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March of Dimes Drive Opens Friday

Three Bandits, Three Officers Killed—

'Santa' Bandit Robbed Cisco Bank 25 Years Ago

Twenty-five years ago this week—on Dec. 23, 1928, to be exact—an explosive news event in Eastland County rocked the front pages of the nation.

It was 25 years ago that "Santa Claus" jollied his way into the First National Bank at Cisco and pulled one of the most spectacular robberies in the Southwest's history.

The pre-Christmas stick-up on Dec. 23, 1928, touched off a blazing gun fight, a dramatic one-week pursuit through the brush country and among the oil derricks, and finally the lynching of the bandit who played "Santa Claus."

The final reckoning was death to six men—three bandits and three peace-officers.

The spirit of Christmas filled the air that December day as the man dressed as "Santa" walked down Cisco's main thoroughfare. Little children swarmed about him and told him what they wanted for Christmas. He laughed heartily and patted them on the heads.

Some of the younger tots even followed "Santa" as he strolled into the bank.

"Hello, Santa," smiled Alex Spears, cashier.

"Santa" ignored him, walked briskly behind the teller's cage and began stuffing money into a sack he had concealed under his costume.

The other three bandits, who had followed "Santa" commanded all doors with drawn pistols, but one woman managed to get out and spread the alarm.

The bandits forced all bank employees and customers and the little children to walk with them from the bank. They wanted a human shield of protection.

But gunfire blazed as the robbers moved toward their parked car in an alley. Mortally wounded in the exchange were one robber, L. E. Lewis, of Oklahoma, Police Chief G. E. (Big) Bedford, and Policeman George Carmichael.

Two small girls, Emma May Robinson, 10, and LeVerne Comer, 12, were spirited as hostages into the get-away car. A posse, hastily armed, caught up with the bandit car outside of Cisco. The robbers escaped in another bullet hail, but not before they left behind the dying Davis and the loot—\$12,200

in cash and \$150,000 in securities.

The two small girls later were found huddled in the car which the bandits abandoned when all tires were flattened in a mad dash over broken prairie land.

Several days later the three robbers were cornered near South Bend, Young County. This time two of them escaped on foot, but Marshall Ratliff, the one who had dressed as "Santa" was wounded and captured by Deputy Sheriff Si Bradford.

The other two bandits, Robert Hill and Henry Helms, were finally captured on Dec. 30, seven days after the robbery. They were haggard, weak from hunger, and feverish from bullet wounds.

Helms was killed in the electric chair. Hill and Ratliff were given life sentences.

While his case was on appeal, Ratliff claimed he was paralyzed and couldn't move. His actions were so convincing that a special guard, Tom Jones, became sympathetic and hand-fed the bandit like a baby.

But the "paralysis" lasted only long enough for Ratliff to catch the jailers off guard and steal

a pistol from the jail office. He killed Jones, but was overpowered by Jailer Pack Kilborn.

That night a mob stormed the jail and lynched Ratliff.

Boyce House, Texas humorist and author and former editor of this newspaper, tells the story of the "Santa Claus" robbery in two of his books, "Cowtown Columnist" and "Hearing Ranger."

Judge George L. Davenport, who presided at the trials of the bandits, is still on the bench but will retire on Jan. 1.

Sheriff Holloway, the young assistant prosecutor at the trials, now is president of Continental Life Insurance Co., in Fort Worth.

Si Bradford died two years ago in Strawn after a colorful career as a peace officer.

Ex-sheriff John S. Hart, who played a leading role in the long pursuit, is now county judge of Eastland County.

And still standing behind the old Comellie Theatre in Eastland is the utility pole from which the mob hanged the man who played "Santa Claus" to rob a bank.

Cloudy and Cool Over County Area During Weekend

Considerable cloudiness, cool temperatures, little change in the mercury pattern of the past few days—and no rain.

That was the gist of the early Saturday morning communique of the U. S. Weather Bureau for the Eastland County area.

Highest mercury level Saturday afternoon was slated to be between 50 and 55 degrees.

Saturday night's predicted low was pegged 5 to 10 degrees above the bottom level for the preceding 24 hour period Friday night. Weathermen said the mercury would dip into the lower 40s or upper 30s during the night.

Cool and cloudy weather was forecast for Sunday, with the day's high predicted for Sunday afternoon when the mercury will rise to the mid-50s.

State's Death Toll Is Under Early Forecast

Despite the alarming death toll rapidly mounting over the nation, Texas may be headed for its safest holiday period in history, Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the Department of Public Safety, said at Austin Saturday morning.

The department earlier, in a pre-Christmas forecast, had estimated that the state's toll might reach 202.

However, early Saturday morning Texas' Christmas-New Year holiday death toll totaled only 55 who died violently since midnight, Dec. 23.

Traffic remained the No. 1 killer. Of the 55 dead in the state, 36 had been killed in traffic accidents. Nine were victims of fires, and suffocations, shooting, falls and suicides accounted for the remainder.

The official prediction was for 165 traffic deaths in the state during the holiday period.

Over the nation, however, it was a far different story with the mounting toll of Christmas holiday deaths headed for a grim all-time record.

With only one day of the extended week end remaining, the nation's auto fatality mark reached 305. Other types of accidents took 80 lives, including 37 lost in fires. Violent deaths from all accident causes numbered 385.

Traffic fatalities were running well ahead of those for the record four-day holiday—Christmas, 1936 when 555 persons were killed by auto-mishaps and 764 from all types of accidents.

The rate of highway slaughter approximated 1950's disastrous record for a shorter, three-day Christmas period when 545 were killed by cars. The overall toll for that period was 724.

The National Safety Council, which predicted a record of 590 traffic deaths for the present period—from 6 p.m. (local time) Wednesday to midnight Sunday, said its gloomy forecast now appears conservative.

The impressiveness of the nation's holiday accident death toll was emphasized by comparison with the Defense Department's most recent weekly casualty report—33 killed, 182 wounded and one missing.

John Marshall, Stephen Field and John Harlan all served as United States Supreme Court justices for 34 years.

No Arrests By Ranger Cops During Week

Seven arrests—all for drinking offenses—were reported by the Ranger Police Department last weekend.

However, since the last intoxicated culprits were locked in city jail cells during Monday's pre-dawn hours there have been no further arrests.

Six days arrestless days are marked in the department's blank police blotter, according to Police Chief W. G. Pounds.

But if activity follows the usual pattern, there'll be some bookings at gaudymen's headquarters Saturday and Sunday. And odds are that they'll be tipplers.

County's Quota \$1 Per Person, Chairman Says

Eastland Countians are urged to give—and to give liberally—during the 1953 March of Dimes campaign which officially opens here and over the nation next Friday, Jan. 2, 1953.

Mrs. J. A. Bates of Ranger, chairman of the forthcoming drive to raise badly-needed funds for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to finance the important battle against dreaded polio, announced Saturday that final plans for the campaign in this area are now being mapped.

The quota of the county, Mrs. Bates said, will be set according to the population with the final goal to be totaled on the basis of area-wide contributions of \$1 per man, woman and child.

Within the next few days, Mrs. Bates is due to announce the appointment of a corps of community chairmen who'll spearhead the fund-raising effort in their various sections and who in turn will appoint volunteer workers to assist in the worthy effort.

Mrs. Bates Saturday morning also disclosed that Eastland County suffered a huge deficit during 1952. Funds raised in the March of Dimes back in January were so slight that two loans have been necessary—one for slightly more than \$5,000 and a later grant of \$2,200. That's an "in-the-red" total of \$7,200.

The money borrowed from the National Foundation, Mrs. Bates reported, was used to finance care and treatment of polio victims in Eastland County.

"I hope the men, women and children of Eastland County will lend their all-out support to the 1953 March of Dimes drive," Mrs. Bates said. "And I'm sure that they realize their individual responsibility in this united effort against a common enemy which already has struck in our own county homes."

"By giving liberally to this campaign," she said, "we can assure funds with which to finance care and treatment of our polio victims."

"And remember," the March of Dimes chairman warned, "we never know when this dread disease may strike our own community—or even our own family."

"You can help, too!" is the slogan of the 1953 drive.

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Oldest Citizen In Eastland Is Active Worker

W. F. Grieger, thought to be Eastland's oldest citizen, is still in fair health and is physically able to operate his shoe shop, despite his 91 years.

Mrs. Grieger passed away here some twelve years ago, at the age of 84; she being older than her husband.

Mr. Grieger was born in Russia while his father, a high army officer in the German army, was stationed there to buy heavy timbers from the Russian government.

When his work ended in Russia he was sent directly to America on another army mission. Mr. Grieger was about four years old when he arrived in America. His father was German and his mother French.

The earlier years of his life were spent in the north and east, and he has worked in most all important cities in the United States.

Thirty-five years ago he and his wife moved to Eastland to settle down. He opened a shoe shop and is still conducting the business. He seems in good health, and more or less happy, and he smiled when he told the writer his friends say he will pass the century mark without any trouble.

Three children were born to this union, and they also raised an adopted child. The only living relative he knows is his son, Marcus Grieger, who resides south of this city.

Boswell Quits As RJC Head

Dr. Grover C. Boswell, prominent Southwestern and nationally-known educator and president of Ranger Junior College, Saturday morning submitted his resignation to the institution's board of regents.

His request for release from the RJC top administrative post was scheduled to be acted upon during a special session of the board of regents called for Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Dr. Boswell, a 40-year veteran in the field of education, issued a formal statement to the citizens of Ranger relative to his resignation and announced that he has accepted a position with the Texas General Land Office in Austin and is scheduled to assume his new duties there on Monday, Jan. 5.

Dr. Boswell's statement and further details will be published in Tuesday's edition of this newspaper.

Members of the board of regents of Ranger Junior College are A. E. Crawley, president, A. W. Warford, vice-president, Joe Nuesle, secretary, Morris Newnam, Carl Page, Lloyd Bruce, H. C. Henderson, Pete Brashier and Alvis Woods.

Assess \$11,581 Hunting Fines During Month

The Director of Law Enforcement said the monthly arrest report included 42 cases for hunting deer after hours.

He specific charges were hunting deer at night (35) and headlighting (7). Some of these arrests also involved allied complaints such as possessing doe or fawn deer and trespassing.

An Austin man, in one such seizure, was fined \$200 for shooting a doe and \$106 for hunting deer at night plus court costs.

Two Odessa men got equally stern treatment in court. One was fined \$125 for possessing doe meat and \$50 for hunting at night, all plus court costs.

It was \$400 and costs for a San Antonio man under similar circumstances. The court made it \$200 each on charges of headlighting and possessing doe meat.

Twenty-four Texans were fined for shooting illegal deer. Eighteen were charged with possessing doe meat, four were charged for bagging spike buck and two were fined for killing fawn deer.

Hunting from automobiles was another major source of prosecution. Twenty-four such cases were recorded in the monthly report. There were 30 cases for trespassing, 61 cases for hunting without a license, 14 for killing ducks after illegal hours, and nine for shooting with an unplugged shotgun.

Fines and court costs for the 379 cases totaled \$11,581.44, compared to \$12,875.75 for 493 cases last month and \$10,056.20 for 332 cases for November, 1951.

The Henry Hudson arch bridge in New York City is the longest plate girder, fixed steel arch in the world, totaling 2,000 feet.

Eastland Boy With Marines

Marine Private First Class Thomas O. Simmons, son of Mrs. T. A. Simmons, 1205 West Main, recently arrived in Korea and has been assigned to the 1st Marine Division.

Before going overseas he received special combat training at Camp Pendleton, Calif., and cold weather training at "Pickle Meadows", a Marine Corps cold weather training camp high in the high Sierras.

He graduated from Eastland High School before joining the Marine Corps.

Grieger Moved To Ranger Hospital

Marcus Grieger, who resides 5 miles south of Eastland, was taken to the Ranger General hospital Friday morning, where he is to undergo treatment. Mr. Grieger suffered a stroke some weeks ago, and has been in ill health since that time.

Very recently he has had a turn for the worse and it is thought advisable to move him to a hospital.

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Army Revises Promotion Rule Of Guard, ORC

The Army announced in Washington this week new regulations providing for the first time that mandatory consideration be given to promotions of officers in the reserve and National Guard.

Under the new rules, second lieutenants in the reserve and National Guard must be considered for promotion after serving three years.

Colonels which formerly limited the number of officers in each rank are abolished.

If an officer is not promoted when he first comes up, he will be considered a second time about a year later. If he fails a second time to win promotion, he will be dropped or retired.

Cisco Carpenter Victim Of Crash

Dean Martin, 37-year-old Cisco carpenter, is resting fairly well in Eastland Memorial hospital following injuries received Wednesday evening when his car left the highway and ran into a tree. Martin was returning from Breckenridge to Cisco, at the time of the accident, and was at a point some nine miles east of Cisco, when it occurred.

Passers-by called a Hammer ambulance from Eastland, and Martin was brought to a hospital in Eastland.

Robinson Dies Friday Night In Arkansas

Bob Robinson, a well known former resident of Ranger, died suddenly at his home in Bentonville, Ark., Friday night, it was learned in Ranger Saturday.

Word of Robinson's death was received early Saturday via a telegram to Dr. P. M. Kuykendall.

The former resident, a veteran auto parts dealer, lived in Ranger and was engaged in the automotive supply business for about 15 years prior to moving to Monahan where he remained for several years prior to moving to Arkansas.

Mr. Robinson's survivors include his wife, Mrs. Lillie Robinson, also of Bentonville.

Funeral arrangements were pending, according to information available Saturday morning.

Mr. Robinson, in his sixties, was retired at the time of his death.

New Area Radio Station Okayed

The Federal Communications Commission in Washington Wednesday granted a permit for a new radio station in this area.

The FCC okayed the application of Sports Kingdom, Weatherford, granting authority to operate a radio station on 1220 kilocycles, 250 watts power, daytime only.

The grant carried the condition that Gilbert Webb, a partner in the organization, terminate his employment with station KRCR, Mineral Wells.

CARRIERS WANTED

Wanted at once boys with bicycles for Ranger Daily Times routes.

Any boy interested in securing one of the routes should contact Mrs. Joe Dennis at the Times office any time.

JAMESON HEARING SET FOR MONDAY

A hearing regarding the lands of Kenneth, Pete and Pat Jameson in the area of the two-city \$1,500,000 dam and water supply of the Eastland County Water Supply District will be held in Eastland Monday morning at 10 a.m.

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Lt. Ralph Wheat Is Awarded Medal

WITH THE 7th INFANTRY DIV. IN KOREA—Army Lt. L. Ralph Wheat, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Wheat, Route 2, Eastland, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for valor in Korea.

Wheat earned the decoration while fighting with Company M of the 7th Infantry Division's 17th Regiment.

He received the award from Maj. Gen. Wayne C. Smith, 7th Division commander, in a recent battle front presentation.

Santa Remembered City's Needy—

53 Families Aided By Welfare Club

Old Man Ranger, somewhat grizzled and his western garments still bearing stains of black gold from a mad era of yore, tipped his ten-gallon and grinned broadly today. And his eyes were wet.

He was saluting a group of kind and charitable Ranger women who were using heroines of this Yuletide season, 1952.

And joining him today—filled with admiration and gratitude—were all Ranger citizens, because Fifty-three under-privileged

Poland Disappeared From Map

Poland disappeared from the map of Europe in 1815 and was not re-established as an independent state until 1919.

March of Dimes Drive

The baskets were delivered to the families Tuesday. Donating their efforts for this important task were Norman Randall, colored, David Fickrell, son of the president of the club, and three Ranger High school students, John Boyd Rash, Scott Forney and Bill Brazda.

The Yuletide gifts to the area's less fortunate were made possible by club members and many contributors. Students of Ranger High school gave eight baskets of canned goods, Hodges Oak Park School pupils contributed canned items which filled two baskets, Ranger Junior College students gave four, the Willing Workers Club of the Methodist Church contributed a basket and the Junior Department of that church also gave a quantity of canned foods. Other donations were received from individuals, several of whom requested "anonymity". Seven Ranger business firms who offered toys as well as foods, and the Retail Merchants Association which furnished bags of Christmas candies.

Pickups used in delivering the baskets were furnished by M. L. King and Premier Oil & Refining Co.

American Increase Church Tithes

The cost of living may seem to have been rising with dizzy speed—but for the last five years the tribulations to his church have been rising even faster.

This was one of the trends indicated in the annual report on church giving issued by the Joint Department of Stewardship and Benevolence of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. The Joint Department, formerly the United Stewardship Council, has issued the yearly figures since 1921.

This year's figures show that 47 Protestant and Eastern Orthodox communities reported a total of \$1,286,623,160, an increase of 10.3 percent over the previous year's total of \$1,166,443,648.

The average contribution per

member was \$34.32, a gain of \$1.99 or 6.1 percent over the previous year's per member contribution of \$32.33. The difference in percentage gain was accounted for by the rise in membership reported by the 47 church bodies.

Some trends in church giving were noted in the report this year in a study of 15 Protestant denominations which have reported every year since 1921. The report notes that between 1926 and 1934, the reported church membership increased slightly, while from 1930 to 1934 the total of church giving dropped considerably. From 1934 to 1952, however, church membership increased gradually, while giving went up sharply.

It was also noted that since 1934, church giving in these 15

bodies has generally followed the upward trend of the consumer's price index, and since 1947 has increased far more rapidly than the cost of living shown in the index. The years 1935-39 were taken as 100 for both price levels and per member church giving. By 1952, the price index had reached over 180, while the average church member's giving was up to nearly 280.

The largest total contributions in this year's report were for the large denominations: The Methodist Church, with \$268,623,814; the Southern Baptist Convention, with \$222,838,109; the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., with \$112,841,865.

Average per member contributions for these bodies were \$45.46

for the Presbyterians, \$31.83 for the Southern Baptists, and \$29.63 for the Methodists.

The largest per capita giving was recorded for smaller church bodies; the Free Methodists, with a top per member gift of \$194.79; the Seventh Day Adventists, with \$158.00 and the Wesleyan Methodists with \$142.21.

The report also classified total church contributions as benevolence gifts and congregational expenses. The latter includes contributions to such local expenses as building funds, repairs, fuel, the minister's salary.

While total contributions rose 10.3 percent, congregational expenses went up 11 percent in 45 religious bodies reporting this item—from \$934,379,811 to \$1,036,332,082. Benevolence giving, re-

ported by all 47 communions, rose from \$232,063,837 to \$249,801,078, a gain of 6.1 percent. The per member contribution for congregational expenses rose from \$29.18 to \$31.45, while the per member giving for benevolence went up from \$6.43 to \$6.66.

The share of benevolence giving from each church member that was used for foreign missions, it was noted, rose from \$1.31 to \$1.34.

The average was a long way below the per member benevolence giving for some churches. The Seventh Day Adventists topped the list with \$131 per member for benevolences, including \$30.99 for foreign missions. Next in line were the Conference of the Evangelical Mennonite Church, with \$70.18

for benevolence, including \$8.73 for foreign missions, and the Free Methodists, with \$63.99 for benevolence, including \$12.77 for foreign missions.

The church giving report also includes figures for six Canadian Protestant communions. Their total in this year's report rose from \$56,107,961 to \$59,301,870, a gain of 5.7 percent.

Total per member giving in Canada was reported at \$26.45, an increase of \$1.27 per member over the previous year. The average member's gift for congregational expenses rose from \$15.92 for the year to \$17.01, while his benevolence giving rose from \$9.26 to \$9.44, and the share of benevolence giving for foreign missions rose from \$1.63 to \$1.68.

No—Santa didn't forget.

Making Christmas a merrier one for the area's less fortunate is an annual tradition of the pioneer Child Welfare Club, a purely local charitable organization which is headed by Mrs. David D. Pickrell, president, and whose membership roll is brightly studded with outstanding, big-hearted women of the community.

The group's 1952 activity was climaxed Monday and Tuesday. The big baskets were packed in the basement of the Methodist Church Monday. Members preparing the food for delivery included Mrs. Pickrell and Mrs. A. W. Brazda, Roy Jamison, M. L. King,

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Church of Christ Schedule Given For Next Week

The Church of Christ worshipping at Corner of S. Ruak and Mesquite Streets, announces the following services for Sunday, Dec. 28th, and the week following:

Bible School, 9:45 a.m.; Sermon subject, "Thanks be to God"; 10:45 a.m.; Communion, 11:45 a.m.; Sermon subject, "Let Us

Go On", 7:00 p.m.; Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7:00 p.m.

After the Wednesday evening service the Churches of Christ of this area will meet for a New Year's Eve service. This will begin at 8:00 in the evening after the mid-week prayer meeting service and will last until 12:00 midnight. Members of the various churches of this area have made it a custom to sing out the old year and sing in the New Year. Last year the churches met in Preckenridge and this year they meet in Ranger. A large crowd is expected for this service. The pu-

blic is invited to come and enjoy this period of fellowship with us.

Brother Paul C. Witt will preach at both services Sunday, and we hope that you will avail yourself of this opportunity to hear Brother Witt. His Sunday morning class is increasing each Sunday. He would be glad to see you in his class Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. The churches hope to start a class for young people on Sunday evening on the first Sunday in 1953. This class will meet just before the regular preaching service.



TOMBOY BY ED BARCELO

THE STORY: Private Detective George Kendall has been retained by the wealthy Albert F. Sutworth to end his daughter Marilyn's romance with an ex-convict named Max Arno. Although he has been successful in getting Arno to drop Marilyn, George has made progress with Marilyn. At a dance, George sees Marilyn and while Max is paying attention to Verna Denton, George's secretary, he suggests that they should go to the dance. Marilyn already has a date with Verna Denton, but she likes George.

leading one, but now it was out and he waited silently for her answer. "Yes," she whispered, "more than Max." That shocked him. He hadn't expected that kind of an answer and he wasn't sure that he believed her. "You fall in and out of love easily, don't you?" "Who said I was in love with you?" "Aren't you?" "I merely said I liked you."

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It was a small cafe with soft lights, a neat row of booths on one side. They sat at one of the booths near the back.

"I hope Max doesn't get angry because I ran off with you," Marilyn Sutworth said. "But we'll go back later and I'll explain."

"You care quite a bit for him, don't you?" George Kendall asked. "I wanted to hear the answer, but a waitress appeared before she could make a reply. They ordered sandwiches and Manhattans, a ghastly combination at any other time, but tonight it seemed quite in order. He was conscious of sipping the Manhattan. He was conscious of her hair, the soft lights and the music from the juke box. But George was also conscious of a guilty feeling.

"I guess he thought so," she said, "but I was just doing it to get even with Dad." "Why did you want to get even with him?" "It's a long story," she said, "and I'm afraid you wouldn't understand."

He told himself that he was doing this because it was his business as a private detective, as Old Man Sutworth's hired hand. This was supposed to be part of his job, but it wasn't right. It wasn't right to try to make this girl fall for him, when he didn't mean it. But gradually George's eyes moved to gather that he did mean it. Perhaps it was the drink. Perhaps he was really falling for this charming, unexpected creature.

"I like long stories," he said, and ordered two more drinks. She started slowly, uncertain, but gradually her words took on flesh and blood and the story came to life. Her father was naturally domineering. Her mother had died when she was only 12, and they had then moved from Boston down to Seneca Springs. Everything that was done had to be done in his way. The family name had to be upheld and the path of dignity and social decorum was followed to the T.

He kissed her cheek. She didn't get mad, she didn't slap him. She just winked her nose at him. "You're mighty," she said, "but I like you, George Kendall."

"I think it over," said Marilyn. It wasn't the answer he expected, either. To tell the truth, what happened later was quite hazy. He seemed to be in the clouds. Perhaps it was the magic of the juke box, or perhaps it was the girl who danced with him. Or it might have been a goodnight kiss, that seemed to make his head spin.

More than Max... he asked. The guilty feeling had gone. It was an unfair question, a

George's conscience did not keep him awake after he returned to his hotel that night. Thoughts of Marilyn didn't either. George was tired. Dead tired. And so quite soon after turning in, he was sound asleep. He had completely forgotten asking an impersonal question of Marilyn that had sounded like a proposal of marriage.

Baptist TU Is Sponsoring Student Night

Student Night at Christmas, the annual program sponsored by the First Baptist Church in recognition of the students of Ranger who are in colleges, gives the collegians an opportunity to represent their institution and to say a word in behalf of their school. This program is sponsored by the Training Union Department under the directorship of Mr. Walter Arterburn.

The theme this year is "Christ Above All" and will be broken down into several parts with the various students taking part on the program. Many from the Young People's department will have parts and a great host of young people are expected to be present. There will be a roll call and recognition of college students and former students.

Four students from different campuses will bring various angles of "Christ Above All in College," this will be followed by special music, and then the pastor will bring a special message, "Christ Above All," as based on the scripture found in Ephesians 4:6, "One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."

There is a general invitation for every one to attend this special "Student Night Program." We are proud of our young people and the splendid work they are doing, and we want every one to know that our church has the right kind of a program for the young people of this community," is the statement made by the pastor, Rev. Ralph Perkins.

(To Be Continued)



Rev. Paul Bell To Speak At First Baptist

The Rev. Paul Bell, volunteer missionary to Honduras, will bring the morning message at 11:00 worship hour at the First Baptist Church. Rev. Bell has served as pastor of the Mexican Mission, sponsored by the First Baptist Church for the past two and one-half years. He is a student in the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, and is a graduate of Baylor University.

NOT FOR PARTY-GOERS—Fabian Nilsson, of Stockholm, Sweden, has devised a new-style door lock.

The lock mechanism, inserting the key and pulling it out again unlocks the door, which opens automatically. The inventor claims there are four billion possible combinations to which the lock may be adjusted.

Annual New Year's Sermon At First Christian Sunday Morning

"Crisis—A Time of Opportunity," will be the title of the New Year's sermon by Rev. A. Lynn Robbins at the morning worship and Communion service in the Ranger First Christian church at 11:00 a.m. This service is to be climaxed in the observance of Holy Communion. All the members and friends of the church are urged to attend this service with the idea in mind of resolving to make church attendance a regular habit during 1953.

The evening service will resume its regular schedule of activities tonight at 7:00 p.m. There will be the popular period of fellowship singing and evening meditations and the Lord's Supper will be made available to all those who have found it impossible to attend a morning service in the community.

The Church School, with classes for all ages, will assemble promptly at 10:00 a.m. and the Christian Youth Fellowship will meet at the church at 3:00 p.m.

You are extended a most cordial welcome to these and any of the services at the First Christian Church, a small friendly church where you will find a sincere Christian fellowship awaiting you and your family. Remember to attend the church of your choice this Lord's Day.

and all department and union officers and workers are expected to be present at 7:00 in the lower auditorium for the January planning.

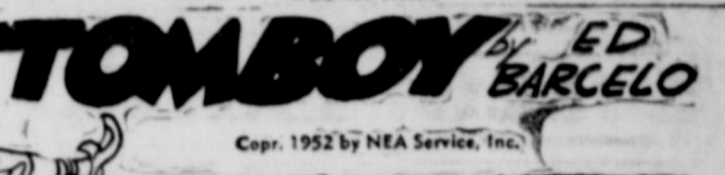
Wednesday evening at 6:30 the regular covered dish supper for Sunday School officers and teachers, and members. Followed by the outlined and suggested program for January. The Sunday School sponsors the annual January Bible study week, and this year the dates 12-16, and the book to be studied is "Philippians." The classes will be held during the evening Monday through Friday.

Skilled laborers were the biggest group of Michigan deer hunters last season. They comprised 35 per cent of the total of 382,672 persons who bought resident deer licenses.

CALL 27 FOR CLASSIFIED AD SERVICE



POLIO PALS—Douglas McQuig, Jr., 6, left, and his brother Scott, 3 1/2, are favorite patients of doctors and nurses at Racine Hospital, in Racine, Wis. The two little polio victims help each other with exercises designed to strengthen their weakened neck and leg muscles, and thereby also relieve a harried and overworked hospital staff.



TOMBOY BY ED BARCELO

THE STORY: Private Detective George Kendall, retained by the wealthy Albert F. Sutworth to end his daughter's romance with Max Arno, for so long the ex-convict known as Chief Big Bear, has been successful thus far with Arno. George, however, has made progress with Sutworth's daughter Marilyn, who seems to like George. Arno refuses George's anonymous offer of a cash settlement for giving up Marilyn. Miss Sutworth believes George is a writer who will give Arno publicity and so George meets Max in this guise. They arrange to go to a dance that evening and George arranges with Verna Denton, his secretary, to get Arno's attention so that George can talk with Marilyn.

ing in the pit of his stomach and decided that he must have indignation. He probed through the crowds looking for Verna, but she was nowhere in sight. He stood on his tip-toes and caught sight of Max Arno and the girl and he suddenly wondered what the girl saw in Max Arno. She was dwarfed by his massive arms, but maybe the cave-man type was what she preferred.

WHEN the piece was over the band declared a 10-minute intermission and the crowd dissolved to the refreshment stands along the wall. He started to move with the crowd, but somebody grabbed the back of his coat.

Suddenly, the band started to play, the lights dimmed, and couples paraded to the dance floor. George waited until Verna took Max Arno by the hand, and then turning to Marilyn he said, "Do you think you could put up with me stepping all over your feet?" "You don't weigh as much as Max does, do you?" "Not by a long shot."

"Don't move, Sherlock. I got you covered." "I went out and bought a new dress. Can you include it on the expense account?" "I've padded that expense account to the breaking point already."

"The beguiling smile came into her face again. "Then I can put up with it," she said. "It might even be a relief." They moved onto the darkened dance floor, she melted into his arms and they danced as one. She was graceful, light on her feet, and for a brief second he thought he was floating on a cloud. He hadn't wanted to hold her so close, but the floor was jammed and it was practically a necessity.

"Then subtract it from the bonus we'll get." "We haven't got it yet," George said. "Well, just lead me to this Chief Big Bear. When I get done charming him, he'll throw rocks at Marilyn Sutworth."

When the piece was finished, the band swung promptly into another. She said nothing about rejoicing Max and Verna, so they danced again. And then again and again and again and he lost all count of how many dances. Finally, he said, "Do you suppose we could slip away from here for a few minutes?" "And what have you got on that little mind of yours?" she asked, cocking her head to one side. "Well I don't know about you, but I could stand a breath of fresh air."

"I just hope none of those rocks hit me," she said, and began elbowing his way toward the other pair. "They'll clear a path when I get out there," Arno said. "C'mon, chick, let's cut a rug." He jerked Marilyn onto the dance floor, she waved bye-bye and suddenly they were swallowed up by the crowd. George had a funny sinking feel-

"Maybe I'd better tell Max." "Why? We're only going to be gone for a minute, or two." "Well—I don't see him around anywhere. C'mon, let's go." The cool night air was a welcome relief from the crowded dance floor. He lit a cigaret. "But what about your girl friend?" "Verna? I told you she was just helping me with this newspaper article," he lied. "She has that look in her eye." (To Be Continued)

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Mr. and Mrs. Ed T. Cox

Pioneer Couple To Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Ed T. Cox, 703 South Daugherty, are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary here December 28th in their home. In connection with the golden wedding celebration the annual Cox family reunion will also be held in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cox, nee Elizabeth C. Barnett, were married Dec. 28, 1902, in the home of her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Barnett of Parker County. Rev. Robert H. Oury, Baptist minister, officiated. The ceremony was followed by a wedding supper.

At the time Mr. Cox was County Clerk. He brought his bride to Eastland and they have resided here since that time. In January, following their wedding, they joined the Baptist Church and have been loyal and faithful members since. They are in their places each Sunday, (he is a choir member) and were greatly missed when they spent last summer in Midland, Mich., with their youngest daughter, for it was the longest period they had ever been absent throughout all the years. He belongs to the Masonic Lodge and Mrs. Cox is a charter member of the Order of Eastern Star.

Mr. Cox has always had hobbies, two of which should be mentioned are his writing of the history of Eastland County, which was published in 1950. Another was the collection of names, pictures and data on all the Eastland County boys serving in World War II.

Five children were born to the couple and raised to young manhood and womanhood in Eastland. Several years ago Mr. and Mrs. Cox lost their eldest son, Ed T. Cox, Jr., of high school and college football fame. Others are Mrs. Mildred Amis, Eastland; Robert T. Cox, Midland; Mrs. Mary Blowers, Brenham; Mrs. Carolyn Kilian of Midland, Mich. Mrs. Kilian will be unable to be present.

Mr. Ed T. Cox of Fort Worth will join the family here for the celebration. Grandchildren of the couple are, Mrs. Henry Marino, nee Betty Glen Cox, of Fort Worth; Dan Amis, who is with the Army Air Force, stationed in Big Springs; Bessie Lynn Blowers, Brenham; Robert, Susan and Dixie Kilian, of Midland, Mich. Two great grandchildren, Michael Marino of Fort Worth, and Karen Amis of Big Springs.

Open house has been planned for 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday. Members of the Cox family, brothers and sisters of Mr. Cox here for the reunion will also be members of the house party. They are Rev. H. C. Cox and Mrs. Cox of Stephenville, Proctor Cox and Mrs. Cox of Houston, Percy Cox and Mrs. Cox of Waxahachie; Mrs. Tom Hunt, Teague; Mrs. Don Biggers, Eastland; Mrs. Leslie Chouder, Los Angeles; Mrs. Newt McGough, Colton, Calif.

C. V. Cox, a brother of Baldwin Park, Calif., who with his wife will also have been married 50 years Sunday, is ill and will be unable to make the trip.

Members of Mrs. Cox's family, who will be members of the house party are Mrs. B. H. Collier and Mr. Collier, P. B. Barnett and Mrs. Barnett of Fort Worth; Mrs. W. D. Baker, Weatherford.

Children of the couple will be host and hostesses at the open house and are inviting all friends of the family to attend but requested "no gifts please."

Class To Meet Tue. In W. W. Mitchell Home

The January business and social meeting of the Dorcas Class of the First Baptist Church will be held Tuesday, Dec. 30, in the home of Mrs. W. W. Mitchell, at two o'clock.

All members and associate members are urged to be present.

1920 Club To Postpone Meet

It was announced today that members of the 1920 Club will not meet Thursday, January 1, as was regularly scheduled although the program will be presented at a later date.

The next scheduled meeting is for January 15. Details of the mid-January meeting will be announced later.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carr have as visitors in their home Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Steele of Vernon and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hooks of Brownwood. Mr. and Mrs. Steele are former Ranger residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen West had as Christmas visitors in their home Mrs. West's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ashcraft and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Capps, all of Burleson.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Mank and Mrs. and Mrs. Dwight Painter, all of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Surber, and Brent Keller, all of Mason and Mrs. Dorothy Harvey of Odessa were holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rudi Marschall.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Bruce Harris and children, Larry and Joan, were in Ranger Friday night visiting friends and relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Harris are former residents of Ranger and now reside in Shreveport, Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Shockey and children, Gerald and Mary Nell have returned from East Texas where they visited friends and relatives over the holidays.

Mrs. Blanche Murray spent the holidays in Cleburne visiting her daughter, Mrs. Bill Hawland and family. She returned by way of Mineral Wells and was accompanied home by another daughter, Mrs. Bibby Hickey and two children.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Matthews were holiday guests in the home of

Mrs. Matthews sister, Mrs. J. E. Morgan and Mr. Morgan in Dallas. Other guests were the Matthews' two daughters, Mrs. Jack Butler, Mr. Butler and son, Jimmy of McAllen and Mrs. W. J. Wood and Mr. Wood of Norfolk, Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Mitchell had as Christmas guests in their home, Mr. and Mrs. Billy S. Mitchell of Rockdale, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Mitchell and Bill Damon of Crane and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mitchell of Abilene.

Ralph Cooper, stationed with the Marine Corp at Camp Pendleton, California, is in Ranger to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Everheart and sons and Clyde Everheart of Lamesa, the Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Hamilton and son and Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Everheart and son of Abilene spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Everheart and Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Norman.

Mr. and Mrs. Hart of Hobbs, New Mexico have been visiting in the home of Mrs. Hart's mother, Mrs. Etura Lienn.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Maedgen and daughter, Karen Sue, of Troy, Tex., have been Christmas guests in the home of Mrs. Maedgen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson. Karen Sue remained in Ranger for a longer visit.

Mrs. W. D. Conway was a Christmas guest in the home of her son, Dan Conway and Mrs. Conway in Ft. Worth.

Mrs. E. L. McMillan spent the holidays in Strawn visiting her daughter, Mrs. Pat Hinkson and family.

Miss Ruth Hightower spent Christmas in Breckenridge visiting friends.

Mrs. John M. Gholson is in Dallas visiting her family over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. David Pickrell have as guest in their home, Mrs. Gwen Meacham of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hummel have as guests in their home, Mrs. G. A. Fyffe of St. Francisville, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Fyffe of Fort Worth.

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'Preparations For New Year' Sermon Topic At Methodist

"The Methodists of Ranger will close out the old year with services of worship, Sunday morning and evening, in keeping with the spirit of the occasion," states the pastor, Rev. Garland Lavender. In the spirit of the Apostle of old, "We shall forget those things which are behind and reach forth unto those things which are before... pressing toward the mark..." The text for the morning message is found in Exodus 34:2.

The Church School will convene as usual at 9:45 with Frank Deaton in charge. After a brief devotional of songs and prayer and a spiritual message, the classes will assemble in their respective places for continued Bible study. "There is a fine crop of teachers and helpers for each class in our Church School," states Mr. Deaton. You are cordially invited to participate in the activities of your respective class. The Children's Division, under the supervision of Mrs. Lavender, is doing a splendid work. She states that

each child in the various departments is given special attention during the class period. "While the attendance is good, generally, many of our Methodist children are not present because their parents do not put forth the effort to see that they get to Sunday School," states Mrs. Lavender.

Morning worship will begin with the organ prelude at 10:50. The Chancel Choir will sing the anthem: "O Brother Man", by Chase. The evening service will begin promptly at 7 o'clock and will conclude by 8 o'clock. This will give our people an opportunity to attend the service and have much of the evening to spend around their own firesides.

Your pastor wishes each and every person in Ranger the brightest and happiest New Year—and suggests the following New Year's resolution:

"I will be loyal to my church—Support it with my presence, my gifts, my prayers and my service."

First Baptists Yule Eve Rites Are Inspiring

The "Christ-in-Christmas" program presented by the First Baptist Church Wednesday evening in the main auditorium was a thrilling inspiration for all who attended.

The desire to get the spiritual power back into the period that Christian people use to celebrate the birth of their Saviour, was the aim of the program, according to Mr. Bill Bullock.

The program in the main was supported by the Junior Training Union department under the leadership of Mrs. E. V. Robinson.

Mr. Wilson Guest presided over the program. Mr. Bullock led in the congregational singing. Miss Carolyn Pruet was organist; Miss Betty Reuser, pianist, and Mrs. Callie Smith, soloist. Mr. G. B. Rush led the invocation and the pastor led the congregation in the "Lord's Prayer" for the benediction.

Those having a special part were: a quartet, Pati and Kaye Perkins, Jan Watkins, and Regina Fawcett. A solo by Miss Peggy Joyce Neely, accompanied at the piano by her brother, Teddy Joe. Jill Watkins, Artie Beck, Dianne Cantrell, Robert Koenig, Alex Eakin and Jim Robinson, all had speaking parts that told of the coming of the "Messiah."

This "Christmas-Eve" program will become an annual affair with the church and regardless of the day Christmas comes on, the church will have "Christ in Christmas Program."

"So many are money-mad, and pleasure-crazy, with only self to think of that Christ in Christmas is almost the forgotten-guest at the season that represents the time of His birth." Let us have our children grow up thinking about the Christ and the importance of His ministry.



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Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Hardy are in Lufkin where they will attend the marriage of their son, T. K. Hardy Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Crawford, Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Kuykendall and Mrs. James P. Morris spent Thursday in Fort Worth where

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