

Putnam News

By J. S. YEAGER

Mrs. W. A. Ramsey went to Abilene to a specialist where she had minor operation performed on her eyes Thursday. She is recovering nicely.

Mrs. Will Everett reported she had a letter from her father in Memphis, Tenn., and they were both with cases of flu, but were recovering at the time of writing.

Edward King was out over the weekend visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete King, McElroy Rancie, and Oil Company has purchased a lease and drilling a well on the W. A. Ramsey tract of land of about 600 acres east of town. They expect drill to the Ellenburger unless they strike out before reaching that formation. They were drilling at 600 feet Monday.

Mrs. Tom Butler has been in the Mahan County Hospital at Baird the past several days.

Mrs. T. L. Hamlin has returned from Cross Plains where she had been visiting with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Long, Jr.

Mrs. Ida Rogers has been ill at home here for the past week and is reported to be recovering.

Mrs. Charlie Brown of the Deans community was in Putnam Tuesday and reported her niece, Susan Sue Gregory, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gregory, Dallas was killed when a gas door fell on her the first of the week. They returned to Putnam Saturday.

Mrs. Roma McIntire of Sweetwater spent the weekend visiting at her parents in the Union community, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Burroughs.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wirt spent the past weekend in Glen Rose along with his parents and mother, who is 96 years old and an aunt, 92 years old, returned to Putnam the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman and Mrs. A. J. Hurst were visiting in Cross Plains Tuesday night.

G. G. Mobley, commissioner, was conducting business in Baird on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. T. H. Hewes and Gus Black of the Atwell community were in Putnam Thursday afternoon. Mr. Hewes is talking about conditions in that area and how they are being improved, but the acreage for peanuts had been cut until there will be too many peanuts planted.

It is said as far as wheat was concerned he would plant just what he wanted to plant, regardless of government program.

E. C. Chrisman, County Superintendent and candidate for reelection, was in Putnam circulation among the voters in Putnam Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Earl Rutherford, who has been confined in the Callahan County Hospital for several weeks, returned home where she is recovering nicely since her return.

Robert Buchanan was through Putnam a few days ago visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Buchanan, and while here he had his subscription up for another year.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Balderice and Mrs. W. M. Tatom and C. L. Rushen attended the District Workers' Conference at Abilene Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Isenhour were visitors in Baird Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Isenhour was circulating the cattleman of Baird.

Douglas Fry and son were in the Ranch near Dothan on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Overton of Sweetwater was here over the weekend visiting with her father, Mr. Butler.

Miss Mildred Yeager of Dallas was here visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yeager, over the weekend.

Mrs. Stewart Bentley of the Zion Community and Mrs. Lum Smith of Cross Plains were visiting in the home of J. A. Reid, her father, the past week.

Jack Reid, a grandson of J. A. Reid, was here Thursday on route to Stanton where he expects to take his future home.

Misses Margaret and Billie Hailey, students of North Texas State College, Denton, are expected to spend the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hailey of this family.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Huestis, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Huestis, went to Big Spring today for a visit with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Anderson.



BORN TO POLIO VICTIM—Girl triplets, born in Long Branch, N.J., to a 30-year-old mother recovering from polio, are held by nurse Elizabeth Nelson and Dr. Edward Surowiec. The mother, Mrs. Fred W. Warnke is the wife of a dentist and mother of two other children. The first of the triplets was delivered naturally and the other two by Caesarean section.

Local Boxers To Fight Abilene Team Saturday

A twenty bout card has been arranged for local boxing fans Saturday night at the Community Gym. It was reported by Wayne Hayes, who has coached the Cisco team in getting ready for the Abilene K of C ring warriors who will visit Cisco for the first of a series of fights between the two teams.

Bill Tabor of Cisco and Joe Neal of Abilene will be featured in the main event. Tabor is one of Cisco's leading fighters and Neal is the leading lightweight of the Abilene area. Another bout of interest will be between Wayne Hayes of the local team and Abilene's Lacy Boles. They are middleweights.

Another bout of 136-pounders that should be a top battle is scheduled between Lonnie Crosby of Cisco Junior College and Red Girth of Ranger.

Representing Cisco will be Tabor, Hayes, Crosby, and possibly Willis Black of Cisco Junior College; Ben Tabor, Sonny Bosworth, Bobby Black, and Roy Gallagher of Cisco High School.

Snuffy Morales of Breckenridge and ten members of the Weatherford team as well as the Abilene team and possibly two additional Ranger fighters have announced the intention of participating in the bouts.

The Cisco team under the management of Hayes plans fights every two weeks, with bouts to be staged in the local gym once a month. The boys have been working out most of the winter and are in fine condition.

Bill Boles of Abilene will be the second man in the ring for the visiting battlers. Boles has coached many Golden Gloves winners in Abilene and always can be counted on for a good showing.

The bouts are being sponsored by the Cisco Junior College Athletic Department. First fight will start at 8:30 p. m.

Cisco Collegian Has Good Grade Record

Don Compton of Cisco was one of several students who made 30 or more grade points during the fall semester of 1949-50 at Tarleton State College, Stephenville.

Compton, who is majoring in vocational agriculture education, made a total of 33 grade points.

A student receives one grade point per unit of work taken if he makes a C, two grade points if he makes B, and three if he makes an A. Thus a student taking 16 units of work has a possibility of making a total of 48 grade points.

Local Man Hurt In Ranger Mishap

H. B. Stephens, 42, of Cisco was in a serious condition in a Ranger hospital Friday after suffering undetermined injuries in an accident at the Lone Star plant in Ranger earlier in the day.

Stephens, who is an employee of Lone Star, was hurt when he fell from a ladder while at work at the Ranger plant. Hospital attendants reported that he was suffering from back and other injuries.

After preliminary examination it was decided to call a specialist from Dallas for consultation.

Stephens lives at 207 East 17th Street. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Stephens of Cisco. His wife and father were at his bedside Friday.

Cub Scouts To Be Honored At Dinner

M. M. Hart's Cub Scout Pack 27 will be honored at the annual Blue and Gold banquet which will be held at the First Presbyterian Church at 6 p. m. tonight.

The pack has been working for about three weeks in preparing for the affair and an excellent program has been lined up for the evening. The parents of the cubs were invited to attend and bring a covered dish.

The theme for the program is to be "Crusades to Strengthen the Arm of Liberty."

Mr. and Mrs. Don Morrison and their small son of Throckmorton are expected here for a week end visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Farley.

Wesley Church To Honor Laymen

Pat Miller, Eastland layman, will be the guest speaker at the morning worship hour at the Wesley Methodist Church at 11 a. m. Sunday, Rev. C. A. Warden announced Friday.

The talk will be a part of a special program honoring laymen in the observance of Laymen's Day.

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Moran Class To Present Comedy

The Junior Class of Moran High School will present a three act comedy entitled "Aunt Martha Marches On," Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 7:30 p. m. in the high school auditorium there.

The play takes place in a small Eastern town in the home of Aunt Martha Manners and the situations which arise can only be enjoyed by attendance, stated Mrs. C. W. Ellis, director of the play.

The cast of characters includes: Aunt Martha Manners, Polly Johnson; Gilbert Hanson, Harold Wilbanks; Paula Hanson, Barbara Brooks; Felix Burton, Billy Davis; Austin Burton, Don Bowen; Nancy Burton, Patsy Fite; Mrs. Elvira Thompson, Mary Eubank; Annette Thompson, Janice McQueen; Mrs. Rhoda Pitts, Sue Hamilton; Miss Lena Cummings, Vera Mae Morris; Katie, El Ruth Bankston; Titus Timmons, Oma Wagley, Jr.

The play is by Charles George and will be produced in Moran by special arrangement with T. S. Denison & Co., Minneapolis.

Two Women Hurt In Auto Mishap

Two Eastland women received minor injuries Thursday night when their car left the pavement and overturned just east of Cisco on U. S. Highway 80.

Mrs. Ruth Murry and Mrs. Ruby Falls received treatment for shock and bruises in Graham Hospital and were released to return to their homes.

Investigating officers reported that the automobile in which the two women were riding received extensive damage.

Miss Elizabeth McCracken has moved her Elite Beauty Shoppe to her new location on Ave. E across the street from Commercial Printing Co. Assisting Miss McCracken are Mrs. Otho Reynolds and Mrs. Marie Hunterman. The building has been completely redecorated since Miss McCracken purchased the property. Also located in a separate part of the building will be the Gift Shop, owned by Mrs. George P. Fee.

Mrs. W. T. Watts has returned from a visit in Comanche with relatives for several days.

Citizens Group Agrees Imports Economy Threat

AUSTIN, Feb. 23 — Representatives of every segment of the Texas economy, meeting Wednesday in Austin at the request of Railroad Commissioner William J. Murray, Jr., to consider the problem of petroleum imports, lost no time in reaching unanimous agreement that oil imports are excessive and injuring the economy of both Texas and the Nation.

In his welcoming address to the 50 Texans, headed by E. J. McCurdy of Fort Worth and Dr. T. S. Painter, president of The University of Texas, Commission Bill Murray stressed the point that the oil import problem has ceased to be one affecting only one industry. The time has arrived, he said, when citizens of all walks of Texas Life must make known their feelings on a matter which is undermining not only the independent segment of the oil industry but the jobs of many thousands of Texans and income of the State Government.

As citizens of the State first affected, Murray said, an obligation clearly exists to do everything possible to seek a fair and permanent solution.

Meeting Planned To Study Water

Dr. P. M. Kuykendall of Ranger, president of the board of directors of the Eastland County Water Supply District, stated Wednesday that the board is calling a meeting of officials of Eastland, Ranger, Cisco, DeLeon and Gorman for March 7 to hear a report from the Bureau of Reclamation of the possibilities of increasing water supplies for the area.

The meeting will be held at 2 o'clock Tuesday March 7 in the County Courtroom of the courthouse. The survey will reveal the possibilities of construction of a dam on Colony Creek above the junction of the creek with Leon River in the south part of Eastland County. This site was selected as one of the most likely possibilities.

Rummage Sale Is Drawing Crowds

The Stellar Class of the First Methodist Church reported that a large crowd visited their rummage sale being conducted Friday and Saturday in the building just west of the Chamber of Commerce. The class also reported a nice selection of merchandise.

Sandwiches, coffee, and doughnuts are being sold at the building during the two day sale and the class invited everyone to drop by for their between-meal snack.

Special Meeting Is Called For Scouts

A special meeting of Troop 101 has been called for Friday night at 6 p. m. at the First Presbyterian Church for the formation of one or possible two exploratory troops. Steve Potts, North district Scout Executive, will be on hand to discuss organization and enrollment for boys, 14 years of age or older, who wish to become an explorer scout.

The purpose of this plan is to divide the boys who are between the ages of 11 and 13 from the older boys. Eagle Scout Bill Mitcham made the announcement.

District FFA Meet Held In Eastland

The Eastland Chapter of Future Farmers of America was host at a district meeting in the Eastland High School building Wednesday highlighting the activities of National FFA Week.

Two delegates from each chapter in the district which is made up of Eastland, Shackelford, and Stephens counties attended the meeting and received instruction in leadership and parliamentary procedure.

Mrs. Lynn Williams of Moran is a patient in Graham Hospital this week.

Mrs. O. G. Lawson returned Sunday from Lubbock where she has been visiting her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Anderson, and family, for several days.

300 Expected To Attend Annual Chamber Banquet

Nail Pulling Party Planned

There's going to be a Nail Pulling Party Saturday night. And you're invited.

This is the Cisco Roundup Club's plan for finishing work on their new rodeo arena and horse show ring on the Moran Highway. While the men folks pull nails, the women folks will serve coffee and cake, according to Roy C. Davis, one of the head nail pullers.

Davis reported that Roundup Club officials, meeting Thursday night, decided to "get busy and finish the arena." They've invited anybody who wants to help to "bring his hammer and pull nails."

The club plans to work week-ends and after 5 p. m. daily until the project is finished. They must complete work, he said, by March 29 in time for the annual Eastland County Livestock Show.

Considerable interest is being shown throughout this section in the coming horse show and special arena events.

HOUSTON MAN WILL DELIVER ADDRESS

Everything was in readiness today for the annual banquet of the Cisco Chamber of Commerce which will be staged at 7 o'clock tonight at the Community Gym. Approximately 300 people are expected to be in attendance.

Col. Marvin Hurley, assistant manager of the Houston Chamber of Commerce, will be the principal speaker. He agreed Wednesday to appear here after Secretary of State John Ben Shepperd was forced to cancel plans to speak due to a throat ailment.

Manager B. A. Butler said that Col. Hurley, Army veteran of World War II, has a wide reputation as an interesting and informative speaker. Butler said the Houston Chamber of Commerce is recognized nationally as an outstanding organization.

An entertainment highlight is to be the presentation of "The Cisco Story," a 20 minute musical program, directed by E. L. Jackson. Details of the program have never been revealed.

Members and guests will be served a dinner featuring barbecue. Mr. Butler said that everything had been arranged to expedite the serving and the entire program. President W. P. Guinn will serve as master of ceremonies.

All directors of the Chamber will form a reception committee to greet guests. Visitors are expected from Albany, Baird, Abilene, Ranger, Eastland, Coleman, Moran, and other nearby cities.

Arrangements for the banquet were made by a general committee with Austin Flint as its chairman.

NEW CENSUS WILL OBTAIN DATA ON COUNTY FARMS AND FARMERS

Not only will the 1950 Census of Agriculture to be conducted during April in Eastland County obtain information about farms and farm production, but inquiries will be included about farmers. The 1950 farm census will provide

statistics about the age of the farm operators, the number of hours operators worked last week at farm work or chores, the years operators have farmed the same place and other information necessary to provide detailed facts about farms and farm people.

The 1950 Census of Agriculture will be taken in April as part of the 17th decennial census of the United States. The information which farmers supply to the Census Bureau is confidential and cannot be used for taxation, investigation or regulation.

Every ten years since 1840 and every five years since 1920, the Bureau of the Census has taken a nation-wide census of agriculture. The 1950 census of agriculture will bring up to date the nation's farm inventory.

The 1945 census of agriculture reported 5,859,169 farm operators of which more than one-third had reached 55 years or older. Farm operators who owned their place had an average age of 52 years while tenants had an average age of 43 years.

Abilene Banker Heads C. of C.

ABILENE, Feb. 23 — At a meeting of the board of directors of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce today, Joe Benson was elected president of the organization for 1950. Gilbert Peaback, retiring president, was elected vice president, and Oliver Howard was selected as treasurer.

Benson, who is executive vice president of the Citizens National Bank, moved to Abilene from Olney in 1944 where he was also in the banking business.

Having served the past two years as a director of the Chamber of Commerce and several terms as president of the Abilene Civic Music Ass'n, Benson has been one of the most active leaders in the city's civic affairs. He also headed the Abilene Community Chest as president in 1946.

Benson will assume his new duties on Feb. 28 when he will be formally installed as president at the annual meeting and banquet of the Chamber of Commerce. Between 800 and 1,000 people are expected to be on hand for this annual affair which will be held in spacious Rose Field House on the campus of Hardin-Simmons University.

Future Farmers Provide Program At Rotary Meet

At the regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club in the Victor Hotel at noon Thursday a delegation from the local F. F. A. presented a program as a part of national Future Farmers of America Week.

Gail Jones, Agriculture instructor of Cisco High School, was introduced by W. H. McAnally who had charge of the program. Mr. Jones then introduced the boys. Local F. F. A. President Bob Cleveland served as master of ceremonies.

Travis Kurklin explained the meaning of the club emblem and Gerald Birt gave the history of the organization since its origin in 1926. Hughes McCrary told of the program of work of the local group and Virgil Cozart gave the motto. Jimmy Chesire recited the creed and Daniel Gray told of the aims and purposes of the Future Farmer organization.

The group finished the program by giving a short parliamentary procedure drill.

It was pointed out that the club was organized in Cisco in 1926 and that it became affiliated with the state group in 1927 and with the national organization in 1928. The Cisco chapter now has 30 active and participating members.

President Bob Elliott gave a report on the intra-city meeting held in Eastland on February 22.

H-U Choir Will Sing Here Monday

The Hardin-Simmons University A Capella Choir, one of the few choral organizations in Texas to sing exclusively without accompaniment, will give a concert in the Cisco Community Gym Monday night, February 27, at 8 p. m. under the sponsorship of the department of music of Cisco Junior College.

Admission will be 60 cents for adults and 30 cents for students. Proceeds will go to the music scholarship fund.

Robert L. Clinton, director of C. J. C. music department, urged all music lovers to be present for the presentation of one of the top choral organizations in the state.

Rooms Sought For Meeting Delegates

The Cisco Chamber of Commerce is making an effort to obtain 75 rooms in private homes for Nazarene church leaders who will be here March 6 and 7 for a district conference, Manager B. A. Butler reported today.

Mr. Butler asked that anyone who could provide a room for meeting delegates call Mrs. F. L. Cook at 346-W, Rev. Cecil Stowe at 595-J, or the Chamber of Commerce.

Early Care Is Important If You Want Good Teeth

AUSTIN, Feb. 23 — Solution of the nation's dental problems lies in making dental health education and dental care available to every child, said Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

He said it is possible to prevent loss of teeth from decay if a person starts early in life to follow these simple rules:

1. Early and frequent examination of the mouth by a dentist.
2. Early treatment of small cavities and other dental defects.
3. Proper diet with refined sugars held at minimum.
4. Proper brushing of teeth after eating.

A child should be taken to the dentist shortly after the last of his first teeth appear at about the age of two, he declared. Frequent examinations and treatment of dental defects by dentists should follow, he added.

Experiments are under way in research laboratories to find the answer to dental decay and other dental diseases, he said, adding:

"It has been learned that the very active element, fluorine, can be used to curb dental decay to a large degree. Dentists are now applying a solution of sodium fluoride to the teeth of their child patients as a routine dental treatment."

"To improve the dental health of the children of this country, each community, through coordinated group activity, should assume its responsibility in putting an adequate dental health program into operation to meet adequately the needs of our children."

TOURNAMENT PLANNED

The regular weekly forty two and bridge tournament planned by the American Legion Auxiliary will be held at the Legion Hall beginning at 7 p. m. Saturday. Everyone was invited to attend and to participate in the play. Admission charges are 25 cents.

FOR GOOD USED CARS

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Tucker have gone to Marfa for a visit with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Tucker.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stark of Cleburne spent Thursday here with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hailey and two daughters, Wanda and Kay, visited at Seymour last weekend with his mother, Mrs. Hailey and his sister, Miss Cleo Hailey.

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awarded her brother, Staff Sgt. James Lavon Dill, now with the engineers of the American First Army on the western front in Germany.

Mrs. G. W. Horn, 301 East ninth took an egg to the Press office this morning that bore the figures "37" evidently engraved

thereon by nature when dropped by a white leghorn hen.

A former Cisco young lady, Miss Yvonne Sykora became the bride of Donald V. Hutchins, seaman first class, January 31, in the Sykora home in Fort Worth.

The semi-monthly meeting of

the Brotherhood of East Cisco Baptist church will be held at the church tonight, says Don Rupe. The principal speaker will be Rev. Arthur Johnson, pastor of the First Baptist church.

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Thought For Today

"Many Christians today are so subnormal that if they become normal, people would think they were abnormal." - Vance Havner.

NO. 3 IN A SERIES MEET YOUR MINISTER

This Week: REV. MAURICE D. SWISHER

Rev. Maurice D. Swisher, pastor of the First Christian Church, was born and reared in the lake region of Michigan, attended college in Tennessee, Indiana and Texas, and has preached in many sections of the United States and in Europe.



REV. M. D. SWISHER

Like the other two ministers featured in this series, Brother Swisher was active in athletics during his high school days in Kalamazoo, Michigan. For three years he played tackle on the football team and guard on the basketball team. He also served as first base for two years on the high school baseball team. Though, he says, it will be hard to believe, he also starred in track for two years.

At 19 he entered Johnson Bible College near Knoxville, Tenn. At the meantime his father passed away, leaving his mother and children back in Michigan. These were not easy days for the young preacher who worked hard to pay his way through school and at the same time send support back home. In 1936, he graduated with his bachelor of arts degree.

It was in Knoxville that he met the lady who is now Mrs. Swisher. He explains that he was going with a girl who kept talking about her boss. One day he met this "boss," who was a very attractive young lady by the name of Gladys Coleman, but young Maurice saw to it that her last name was changed to Swisher. Before her marriage, Mrs. Swisher had been very active in children's work and other activities of a Knoxville church, which accounts for the help she has been to her husband during these years in their labors together.

Upon completion of his college work in Tennessee, Brother Swisher entered his first fulltime ministry at the First Christian Church of Columbus, Mississippi. After nearly three years in Mississippi, the Swishers moved north to accept what proved to be a successful four years pastorate in Center Point, Iowa. It was during this time that Rev. Swisher felt the need of obtaining his education. He returned from his Iowa church and his wife moved to Indianapolis, Indiana, where he attended

Butler University. While attending school he served as pastor of a large country church of over 300 members. Bro. Swisher describes this congregation as a wonderful group of farm folk who really stood for the fundamentals of the faith, and it is evident that he still has a great deal of admiration for the church he served in Indiana.

During these days at Butler University, this nation entered World War II. In 1944, Bro. Swisher volunteered for service as a chaplain in the United States Army, which resulted in his first trip to the Lone Star State for three months of training at Camp Maxey near Paris.

Following this brief training period, Chaplain Swisher was assigned to the European Theater of Operations. He served for a time as chaplain of the 200th General Hospital in France, and later with the 336th Ordnance. After several months service with this group, he came back to the states, thinking that he would be assigned to the Pacific Theater, but was returned to Europe — this time to Germany with the 11th Constabulary Regiment which was described as a Military Police outfit to patrol the Western Zone of Germany. During these days in Germany the chaplain was kept very busy, often conducting as many as 20 services a week. He traveled a large area 75 miles wide and

150 miles long between the Danube River and the Czechoslovak border.

As a chaplain, Bro. Swisher saw a lot of Europe and helped thousands of American service men, many of them in army hospitals. While there he also sought to help German prisoners of war as he told them the same Gospel story which he preaches now from his Cisco pulpit each Lord's Day.

Discharged in April of 1947, Swisher returned to the campus of Butler University for a summer term, after which he accepted a call to the Christian Church in Craig, Colorado. After two happy years in the Rockies, Rev. and Mrs. Swisher came to Cisco to serve the First Christian Church. Plans for the future include the remodeling of the interior of the auditorium of this church.

The First Christian minister is kept busy with his duties here and a trip to Fort Worth two days a week to attend Texas Christian University where he is studying toward a bachelor of divinity degree.

Besides his work as a pastor, Bro. Swisher is also well known as an evangelist and Bible Conference speaker, having spent seven summers as teacher in young people's summer conferences in Indiana, Iowa, and Colorado. He has also conducted many successful evangelistic campaigns through the middlewest.

Very active in civic activities, he is a member of the Lions Club, the American Legion, and the Masonic Lodge.

Bro. Swisher has many hobbies. He owns nine guns which he uses on hunting trips. Other hobbies include fishing, photography, archery, and horseback riding.

During their months of service here, Rev. and Mrs. Swisher have endeared themselves to the membership of the First Christian Church and the people of Cisco. Their many friends here wish them many successful years in the service of the Lord.

Portrait of a Soul



Did you think a soul was invisible? Did you even suspect that it was a theological concept that only ministers could understand?

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You're looking into a soul. You're seeing the spark of Himself which God has put into every one of us. And you're seeing it still unblemished by the cares and disappointments of life.

You can see a soul through your own child's eyes. But unless you give that soul a chance to grow up with the body and mind that possess

it... soon you'll no longer see it in your child's eyes... and perhaps, someday, you'll no longer see it in his life.

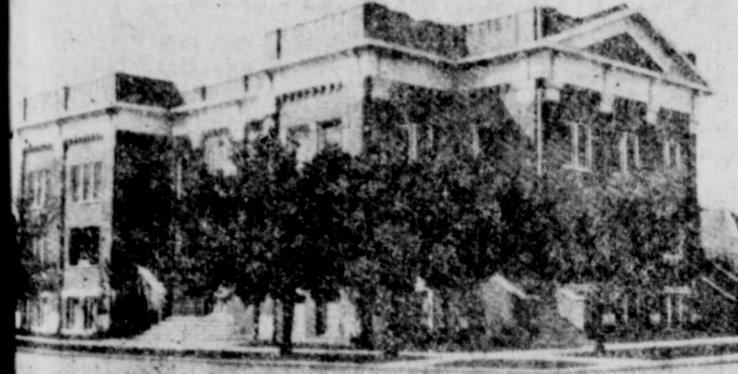
The Church, through careful religious education, develops that spiritual inner-being which we call the soul. Your child deserves the advantage of the Church's instruction. And, in church worship, you will rediscover the beauty and strength of your own soul.

THE CHURCH FOR ALL... ALL FOR THE CHURCH. The Church is the greatest factor on earth for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a storehouse of spiritual values. Without a strong Church, there is neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should attend service regularly and support the Church. They are: (1) For his own sake. (2) For his children's sake. (3) For the sake of his community and nation. (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and material support. Plan to go to church on Sunday and read your Bible daily.

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- WESLEY METHODIST CHURCH: 1105 Avenue A, Rev. C. A. WARDEN, Pastor. 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School, 10:50 a.m. - Morning Worship, 6:30 p.m. - Study Groups, 7:15 p.m. - Evening Worship, Midweek Service - Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH: Avenue E at 9th Street, Rev. OTIS STRICKLAND, Pastor. 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School, 11 a.m. - Morning Worship, 6:45 p.m. - Training Union, 7:30 p.m. - Evening Worship, Mid-week Prayer Meeting - Wednesday, 7:30.
EAST CISCO BAPTIST CHURCH: Meeting Temporarily in City Hall, PAUL STEPHENS, Pastor. 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School, 11 a.m. - Morning worship, 6:45 p.m. - Training Union, 7:45 p.m. - Evening worship, Mid-week service Wed. 7:30 pm.
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST: 1101 Avenue A, C. L. CASEY, Pastor. 11 a.m. - Services First Sunday and Saturday before, 11 a.m. - Third Sunday.
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH: 301 West 8th St., MAURICE D. SWISHER. 9:45 a.m. - Bible School, 10:55 a.m. - Morning Worship, 6 p.m. - Young People's Meeting, 7:30 p.m. - Evening Worship.
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: 500 West 6th Street, 9:45 a.m. - Sabbath School, 10:50 a.m. - Morning Worship, 6:15 p.m. - Young People's Meeting, 7:00 p.m. - Evening Worship, Mid-Week Service, Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH: 1108 Avenue F, Sunday Mass - 11:00 a.m., All Holy Days, Mass at 7:00 a.m.
CHURCH OF GOD: 1008 Avenue F, C. S. MOAD, Pastor. 10 a.m. - Sunday School, 11 a.m. - Morning Worship, 8 p.m. - Evening Worship, Mid-week Service - 8 p.m. Wednesday.
FIRST GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH: 18th and Avenue D, Rev. H. G. LOHRMAN, Pastor. 10 a.m. - Adult Sunday School, 11 a.m. - Morning Worship, 7:30 p.m. - Bible Hour.
CHURCH OF CHRIST: 501 West 8th St., 10 a.m. - Bible Study, 10:50 a.m. - Preaching service, 11:40 a.m. - Communion Service, 6:30 p.m. - Young People's Classes, 7:30 p.m. - Evening worship.
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH: Six Miles south, G. A. OBENHAUS, vacancy pastor. 10:15 a.m. - Bible School, 10:45 a.m. - Divine Service.
HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH: Father Jim McLain, Pastor. Weekday services, 7:30 a.m. Sunday Services 9 and 11 a.m. (alternate Sundays), 701 S. Seaman - Eastland.
PENTECOSTAL CHURCH: 400 West 17th St., REV. AND MRS. J. E. BLACKWELL, Pastors. 10 a.m. - Sunday School, 11 a.m. - Morning Worship, 7:30 p.m. - Evening Service, Week-day Services - Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. and Friday, 7:30 p.m.



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- Seminary Student At Presbyterian Church: James Wharton of the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary will be guest pastor Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church.
Baptists To Attend District Convention: Members of First Baptist Church and East Cisco Baptist Church were expected to attend the District Seventeen convention in Abilene Tuesday, according to local pastors.
Church Of Christ To Hear A. C. C. Man: Ernest D. Shelton, instructor at Abilene Christian College will speak to the Church of Christ here again Sunday, it was announced today.
Methodist Minister To Speak At Union Service: Dr. Claud P. Jones, pastor of the First Methodist Church, will

Royal Ambassadors Recognized Tuesday: Harry Grantz, Royal Ambassador Leader of Cisco Baptist Association, announced this week that the annual recognition service for boys in this organization will be Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock at the First Baptist church here.
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Mrs. Willie Bogan Dunn is spending the week in Fort Worth where she is a guest of relatives and friends while transacting business.

Mrs. J. W. Coats and children and Mrs. Don Shirley and children visited here this week with Mrs. Coats' mother, Mrs. N. S. Kinard.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Waddell of Dallas were recent visitors in the home of his mother, Mrs. J. T. Waddell, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth Daniel and two children of Fort Worth visited here with his aunt, Mrs. Mattie Robinson and other relatives last Sunday.

Recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Mattie Robinson were her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Cameron of Denton arrived Thursday for a visit with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Ashenbust went to Dallas today for a week end visit with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Short returned from the Panhandle the first of the week where they have been for the past month, having been called there by illness of a relative. Mr. and Mrs. Short live at 1512 Avenue N.

Mrs. Raby Miller has returned from Dallas where she spent last week with Mr. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bisbee have

as guests in their home this week her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Ramsey and children of Port Lavaca.

J. O. Barnhill, who has been ill of a heart ailment the past month is now able to be around the room and hopes to be able to return to work soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Howell Stubblefield of Dallas were recent visitors here in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Stubblefield.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Morris, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Billy Warren and baby, have just returned from Odessa where Mr. and Mrs. Morris joined her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Phillips in a joint celebration of the 30th wedding anniversary of the two couples. They were married here Feb. 17, 1920, in a double wedding ceremony.

Kilgore were next shown as grownup lovers to the musical accompaniment of "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life." Mrs. Holder played the Wedding March as Rev. and Mrs. Paul Stephens came in as the words, "Until

Death Do Us Part" were said by Rev. Warden, acting as preacher; "A Tiny Valentine" was enacted by Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Ivie and a baby doll as "Home, Sweet Home" was played; Roy Marcontel read the poem "Home" by

Edgar A. Guest. Mr. and Mrs. Don Rupe portrayed "Older Valentines" while musical accompaniment of "Silver Threads Among the Gold" was heard. A humorous poem, "Why I Never Married," given by Margaret Bosworth, closed the program.

An inspirational message, "Hearts," by the pastor, was enjoyed, and the evening's program was closed with group singing of "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

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Mrs. Leo Keelan presided when Circle Four of the Women's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church met Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. O. G. Lawson. The devotion, based on scriptures from the Book of 2nd Kings, was presented by Mrs. Keelan; and was closed with prayer by Mrs. G. M. Beene.

A short business session was held wherein minutes of the last meeting, read by Mrs. Fred Grist, were approved and the treasurer's report was given. The assignment for the month was reported as having been carried out.

The missionary lesson of the concluding chapters from the book, "Japan's New Day," was then heard after which the meeting closed with prayer.

During the social hour which followed delicious refreshments were passed to Mrs. Leo Keelan, Mrs. Fred Grist, Mrs. W. M. Isenbower, Mrs. E. C. Duncan, Mrs. G. B. Langston, Mrs. G. M. Beene, and the hostess, Mrs. Lawson.

Nice Program Given At Banquet Monday

A Sweetheart Banquet for the Young People and Intermediates and their guests of Eastland Baptist Church was given Monday evening in the Educational building of the church. A valentine theme was carried out in the decorations and programs. Red Candles in crystal holders were placed at intervals along

the length of the table. After the group entered and had found their places, the invocation was offered by Rev. Paul Stephens, pastor of the church.

Rev. Chief Warden, a guest, acted as toastmaster. Mrs. V. H. Bosworth welcomed the group and Ralph Green made the response.

A toast in pineapple juice was given for the workers; and the meal consisting of baked ham, mashed potatoes, English peas, Mexican tomatoes, and olives was then enjoyed. Dessert of hot chocolate, and white cake squares centered with a red heart gave completeness to the delicious meal.

A program, which was given after the meal, began with a vocal solo, "Let the Rest of the World Go By," by Loanna Holder accompanied by Mrs. Carlton Holder on the accordion. A pantomime, "A Living Valentine," was presented in seven scenes.

Beginning with "The First Valentine," enacted by Dwayne Pelfrey and Betty Green, while the music of "School Days" was played; Bob Jones and Barbara Schaefer presented "Teen Age Love," while the strains of "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" were heard; Bill Sharp and Delores

Political Announcements

The Press has been authorized to announce candidates for public office in Eastland County, subject to action of the Democratic primaries, as follows:

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