
YEAH, BUT NOT FOR LONG. NICK! HE'LL HAVE TO GET TO WORK TONIGHT IF WE'RE GOIN' TO KEEP LANK DIBLEY'S MURDER A SECRET!
CROSS GRANET MUST BE PRETTY ANNOYING TO GET A JOB IF HE CAME ALL THE WAY FROM TEXAS TO GET THE SCHOOL CONTRACT, SHERIFF?
I WAS THINKIN' THE SAME!
KNOW ANY OTHER GOOD REASONS FOR HIS INTEREST?
NO, BUT THERE'S A BAD WIND FROM SOMEWHERE!

ALLEY OOP
BY V. T. HAMLIN
YOU CAN SEE IT FROM THE HILLTOP AFTER YOU A HILE OFF SPOCK!
WELL, LET'S GO OUT AN LOOK IT OVER!
I WAS OUT THERE ONCE, BUT THE CURRENTS WERE SO STRONG I WAS AFRAID TO RISK ANOTHER TRIP ALONE!
SHUCKS, ROBIN, I THINK TH' TWO OF US CAN MAKE IT ALL RIGHT!
THIS IS THE SHOOTIN' FISH IN A TUB - WE'RE NEARLY THERE ALREADY!
IF YOUR GOOD EYES AREN'T AT THE TUBBER THAT MAKES THE DIFFERENCE!

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Well I Dunno ...

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melon eating contest on his float. Eight or ten colored boys are going to ride on the float, facing the crowd on both sides and as they approach Main street from the softball field, where the parade will form this year, the boys'll start eating. The one that has eaten the most melon by the time they reach the derrick, will be

given a \$10 prize. Think of that, get all of the watermelon you want and maybe a \$10 prize for eating it. And ice cold melon at that.

LUNCHEON TO BE POSTPONED WEEK

It was announced today that the luncheon of the Juva Alexander Grove that was to be held Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Bessie Harris has been postponed until Wednesday, July 30. All members are asked to please note this announcement.

Mr. and Mrs. James Metcalf who are attending summer school in Denton are here to attend funeral services for Tom Bryant Jr.



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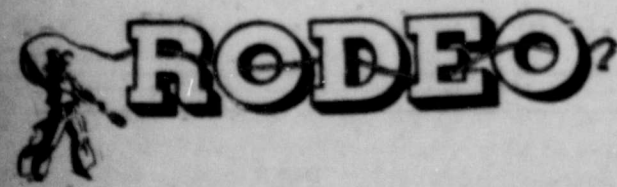
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Society-Clubs

WMU Meet On Church Lawn Monday Evening

The Woman's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church met Monday evening on the church lawn, with the Alma Jackson Circle in charge of the program.

An original stunt written by Miss June Ann Morton was given by the Intermediate G.A.'s. The stunt, which was presented by the girls at Leuders Encampment last week, won first place of the nine from the district that were entered.

The WMU program, on the theme of mission work in China, was discussed by Mrs. C. L. Jackson and Mrs. Tony Lewis. Mrs. G. B. Rush brought the devotional.

Three G. A. girls gave a report on their week at camp. Miss Betty Reuser related a complete day at camp. Miss June Ann Morton discussed the camp missionary who had just returned from Africa, and Miss Joanne Jackson told of some of the outstanding services of the encampment.

The meeting was closed with a prayer for the mission work in China and the singing of "Blest Be The Tie That Binds".

Refreshments were served from a table laid with a lace cloth and centered with cut flowers, to about 50 members and guests.

Brotherhood To Have Rally At Leuders Wed.

In connection with the men and boys camp at Leuders Baptist encampment was officially opened Monday afternoon, a special program for the Brotherhood will be held Wednesday evening.

At six o'clock a big barbecue and rally will be held on the bank of the Clear Fork, Grover C. Cole, state Brotherhood president, will

be the principal speaker. Also on the program will be the state Brotherhood secretary, the treasurer of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, the district Brotherhood president, and many others. Over 500 men are expected to be present for the meeting.

WSCS Council Program Is Led By Mrs. Creager

A council program was held Monday afternoon at four o'clock when the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church met in the church.

Mrs. W. F. Creager, leader of the program, presented Mrs. Joe Scott, who brought an inspiring devotional, "Where Children May Flourish".

Mrs. Walter Daniels gave a very informative discussion of "Children and The Law."

After the singing of the hymn, "Work for the Night is Coming," the meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting will be a joint session of all circles at which time the silver birthday party of the organization will be held.

Personals

Mrs. George Robinson returned home Monday after spending a week in Archer City and Lubbock. She was the guest of Mrs. Perry Pittman in Archer City. Mrs. Robinson and Pittman were guests of Mrs. Pittman's daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Don Small, in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Vaughn and Kay, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Reynolds spent the week-end at Possum Kingdom.

Mrs. Blanche Murray returned Monday from a week-end visit in Fort Worth.

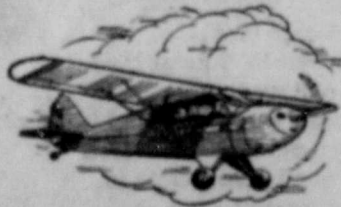
Mr. and Mrs. Abner Wright and children and Mrs. Ben Berkley and

Dark Prophecy



The newscaster catches Leon Henderson, former OPA chief, in prayerful attitude as he warns a joint congressional economic committee that the nation is headed for a price collapse such as followed World War I unless consumer buying power is increased. He spoke as a representative of "Americans for Democratic Action."

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Mystery Fire Destroys Greek Aid



When the Soldiers' Pension Building caught fire in Athens, the blaze consumed virtually all Greek aid and UNRRA records. The headquarters of both UNRRA and the Greek-Aid Mission were in the structure. Conflicting reports on casualties list anywhere from three to 11 killed in the blaze which, the government says, was set by Communists.

Irving Berlin's Song Arranger Has His Own Hit But Doesn't Enthuse

By Robert Richards
United Press Staff Correspondent
NEW YORK (UP)—It took fame 16 years to catch up with Helmy Kresa, author of the song hit "That's My Desire," but as far as he's concerned it can pass him right by.

Bands from coast to coast are playing "That's My Desire." It's on the Hit Parade. Juke boxes are blaring it. Singers are singing it. But Kresa doesn't much care.

"I'm the musical stenographer for Irving Berlin the greatest song writer of them all," Helmy said. "That's all I want. The rest of it is just so much icing on the cake."

"Songwriters keep coming up here, all day long. Let's team up, children all of Fort Worth are the guests of Mrs. Ethel Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Patterson.

Helmy, they say. But no. I turn them away."

Kresa, at 42, is production manager and arranger for Berlin. He has arranged every song the Old Master has written since "Blue Skies" in 1927.

"I wrote 'That's My Desire' back in 1931," Kresa said. "I was more ambitious then. I would have really enjoyed a hit. And I thought it was a good song. I still think so. But it died early then."

Then last spring, on the West Coast, a night club singer named Frankie Lane needed a new song. A friend taught him "That's My Desire." Frankie didn't know who wrote it. He didn't even have sheet music for it. Kresa, himself, was contentedly doing his job in the Berlin offices on Broadway. He had no idea the song was being used at all.

"One day Sid Mills, professional manager of Mills Music Co., telephoned me," Kresa recalled. "He said, 'Hey, I gotta surprise.'"

It was a recording of Frankie Lane singing "That's My Desire." "I was like any proud papa," Helmy said. "When I first heard it like that, it got me all excited inside. I darn near cried."

When a song-writer has a hit, he lives in a purple cloud. People pat him on the back and praise him. Every man is his pal.

"But it won't lure me into the song-writing end of it again," Kresa said. "I'm too contented here with Mr. Berlin. You know why? Because he's got a million beautiful songs in his head. When

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Peril of the Pulpit
CARLSBAD, N.M. (UP)—An item on the program of the First Methodist Church was supposed to have read: "The Dangers of Being a Christian"—Pastor. However, the program appeared with the sermon listed as "The Dangers of Being a Christian Pastor."

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