

Rumors that surplus war material will be moved to a central location are unfounded and remaining stocks will be disposed of at present sites by location sales, it was announced by C. B. Rucker, zone administrator for zone 5, War Assets Administration, which includes Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas. It was added that as stocks are disposed of reduction in the number of employees will also be made but not to an extent that sales will suffer nor that any community will be unable to purchase surplus property. Mr. Rucker added that these plans will be completed within the next five months and are in line with War Assets Administration national policy of selling itself out of business.

Approximately \$150,000 worth of general merchandise will go on war surplus sale at the Red River Arsenal near Texarkana December 10, 11 and 12. Location clearance officials of the Grand Prairie War Assets Administration office announced that materials at the arsenal will be lotted up to include a half carload of auto tires, a small quantity of shop tools, clothing items such as guard uniforms, overcoats, skirts, lap robes, raincoats and pillows, and miscellany such as X-ray development liquid, hard-wood snatch blocks, a blitz can, time card rack and paper boxes and cartons. Informal bidding on a non-priority basis will be conducted at WAA's sales warehouse at the arsenal from 8:30 a. m. to 3:30 p. m., December 10 and 11, with the awards to be announced at 9 a. m., December 12.

Selling surplus government buildings at the rate of 600 per hour on the last day of a three-day sale at Camp Bowie is a factor toward heading 3,000 acres of land back to agricultural uses. More than 4,000 buildings were sold by War Assets Administration in a successful, whirlwind sales effort at this well known war time army camp. Many of the buildings went in blocks of a hundred or more to Texas contractors. On the two first days of the sale, individuals had their opportunity to purchase one or more of the houses. Registrations reflected 1,200 active bidders.

Assorted quantities of safety and recreational equipment, hard ware and textiles, located at Killean, Texarkana and San Antonio, Texas, are for sale on a seal bid basis until December 9 to priority groups and commercial channels through the Customer Service Center of the Grand Prairie War Assets Administration office. Included are box lockers, tackle blocks, sprockets, barracks and duffle bags, saddles, harness, compasses, fire extinguishers, dies, winter flying gloves, shelter half tents, cotton pillows, sun glasses and many other items.

Approximately 800 tons of structural steel and glass for industrial lighting purposes will be offered to commercial channels and the priority group at fixed prices until December 19 through the Customer Service Center of the Grand Prairie office of War Assets Administration. All of this surplus property is located at Camden, Arkansas, and may be inspected at the property location.

Gets 9-Point Buck

Joe Garner Loftin, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Mitchell, recently accompanied his grandfather, Mr. Loftin of Big Lake, on his first deer hunt, and returned with a 9-pointer.

Sam Alvin Holmes of McCamey was at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Holmes of Rankin, the past week-end.

Mrs. Dave Gentry is visiting her sister, Mrs. Summy, in Mullin and her brother, Mr. Tyson, and other relatives in Brownwood.

Mrs. Wallace Gary of San Marcos spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duke Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Priest left Tuesday for San Antonio where they will attend to business for several days.



Robin Morgan, six, is one of the five good reasons for the success of "Juvenile Jury," MBS' Sunday award-winning novelty program. The youngest of five moppets who comprise the panel which consults on the problems of the pistol crowd, Robin and her cohorts answer with wit and wisdom questions asked by Em Cee Jack Barry.

State Health Officer Advises Immunization Against Diphtheria

AUSTIN.—All children should be immunized against diphtheria at a very early age, according to a statement on the subject released this week by the Texas State Department of Health, explaining that toxoid, which can be administered easily and without danger, can safeguard youngsters against this serious and killing disease of childhood.

Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, urges all Texas parents to have their children, who are not already protected, immunized at once.

"The administration of toxoid can save a child from serious illness or even death and those who have not been safeguarded against this danger should be inoculated immediately," Dr. Cox said.

"Babies should be immunized by the age of eight or nine months," Dr. Cox advised. Authorities on the care of infants recommend a first dose by the age of eight or nine months, and sometimes as early as six months. A second dose is usually given later.

To maintain complete immunity, Dr. Cox said that a reinforcing dose of toxoid is advised when a child is old enough to enter school if a Schick test reveals the need of one. Children who enter school or kindergarten this year without this additional safeguard or without ever having been immunized certainly should be protected without any further delay, the State Health Officer declared.

Vet Contact Offices Closed on Saturday After December 13

Veterans administration contact offices will no longer be open for business on Saturdays after the thirteenth of December, according to an announcement by Robert W. Sisson, Manager, West Texas VA region.

VA contact offices in this region are located at Borger, Amarillo, Childress, Lubbock, Abilene, San Angelo, Big Spring, Odessa and El Paso.

Veterans and their dependents are invited to contact the office any day from Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a. m. to 4:45 p. m.

"It is deeply regretted that it has become necessary to close the VA contact offices on Saturdays, but under Civil Service regulations our work-week has been limited to 40 hours," Sisson said.

W.M.U. Observes Week of Prayer

The W.M.U. of the First Baptist Church will meet every day this week. The purpose is to study and learn more of the needs of foreign nations, the sending missionaries and the giving of special offerings, including the "Lottie Moon Christmas Offering" which is sent each year near Christmas time.

President Urges All To Join In Fight Against Tuberculosis

WASHINGTON. — Deploring the "needless waste of lives" from tuberculosis, President Truman is urging Americans to join the fight against this disease by buying and using Christmas seals.

President Truman opened the 41st annual Christmas seal sale of the National Tuberculosis Association and its 3,000 affiliates by accepting the first sheet of the 1947 seals from Secretary of Commerce W. Averill Harriman at the White House.

Residents of communities throughout the country received seals in their mail Monday. The seal sale, to raise funds to support the tuberculosis control work of the association, will continue until Christmas.

The President's complete statement follows:

"It is heartening to learn that the death rate from tuberculosis is continuing to decline in the United States, but this fact should not give us a false sense of security.

"Hard work has forced the death rate down. More hard work, based on intelligent planning, is necessary to keep it down. We need no other reminder of this than the spectacular rise in tuberculosis morbidity and mortality in Europe when controls were of necessity relaxed during the war.

"Even in this country we have no right to be too proud of our progress. I am told that 50,000 Americans die annually from tuberculosis. Yet tuberculosis is a preventable disease and we can not relax our efforts to control it in the face of this needless waste of lives.

"All of us can contribute to the success of these efforts through buying Christmas seals. These seals, on sale from November twenty-fourth to Christmas, are the sole support of the National Tuberculosis Association and its affiliates in their year-round, nationwide campaign to control tuberculosis. We are effectively joining the fight against tuberculosis when we buy and use Christmas seals."

West Texas Gets Good Rain Over Area

A general rainfall fell over West Texas areas Tuesday night and all day Wednesday, with the weather report from the West Texas Utilities plant of 49-100. Reports from Midland and that vicinity were fine.

This rain will benefit the range conditions and help the winter grass off to a good start, as well as the small grains planted are aided in getting a good growth.

Balmorhea and Ft. Stockton also report good rainfall of .75 inch precipitation. Rain extended as far as El Paso west of here.

McCamey Test Has Only Gas In Silurian

Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Co. No. 62-D-A John F. Lane, Account 2, second deep test in the McCamey field in Upton County, had reached 7,185 feet in Montoya, upper Ordovician, lime Monday after showing only gas on two drillstem tests in the Silurian. It is 1,100 feet northwest of T P No. 52-A Lane, Silurian discovery finalized from 7,125-90 feet in 1943 after failing in the Ellenburger.

The top of the Silurian in No. 62-D-A Lane was unreported but was said to be 111 feet higher than in No. 52-A Lane, as appeared in 7 1-2 minutes and rated 150,000 cubic feet daily on a one-hour drillstem test from 6,993-7,055 feet. Recovery was 300 feet of heavily gas-cut mud. Bottom-hole pressure after a 15-minute shut-in was 1,750 pounds.

"Another drillstem test of the Silurian was made by No. 62-D-A Lane from 7,055-7,103 feet, lasting one hour. Recovery was 310 feet of heavily gas-cut mud, and 120 feet of gas and distillate-cut mud. There was no water. Top of the Montoya was not given. Location is the C NE SE 5-GCSF.

Sul Ross College Debate Team



ALPINE, Texas.—Sul Ross Debate Teams participated in the Forensic Meet held at Texas College of Arts and Industries recently. They won seven out of ten debates and tied Abilene Christian College for second place, but lost to that team on points, giving the Sul Ross Teams an enviable third place. Left to right: John Kilgore, Lordsburg, New Mexico; Charles Cox, McCamey; Freda Powell, Coach; Henry Bertrand, Jr., Columbus, Miss.; and J. T. Rutherford, Odessa.

News and Suggestions From the County Agent

By W. O. ADAMS

Grateful Texans
According to a national poll forty per cent of our families say grace at meal time. Fifty per cent of Texans offer thanks. Which fifty per cent are we in?

Annual Reports
Well, annual reports have finally been finished and are ready to mail to the state office. Now, perhaps I can catch up on some other work. This is a bundle of government red tape that must be worked out every November so we might as well get used to it.

County Fat Stock Show
Date for the county fat stock show has been tentatively set for March 2, 1948. This is two days before the San Angelo show begins. This paper will carry information on the show as plans are worked out.

4-H Clubs
The Rankin 4-H Club will meet Saturday morning in the court room of the court house. All members be sure to be present. I saw some mighty fine lambs out at Tommy Chambers this morning.

We will get the tails trimmed on all lambs during the next week.

Eradicating Mesquite
Eradicating mesquite has been simplified by the use of kerosene, and the method has become so common in Texas that contractors can be found to pour this oil on the trees for \$5.00 to \$10.00 per acre, depending on the density of infestation.

When results are considered, the kerosene-pour method in which the oil is poured around the base of the tree, is the easiest and cheapest way of getting rid of mesquite which has taken over grazing space on 55,000,000 Texas acres and is spreading rapidly north and west wherever overgrazing and misuse of land have removed the competition of the original grasses.

If care is used, a consistent kill of 80 to 90 percent can be obtained by pouring one and one-half pints to two quarts of oil on the ground around the trunk of the tree where it will soak into the soil and saturate the underground trunk and roots a few inches below the soil surface. These buds must be killed, otherwise they sprout and increase the infestation. It is necessary that the kerosene be poured completely around the trunk. A handy setup is to feed the kerosene from a drum in a pickup or other carrier through a garden hose that connects with a three foot length of one-eighth inch copper pipe. A slight bend in the end of the pipe enables the operator to reach behind the tree. A hand cutoff valve where the hose connects with the pipe is a useful means of controlling the flow. Other oils can be used such as light crude oil, diesel or fuel oil, waste motor oil diluted with fifty percent kerosene, and distillate. Choice of oil depends mainly on

Bell-Mims Rites Solemnized in Rankin

Miss Mary Alice Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bell, of Rankin, became the bride of James W. Mims, son of Mrs. P. J. Mims of Midland, in a single ring ceremony read by the Rev. Vernon Yearby, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Midland, Tuesday evening, November 25, in the home of the bride's parents in Rankin.

Marriage vows were exchanged at an improvised altar before the mantle, which was decorated with horizontal arrangements of evergreens and 12 yellow candles, flanked by floor baskets of yellow gladiolus.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a palomina dress fashioned with brown satin trim, with brown accessories and a brown, off-face beaver hat with gold braid trim. She carried a bridal bouquet of white roses centered with a lavender orchid.

Mrs. Al Owens, attending her sister as matron of honor, wore a dusty pink dress with matching pink gloves and other accessories of brown.

E. L. Stephens of Midland served as best man to the bridegroom. Special pre-nuptial selections were presented by Alberta Smith of Midland, who presided at a piano adorned with bowls of gladiolus flanked by yellow candles in double, glass holders. Margaret Mims, sister of the groom, and Bill McGrew offered a vocal duet, "I Love You Truly."

Immediately following the impressive ceremony, a reception was held for the wedding guests, which included the families of the couple and a few friends. The dining room table, covered with a lace cloth and centered with a reflector holding small bridal figurines, held at one end the three-tiered wedding cake topped with a wedding bell and at the other the crystal punch service.

Following a wedding trip to Mexico City, the popular young couple will return December 5 to make their home at 206 West Ohio Street in Midland.

The bride's traveling ensemble consisted of a brown suit with brown accessories and an orchid corsage.

The bride is a graduate of Rankin High School, attended Texas Tech, and has been employed at the Security Abstract Company in Midland. The bridegroom, a co-partner at Mims and Stephens, is a graduate of Midland High School, attended Texas A. and M. College, and served in the South Pacific Theater with the Army during World War II.

Christmas Seal Sale Under Way in Texas
AUSTIN.—Monday marked the beginning of Christmas seal month in Texas.
Governor Jester has proclaimed the period from Nov. 24 to Dec. 24 as Christmas seal month and urged Texans to purchase seals distributed by the State Tuberculosis Association for the fight against the disease.

Quail Season Opened In Texas December 1

Quail season opened Monday, December 1, continuing through January 16, with a bag limit of twelve and a week's or possession limit of 36, except west of the Pecos where the possession limit is 24.

If shotguns are used, they must not be larger than 10 gauge and must be permanently plugged so that they will not hold more than three shells. Season lasts through December west of the Pecos River, except on Mearns quail, which has a continuous closed season.

Season is closed in Borden County until 1952 and in Andrews County until Dec. 1, 1948. Trapping season also opened Monday. Only those animals classified as furbearers may be trapped. A resident trapper pays a fee of \$1.00 for a license. Predatory animals may be killed at any time.

McCamey Postmaster R. S. Guyton Resigns
R. S. Guyton, postmaster at McCamey since 1942, announced his resignation Saturday.

Assistant Postmaster R. A. Johnson has been designated acting postmaster, effective Dec. 1 and will serve in that capacity until a regular appointment is made.

Guyton, in announcing his resignation, stated that he was entering the ranching business in the Brady area. He plans to move soon to his ranch, which is located four miles north of Brady.

Son Is Born To The Elton Halls
Jimmy Charles is the name given a son born to Mr. and Mrs. Elton H. Rankin last Saturday at 7:45 p. m. Born in the McCamey hospital, the baby weighed six pounds and twelve ounces.

Mrs. Hall is the former Armedie Huffman of Rankin. The maternal grandmother is Mrs. Clara Huffman of McCamey. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arch Hall of Iraan.

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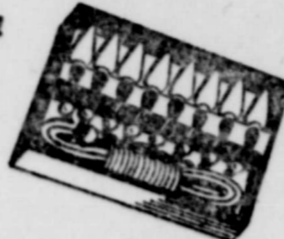
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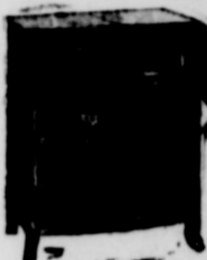
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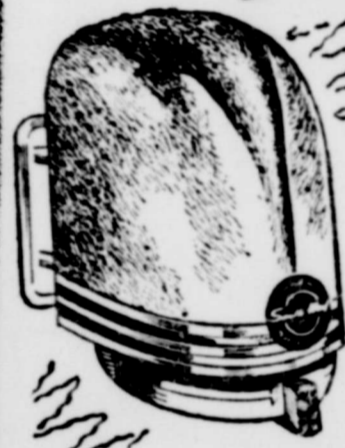
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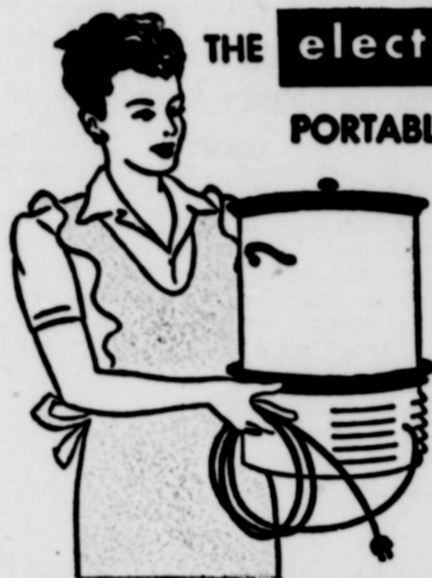
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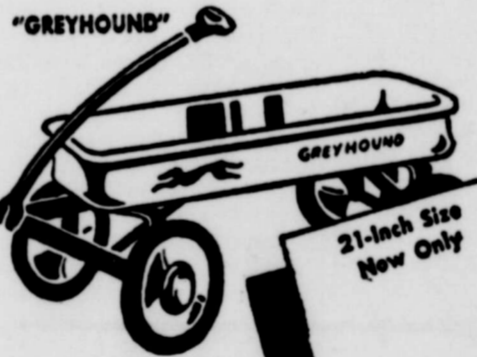


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Hendricks-Hutchison Troth Announced

The troth of Doris Hendricks and Carlton Hutchison formerly of Crane, has been announced, but the couple have not set their wedding date.

Miss Hendricks is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Parr of Odessa, and Hutchison is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hutchison, Sr., also of Odessa. The Hutchison family made their home in Crane for a number of years, moving to Odessa last spring, where Mr. Hutchison is employed by the Gulf.

The bride-elect is an Odessa high graduate of the 1947 class, and is now a student of Durham's Business College in Austin. She attended the summer sessions of San Marcos Baptist Academy the past two years.

"Hutch" as he is much better known in Crane, graduated from high school in 1945, and is now attending the state university. He served in the U. S. army for three years, and after returning home worked for the Gulf during the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Adams and Miss Mary Northcutt were visitors with the Adams' relatives in Tullia during the Thanksgiving holidays.

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From where I sit . . . by Joe Marsh

Marry Young? Marry Old?

When Jeb Crowell's daughter, Sue, married nineteen-year-old "Slim" Blake, a lot of folks (especially older ones) began to shake their heads. Young marriages! Tut, tut!

So I looked up some figures. It's true, young American girls and boys marry younger than in other countries. And where do you suppose they had the least chance? I won't name it, but maybe you've guessed. One of those countries that before the war suppressed all individual freedom and tolerance.

That's why I'm not worried about our younger married couples. They were raised in a country that respects one another's right—a country of tolerance and temperance (a lot of bridegrooms are ex-G.I.'s, and it looked to me like their favorite beverage was beer!) From where I sit, it isn't when you marry that's important. It's the all-important spirit of tolerance and understanding that you bring to marriage.

Joe Marsh

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Weekly Swing Of Southwest Markets

Southwest farm markets maintained generally firm to higher trends last week, according to the Production and Marketing Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Grain markets reached new high levels and remained strong throughout the week. Principal strengthening factors included unfavorable conditions of the winter wheat crop, short European supplies, and rapidly diminishing domestic feed grains needed for the coming heavy winter feeding season. Texas wheat closed Friday at \$3.27 1-2.

Activity in southwest cotton markets continued brisk during the week. Farmers offered freely in most sections, as prices advanced around \$7.50 per bale.

Eggs and poultry sold steady to firm the past week in good holiday demand. Current receipt eggs brought 47 to 50 cents per dozen at Dallas and Fort Worth and a little more at Denver and New Orleans. Most markets bought turkeys close to support levels. Heavy hens brought mostly 24 to 26 cents but New Orleans paid 30.

Cattle sold generally steady to 50 cents higher compared to a week earlier, the only notable exception being a net loss of 25 to 50 cents at Denver on steers and yearlings, which continued scarce at all markets. Common and medium cows brought from \$12 to \$15 at Texas markets, and \$14 to \$17 at Oklahoma City. Denver paid \$15 to \$19.50 for common to good kinds. Canners and cutters moved at \$9.50 to \$12.50 at Texas markets and up to \$13.50 at other southwest terminals.

Sheep prices rose 50 cents at most markets, and lambs gained around \$1.50 at Oklahoma City and Wichita. Good and choice lambs sold at \$22.50 to \$23 at Oklahoma City and \$23.25 to \$23.75 at Denver. Medium and good lambs brought \$18 to \$21 at San Antonio and \$19 to \$22.50 at Fort Worth.

Wool and mohair remained quiet, but some mohair sold at Junction, Texas, at 73 cents for kid and 53 for adult hair, while San Angelo paid three cents less.

Hogs lost 25 to 50 cents per hundred for the week at most southwest markets, but Oklahoma City netted a little gain. Closing top on butchers stood at \$25.25 at San Antonio and Wichita, \$25.75 at Fort Worth and Oklahoma City, and \$26.25 at Denver. Sows brought \$22 to \$25 at San Antonio and \$23.50 to \$24.75 elsewhere.

Wet fields slowed harvesting in the Lower Rio Grande Valley most of the week. Light vegetable loadings found better request but citrus demand waned. Fort Worth wholesale trade maintained mostly steady tones. Colorado onions and potatoes held about steady at principal shipping points. Colorado celery and Texas bunched carrots sold well at Denver. Few sweet potatoes moved in dull trade from Louisiana, where prolonged rainy weather hampered field work and damaged beans and other crops.

Mrs. Haralson Wheeler and daughters, Kathleen and Norma Jean, and Mrs. Ross Wheeler and daughter, Sharon, were visitors in San Angelo Monday.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR E. O. CARRUTHERS HELD SATURDAY AT CRANE

Funeral services for Emmitt Oscar Carruthers, 63, who died in a Crane hospital, were held Saturday morning, Nov. 29 at the Crane Church of Christ, with the Reverend Chas. E. Whitt officiating. Burial was in the Crane cemetery under the direction of the Spaulding Funeral Home of McCamey.

Mr. Carruthers was born in Hill county, Texas, Oct. 24, 1884.

He was an employe of the McElroy ranch for a long number of years.

Survivors are a son, Billie Carruthers of Crystal City, Texas; a stepson, Charles Carruthers of Tucson, Ariz.; two brothers, John W. Carruthers, Sr., of Sanderson, and J. R. Carruthers of Ira, Texas, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Spillers of Sweetwater and Mrs. J. T. Page, of El Centro, Calif.

Pallbearers were: Leroy Grigsby of McCamey, Mark Carruthers of Fort Stockton, Elliott Moore, Alvin Galloway, Morris Lear, Preston Lea, Curtis Cook and Jack Young of Crane.



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We finish our study today on the subject of salvation by grace through faith. We are now living in the Christian dispensation which began on the first Pentecost after the resurrection of Christ; we are subject to the same law of pardon as was delivered by Peter on that day. If we are saved from our sins, we must do exactly the same as did the Pentecostians in order to be forgiven. It is true that Christ saved some in His day by just saying: "Thy faith hath made thee whole." We must remember, however, that Christ had the power to forgive people of their sins but that he lived and died under the law of Moses. We are now living under the law of Christ and must obey it in order to be forgiven. Christ is no longer on earth and so it is not possible for people to be saved as some were during His day. Let us now turn to the second chapter of Acts and note the events of that day. The apostles had been instructed by Christ to remain in Jerusalem until they were endowed with power from on high (Luke 24:49), after which they were to preach the Gospel to every creature (Mark 16:15). In the first few verses of Acts two, we read of the apostles being baptized in the Holy Spirit and speaking in other known languages as the Spirit gave them utterance. Peter was the chief spokesman and delivered the Gospel for the first time in its fullness to a group of Jews who some fifty days previous had crucified the Christ. After hearing Peter's sermon we are told in Acts 2:37: "Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?" They believed that Jesus whom they had crucified was the Christ; they realized their sinfulness and wanted to know what they could do in order to be forgiven and appear justified in the sight of God. In Acts 2:38 Peter gives the answer: "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." The believing Jews were told to repent and be baptized and they would be forgiven of their sins. Those Jews were saved by grace through faith. God by His grace gave unto them the law of pardon. It was necessary for the Jews to have faith in God and the plan offered and to obey it fully. Man today is still living under the same law and is saved in the very same way. If he is a believer, if he will repent and be baptized for the forgiveness of his sins, God will save him. He will have been saved by the grace of God through his faith that obeyed the Gospel (11 Thessalonians 1:8).

You Are Cordially Invited to Attend Services at THE CHURCH OF CHRIST Sunday at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

W.S.C.S. To Hold Bazaar In December

The Methodist WSCS will have an important business meeting Dec. 8 instead of the regularly scheduled monthly session on the 22nd of the month, and the bazaar will be held the second week of December, but the definite date and place is yet to be announced, the committee stated at the business meeting of the two circles. They met at the church at 10:30 Monday morning, and a luncheon to which the Myrtle Van group were hostesses, was served. Eighteen were in attendance.

The bazaar is the "Our Talent" project in which their investment is to show a profit. Christmas gifts, and baked confections will be featured. On the committee are: Mmes. H. G. Bell Chairman; Mrs. Burt Barnett, and Mrs. George Crane.

The timely and interesting program for the day was led by Mrs. R. D. Shafer and titled, "An Orderly World for Children."

LETTER TO SANTA

Dear Santa: We are the little girls of the beginners Class of the Methodist church. Our ages are 4 to 6. We would like for you to bring us a real pretty doll, a doll buggy, some little dishes and all the other nice things you have for good girls. And please remember all our little friends everywhere. We love you lots. May God bless you.

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Mrs. Sam Holmes left Sunday for Temple where she will be checked at Scott and White Hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Miller have returned from Phoenix, Ariz., and parts in Mexico.

Miss Dorothy Chatman spent Thanksgiving holidays in the H. Wheeler home.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rains visited her mother, Mrs. Gunter, in Comanche the last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Harral were business visitors in Fort Stockton Monday.

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Taking advantage of the state's training offered for the crippled, Key equipped himself to be an horologist—watch maker, that is—and received his first set of tools from the state.

At present he has a good business located in the Keltner Pharmacy, and after each operation he is back on the job in a few days, catching up as he had promised.

Numerous friends stop by to chat with the personable young man as he works. No sympathy is solicited. Just treat him as you would the other fellow, if you please. The handicap is consigned to the arrears, and to greet Mr. Key is to greet one of the most cheerful in town.

His team mate is the charming Marie, employed in the pharmacy. She is a close second for gaiety and wit, but assumes the official worrying for hubby—which is utterly foolish, he thinks. Merely 117 operations! Please pass another watch. Clarence has gone through the works.

**W.S.C.S. Elect Officers
For Ensuing Year**

The Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service named Mrs. John E. Clark president for another term when they elected the roster of officers for the new year.

Other officers elected included: Mrs. C. A. Shaffer, vice-president; Mrs. Tom Bell, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. H. Davis, conference treasurer; Mrs. H. G. Bell, local treasurer; Mrs. George Chrane, secretary of Spiritual Life; Mrs. J. D. Foster, secretary of missionary education and service; Mrs. L. S. Adcock, secretary of Christian Social Relations and Church Activities; Mrs. E. F. Thompson, secretary of Literature and Publications; Mrs. Thomas Knaell, secretary of children's work; Mrs. Ella Clark, secretary of supply work; Mrs. J. N. Whetstone, recording secretary; Mrs. Nolan Vickers, secretary of student and youth work.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Pursuant to an order issued by the Commissioners Court of Crane County, Texas, in regular session on Nov. 10, 1947, notice is hereby given that said Court will receive sealed bids until 10:00 o'clock a. m. December 8, 1947, for the purchase of the old Courthouse building in Crane, Texas, at which time said bids will be opened to the Court and said building sold to the highest bidder.

For the information of the prospective bidder, it is understood that said building is to be sold AS IS, but in a usable condition.

It is further understood that said building is to be moved by Crane County to a temporary location approximately 100 feet South and West from its present location, and will be used and occupied by the county until the new courthouse now under construction is accepted by the Court and is ready for occupancy. The successful bidder will be required to move said old courthouse building from said temporary location immediately after it is vacated by the county.

All bids will be received and filed in the office of the County Judge of Crane County, Crane, Texas. The Commissioners Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated this 20 day of November, A. D. 1947.
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