

# STERLING CITY NEWS-RECORD

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## LIONS TO HAVE CHRISTMAS AUCTION

The Lions Club voted to hold the annual Christmas auction on Wednesday, December 17, when it was brought to a vote at the Wednesday luncheon. Lion Worth B. Durham was elected auctioneer. The money raised will be used to take baskets of Christmas cheer to shut-ins and perhaps some of the needy of the town. What money is left will be used through the year by the club for worthwhile objects such as eye-glasses for those children who need them, and other worthy objects.

Lion County Agent Byron W. Frierson gave the program. He outlined his plan of work for the year 1948.

A committee was appointed to investigate needy objects which were brought to the attention of the club. Lions Ed. Lovelace, A. T. Bratton, and G. W. Tillerson were named on the committee. Wesley Murrell was a guest.

## Junior Play To Be Presented December 11

"Take It Easy", the Junior Class play, will be presented Thursday night, December 11, at 7:45 o'clock in the school auditorium. Tickets go on sale Monday morning and may be secured from the members of the cast. Price of admission for adults is 50c, for high school students 35c, and for grade school students 25c.

"Take It Easy" is the story of the erratic Mrs. Highgate, played by Trinabeth Reed, who is continually forgetting names and mistaking the identities of her daughter and servants. Nancy Highgate, her attractive daughter, is portrayed by Flo Thieme. Tom Lawrence, an artist in love with Nancy, will be played by Dick Bailey.

Other characters include Jimmy Findt, the house painter; Harold Baker, an unknown quantity; Margaret Ritter, a coquettish maid; Blaine Mitchell, a bewildered butler; Joan King, the very outspoken cook; R. B. Mitchell, the mischievous yard boy; Buddy Cole, the boastful detective.

For those who are looking for rib-cracking laughs, the activities of Beagle Jones, the "human bloodhound" played by Buddy Cole, will undoubtedly fill the bill.

## Attend Air Show

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Brown attended the All-American Air Show in San Angelo Sunday at Mathis Field. Each flyer autographed Mrs. Brown's program for her scrapbook.

## REV. MALCOM BLACK TO PREACH SUNDAY

Rev. Malcom Black, local retired Presbyterian preacher, will preach at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, announced pastor B. B. Hestir, the first part of this week. Bro. Hestir said that the church was honoring Bro. Black during his birthday season.

Bro. Black, despite his age, still serves as secretary of the local school board, reporter for the Texas election bureau, and is active in church work. He raises the largest garden in the county each year. Week before last he went with the football fans to the bi-district football game that was held in Ft. Davis.

## NORATADATA CLUB MET AT REED HOME

Mrs. Chesley McDonald was the hostess for the Noratadata Club meeting at the home of Mrs. Bill Reed Wednesday night. Mrs. Fred Allen and Mrs. Finis Westbrook were co-hostesses for a layette shower honoring Mrs. Harold Gober at the meeting.

President Mrs. Edwin Aiken presided at the meeting. The club members drew names for the annual Christmas party.

Bridge was played and prizes went to the following: Mrs. Hubert Williams, high; high guest, Mrs. Sudie McEntire; high table cuts to Mrs. J. S. Augustine, Jr., Mrs. Forrest Foster, Mrs. W. J. Swann and Mrs. Aiken.

Present were Mrs. Swann, Mrs. Ross Foster, Mrs. Reynolds Foster, Mrs. J. S. Augustine, Jr., Mrs. R. T. Foster, Jr., Mrs. Gober, Mrs. Sudie McEntire, Mrs. Worth Durham, Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. Joe Emery, Mrs. Hubert Williams, Mrs. Ray Lane, Mrs. C. N. Crawford, Mrs. Bill Reed, Mrs. Tommie Johnson and Mrs. Leah Wyckoff.

## MISSIONARY SPEAKS

A missionary from Africa, Miss Mary Elizabeth Truly, spoke to the First Baptist W. M. S. Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock.

Thirty two people were present despite the rain. Her subject was "Nigeria, Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow."

Her address climaxed an all-day mission study that precedes the W. M. S. Lottie Moon Christmas offering.

Mrs. Byron W. Frierson was returned to a San Angelo hospital Wednesday afternoon by a Lowe ambulance. She and her baby daughter had just been home a week Thursday.

## OUR WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER

By Congressman O. C. FISHER

### WOOL TARIFF REDUCTION

Effective January 1st, the tariff protection on raw wool will be reduced by 25 per cent. This is the first reduction in years, and will undoubtedly eventually be felt by the wool growers of this country. The reduction is the result of an agreement reached by the conferees at the Geneva International Trade Conference.

The present import duty of 34c per pound on clean-content raw wool will be cut to 25½c per pound, or 8½c per pound.

This gives the Australians, our chief competitors an improved advantage over our own growers. Because of low production costs, the Australians have for years been able to produce, transport and pay the American duty and still sell to our mills at or near our actual cost of production. The situation has changed a bit, however, in that the Australian mills are using considerably more of their own wool, especially the finer types, than before the war, and with rehabilitation progressing on the Continent a greater demand for wool may eventually be expected from that source.

For the present, observers here think the effect of the drastic tariff reduction will not be very noticeable. This is because of the present scarcity of fine wools and the government purchase program during the liquidation process of our own stockpile.

The fact is that most of the benefit of the cut will go to the Australian and New Zealand growers who were promised bigger incomes by the governments of those two countries before their last elections. The growers over there will now reap bigger subsidies and their production will likely be stepped up. While that is being done, it remains to be seen if, under the more difficult competitive situation because of the reduction, our own flocks will continue to be reduced. The Department of Agriculture points out that during the past five years the sheep population in America has dropped by 35 per cent.

Contrary to some contentions, the lower wool duty is not expected to result in any noticeable reduction in the price paid by mills for imported wool. In other words, consumers of wool products in this country will benefit very little, if any, from the deal. Moreover, based upon 1946 imports, our treasury will suffer to the tune of \$35 million each year in revenue which except for the reduction would be collected from imported wools. Last year the total collected amounted to \$142 million.

At the Geneva Conference there was nothing done about the embargo the Australians have for years imposed upon the export of certain desirable types of breeding sheep to this country.

Nor was anything done at Geneva about the International cartel which virtually controls the price and disposal terms of most of the wool produced in the world outside the United States.

Congressional committees are laboring over measures to curb the living cost spiral and the inflation trend. Restriction of credit buying, eliminating margins on the grain exchanges, control over the allocation of certain scarce materials, and the renewal of export controls, are among the proposals that are being considered.

There is very little sentiment for a return of OPA. The latter, which served a purpose during wartime, is believed by many to be unworkable now for a solution of our present problems. As one man put it: "The black market would take over and run the country." It is generally agreed that there can be no effective price controls without wage controls. And since wage controls were scrapped after the war when the CIO pulled the steel and General Motors strikes along with John L. Lewis' coal strikes, more and more strikes could be expected if wage controls should be imposed. Therefore, it is reasoned that the return of OPA at this time would create far more problems than it would solve.

The Secretary of Agriculture has given me assurance that careful study is being given my suggestion that proposed reduction in acreage for peanuts be discarded for 1948. We need all-out production of all

## "Wings Over Jordan" Choir Here January 1

### Boyce House "GIVES YOU TEXAS"

It has been eight years since our columnist went to Hollywood to help a little in the making of "Boom-Town"—but like Irvin S. Cobb concerning his operation, I like to talk about it. Recently, the film was re-issued and has been going the rounds again.

One night, in Austin, I attended a motion picture in technicolor, showing the twinkling lights of Hollywood seen from a height. Next day I received a telegram asking me to come out and be technical advisor on "Boom Town"—and two nights after seeing the twinkling lights of Hollywood in a movie, I was looking at those lights myself.

At the first story conference, which was a get-acquainted affair, Sam Zimbalist, the producer, said "We are going to spend a million dollars"—this was when a million dollars was some money—to make this picture; we want you to feel that it is your picture and if you have any ideas, it doesn't matter what they are, don't hesitate to speak at any time."

My friends will not need assurance that I did not hesitate to speak.

However, I had a dilemma at the very next session, which was when we got down to discussing the story. Zimbalist said, "We will suppose that a well comes in making 50,000 gallons of oil a day." I didn't know whether I was supposed to be one of those Hollywood "yes men" I'd heard about and nod my head in agreement or point out that, in oil circles, the production of a well is expressed in "barrels" and not "gallons."

I decided if I was going to take their money, I ought to try to earn it by keeping the expressions technically correct, so I remarked that an oil man would speak of such a producer as about a thousand-barrel well (a barrel is, of course, 42 gallons). Zimbalist said, "All right" and went on.

It was several years later that John Lee Mahin, the principal writer on the script, visited Fort Worth and he told me that Zimbalist knew very well what the correct term was; he had wanted to see if I knew.

My contract with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer was for a minimum of two weeks and I figured that that would be the maximum, too, because they'd find out how little I knew by that time. Instead, I was there four months (until all the writing had been completed). I was there so long I got scared I'd lose my Texas citizenship.

At the first story conference, I happened to mention that I noticed a world's champion was going to fight in Los Angeles next night—so an hour afterward, the secretary of Producer Jack Conway phoned me that if I would call at the box office of the fight club, there would be two ringside seats for me.

Sure enough, there were—\$6.60 apiece was what they cost the generous Conway. I had two tickets to a world's championship bout—and didn't know a soul in the city. Looking around, I noticed a well-dressed man off to one side, so I said, "I'll be glad to give you a ticket to the fight." He didn't even grunt—just turned and walked off.

So I went in by myself and sat in one of the seats for half the program, then moved over and sat in the other seat for the rest of the evening.

Folks out there on the street are so distrustful of strangers you can hardly get one to give you street directions. I had been out there some little time and was waiting for a bus when someone slapped me on the back. I looked around and the man said, "I'm sorry; I mistook you for a friend of mine." I said, "All right but don't let it happen again."

If I had stayed out there much

types of feed and food, during these times of scarcities and spiraling prices. After all is said and done, the only real answer to inflation is more and more production.

WINGS OVER JORDAN, the Negro chorus which has been heard over CBS for the past 10 years, will appear in Sterling City on January 1 at a 3 o'clock matinee and an 8 o'clock concert, probably in the school auditorium. The group has been secured by the Sterling City Lions Club, by arrangement with the International Artists Corporation of New York. The internationally known group usually do not play such small towns as Sterling, but by special arrangement the Lions Club was able to secure the group.

The chorus was organized in Cleveland in 1937 and soon received national recognition. The music sung actually tells the story of the American Negro through feeling and depth of understanding. Many of the songs go back to slavery days when Negro mothers crooned them to their children and the children of plantation owners.

Songs of sorrow, joy and faith in God have been arranged for the use of the choral club. The first half of their two hour program is taken up with the singing of the spirituals, and the second half is composed of semi-classical numbers.

Reserved seats will go on soon, and at places which will be announced. Reserved seats will cost \$2.40 for the evening performance, and general admission will be \$1.80 tax included in both prices. The matinee prices will likely be 90c, tax included.

Make your plans to attend the outstanding attraction that has been signed up for Sterling in many a year. If such programs of nationally known talent are well-received in Sterling, the Lions Club will endeavor to bring them to the citizens, it was brought out.

Crowds are expected to buy out all the 412 seats of the auditorium well before each performance, and there will be no tickets sold after all room is sold. So if you want to be sure of a seat, be sure and get your tickets early. People from Garden City, Water Valley, and San Angelo are expected to attend.

Lion Club members will handle the door and act as ushers that night. The board of directors met Wednesday afternoon and closed the deal for the attraction.

Remember, it is very seldom that you have a chance to hear such a choir as this. Make your plans to attend!

## CHRISTMAS LIGHTS UP

Tom Onstott, local manager of the West Texas Utilities Company, and Weldon Phillips, put up the Christmas lights this week and turned them on. Now Sterling City is lit up from one end to the other with vari-colored lights, making town have a Christmas aura.

## VISITOR FROM AUSTIN

Mrs. G. M. Hamilton of Austin, hostess at the TFWC clubhouse there, was a Thanksgiving weekend guest of Miss Ethel Foster's, here at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Bailey and son Dick, made a trip to Dallas over the Thanksgiving week-end.

Will Hill, brother of Mrs. H. P. Malloy, was taken to a San Angelo hospital Wednesday. He has had to have several blood transfusions.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hunt from El Paso and McCamey were at the Hunts last week end for a Thanksgiving day dinner and week-end.

Doug Farnsworth went to the Masonic Grand Lodge Meeting in Woca the first part of the week.

Mrs. Farnsworth went as far as Eden with him to visit relatives.

Betty Jane Donalson, student in North Texas State Teachers College, spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Donalson.

Billy Sue Everitt, daughter of the Clyde Everitts and a student in Texas Tech, spent last week-end here at her parents home on the Thanksgiving holiday.

longer, I'd been as bad as the rest of them.

## Margaret Has a Little Lamb



HOLLYWOOD—Margaret O'Brien, child movie star, receives gift of a lamb from wool growers of the world. Baby lamb was presented in Hollywood by Edgar H. Booth, world chairman, International Wool Secretariat, and prominent in child welfare activities in his native Australia and England. Dr. Booth visited Miss O'Brien during filming of the new MGM production "Big City". (International Wool Secretariat Photo.)



# District Basketball Begins Next Tuesday

Basketball teams of District 21B begin regular play Tuesday, Dec. 9 and continue through Feb. 10. District tournament, winner of which will go into bi-district play, will be staged at Sterling City on Feb. 13 and 14.

The circuit is made up of teams from Stanton, last year's champions, Garden City, Courtney, Knott, Sterling City, Forsan and Coahoma.

G. C. Parsons and Gordon Griggs of Garden City have been named conference and secretary, respectively.

First round games of the tournament will pit Garden City against Courtney, Knott against Sterling, and Forsan against Coahoma. Stanton drew a bye and meets the winner of the Garden City-Courtney fracas in the semi-finals.

The season's schedule follows:

**FIRST HALF—**  
 December 9—Tuesday  
 Garden City vs. Knott  
 Coahoma vs. Stanton  
 Sterling City vs. Forsan  
 Courtney bye

December 12—Friday  
 Courtney vs. Coahoma  
 Stanton vs. Sterling City  
 Knott bye

December 16—Tuesday  
 Knott vs. Forsan  
 Sterling City vs. Courtney  
 Garden City vs. Stanton  
 Coahoma bye

January 6—Tuesday  
 Coahoma vs. Sterling City  
 Stanton vs. Knott  
 Courtney vs. Garden City  
 Forsan bye

January 9—Friday

Forsan vs. Stanton  
 Garden City vs. Coahoma  
 Knott vs. Courtney  
 Sterling City bye

January 13—Tuesday  
 Sterling City vs. Garden City  
 Courtney vs. Forsan  
 Coahoma vs. Knott  
 Stanton bye

January 16—Friday  
 Stanton vs. Courtney  
 Knott vs. Sterling City  
 Forsan vs. Coahoma  
 Garden City bye

**SECOND HALF**  
 January 20—Tuesday  
 Knott vs. Garden City  
 Stanton vs. Coahoma  
 Forsan vs. Sterling City  
 Courtney bye

January 23—Friday  
 Coahoma vs. Courtney  
 Garden City vs. Forsan  
 Sterling City vs. Stanton  
 Knott bye

January 27—Tuesday  
 Forsan vs. Knott  
 Courtney vs. Sterling City  
 Stanton vs. Garden City  
 Coahoma bye

January 29—Friday  
 Sterling City vs. Coahoma  
 Knott vs. Stanton  
 Garden City vs. Courtney  
 Forsan bye

February 3—Tuesday  
 Stanton vs. Forsan  
 Coahoma vs. Garden City  
 Courtney vs. Knott  
 Sterling City bye

February 6—Friday  
 Garden City vs. Sterling City  
 Forsan vs. Courtney  
 Knott vs. Coahoma  
 Stanton bye

February 10—Tuesday  
 Courtney vs. Stanton  
 Sterling City vs. Knott  
 Coahoma vs. Forsan  
 Garden City bye

## MURRELLS THANKSGIVING DAY HOSTS

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Murrell were hosts at a Thanksgiving dinner in their home. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Murrell, who have recently moved from Sweetwater and are en route to California, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Edwards and children, Billy Roland and Patricia, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Murrell and son, Marshall Troy, and Judge and Mrs. G. C. Murrell and daughter, Jo Anna, of Sterling City.

Mrs. Eula Robbins and daughter, Sandra Lou, have moved to San Angelo where they will make their home.

## Want to Help a Baby?



Sounds fantastic to ask this question in humanity-loving America. Well, that's exactly what you are doing for this ten-month-old victim of malnutrition in hungry Vienna, Austria, when you observe meatless Tuesday and eggless Thursday. There are thousands of similar youngsters all over Europe of every race and creed who need your urgent cooperation now to "Save Wheat, Save Meat, Save the Peace."

## WEDNESDAY SUGGESTION

Less-expensive shoulder chops come tenderly to table, with enough savory brown gravy to give everybody a generous helping, when braised unhurriedly as suggested by home economists of the Citizens Food Committee's Consumer Service Section. Follow the same flavor-conserving method for lamb or veal shoulder chops.

Sharing honors on today's menu are Diced Parsley Potatoes, scalloped corn and apple jelly, with lemon meringue pie as a dessert treat.

## BRAISED SHOULDER PORK CHOPS

4 shoulder pork chops, 1-inch thick  
 Flour  
 2 tablespoons fat  
 2 teaspoons salt  
 1/4 teaspoon pepper  
 2 cup sliced onions  
 2 cups water

Dredge chops with 2 tablespoons flour. Brown on both sides in fat heated in skillet. Add remaining ingredients. Cover; simmer 40 to 60 minutes, or until tender. Arrange chops on a hot platter, and keep warm. Then thicken liquid remaining in skillet to gravy consistency, using 1 tablespoon flour for every 1/2 tablespoons cold water. Mix the flour and water to a smooth paste before stirring into liquid. Cook until thickened, while stirring. Pour over chops. Serves 4.

## DICED PARSLEY POTATOES

3 tablespoons fat  
 1 tablespoon flour  
 4 cups par-d, diced raw potatoes  
 1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
 1/4 teaspoon pepper  
 1 cup boiling water  
 1/2 cup minced parsley

Melt fat in saucepan; stir in flour. Add potatoes, salt, pepper and water; cover; simmer over low heat 15 minutes. Add parsley; cover, and cook 15 minutes longer, or until potatoes are tender. Serves 4.

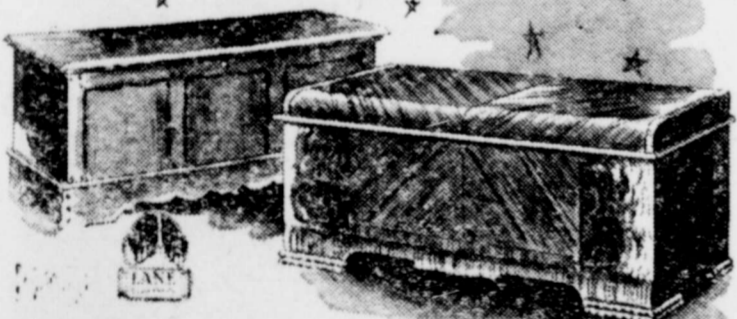
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Joe Snead, Jr. spent last weekend here with his parents.

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Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.  
B. T. U. 6:00 p. m.  
Evening Worship 7:00 p. m.  
**HURRY, WORRY, BURY**  
By C. D. McEntire

The title of this sermonette girl dies the cycle of life for most men. Most men of Sterling City are in a hurry. Consider yourself, now have you really time to set down and read this? Well, it will be good for you if you take time to read it for it will at least be a temporary escape from your worries. When you have finished you will probably get right back in the old groove again. And probably, you will continue hurrying and worrying until you are buried.

Paul said, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." (Phil 1:21) What are you living for? Is your life made up of money making maneuvers, and thought of personal gain, only? If it is you have a very circumscribed horizon. Your vision is very short. Is this be true you are living a hope less futile life. All one needs do is look at his neighbor and see the most men spend their health getting wealth, then spend their wealth getting health. Jesus said, "What if a man profited, if he should jain the whole world and lose his soul?" (Matt. 16:26)

It would be well if every man would slow down in his battle for bushels, his glutton for gain, his dogging for dollars, and his digging for dirt in order that he may realize that he is not only to prepare for his old age, but that he must prepare for the new age after that "For it is appointed unto man once to die, and after that the judgment." (Heb. 9:27.)

Jesus said, "A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of things which he passeth" (Luke 12:5) So, brother, you that I see walking the streets of Sterling City with the weight of many cares upon your shoulders, don't let it get you down until you can't look up and see Jesus as the representative of life now and hereafter.

Don't hurry and worry until it's time to bury—trust the Lord and have life. He said, "I am come that ye might have life and have it more abundantly." (John 10:10)

If we will follow the teaching of the Savior there will be an abundant life and a happy medium will be reached. We will be interested in material as well as spiritual things for Jesus said, "He that careth not for his own is worse than a hypocrite" indicating that it is right to be concerned about our families welfare materially. Yet, over against that Jesus said, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon the earth where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven." (Matt. 6:19)

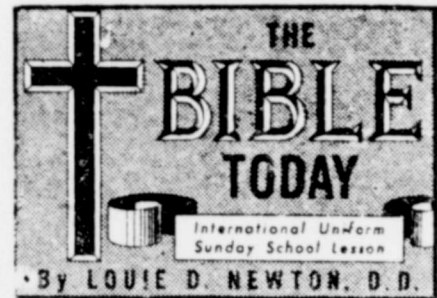
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Preaching each 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.



SCRIPTURE: III John.  
DEVOTIONAL READING: I Corinthians 10:17

### Christian Fellowship

Lesson for December 7, 1947

SUNDAY'S lesson is based on the short third Epistle of John. You can read it in two minutes, but you will not exhaust its meaning in a lifetime. Link with III John the devotional reading found in First Corinthians 1:10-17, and you have a great and glorious picture of Christian fellowship. Note these words:

"Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same things, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." I Corinthians 1:10.

And these words from III John, second verse:

"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."

Here we have the basis for Christian fellowship.

### Let Us Love One Another

WHAT is the first test of Christian fellowship? Read I John 4:7.

Love one for another is the first and last test of Christian fellowship. Of course, love one for another is dependent upon love toward God. We do not really love one another until we first love God. And we do not love God until we realize that he first loves us.

Why do we keep certain letters? Because they are from those who love us, and whom we love. Boys and girls can help to make this a better world if they will express their love one for another in letters.

### Gracious Words

IN ECCLESIASTES 10:12, we read: "The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious."

Christmas will soon be here. There will be many Christmas cards and Christmas letters. Let us think carefully of some lonely boy or girl in our community who may not receive such a message unless you send it.

More than that, think of the lonely boy or girl in the hospital, in the orphan home, in the underprivileged tenement. Think what a letter from you to such a lonely neighbor would mean!

### Doing Good

CHRISTIAN fellowship, in the last analysis, is doing good. "He that doeth good is of God," says John, and we know that it is true. Intermediate boys and girls can seize upon numerous methods of proving their Christian attitude as we come on toward the Christmas season. Discuss with your teacher next Sunday the idea of providing Christmas gifts for underprivileged boys and girls of your age. If not in your community, somewhere.

While in Europe last summer, I was impressed with the fact that there will be very little Christmas for the young people in many of those lands this year. War has left its frightening desolation. The people are without money and without homes and without clothing and without food.

May I suggest that you discuss plans by which you may send packages through CARE to some lonely, needy neighbor in Europe this Christmas, thus proving your sense of Christian fellowship.

### Furthering the Gospel

AS WE grasp more fully the meaning of this lesson next Sunday, our hearts will gladly respond to the opportunities for furthering the Gospel of Jesus Christ, even as Gaius and Demetrius impressed John.

In every community are crying needs for Christian ministry. Your newspapers will be telling of special opportunities for Christmas help. Your Community Fund chairman can give you names of worthy neighbors who need help.

"I thank God for your fellowship in furtherance of the Gospel from the first day until now," wrote Paul to the Philippian Christians.

How did they show this fellowship? In many, many practical ways, some of which Paul names. They sent food, books, clothing. More than that, they gave themselves in personal visitation to lonely friends. They cheered the faint.

How happy we shall be if after the study of this lesson we go out to do with all our might what our hands find to do.

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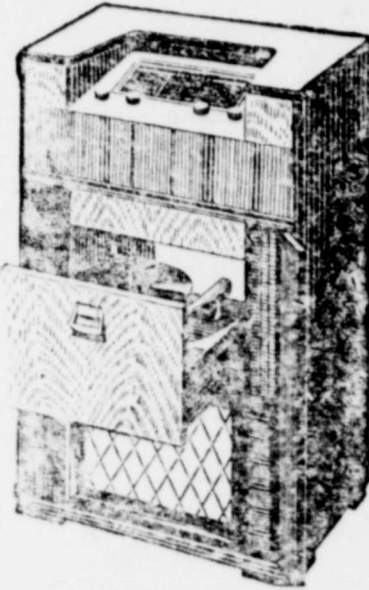
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## A Speech Was Made

By GEORGE S. BENSON  
President of Harding College  
Searcy, Arkansas



A LETTER came to my desk a few weeks ago containing one paragraph that astonished me. It read: "At the church conference held in this southern district a speech was made against the profit motive." That any American group, particularly a religious group, should raise its voice against the profit motive struck me as amazing.

To get rid of the profit motive, you would have to find some substitute for economics in modern civilization. You would have to eliminate all trading and marketing, buying and selling. You would have to get rid of money and other mediums of exchange. You would have to cease bartering and swapping. In fact, you would have to reduce your modern civilization to self-sufficiency of the individual. A modern and complicated civilization like our own could not do without trade, exchange, manufacturing, raw materials and production. You just have to ask more than it cost you. That is what profit means.

Just Two Systems THERE ARE only two ways that an economy may operate. In America individuals own farms, stores, factories, and run them for the chief purpose of making enough profit to live on. The other way is for government to own everything, operating all production merely for the purpose of feeding the people and supplying what it thinks are their needs.

The profit motive is the very foundation of our American way of life. It is the Constitutional way in our country. It has produced more enthusiasm, finer cooperation, and a greater abundance of clothing, food, housing, and transportation than the

masses of the people have ever known in any other country.

The other kind of economy, owned and operated by the government, attempts to do away with the profit motive. Actually, it does away with incentives, individual initiative, and efficiency. This kind of economy soon settles down to a "what's-the-use" status, offering only the barest necessities to its people.

Advance RUSSIA is a good example of this. Russia has attempted to substitute other enthusiasms for those of owning property and making profit, but she has found that whenever she wanted increased industrial output, she had to imitate some of the incentives that are so common in America.

The very concepts of freedom of the individual spring from the Bible. Therein you will find the foundation for the freedoms and liberties that America has built upon. I am unable to explain why church leaders are willing to attack the profit motive. To do so indicates tremendous misunderstanding of the American way of life, of our constitutional government, and the freedoms of the individual.

Let us not confuse greed and sin with the profit motive. There is nothing un-Christian, nor anti-social in fair and honest buying and selling and trading. One who is against the profit motive is in reality opposed to ownership of property, for when the profit motive is taken away the right to own things must go with it. It is high time for some of our religious people to start thinking through these things. Doing this, perhaps they would refuse to be used as advance agents of socialism and communism.

## Donkey Basketball Game December 6

Ralph Godfrey's Panhandle Donkey basketball team will play a local team here for the benefit of the athletic fund on Saturday night December 6 at 8:00 p. m. in the Sterling City high school gymnasium.

General admission is 25c for school students and 50c for adults. Reserved seats will go on sale at the Deal Drug store on Monday November 24 at 3 p. m. All reserved seats will sell at 50c regardless of whether for child or adult. When all reserved seats are sold a limited amount of seating space will be furnished for those who buy tickets the night of the game.

### TEXAS HISTORICAL CLUB

The 7th grade Texas History Club met on November 26 at 1:45 for their club meeting. The club entertained Mr. Duff and pupils of the eighth grade, Charlene Drennan, Mary Davis, Larry Glass, Joe Mullins, Hollis Kennemer, Jack Sullins, Dennis Reed, Dale Raney, R. H. Radde and Bill Davenport. Games were played and refreshments were served.

Ginger Lane, Reporter, 7th grade.

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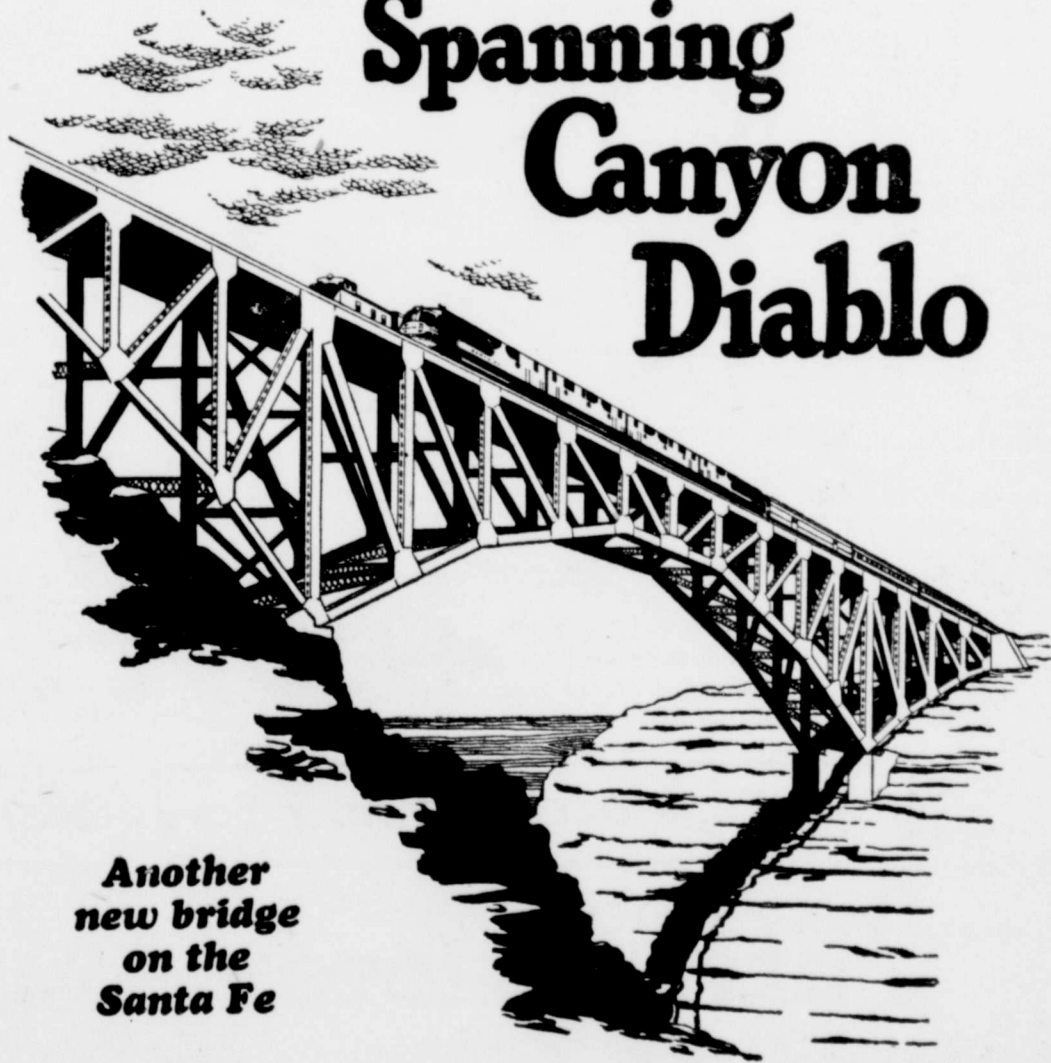
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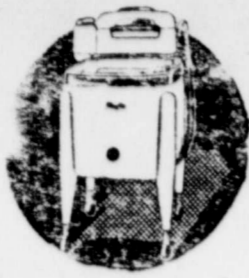
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**THANKSGIVING DINNER**

Mrs. W. T. Conger was honored with a dinner in the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Conger, Jr. in Forsan Thanksgiving day. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Conger and Roland, Jodie and Jeane of McCamey, Mr. and Mrs. James Con-



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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilkinson and their two children of Midland, spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with Mrs. Wilkinson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George McEntire.



**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 bride-rooms 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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**"Covering the County"**

By Byron W. Frierson, Sterling County Agent

The Sterling County 4-H Club will meet at 9 o'clock, December 10 in my office. A field tour of 4-H demonstrations is planned. Any parents, or other interested parties, who care to make this tour are cordially invited. (It would be nice if you brought your car, too.)

It's annual report time in my office. The deadline is December 11. I hope it is finished by then, and that I'm settled back to normal. It seems that an annual report includes everything the County Agent knows, except his wife's age.

Rusty Huff finally got the pigs he wanted for his 4-H demonstration. They are as good as I ever saw for their age. Hubert Williams raised them from a registered Duroc sow. Speaking of hogs, the Sears program certainly helped to get good blooded hogs in the county.

Billy Humble's lambs were weighed last week and had gained 17 pounds per head since he put them on feed. All of the club lambs are doing fine at present. There are 10 lambs being fed. We wish there were more.

R. T. Foster, Jr. says he will vouch for the fact that sulfaquandine tablets will stop the scours in calves. Try them the next time the need arises. They are cheap, simple to give, and fast acting.

It is still open season for cattle grubs. Some holes are still opening up and the size of the grubs ranges from the size of match stem to almost as big around as a pencil. When they are killed inside the animal some of the more mature ones pop out, but some of the smaller ones are re-absorbed by the animal's body. Here are some points to remember in treating for grubs: 1) If you use powder (5% rotenone diluted) be sure you rub it in good. It must reach the open grub hole. Be liberal with the powder. Take about 2 ounces per animal. 2) The strength of rotenone does not last many days after application. It's best to treat 2 or 3 times at thirty day intervals. 3) pick out one grub-infested cow and examine her often. If the grubs keep coming to the top that means the heel flies laid over for a long season. Keep poisoning.

Some counties in the United States have cleared their cattle grubs up until they are 90% grub free. Many others have declared all out war in trying to become 100% grub free. My guess is that very soon the man with grubby cattle to sell is going to take a very noticeable penalty.

The Copeland Brothers have planted some Comanche and Westar wheat out on the Divide. They created the seed before planting with cerasan. These strains of wheat and also Wichita are the ones we are recommending for this area.

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Mr. and Mrs. Chesley McDonald were hosts at a Thanksgiving dinner last Thursday in their new ranch home, 18 miles west of Sterling City. Those present were Mrs. McDonald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reed, and Mr. and Mrs. Nick Reed and children, Neal J. and Trinabeth, Mr. and Mrs. Martin C. Reed and son, Mims, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Reed and daughter, LeRuth, Mrs. Neal Red and Don and Cecelia Reed, all of Sterling City.

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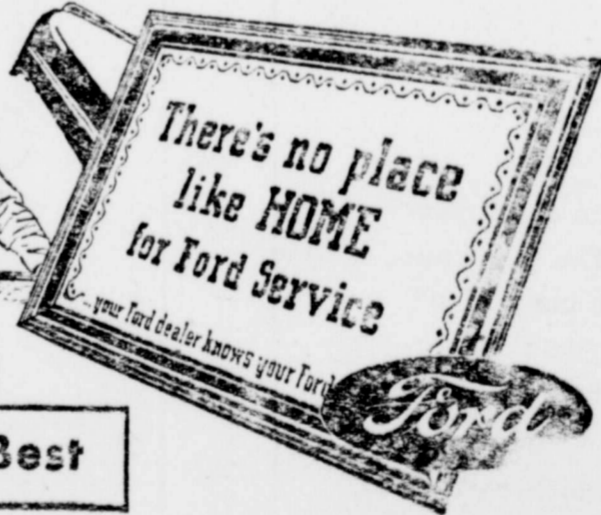
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**Boyce House "GIVES YOU TEXAS"**

Had a letter from officials of the State Fair of Texas and they say next year's exposition will be bigger and better. As far as I'm concerned, the one this year was plenty good enough. Went over there on press day and it's worth going a long ways just to shake hands with the fine folks of the Fourth Estate, especially from the smaller towns and especially the ones who run the papers that publish this column.

There was also a barbecue dinner, served by the Odessa Chuck Wagon Gang. And so many things to see, as guests of the management that I never could get around to 'em all—but I did see the S.M.U.—Missouri football game that night and "Annie Get Your Gun" that afternoon. The star was Mary Martin, and she is a Texas gal that every Texan has a right to be proud of. She sang, she danced, she got laughs and she was the romantic interest, too. Besides that, she was a dead shot with a rifle. (That is the only thing she did that I thought maybe might have been fixed so as to make it look like the targets were being hit; that is, I would have been a might suspicious if she hadn't been from Texas.)

Mary Martin's is a Cinderella story. She was born in the peaceful town of Weatherford where she had a school where she taught singing and dancing. Also she sang over at the Baker (or maybe it was at the Crazy Hotel) in Mineral Wells. She came to Fort Worth while Casa Manana was being presented but Billy Rose wouldn't give her a place in the show.

She went to New York, and was

the under study to a star who kindly got sick one night. That was Mary's chance; she didn't need but one. She sang "My Heart Belongs to Daddy" and became the toast of Broadway. Then came stardom on the air and screen.

Her appearance at Dallas was her first visit back to her old home state and the home folks cheered and cheered.

When you hear anybody say that opportunity no longer exists in America, just call the guy's attention to Mary Martin.

So, officials of the State Fair of Texas, next year's show may have more exhibits and departments, and it may be better than the 1947 one was—but this columnist is one fellow who is going to have to be shown.

Yours, for Press Day and barbecue and football—and Mary Martin, of Texas.

Tom D. Davis, son of the Jeff Davises, spent the Thanksgiving holidays here last week with his parents. Tom D. is a student in Texas Tech.

Lora Mae Humble, student in Texas Tech, spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Humble.

**HODGES DINNER HOSTS**

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Hodges were hosts at a Thanksgiving dinner in their home on that day. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest McClair and daughter, Brenda, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd S. King and son, Rocky, all of San Angelo, Dr. and Mrs. J. S. King and daughter, Diana, of Brady, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Pearce, Miss Lucille Hodges, Miss Joan King and Clinton Hodges of Sterling City.

Ernestine Cole, student in Texas University, spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with her mother Mrs. Agnes Cole, and her family.

Billy Findt and Norvin Brown, students at San Angelo College, spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with their families.

Scooter Carr of Garden City, who is attending the School of Mines in El Paso, spent Thanksgiving holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Carr.

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**Plum Pudding Days Are Here**

By Frances Lee Barton

THERE'S a nip in the air that calls for heavier foods — just what our body engines need to give us "full steam ahead" in cold weather. Incidentally, these are plum pudding days — all the way through the rest of the year. So here's a recipe for a Plum Pudding that is nutritious, tasty, economical and — thanks to the use of flavored gelatine — downright unusual!

**Plum Pudding**

1 package lemon-flavored or cherry-flavored gelatine; dash of salt; ½ teaspoon cinnamon; ¼ teaspoon cloves; 2 cups hot water; ¾ cup finely cut raisins; ¾ cup finely cut cooked prunes; ¼ cup finely cut citron; ¼ cup finely cut nut meats; ¼ cup Grape-Nuts.

Combine gelatine, salt, and spices; add hot water and stir until gelatine is dissolved. Chill. When slightly thickened, fold in combined fruits, nuts, and Grape-Nuts. Turn into mold. Chill until firm. Unmold. Serve with whipped cream flavored with nutmeg. Makes 10 servings.

Note: If desired, 1¾ cups cooked dried figs may replace prunes, citron, and raisins. You may also substitute ¼ cup crushed vanilla wafers or graham crackers for the Grape-Nuts.

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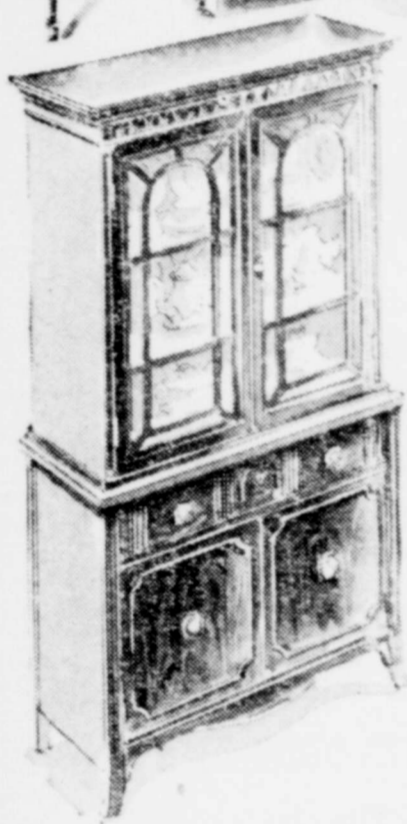
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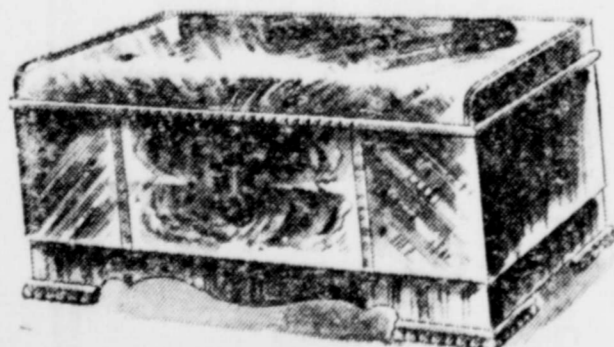
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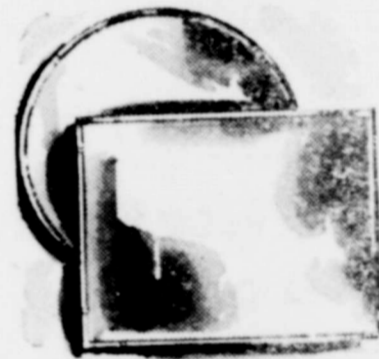
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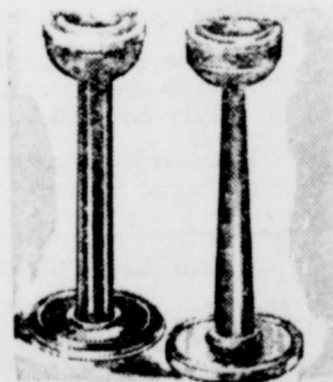
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