

Community Christmas Tree at High School, December 18th

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IN AND OUT AND AROUND THE TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swafford of Lubbock were visitors in the Walton Harral home. His mother, Mrs. Sally Swafford, accompanied them home for a visit.

Mrs. Tyson Midkiff was called to Fort Worth Monday to be with a brother-in-law who has suffered a stroke.

Mrs. Sam Holmes has returned from Temple where she had gone for an examination at Scott and White Hospital.

Mrs. Dave Gentry returned Saturday from a visit with her sister in Mullen and visit with her brother and other relatives in Greenwood.

Miss Mary Ann Workman of Midland spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Workman.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jacobs and children of Big Lake were visitors in Rankin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Locklin and sons of McCamey were in Rankin Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Dave Gentry, and her sister, Mrs. Sam Holmes, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hodges have returned from Indian Hot Springs where they spent a month.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Harral were in San Angelo Monday.

Mrs. Ross Wheeler and sons, Charles and Bobby, and Mrs. H. Wheeler were in Midland Saturday.

Lewis Norris, a student at Sul Ross State Teachers College, Alpine, was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Wheeler Sunday.

H. M. (Dad) Roberts is reported as improving from a recent illness.

Miss Neva Rae Taylor who is employed by the Elliott-Waldron Abstract Co. of Ft. Worth, has been sent to Center, Texas, for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Taylor, Miss Maggie Taylor, and B. S. Taylor were in San Angelo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Garner of Iraan spent the week-end here with his mother, Mrs. J. W. Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Clendennen of Sonora spent the week-end here visiting friends.

IRAAN NEWS NOTES

Wayne Cummins was in Fort Stockton on business Tuesday.

New Stanolind employees are W. C. McDaniel, Jr., and Beryl Dukes, Jr.

Mrs. Buster McClellan and son of Odessa were Iraan visitors on December 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dempsey, Sr., and Mary Ann were in McCamey on business Monday.

WHAT COULD BE NICER THAN A BOOK FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT?

We have the latest editions and a wide selection. Take advantage of our lay-away plan, and pay them out by the week. A few of our selections include:

- "BRAVE MEN" by Ernie Pyle
- "THE ROBE" by Lloyd C. Douglas
- "KING JESUS" by Robert Graves
- "THE WISDOM TREE" by Emma Hawkrige
- "GONE WITH THE WIND" by Margaret Mitchell
- "THOSE OTHER PEOPLE" by Mary King O'Donnell
- "THE EGG AND I" by Betty McDonald
- "THE WALLS OF JERICHO" by Paul I. Wellman
- "TEXAS PROUD AND LOUD" by Boyce House
- Emily Post's Etiquette
- Better Homes and Gardens Cook Book
- Better Homes and Gardens Baby Book
- Good Housekeeping Cook Book
- Funk and Wagnalls College Standard Dictionary
- Vest Pocket Dictionaries
- Just received a nice selection of King James Version Teachers Bibles, and White Bibles for the Brides.

NEWS PUBLISHING CO.

Writing Contest \$420 Prizes Offered In Texas History

AUSTIN.—The Texas State Historical Association has announced a first prize of \$100 for the winner of the 1947-48 Junior Historian Writing Contest. Seventeen papers will receive awards totaling \$420.

Contest entries may deal with any topic in Texas history, but contestants are urged to work on some subject related to their community or local history. Some suggestions for topics are: cattle, trails, saddles, Indian depredations, transportation, natural history, exploration, oil, economics, political, or biographical subjects.

"Any boy or girl in Texas under twenty-one years of age may become eligible for competition," stated H. Bailey Carrol, Editor of the Junior Historian, the magazine of the Association which is written almost exclusively by young Texans.

April 1, 1948, is announced as the closing date of the contest. All interested are invited to write for further information to the Junior Historian, Box 2131, University Station, Austin 12, Texas.

"The Daffy Dills To Be Presented by Jr. Class Friday Evening, Dec. 17

A three act play, "The Daffy Dills", by Jay Tobias, will be presented by the Junior Class of McCamey High School Friday evening, December 12, at the high school auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

A well-trained cast, under the direction of Miss Ellie Schultz, speech department head, will present the play.

Odessa, McCamey Divided Cage Bill

Last Thursday evening Odessa High School and McCamey High split a first-game-of-the-season basketball doubleheader with the McCamey quintet winning the "A" game and Odessa taking the junior tilt.

Davis of McCamey racked up 11 points to be high point man as the McCamey boys defeated Odessa 25 to 23, while Nichols of the Bronchos counted eight points.

In the junior game, B. Hooper was high man for Odessa with 12 points, while Stokes of McCamey counted eight points. The score in the junior tilt was Odessa 20, McCamey 16.

Community Xmas Tree Plans Under Way at Rankin High School

Plans have been made and rehearsals are under way for a Community Christmas tree and program at the Rankin High School auditorium on the night of December 18th.

The affair is being sponsored by the Methodist and Baptist Churches, with Mrs. Tom Workman in charge of the program.

James M. Rogers New Manager of Oil Well Supply

Joseph M. Rogers has been named manager of the Oil Well Supply Company store at McCamey, K. B. Winstead, Central Midwest Division manager for the U. S. Steel Corporation subsidiary of Dallas announced today.

He succeeds Wayne B. Atkins, transferred to Big Spring as manager of the "Oilwell" store in that city. Mr. Atkins became manager of the McCamey store in March, 1947.

Mr. Rogers joined Oil Well Supply Company in March, 1946, serving in stores at Odessa and Monahan before his appointment August 1, 1947, as manager of the Denver City store, a position he held until coming to McCamey. He served with the Army Air Forces' 20th Air Force in World War II.

Personal Reminiscence Writing Contest For Young People Slated

AUSTIN.—The Texas State Historical Association has announced a special prize of \$50 in the Junior Historian Writing Contest for 1948 for the best paper based on a personal reminiscence. The winning paper will also be eligible for the \$100 prize in the state-wide writing contest. This special contest is intended to make Texans conscious of the wealth of historical material available through interviews with "old-timers" in their communities.

Contest entries may deal with any phase of personal experience. Some suggestions of subjects are: pioneer days, Indian fights, cattle driving, early politics, war experiences, or biographical sketch of any outstanding pioneer of a Texas community.

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C. S. Delaney Purchases Harlan Hotel at Rankin

Carl S. Delaney, who formerly owned and managed tourists courts at Arlington, Texas, has recently purchased the Harlan Hotel at Rankin.

Mr. Delaney, with his wife and two sons, Dillard and Douglas, 14 and 10 respectively, are now residing at the hotel, and will open the Coffee Shop with all new fixtures, including new tables, counters and all modern equipment, remaining open all day until 9:00 p.m. The Delaneys before moving to Arlington, lived at Pecos where he was connected with the highway department.

District Judge Metcalfe Quits Post January 1

MARFA.—Judge H. O. Metcalfe announced Friday that his resignation had been submitted to Gov. Beauford Jester, requesting that a successor on the 83rd Judicial District bench be named by January 1.

He said that the future resignation date was requested to allow attorneys of the district an opportunity to recommend his successor. Judge Metcalfe was appointed district judge in 1940 to fill the unexpired term of Judge C. R. Sutton, who was elected to the Court of Appeals in El Paso. He was elected to the position twice without opposition and his present term does not expire until three years from date. The district includes six counties and court is held in Fort Davis, Marfa, Alpine, Fort Stockton, Rankin and Big Lake.

Metcalfe will engage in the private practice of law in Marfa.

Joel Starnes of Fort Worth was a business visitor here the first part of the week.

Stamp It Out!



Mrs. Kitty Taylor Honored at Covered Dish Luncheon

Mrs. Kitty Taylor, who is to sail from San Francisco on December 12 for an indefinite visit with friends in Australia, was honored when Mrs. Tom Workman entertained at a covered dish dinner in her home on Saturday night. Christmas decorations were used throughout the house. The hostess presented Mrs. Taylor a corsage of bright red split carnations tied with red satin ribbon. The dinner was served buffet. Centering the dining table was a gay little gumdrop tree surrounded by evergreen sprigs in which nestled brightly colored glass Christmas balls and double candle holders held bright red tapers. Favors were Christmas lapel ornaments attached to place cards. Small tables in the living room were adorned with miniature Christmas trees.

Following the dinner, the honoree was completely surprised with a shower of personal gifts from her friends, with which they wished her bon voyage. The gifts were presented by Mrs. W. A. Bird.

Attending the party were Mesdames Clay Taylor, O. R. Adams, M. J. Edwards, Walton Harral, Dunn Lowery, Bertha Lyle and Miss Maggie Taylor of Rankin, Mesdames Travis Thomas and Kitty Taylor of McCamey, Mrs. Harry Swafford of Lubbock, Mrs. Sally Swafford of Weatherford, Mesdames W. A. Bird, Clyde Miller and D. W. Workman of Texon, Miss Mary Ann Workman of Midland and the hostess.

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Mrs. Bud Warren and daughter have recently returned from a visit with relatives in Oklahoma.

Weekly SURPLUS NEWS WAA

Veterans will be permitted to compete in the bidding on approximately 100 house-type trailers at the Fort Bliss trailer village at El Paso December 15 and 16. Inspections may be made before the sale. The bid opening, at which awards will be made to the highest bidders present, will be held at Fort Bliss Warehouse 22 at 9 a.m. Tuesday, December 16. On the same sale dates a sale of various types of military clothing will be held at both Fort Bliss and Biggs Field. Included will be trousers, shirts, jackets, coats, underclothing and shoes as well as a smaller number of bicycles, hundreds of folding chairs, some used tires, lockers, netting and pillows. Bids on this sale will be opened one day later than the trailer bids. They will be opened on December 17—Wednesday at noon. The sales will be conducted by War Assets Administration.

Plans for farm and home construction over the northern half of Texas are likely to be given impetus when the public is afforded an opportunity to buy 500 government surplus buildings at Camp Maxey at Paris, Texas, December 30 and 31. There will be no priorities, War Assets Administration has announced. The structures may be inspected beginning December 15 through 29 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Saturdays, Sundays and holidays excepted. This is to be one of those inspect-it-bid-pay and move it immediately or within 60 days sales.

Surplus war goods that cost \$3,500,000 will be sold at the General Depot of Fort Sam Houston at San Antonio, Texas, December 17, 18 and 19, War Assets Administration has announced. Inspection dates have been set as December 12, 15 and 16. Offered in this sale are textiles, hardware, medical supplies, paper products, furniture, electrical fixtures, building materials and construction tools. These items will be sold on a competitive bid basis.

Lone Star Gas Company of Dallas, as the only bidder, has purchased the gas distribution system at Camp Bowie, near Brownwood, for \$18,027.50, it was disclosed by the Office of Real Property Disposal of the Grand Prairie headquarters for War Assets Administration. Texas Power and Light bid \$34,311 for the electrical system in the same area of Camp Bowie. The systems will remain in place to serve expected industrial expansion there.

Permian Basin Area Senior Girl Scouts To Convene Dec. 12

The Winter Conference of Senior Girl Scouts of the Permian Basin Area will convene at the McCamey Girl Little House on December 12, under the direction of Permian Basin area, with Permian Area Field Executive Miss Betty Donahue and Supervisor Miss Virginia Rado, in charge, according to Mrs. Ernest Wesner, the leader of Senior Girl Scout Troop, McCamey.

Assisting Mrs. Wesner in making arrangements are Mrs. Craig Evans, assistant leader, and Mrs. J. R. O'Callaghan, committee member. They have planned the following discussion topics:

1. Reviewing the Senior Girl Scout Year, Pecos Scouts.
2. Preparing for Careers, Midland Scouts.
3. How Senior Scouts Can Help Brownies and Intermediate Scouts, Kermit Scouts.
4. How Senior Scouts Can Help Community Life, Fort Stockton Scouts.
5. Move Making Schemes Suitable for Girl Scouts, McCamey Scouts.

During registration, between 10:30-11:30 a.m., Troop 2 will serve tea in the Little House balcony. Members of the Home Demonstration Club will serve lunch and supper at the Methodist annex.

Leaders who will come to the conference with the Senior Girl Scouts are Mrs. Kermit Dyche, Fort Stockton; Mrs. A. F. Robinson, Alpine; Mesdames J. J. Black and Don Johnson, Midland; Mrs. Parker Elkins, Pecos; Mrs. Claud McCloud, Crane; Mrs. Truman Meadows, Wickett; Mrs. V. O. Lawrence, Kermit; Mrs. O. D. Whiteside, Penwell.

There are seventy-five Senior Girl Scouts in the area, among whom are Bonnie Joiner, Patsy Copeland, Daphne Thomas, Paula Osborne and Florence O'Callaghan of McCamey.

Mrs. Yeager Speaker At WSCS Meet Monday

The WSCS met Monday in the church annex for the final program scheduled for the year. Mrs. C. F. Yeager of Mineral Wells gave the Bible lesson. Mrs. Yeager is a very able speaker, bringing the interesting and timely story of Christ's birth, death, and resurrection taken from the Books of John and Revelations.

The meeting was turned over to Mrs. Yeager after the president, Mrs. Doc Adams, conducted a short business session, during which a report was given of the zone meeting held at Iraan last week. Seven members attended from McCamey. Those attending were Mesdames D. C. Burch, Doc Adams, Randolph Moore, Frank Coughran, I. L. Edwards, Leo Plumlee and Tom Fuller.

The program given at Iraan was very good, also the turkey luncheon which was served by the Methodist ladies of the church. There were six churches represented at the meeting, Ft. Stockton, Crane, McCamey, Rankin, Big Lake and Iraan. Fort Stockton will be hostess to the next meeting which will be held some time in March.

Thirteen members and the guest speaker were present. The next and last meeting for 1947 will be the combined Harvest Day program and Christmas party to be held on December 17.

Troop 7 Xmas Party To Be Held Dec. 18

The girls of Troop 7 are making Christmas presents for their mothers and for members of their sponsoring club, the B. and P. W. Club. Their Christmas party will be held at their regular meeting on Thursday, December 18. It is being planned by the committee members.

Rankin Basketball Tournament Opens Friday, Dec. 12

Supt. Hamilton Still of the Rankin schools announced this week that the Annual Rankin Invitational Basketball Tournament will be held Friday and Saturday, December 12 and 13, with eight boys teams and three girls teams competing for the laurels. Play will begin Friday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock with Reagan High (boys) tangling with Sterling City.

This year's tourney will have the smallest number of competing teams in many years. This has been brought about principally because of the Fort Davis Tournament being held on the same dates.

The revival of girls basketball in this section by a few schools marks the ending of a period of some ten years, during which volleyball completely replaced basketball for girls. Entered in this year's Rankin Tourney are girls teams from Mertzon, Sterling City and Rankin.

Following are the pairings for the tournament:

- Friday, December 12th:
- 1:00 Reagan vs Sterling City, (boys)
- 2:00 Crane vs Mertzon (boys)
- 3:00 Eden vs Ft. Stockton (boys)
- 7:00 Rankin vs Mertzon (girls)
- 8:00 Loser Reagan-Sterling City vs Loser Crane-Mertzon games (consolation)
- 9:00 Rankin vs Barnhart (boys) Saturday morning:
- 10:00 Sterling City vs Rankin "B" (girls)
- 11:00 Loser Eden-Ft. Stockton vs Loser Rankin-Barnhart games (consolation)
- Saturday afternoon:
- 2:00 Winner Big Lake-Sterling City vs Winner Crane-Mertzon (boys semi-finals)
- 3:00 Winner Eden-Ft. Stockton vs Winner Rankin-Barnhart (boys semi-finals)
- 6:00 Loser Rankin-Mertzon vs Loser Sterling City-Rankin "B" game (girls consolation)
- 7:00 Consolation championship (boys)
- 8:00 Championship (girls)
- 9:00 Championship (boys)

Sheffield News

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Shaw of Rankin were in Sheffield this week visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Donham had as their guests this week Mr. Donham's sister, Mrs. J. D. Carr of Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Brig of Saragosa were Sheffield visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Owens and John Hargrave were business visitors in Sonora on Monday.

Miss Billie Hale accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Yell to Fort Stockton Saturday where they attended the Church of Christ meeting.

Miss Pitts has as her guest her mother, Mrs. J. H. Pitts, of Langster, Texas.

Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Colvin and family of Iraan were Sheffield visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland McGhee had as their visitors Sunday, Mrs. McGhee's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Edwards, of Iraan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Merck were Christmas shopping in Del Rio over the week-end.

Miss Bettye Mitchell is building a new home on her lot east of the Gulf station.

San Angelo visitors this week were Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Sandel, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Collett, Mrs. Mamie Holmes, Mrs. Pete Campbell, Mrs. Sam Shaw, Mrs. Jess Hale.

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Price Facts

One of the most intelligent and illuminating statements on the price situation was recently given by Robert A. Seidel, vice-president of the W. T. Grant Company, a leading merchandise chain, before a Congressional subcommittee.

Mr. Seidel observed that it is commonly believed that all prices are unreasonably high as compared with a year ago. The truth is that many prices have gone down or have held to the same level. He exhibited various essential articles of apparel which now cost less than in 1946, and which are also of improved quality. Finally, he summed up his testimony by emphasizing these points:

1. All prices are not out of line. Some are up, some are down, some are the same.
2. Increased labor costs are a major contributing factor to the present price structure, and the trend of wages will largely determine the trend of prices.
3. Bottlenecks still exist which cause shortages in production and so force the prices of the commodities affected upward.
4. The cost of government has an important effect on price levels. Surprising as it may seem, government now costs the country more than the food it eats!
5. Retailers' margin have been substantially reduced, and retail trade has not retained an undue share of the consumer dollar.

Mr. Seidel spoke from a study of the facts, and the committee members who heard him were interested and impressed. The whole price problem has been confused by wild denunciations of one group or another. The truth is that prices are the result of present day costs and conditions—not of isolated causes.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

"Turrible, Turrible, Turrible!"

Ben Ryder is back! After twenty years in Capital City, Ben has retired and come to enjoy life in the family house on Maple Street.

First thing Ben does is write us complaining how Our Town has changed. "Why, there's no mud in the streets to sink up to your ankles in!" he says. "No pistol feuding in the town square! No moonshine liquor or Saturday night brawls! Nothing to do but settle for a temperate glass of beer in a law-abiding tavern!"

says, "how a town can get run down in twenty years!" And then Ben takes his tongue out of his cheek and tells us how proud he is of the orderly, law-abiding atmosphere he finds here.

And from where I sit, you can point to that growing preference for a moderate, wholesome glass of beer as one reason folks in Our Town are so temperate, and neighborly and well-behaved.

Joe Marsh

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**News and Suggestions
From the County Agent**

By W. O. ADAMS
Eggs From Laying Flock

Are you among the many who have complained to me this fall that those hens just won't lay? There could be several reasons for it, but if you have done the normal things such as keeping a balanced laying mash out, providing plenty of clean drinking water, etc., and you still aren't getting the eggs, then let's lay it to the weather we have had this fall. Up until recently, the weather has been dry with no available soil moisture for growing plants. Since the hens could not find green plants to graze on they just won't lay. Now that we have had good moisture and the weeds and grass are coming, you will probably begin to carry some eggs in at night. I planted my front yard in oats in September

and have kept it before my dozen pullets all along. Since they began laying in early October, I have averaged over fifty percent production and am now getting seventy-five percent. So I believe that green feed is the secret to good egg production.

Pruning Season
Pruning season is now at hand and will continue through the early part of February. Be sure to prune away those dead or diseased limbs; also, prune the limbs up high enough so that you or your neighbor can easily walk under the tree without losing a hat. Grapevines should be pruned so that you have four or five one-year canes left to tie on the trellis. Rose bushes should have the dead wood trimmed out and all other branches cut back to a foot or less in length. Cut the ends on all fig tree branches. This does away with the end bud and keeps it from growing any longer, thus

forcing the buds out along the branch, making many more branches than you would otherwise have. Your fig tree fruits on the branches, so it is to your advantage to have as many branches as is possible in order to produce a larger fig crop.

**Iron Lung Demonstrated
In McCamey Wed.**

The citizens of McCamey were privileged Wednesday to see a most interesting and educational demonstration of an iron lung, which is making a tour of the country under the Mobile Health Unit, in the interest of the Infantile Paralysis menace.

The demonstrator explained some of the uses of this wonder machine, the iron lung, which proved to be more wide and varied than is commonly known. Besides being used in the treatment of poliomyelitis, it is used very effectively on double pneumonia victims in combination with an oxygen mask.

Jane Morgan, the young lady on which the machine was being demonstrated, had spent almost three years in the iron lung, it was said. She was a victim of an automobile wreck which damaged her spinal column and left her

diaphragm paralyzed. The demonstrator explained that she had responded remarkably to the iron lung therapy and is practically cured.

Much praise should be given this unit for bringing this educational and inspiring demonstration to remote communities that would otherwise know only what they read in books about one of the miracle machines of our age.

Friday, December 12, 1947

**NAVY RECRUITER HERE
2ND AND 4TH FRIDAYS**
A United States Navy Recruiter will be in McCamey, located in the number three justice of the peace office, the second and fourth Fridays.

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NEWS

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By MYRNA HOLMAN
Sorry to have missed a visit with you last week but we've been pretty well snowed under with annual reports. You might be interested in some of the figures that went into that report. Here are a few. During the 10 months an agent worked in the county, there was a period of two months without an agent during the shift; 183 home visits have been made; 39 office calls answered; and 93 telephone calls. In addition, 28 news articles have been written, and 300 bulletins distributed. By the way, we have bulletins on almost any subject you like, and they are free for the asking. If we don't have them on hand, we'll be glad to get them for you.
Quite a bit of our time is taken up in giving demonstrations and attending meetings of other kinds.

For example, 39 demonstrations were given to adult groups with a total attendance of 601; 26 given to girls with a total attendance of 449; and 16 training meetings which were attended by 166 women. The agent also took part in 28 other meetings during the year, appearing before a total of 3,178 people at these meetings.

Fifty-two girls have worked in 4-H Clubs during the year, reporting 97 garments made and 42 remodeled. They also report 90 meals planned and 67 prepared and served, as well as 136 handicraft articles made. With the start that the girls have made this year and no break in the work (we hope) the record for 1947-48 club year should be much better.

Among the things reported by club women are 516 household articles added, 29 chairs and divans upholstered, 50 major pieces of furniture or equipment added. In the clothing line, they reported 1,014 garments made, 416 remodeled, and 23 garments dyed at home. That's about enough figures for one time, we think.

Looking Ahead
Three Christmas parties are planned by home demonstration

club women and girls for the coming week. First on schedule will be a party for 1947 and 1948 council members at the home of Mrs. Fred Gibson on Tuesday afternoon. Then comes a joint Christmas party of all three home demonstration clubs to be at the Methodist Church Annex on Thursday afternoon, December 18. Each club member will bring a gift for exchange. Mrs. T. L. Fuller is chairman of the committee in charge of preparations for the event. We're wagering it will be a good one.

The McCamey 4-H Club Girls are planning their party for Saturday afternoon, December 20th. Rankin 4-H Club Girls held their party on Thursday night of this week.

VFW Attend District Convention In Pecos

V.F.W. and Auxiliary members attended District 25 Convention in Pecos December 6 and 7th. Entertainment featured a barbecue and dance Saturday night. Those attending from McCamey were Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jones.

Sunday morning V.F.W. memorial services were held at the Baptist Church at 11:00 a.m. A joint meeting was held at 2:00 o'clock with District Commander Jack Gore, in charge. Meetings for each organization were held from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Those attending Sunday were Mmes. Burley McCollum, C. L. Eddleman, Gunnels and Williams, and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jones.

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A large gallery witnessed the

important event which went over the air waves via station KECK through the courtesy of Crane firms and organizations. Overcast skies and moderate temperature were playing advantages but the grid was soggy from recent rains.

Coordination was the key to victory for the team. Laurels went to all, but halfback Dwain Stacy and Frank Waller, left end, chose the day for their fine and fanciest playing of the season. Stacy, 150 pounder, was the whirling dervish on seven to 63 yard runs that counted four touchdowns for the Cranes.

Waller, who managed to be in the right places at the right times, made the first score for the locals when he blocked Eagle halfback

Joe Russell's punt on the 8-yard line, carrying it over the goal line. Billy Ray Collins kicked the conversion point that made the 7-0 in the first period. Collins booted five of the attempted extra points. Hard-playing Toots Mathis, fullback, scored the touch in the second quarter through laboring under handicap of an injured shoulder. Waller concluded the touchdown episode late in the fourth with a 15-yard trek to score standing up.

A nullified score of the Eagles was breath-taking for a few moments. In the waning finale of the melee, fullback Jack Harrell pitched an aerial to quarterback Robert Dishman that connected for 37 yards and the touchdown which was called back with a backfield in motion penalty. Edwin Smith, right guard for the visitors, was outstanding on the defensive.



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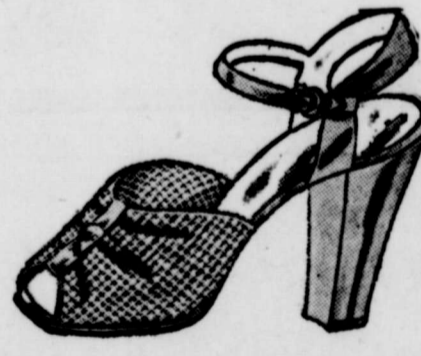


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CRANE NEWS NOTES

H. K. Hare of Odessa was admitted to the local hospital due to appendicitis Wednesday.

Sam Dawney was hospitalized with a dislocated shoulder sustained at work early Wednesday.

J. W. Smallwood of Odessa was brought to the Robinson Hospital Wednesday suffering a heart attack. His condition was reported favorable late Wednesday.

Mrs. Davis and baby were dismissed from the hospital Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Webb and son returned from Gorman late Monday after staying there while Mr. Webb underwent an operation.

J. F. Branam was a first of the week visitor in San Angelo for a hospital checkup.

A daughter was born Tuesday afternoon at 2:45 to Mrs. Raymond Willingham at the Robinson Hospital. She weighed eight pounds, five ounces.

Mrs. Dillon Perry, formerly of Crane, is reported seriously ill in Hobbs.

Mrs. F. D. Davis has named her new son Charles Davis. He was born at the Robinson Hospital December 5, and weighed six pounds, 14 1/2 ounces.

Mrs. Revell and baby of McCamey were dismissed from the Robinson Hospital Friday.

Mrs. J. C. Guyton was admitted to the hospital Monday morning.

Mrs. V. M. Stacy is in the Milling's Hospital of Mineral Wells for treatment.

Out-of-state guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Huffman have returned to their respective homes. Mrs. Huffman's sister, Mrs. Mabel E. Lowery of Ann Arbor, Mich., left from Odessa Wednesday morning after spending the night there. She visited a month here and was the object of tea and luncheon courtesies. The other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Milt O'Brien and daughter, Sharon, and Thomas Lawless, Californians.



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