THE STRATFORD STAR

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Stratford, Sherman County, Texas, Thursday, April 4, 1946.

7 School District Trustees To Be Elected Saturday

Seven school trustees for the Stratford Rural High School Dis-trict will be elected in an election CITIES SERVICE trict will be elected in an election to be held at the Courthouse in Stratford Saturday. All trustees now serving on the board are serv-ing from appointment resulting in an election in which all seven must be elected. Friends have filed the names of iffteen men which will apear on

REUBIN BASKIN CONE DONELSON E. F. FISK L. M. FEDRIC C. R. HAWKINS ARTHUR JUDD A. L. KING FLOYD KEENER JOHN R. KNIGHT ARTHUR MILTON W. E. PLEYER P. J. PRONGER, JR. CLENN PEED GLENN REED. TRAVIS SPURLOCK. JIM TAYLOR.

McIntosh **Dry Goods Store Opens Wednesday**

the McIntosh Dry Goods store will open its doors for business the

Miss Ruby Bryant And Spencer Graves **Married Last Month**

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Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bryant, Strath-
more, California, and Spencer
Graves, son of F. J. Graves, were
married February 9, at Madera,
California, it was learned here by
Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Bryant.in the high school auditorium at
3:00 o'clock. Eleven seniors com-
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said by critics to be one of the best
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Friends have filed the names of fifteen men which will apear on the official ballot for action of the voters of the district Sample Ballot PASKIN Here the names of the center of the northeast quarter of section 403, Block 1-T, T&NO survey. The new location is 12 miles south of Stratford and will be drilled for gas.

Cemetery Association **Meets This Evening**

A meeting of the Cemetery Asso-ciation will be held in the district courtroom of the Courchouse in Stratford this evening at 7:45 of the

tery will be made. Officers of the organization are especially anxious to have all in-must be made at the regular meet-**Deens Wednesday** H. F. McIntosh. announces that the gathering to assist in the now meet for about two weeks. made for a beautification program.

CUB SCOUT MEETING TUESDAY

CITY

OFFICIALS

RE-ELECTED

City officials were re-elected to office in the election Tuesday. Six-ty-five votes were cast. J. R. Pendleton who has served the city as Mayor was elected as an Alderman who has acted as City Secretary, was elected Mayor. H. T. Jackson, was elected City Secre-tary. Leo L. Smith and Leslie H. Parker were re-elected Aldermen. Little excitement was shown ov-

Little excitement was shown ov- Association er the election in which candidates did their electioneering in an Meets Monday

autempt to place their opponents A meeting of the Stratford Parent-Teacher Association will

in office. Voters apparently took the atti- held in the high school auditorium tude that officials who had been working with the installation of she sewer system now under con-for the election of 1946-47 officers struction, should be kept in of- will be appointed. fice for the completion of the present.

ciation will be held in the district courtroom of the Cour,house in Stratford this evening at 7:45 General business of the year will be brought before the meeting. Plans for the beautification of the cemetery grounds and the an-nouncement of the purchase of new lots west of the present ceme-tery will be made. Official tabulation of the arganization are tery will be made. tary, H. T. Jackson 44, Eugene Wilson 21; Aldermen, J. R. Pendleton 50, Leslie H. Parker 30, Leo L. Smith 49, O. H. Ingham 22, K. L. Eller 21, and Cone Donelson 26. Official tabulation of the votes must be made at the regular meeting of the City Council which will now meet for about two weeks.
Berkstresser-Whelan Wedding Vows
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terested parties who can to attend ing of the City Council which will

Wedding Vows

Stratford Lions Received Charter Monday Night

Terminating Farm Beef And Produce Subsidy Programs

The beef production program is scheduled to end June 30, 1946. according to an announcement from the County AAA Office this week. Sales of cattle after June 30, will not be eligible for payment. All applications on cattle sold for slaughter prior to June 30 must be submitted not later than August 31, 1946 in order to receive a sub-

sidy payment. Dairy Production Payments Dairy Production payments for January, February, and March per-All members are urged to be and the second s vised that dairy production pay-ments will be continued through June 30. The rates of payment will be the same as those for the the best of sportsmanship. The Inter Se Club met in the corresponding period last year sub-ject to termination or revision in Toastmaster were: President ject to termination or revision in the event of any general increases in price ceiling for milk and its Vice President Earl Riffe and Mrs. products.

Washington Gives **Green Light For**

Authority for paving U.S. high-way 54 from Stevens to Texhoma, released by wire Monday. Bell and Braden started unloading ma-chinery to start work this week. Paving of the 8.6 miles gap will close the unpaved stretch of road in the Texas Panhandle.

Burgesented the Stratford ing represented the Stratford Me,hodist Church.
 Senior Play Friday Night
 Statford High School Seniors will present their annual play, will present the bride. The bride wore a dress of turget of the bride and strated line and streated a bouquet of prosent the comedy farced with early spring flowers, pink said by critics to be one of the best and burget of the bride. The bride wore a dress of turget of the bride and saveet peas. The bride wore a dress of turget of the bride and saveet peas. The bride wore a dress of turget of the bride and saveet peas. The bride wore a dress of turget of the bride and saveet peas. The bride wore a dress of turget of the bride and saveet peas. The bride wore a dress of turget of the bride and saveet peas. The bride wore a dress of turget of the bride and the and the principal peak and the and the principal peak and the principal p

The groom, also of Edmond high school just recently returned from the Pacific. He was in the Army rillo Saturday evening for an ap-Air Corns in the Vacation instructions were given courses of this year's Bible School whish will be held in the Stratford Methodist Church the week of June 17.

Stratford Lions in a festive occasion conducted in the high school gymnasium Monday night presented the organizations char-ter by District Governor Charles Dean of Plainview, Texas. Approx-imately 198 Lions and their guests were present.

F. B. Mullins delivered the welcome address, and presented Leo L. Smith, president of the Stratford club. Mr. Smith intro-duced Denny Denman, president of the Dumas Lions Club and R. U. Counts, president of the Dalhart Lions club, co-sponsors in organi-zation of the local club.

Following short talks by the club presidents, Robert A. Lang-horne, Dalhart, took charge of the meeting as toastmaster.

Ray Spencer, Dumas, and Hose Flores. Stratford, acted as twisters.

Leo Smith was initiated by be-

the Riffe; Second Vice President O. L. McMinn and Mrs. McMinn; Third Vice President Van B. Boston and Vice President Van B. Boston and Mrs. Boston; Secretary L. P. Hun-ter and Miss Caroline Hunter; Treasurer Hose Flores and Mrs. Flores; Lion Tamer Joe A. Duby and Mrs. Duby; Tail Twister Les-lie H. Parker and Mrs. Parker; and the Board of Directors: R. C. Buckles and Mrs. Buckles, Chester Guthrie and Mrs. Guthrie, A. L. King and Mrs. King Balph Hard-King and Mrs. King, Ralph Hard-

will ing and Mrs. Harding. road Following the initiation of the Stratford president, Counts and Denman, presidents of the Dalhart and Dumas clubs were each given their time to spend in the high

Recovering From Appendectomy Mrs. J. B. Burgess underwend an operation for appendicitis in Northwest Texas hospital in Ama-rillo Tuesday. J. B., who took his wife to Amarillo Monday, stated in a telephone conversation with rel-acives here, that she was getting along nicely. **Chair.** Miss Solomon, voice and music veacher of the Dumas school, ac-companied by a quintet of high school girls presented the program "Home on the Range," "The East-er Parade," "Sue City Sue," and closed the program with "There's a club in the Town." Vocal solos, "I Am Always Chasing Rainbows," by Miss Louise Kimsey, and "If by Miss Louise Kimsey, and "If You Were the Only Girl." by Susan Palmer were rendered.

Vacation Bible School Clinic At Perryton Mrs. Ernest Lovelace, Mrs. Ed Garoutte, Mrs. Ernest Cummings, Mrs. Leslie Keenan, Mrs. James Cameron, Ruby Dell Harding, Flor-ene Burgess. Mrs. J. W. Roseburg and Rev. J. W. Rosenburg attended

open its dors for busines. morning of Wednesday, April 10. The new building which has been under construction for several months, loca,ed southeast of the Bonar Pharmacy, will be the store Will be completed. Mr. McIntosh has spen/ much of building may give the impression Bonar Pharmacy difference the Bonar Pharmacy difference the Bonar Pharmacy difference the bride. The best man Bonar Pharmacy difference the Bonar Pharmacy difference the Bonar Pharmacy din

graduating with the class of 1936.

Mrs. Graves completed her edu-cation at Texas State College for

Mr. Graves recently received his discharged from the army after service in the Asiatic-Pacific campaign. Returning to his former trade, he is employed with the paign. Reedley Exponent, a newspaper published at Reedley, California, where the newly weds will make their home.

Nancy Jean Taylor **Honored With Party**

Nancy Jean Taylor of Little Rock, Arkansas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor, was enterthe home of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Taylor in honor of her 5th birth-day. Patricia met the guests at the door

When they all arrived, kodak and moving pictures were made of the 14 girls who were beautifully

Aressed in their mounters that and provide and strategies and chicken house at the M. H. Etheridge home Saturday afternoon. Work of the bucket brigade and Stratford's volunteer fire department brought the flames under control. The bridge stated to the brigade and strategies stated to make the brigade and strategies and

The total amount of food avail- urday morning but thought able in the world today is 12 per- the fire had been extinguished. cent less per person than before the war.

Political

Announcements

(Authorized Political Announcements subject to the Action of the Democratic Primary to be held Saturday, July 27, 1946.)

For Sheriff, Tax Assessor, and Collector: JOHN KIDWELL.	au mo ha
For County Judge and Ex-Officio Superintendent of Schools: L. P. HUNTER.	we Ch Ch
For District Attorney, 69th Judicial District: KING FIKE.	"Pe
For County Treasurer: MRS. GERTRUDE WOODARD.	1 02 02
For County and District Clerk.	TIn

MRS. LELAH BONEY. For County Commissioner, Pre-

cinct No. 1: ROSCOE DYESS. For County Commissioner, Pre-

cinct No. 4: E. E. HAMILTON.

er of Hobgoblin house; Joy Hudson, appears as Marian Carter, the Women at Denton, Texas and has been employed as assistant home demonstration agent at Fresno,

Frank Harlow, Marian's fiance; Roy Lee Malone, as Jill's finance, Jack Loring; Florene Burgess, the "Henglish 'ousekeeper," Susan Susan Parkins; Bety Jo Newman, as Deliah Worts, the darky cook; Doyle Etheridge, as Henry Goober, the darky gardener; Bill Reed as Bluebeard Bronson, the escaped maniac; and William G. Hart as Bill Wilkins, his keeper. Mrs. Nelle Alexander and E.

A. Wooten, class sponsors have taken an active part in assisting and directing the play. Mrs. Alelxander has directed the play while Mr. Wooten's class in manual training and Mrs. Robert Taylor, was enter-tained by Patricia Lane Taylor at the home of Mr and Mrs. G L. the first time in the play.

> **Fire Damages** Garage And **Chicken House**

old stack on their premises Sat-

Methodist Church

On Sunday, March 24, the Strail- Mrs. Wakefield ford Methodist Church broke all records of recent years. On that Sunday 35 new members were re-**Best Yet Club** ceived into the Church, 157 at-tended Sunday School. The aud-itorium was filled for the morning service. Sunday, March 31, 151 were in Sunday School and again when the meeting of Ben Biddy at the meeting of Sunday School and again the Best Yet Home Demonstration Tuesday ditorium was filled for the club March 22 at the home of Mrs. Mrs. A ditorium was filled orning service. If you do not ve a Church Home in Stratford e welcome you to the Methodist nurch for Sunday School and members of the club present urch services Sunday School 10:00 A. M. Sermon topic at 11:00 A. M. eople Are Funny.

Intermediate MYF 6:00 P. M. Senior MYF 6:30 P. M. Sermon topic at 7:30 P. M. "The

created Beam." Woman's Society of Christian Service each Wednesday at 2:30 P. M.

Choir rehearsal each Wednesday at 7:30 P. M. Youth play night each Thursday evening at 7:30 P. M.

Air Corps. Immediately after the vows were spoken, the bride and groom en-tered the dinet e where their pic-tered the dinet e where their picture was taken while they cut

lovely two tiered wedding cake. It was decorated with pink sweet peas and a miniature bride and groom. The cake was served by the brides mother, Mrs. I. F. Berk-stresser. Mrs. K. Fred Cline and W. H. Berkstresser presided at the Blanck, Mrs. J. K. Richardson and punch bowl. Punch and cake were served to the following: Mrs. Huel Davis and Mrs. K. Fred Cline of Tucson, Arizona, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie King, Mrs. John Burns, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Berkstresser, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Berkstresser and children, Jim Bill, Reata Lu, set and Nancy Joyce, all of Carlsbad. After refreshments and congra-

Tulations, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Berk-stresser took the bride, groom and guests to dinner at the Old South stresser took the bride, groom and Dining Room, where they enjoyed the remainder of the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Whelan left Thurs-

day evening for a two weeks visit dressed in their mothers' clothes. Nancy was the recipient of many lovely gifts. Refreshments were served to Timmie Lou Flores, Jean the M. H. Etheridge home Saturday Current M. H. Etheridge home Saturday Served to Timmie Lou Flores, Jean the M. H. Etheridge home Saturday Served to Timmie Lou Flores, Jean the M. H. Etheridge home Saturday Served to Timmie Lou Flores, Jean the M. H. Etheridge home Saturday Served to Timmie Lou Flores, Jean the M. H. Etheridge home Saturday Served to Timmie Lou Flores, Jean the M. H. Etheridge home Saturday Served to Timmie Lou Flores, Jean the M. H. Store the Saturday Served to Timmie Lou Flores, Jean the M. H. Store the M. H. Store the Saturday Served to Timmie Lou Flores, Jean the M. H. Store the M. H. Store the Saturday Store t

Sat-that and hasty plans for the wedding made it impossible for Mrs. Birth to attend the wedding.

"A cake need not be complicat-

Annual Confernce Woman's Society

Mrs. J. W. Rosenburg, to the Annual Conference meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service report a very interesting and inspiring meeting. Highligh ing the Conference were the messages Highligh Ing brought by Miss Flora Foreman, Missionary to Africa, Miss Hester West, Missionary to China and Miss Dorothy McConnell, editor of At Texas Tech

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank the friends and relatives for many the flowers was in the hospital. I received one bouquet of flowers that had no name, but was sent from Strat-Whoever sent is, thanks a And you friends and relavisits

RUBY PEARL BRANNAN.

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. I. D. Divine, Texhoma, was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wakefield Monday. George Parker, Perryton, visited lovely gifts were received.

ing school there.

N. D. Kelp and Wright Davis the transacted business in Amarillo

Mrs. Albert Lee was on the sick

Monday.

day.

Morning Worship 11:00 A. M. Christian Endeavor 6:30 P. M. Evening Services 7:30 P. M. Choir practice 8:00 P. M.

You are always welcome at any

Mrs. and all these services. G. M. Eastman, Pastor.

Virginia Lee Plunk Honored On 7th Birthday

Mrs. V. A. Plunk honored Sandwiches, cake and which many believe with a served. Virginia Lee from within 5 to 15 years. Leo Smith responded to Dean's her mindging the club to punch were served. received many nice gifts from her little friends.

Ira Guthrie Enrolls

LUBBOCK.— Of the more than one thousand veterans enrolled in Texas Technological College this semester, one student, Albert V (Ira) Guthrie, is from Strauford. W. Guthrie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Guthrie, is a sophomore engineering student.

Pink And Blue Shower In Honor Of Mrs. **Grady Mullican**

The Woman's Society of Chris- E. L. Koontz tian Service of the Methodist Church sponsored a Pink and Blue Opens Milk And shower for Mrs. Grady Mullican Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Floy

The table Yates. decorations were blue and pink sweet peas and blue and while candles. Many

Mrs. Guthrie Attends **Alumnae Meeting**

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Guthrie were in Dallas Friday to attend the homecoming celebration of the Hockaday Alumnae of which Mrs. Guthrie is a member.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES ELECTION In compliance with the statutes governing the election of school rustees, notice is hereby given than on Saturday, April 6, 1946, at the Courthouse in Stratford, an election will be held for the purpose of electing seven trustees of diate and Young People's Departthe Scratford Rural High School ments district who when duly elected Wednesday and qualified shall hold office for The ladie the ensuing terms, or until their meet at the church at 3:00 for the successors are elected and qualified.

Returns of the election shall be made to the Stratford Rural High School District School Board.

of Knight, Keebert, Dr. E. U. Johnson and Emery Canon, sang "We Love the Sea," "Way Down Yonder in the Corn Field," and "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." Mrs. Lydia Fountaine furnished the piano accompaniment.

Charles Dean, district governor after an inspiring speech mixed with wit and humor, presented the charter to Leo L. Smith. Dean stated that Lion membership had grown to 270,000 in 16 allied naions. He pled for loyalty of Lions her in their pledge to build up and not little daughver, Virginia Lee, with a bir hday party, Friday from 4:30 the predicted third world war to 6:00. Sandwiches, cake and which many believe will be fought

charge by pledging the club to perpetuate good fellowship, up bulding of the community, and co-operation with all organizations to make the town and county a better place in which to live by virtue of the organization.

Deputy District Governor Lon Edwards, Amarillo, was presented for a short talk at the close of the program.

Dalhart had 66 guests present and Dumas brought 19 guests. Ap-proxmately 57 local members and their ladies attended.

Stratford, with a membership of 87, is a larger club than either the Dalhart or Dumas clubs.

Ice Business

E. L. Koontz started daily deliv-eries of ice and milk this week. He handles homogenized and pasteurized milk. Until his new building is completed he will make the Harrison Poultry and Feed build-ing his headquarters.

First Baptist Church Sunday Morning

Sunday School 10:00 A. M. Morning Worship 11:00 A. M. Sermon subject, "Christ On

Trial.

Sunday Evening Training Union 7:00 P. M. Evening Worship 8:00 P. M. Sermon Subject, "The Greatest

Name. The evening choir will be com-posed of members of the Interme-

The ladies of the W. M. S. will Royal Service Program. Friday Night

The annual banquet for the JOHN R. KNIGHT. President. Room by the W M. S. at 8:00 P. M.

friends here Monday. Mrs. Paul Spruell left Tuesday for Amarillo. She is staying with Miss Nina Cowdrey who is attend-

Tommie Wakefield. A demon-stration of an easy mix cake was Ernest Lovelace and Rev. J. W Rosenburg were visitors in Dalhart STRATFORD RURAL HIGH

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bomer were

visitors in Amarillo Monday. Misses Jerry Kelp and Oleta Gil-ley visited friends in Dalhart Mon-

First Christian Church Sunday School 10:00 A. M.

Wed-

agreed that it was simple and easy to mix and also of fine texture and delicious. The program continued with an open house discussion of retaining color in vegetables, new fruit and

vegetable dishes, and salads. At the noon hour the hostess served luncheon to the following

members: Mesdames Biddy, Bond,

Donelson, Wisdom, Golladay, Keener, Harding and Dyess. The club meets each second and fourth Friday at 11:00 A. M. Visi-nesday. tors are welcome. The next meeting will be at the home of Raymond Keener April 12.

said Mrs.

THE STRATFORD STAR, STRATFORD, TEXAS



THE STORY THUS FAR: Teresa likes Hazlett much better than she likes Stenhart. She speaks again of Stenhart's dreams "like devils in him." When Stenhart is left alone in a chair under a live oak tree in the yard, the stranger confronted the sick man, who blurted out: "My God, Sherwin, you!" Sherwin (Hazlett) calmiy states: "I've come to kill you, but not just now; you're sick." Sherwin returned to the house, feeling there was plenty of time to kill Stenhart. He could wait. A breeze from the window uncovered a photograph on the desk. A picture of Jane. Unconsciously a change came over Sherwin, the blood rushed to his face, his eyes softened ... as he thought of her.

CHAPTER IV

He held the picture in his hands, looking at it steadily. It had been taken perhaps four years before. The face was almost childish, but the clear straight look was there; a woman like that might keep a man from-from crime! And Stenhart dared to be in love with her! Well, dared to be in love with her!

He had opened the dog-eared account books again. "I'll try to make good on these, anyway," he thought, and smiled for the first time as he began to run down Jim's slovenly figures. But he had hardly reached the foot of the column before he heard a quick step behind him and Jim himself came in, dusty and fagged.

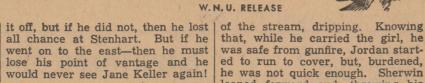
"Hello, Hazlett. Quit that stuff, I've got something else on hand." As he spoke he flung himself into a chair and mopped his forehead. "Got most of the strays back, but I've lost about eighty yearlings, be-sides those you made into beef," he

added with a grin. "Sorry," Sherwin began, "but—" "No regrets!" Jim laughed. "You can ride, I know that. The men are all busy and I want you to ride over to Hemmings' place, it's about fifteen miles, and get the sheriff. He's over there now. Take him along with you and show him the place where Jordan ran past youyou know, on the highroad. We think he's got some of his rustlers there. Anyway, he's cleared out of this neighborhood, and I want Cutlerthat's the sheriff-to know it. You know the locality where Jordan dodged. Mac'll give you a fast horse. Better go right away." Sherwin was staring fixedly at the books in front of him. He said noth-

ing, and, after a moment, Jim looked around at him. "Well?" he said interrogatively.

"I don't know the roads; I'll lose time finding the place—Hemmings' I mean. Hadn't you better send some one who knows the way?

"I've got no one who knows where you saw Jordan. Besides, the road to Hemmings' place is straight, you can't miss it. All the men are busy, and I'm used up. You can make it before Cutler takes a false trail.



TURNING POINT

By Mary Imlay Taylor

What madness to think of the girl! Sherwin knew it, but he was young and her clear eyes held him. He heard still her voice when she told him to "make good!"

And he was going-like a craven! Suddenly he turned his horse's head. He would go back; he'd go west and face-the devil, if need be!

Something stirred in the brush below the road, and he saw the branch of a low hanging tree sway suddenly. Rising in his stirrups he looked through a gap in the foliage. Below him ran the creek. On the farther bank wild flowers bloomed bravely, the sunlight making a carnival of color. He caught a glimmer of white, looked again and saw a figure there. Jane! She must have come this far looking for flowers; he could



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blossoms. He dropped from the saddle, led his horse into the shelter of some eucalyptus and left him. If there was any one on this side of the creek he must know it.

Low bushes grew thick along the bank and a flowering vine, sprawling over them, knotted them togeth-Sherwin could not see far inte the dense green shadows, but he found an opening and slipped on among the spreading branches, dropped to the mossy ground and looked between close-set roots and stems toward the smooth glimmer that was the creek. It was still, There was no sound but Jane's voice; she was singing softly to herself. At first it seemed as if the swinging bough must have been a figment of imagination, but Sherwin knew better. There was no windwho swung that bough? He waited, holding his breath, for suddenly it came to him that danger threatened Jane. Disarmed by Jim's fixed idea that Jordan had gone they had grown careless; no one was within call. The shadow in the brush was dark, but the sunlight on the water beyond cut clear outlines. Sherwin became aware of a stealthy sound close to the edge of the creek. He stooped lower and discerned a crouching figure: a man was crawling on his hands and knees toward the water. As he dropped lower to pass under a bough, his head was silhouetted against the light and Sherwin knew him-it was the rustler, Jordan! Instinctively, Sherwin's hand went to his revolver, then it dropped. He dared not shoot The creek was narrow here and Jane was too near. A miss, and-! He must get the man from behind, pinion his arms, drag him, if need be, into the water and drown him. Softly he crept after the skulker. There was little sound except the occasional cracking of a twig, and Jordan, making similar sounds, did not seem to notice them. The two crept on, the first almost at the water's edge, the second almost near enough to grasp the crawling legs in front. Jane's voice rose just opposite, singing a Spanish song. Sherwin stretched out his hand and almost got the ankle nearest him: then, suddenly, Jordan faced about and saw him, uttered an oath and plunged into the water, swimming straight for the girl on the opposite side. In an instant, Sherwin divined his plan-he meant to get Jane and dictate his own terms to Jim! He knew that Sherwin could not shoot and endanger the girl. But Sherwin broke through a tangle of vines, plunged into the creek and swam after him. Still, the other man had the advantage. As Sherwin struck the water, Jordan leaped out on the other side and was after the girl.

all chance at Stenhart. But if he that, while he carried the girl, he was safe from gunfire, Jordan started to run to cover, but, burdened, he was not quick enough. Sherwin leaped forward and, throwing his powerful arms around him, dragged him back. Caught by an iron grip above each elbow, Jordan released Jane and tried to turn on his assailant. There was a moment of wild conflict; the two men struggled, twisted and went down together. Sherwin had no time to draw a weapon and he meant that Jordan should not have a better chance. Wrestling and panting they rolled over, slipping down the bank toward the creek, while Jane tried to help Sherwin, and cried for help.

Sherwin twisted and strained at the other man, when they came to a cleft in the bank, fell through it violently and struck water, Jordan uppermost. The force of the contact, the sudden rush of water over his head, loosened Sherwin's grip, and his antagonist drew a knife and struck once, furiously. The blade drove into the other man's arm, and there was a moment more of fierce conflict, the water growing red; then Jordan broke loose and swam ashore. He had crossed the creek. Sherwin still heard Jane's cries and. wounded in the arm, he struck out for the shore and, reaching it, climbed to the top of the bank dizzily. He saw that the girl was there alone and, faint from loss of blood, sank to his knees beside her.

"Oh, you're hurt, you're bleed-ing!" Jane was down beside him, trying, with shaking hands, to find the wound and stanch it.

Sherwin, looking up into her face, read something there that went to his head.

"It's only a scratch," he whispered hoarsely. "Thank God I was near enough to help!"

But you're bleeding, he's shot you in the arm!" She was trying to bind it with her handkerchief. "And it was for me-Oh, I thought he'd kill you!

Sherwin laid his hand over hers. "Would you care?" he asked, and his voice shook.

The girl lifted brave eyes to his, the color ran up to her dusky hair, but her look answered his. "Jane!" he cried, "Jane!"

She did not speak, but her clear eyes misted. In the madness of that moment he cast his last resolution to the wind.

"I love you!" he said softly. "No matter what comes - no matter what is said of me-I love you!"

The girl looked back at him with her sweet gravity. "I don't even know your real name!" she said gently.

He groaned. It all came back to him and turned the world black. 'I'm mad," he said bitterly. "You'll hate me soon for this!"

"John!" He turned and saw her white face



RUSSIA WAR TALK

WASHINGTON. - It's no secret that there's been considerable talk among the brass hats in the Pentagon building about war with Rus-sia. Some of this comes from men who honestly feel war is inevitable and favor getting it over with right now. Others chiefly favor a little war talk because of its help in passing military conscription.

However, there can be no doubt about the views of the top military man in the war department-Gen. Dwight Eisenhower.

Two or three weeks ago, Eisenhower was attending a Washington dinner party when people began to talk about war with Russia. Irked by the conversation, he remarked that he was "amazed that so many people should suddenly be seriously considering the idea of war with Russia."

Then the chief of staff proceeded to give a pointed lecture on the foolishness of this war talk, which can be briefly summarized as follows:

"People who want war should only think a few minutes about the sacrifice Russia has made in the past five years — a loss of life and property so large we cannot conceive of it. A people who have suffered such a loss will not turn tail before any military force in the world today. But at the same time they will not go out and look for another war.

"And neither will we. This country is no more anxious to go to war with Russia. Our losses are great, and we want no more. Certainly the American people do not want to get involved in a war in which there can be no end but the destruction of the greater part of the world.

"We have nothing to gain to start with, and would have nothing left when it is over."

ANTI-HOUSING LOBBY

Most powerful lobby since the war threw itself into the battle to defeat the Wyatt housing program for veterans. Every congressman received wires, phone calls, letters from builders, lumber dealers, real

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Lesson for April 7

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FRIENDS OF JESUS

LESSON TEXT-Mark 10: 13, 14; Luke 6:13-16; 8:1-3; 15:1, 2; John 3:1, 2a. MEMORY SELECTION - Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.-John 15:14.

what He commands. He said, "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you" (John 15:14).

What kind of friends did Jesus choose? Did He limit His interest to a select circle of very religious people, or to the cultured and educated folk of His day? It may surprise some Christian people who have made the church a sort of exclusive club to learn how wide were the interests and the love of the Lord whom they profess to serve.

I. Children Were Welcomed (Mark 10:13, 14).

Observe that the disciples had fallen into that strange mode of thought which excluded the children. They were undoubtedly wellmeaning in their desire to keep the Master from the intrusion (as they thought) of little ones. He was engaged in dealing with profound spiritual matters and they felt that He should not be disturbed.

Jesus was displeased. He seldom showed such feelings. Usually He bore silently with their mistakes, but this was so serious that they must be rebuked.

Little children belong with Jesus. Let us not forget it, and let us not fail to make it easy and attractive for them to come to Jesus in our churches and Sunday schools.

II. Witnesses Were Chosen (Luke 6:13-16).

When Jesus left this world to return to His Father's throne, He left witnesses behind.

It is significant that these men were of simple childlike spirit, unlearned in the formality of their day, but with a real genius for friendship both with the Lord and with a needy world.

The close fellowship of our Lord with these men was their course of training for service, and His blessed friendship was the burning fire After urging that the veterans' which kept their hearts warm through the difficult years ahead.

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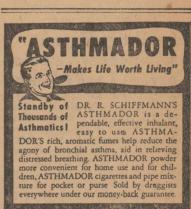
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Here, I'll draw you a map-Jim reached for a pencil. As he did so he caught a glimpse of the other man's face and whistled, then he laughed. "See here, Hazlett, what's wrong—you're not afraid to meet the sheriff, are you?" he asked lightly. Sherwin's face whitened. He rose. "I'll go at once, sir," he said grave-'where's the house?" ly:

Jim struck his hand on the desk. "Here, I say, don't take it like that. I was joking!"

Sherwin met his eyes squarely. "'It's the kind of joke I don't like,' he replied coldly.

Something in the man's eyes made Jim lean back in his chair and observe him closely. But he turned the matter off as well as he could.

"Sorry! I owe you an apology. But you'll go?"

Sherwin nodded, went out and crossed the veranda to the lawn. Under the trees he saw a pretty tableau. Fanny Sewell was reading aloud to the convalescent, and going away from them, across the flower dotted slope that led to the creek, was Jane. Sherwin saw the sunlight on her uncovered head. She did not see him, nor did Stenhart. He, too, was watching Jane. Sherwin's hand clenched at his side but he walked rapidly across the open space and went to the stables.

Old Mac was there with his arm in a sling, but he had already had his orders from Jim, and one of the stablemen had a fast horse saddled.

"Jim says you're to go after th' sheriff. He thinks Jordan's made off-" the old man shrugged.

"I see you don't agree with that," said Sherwin, as he sprang into the saddle.

"A fox mostly doubles," Mac replied. "Look out for yourself, lad; Jordan may remember the rough an' tumble you had together."

"In case he does, goodbye, and thank you!" he said.

As he rode his mind worked quickly. Across the bridge he drew rein an instant, felt in his pocket and drew out a newspaper two days old. He read a paragraph and shook his head. It was too great a risk to ride to Hemmings' place-he must give up his vantage-ground, his chance to be near Stenhart. The way that Jim had sent him lay to the west. He did not take it, but turned east, The road here was skirted by the creek and, half a mile farther, it ascended and commanded a view of Las Palomas. Sherwin followed it. Here, at the very beginning, fate had forced his hand more neatly than even Stenhart could have done it. If he turned back and went to meet the sheriff-? There was a chance,

Jane did not run. She faced her pursuer and tried to fight him off, but Jordan's arms were around her and he had lifted her from the ing on his return to the house. ground when Sherwin came up out (TO BE CONTINUED) one a million, that he could carry ground when Sherwin came up out

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lifted, her blue eyes steady and brave. "Tell me the truth," she said,

'tell me—I'll believe you!"

He covered his own eyes with his shaking hands. Then he drew a long breath. He would tell her, he'd tell her all!

There came suddenly a shout and the sound of men rushing toward them

"It's Jim," Jane said, "and old Mac-looking for me."

Sherwin realized all it meant! He had made love to the girl-she had not definitely repulsed him, her eyes had spoken much, and he was-! The hot blood ran out of his face, his look was haggard. He stood still, trying to hide the blood on his sleeve. It made no difference now; nothing mattered, whether he lived or died. Then he heard her telling them what had happened and how brave he was!

Jim caught at his unwounded arm and wrung his hand.

"To the rescue again! You seem to have taken out a contract for pulling this family out of scrapes, old chap, and-" Jim choked a little, looking at his sister-"I don't know how to thank you!"

"Unfortunately, I always seem to let that rogue slip through my fingers!" Sherwin said. He knew that Jim must wonder how he got there, but Jane broke in with her cry about his arm.

"Jim, he's been shot-stabbed. I mean. You must see to his arm; I couldn't stop the blood!'

"Of course we'll see to it, Sis! Which way did Jordan run. Hazlett?"

"Into the brush," he pointed; "he got me in the arm first and-" he stopped, clapping his hand over the wound which stung painfully now.

"Oh, you must get that arm fixed up!" up!" Jane said to her brother. "Where's the sheriff? He's needed here!

Sherwin gave her a quick look, something grim in his smile, but Jim answered readily.

"I'd started Hazlett for the sheriff -by the way, where's your horse?' he asked suddenly.

"Over there-" old Mac pointed across the stream-"I seen it croppin' grass. Kinder wonder Jordan didn't swipe it."

Both men stared across at one of the fastest horses in the stableswho should have been half way to Hemmings' place by how-quietly nibbling grass on the west road. A look passed between the two but Sherwin missed it. Jane was insist

housing program be defeated, the lumber company had the gall to 1-3). add

"Please also exert your efforts to oppose a standing vote on these issues. * * *

NO TRUMAN ROAD

Folks back in Jackson county, Mo., usually are willing to go the limit for any honor to their native son, Harry Truman. But a recent proposal to change the name of Van Horn road, an important traffic artery named after an early county pioneer, met with a storm of protest. Some of the rural citizens balked at stealing one person's tombstone to honor another.

Van Horn road was named after Col. R. T. Van Horn, who settled in the county in 1855 when Kansas City's population was about 455. He became mayor of Kansas City, was active in Missouri politics, and bought the county's first newspaper, later the Kansas City Journal, now defunct. * * *

WALLACE AND ICKES

Henry Wallace and Harold Ickes, although agreeing on basic political ideals, have never been warm friends. For 13 long years they served in the same cabinet, but part of the time they fought like cat and dog over who was to run the forest service and the soil conservation service.

Ickes' exit from the Truman cabinet has left Wallace as the last of the original Roosevelt New Dealers, and the only cabinet member with a powerful hold on independent voters. An original Republican — as was Ickes - Wallace is strong with the Negro voters, labor, and the independent liberals.

As a result, Wallace's position inside the administration is better than ever. Truman and Bob Hannegan both are anxious to retain at least one all-out New Dealer. Wallace is their man.

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SOUTHERN LABOR DRIVE

One of the most important labor decisions since the CIO broke away from the AFL has just been taken. Phil Murray, head of the CIO, has decided to pour one million dollars his defense of Jesus amid the scorn into the greatest union organizing of his fellow Sanhedrin members drive the south has ever seen. In a few weeks, CIO organizers by the hundreds will begin moving into Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, and the Carolinas. intent on organizing all unorganized labor, both Negro and white.

III. Women Were Helped (Luke 8:

Yes, and they became the Lord's willing helpers, just as a multitude of their sisters in the faith have been down through the ages.

Women responded readily to the Lord's message of redemption and to many of them He was able to look for loyal and sacrificial service.

Women were not highly thought of in His time on earth. They are little more than useful creatures in heathen lands today. Christianity set womanhood free, raised it to its glorious place of dignity and usefulness. Every woman ought to love Jesus with deep devotion.

Note that some of the wealthy women gave of their means to serve Jesus. It is one of the effective ways in which women carry on work for the Lord today.

IV. Outcasts Were Received (Luke 15:1, 2).

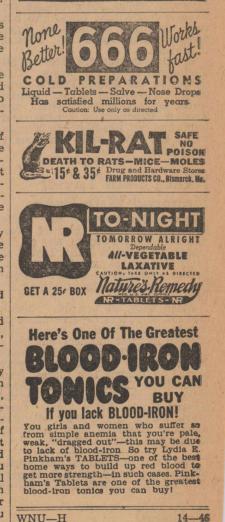
Publicans and sinners-who would they be in our day? Drunkards, thieves, gamblers, prostitutes, criminals of all kinds.

A beautiful and touching word by G. Campbell Morgan is quoted in Peloubet's Notes. Listen sinner, Jesus "receiveth unto Himself sinners. He takes them into His comradeship, makes familiar friends of them, takes them to His heart. That is the gospel. He is not high-seated on a throne bending down to you and offering you pardon if you will kiss His scepter. He is by you in the pew, He is close to you in your sin, and He will take you as you are with the poison and the virus within you, put His arms about you and press you into a great comradeship." Will you let Him do it-now? V. Rulers Were Converted (John 3:1, 2a).

"Not many mighty, not many no-ble, are called" (I Cor. 1:26), but thank God, it does not say "not any." Some there were in high places who set aside their pride, their position and all, to come humbly to Jesus.

Nicodemus was one of these. It is true that he came by night, but he came; and that is wonder enough for a man in his position. Read (John 7:45-53).

These, then, are the friends of Jesus. Do you find your place among them? There is room for you. He is waiting to receive you. Will you come to Him now?





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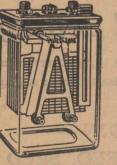
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G. O'Briens. S. L. Foster, who has been au-tending to business in Hot Springs, New Mexico, returned home Wednesday night

Mrs. Hilma Cleveland and son, Joe, and Mrs. S. L. Foster and Peggy were dinner guests of the O. H. Ingham and Wendell Flores families Sunday.



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isitor in the home of her mother, Tom Pugh, Texhoma, was in Stratford Monday on business.

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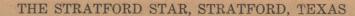
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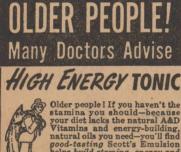
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OKLAHOMA 4-H AND FFA SHOW PRODUCED REAL WINNERS . . . Competition among 4-H club and FFA entries reached a new high at the Oklahoma Livestock show, Oklahoma City. Ellabell Swigart, Mooreland, lower left, had the grand champion with her hereford calf. Raymond Luckinbill, 15, Guthrie, upper right, won the 4-H championship with his shorthorn calf. Grand championship lamb was won by southdown owned by Doc Clark, Frederick, upper left. A duroc jersey owned by Jerome Smith, Banner, lower right, champion pig.



MANAGER Eddie Dyer of the Cardinals has about all the Two Cardinals has about all the pitchers two teams could use. Your guess would be that Eddie has noth-ing to worry about. But the first section of any manager's job is to worry about something. Two of Manager Dyer's worries now are Johnny Grodzicki and George Munger. Johnny Grodzicki, from Nanticoke, Pa., is an ex-paratroop



has made such a **Eddie Dyer** fine record the army

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These two are not the only cases. The game through 1946 will give you many others from other clubs.

Vets Will Dominate

The pennant races of 1946 will feature largely returning players from the service forces. Among those I might mention are Bob Feller, Joe DiMaggio, Ted Williams, Tex Hughson, Joe Gordon, Bobby Doerr, Bill Dickey, Phil Rizzuto, Johnny Mize, Hank Greenberg, Dick Wakefield, Spud Chandler, Charlie Keller, Johnny Beazley, Howie Pol-let, Peewee Reese, Pete Reiser, Country Slaughter, Terry Moore, Dave Ferriss, Dom DiMaggio, and many, many more.

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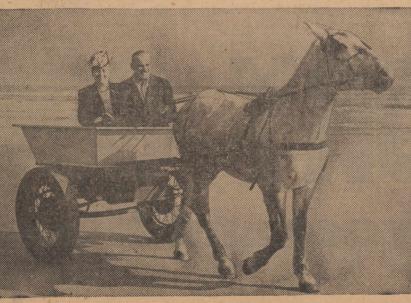
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EDGE ON ATOMIC ENERGY . . . Dr. Arthur H. Compton of Washington university, St. Louis, Mo., one of the leading atomic scientists, who played a leading part in the development of the atomic bomb, shows his wife, while vacationing at Atlantic City, N. J., that he can handle Ol' Dobbin, just as well as he handled the atomic experiments. Mrs. Compton was a delegate to the YMCA convention.

you will find the pennant winners the leading hitters and the leading pitchers. They will dominate the double show. There will be others who were not in service who will play good ball.

Here is an example. In 1945, Snuffy Stirnweiss led the American league hitters with a season's average of .309. Yet it is the opinion of many smart baseball men that it will take a mark of .360 or .370 to lead the punching parade this season in the junior circuit. I put this query up to six American league veterans, including Bill Dickey and George Selkirk, who know their way around. There were four or five others from American league clubs. It was also their opinion that the 1945 winning mark of .309 wouldn't finish in the first 12.

Pitching Won't Matter

"What about the better pitching that is coming in?" I asked. mean such men as Feller, Hugh-

son, etc." "This will make little difference," one veteran answered. "Hitters like Ted Williams, Wakefield, Greenberg, DiMaggio, Keller and many others will still keep on hitting the ball. Good pitching can wreck the ordinary hitter. But it never wrecks the true hitter who knows how to swing a bat and get his hits.

CURE FOR FLU . . . Dr. Wendell

M. Stanley, Rockefeller Institute

for Medical Research, Princeton,

N. J., discoverer of the centrifuge

type of influenza vaccine which

should saves the lives of millions

JAPAN'S POLICY . . . Is being reorganized by Lewis J. Valen-

tine, former police commissioner

of New York City. As police com-

missioner he was credited nation-

ally as having the most efficient police system in the United States,

a valuable asset in placing the

Japanese police upon an efficient

non-political basis. General Mac-

Arthur, who appointed Commis-

sioner Valentine, has stated that

he will have unlimited power.

of people.

"The National league with Phil Cavarretta, Tommy Holmes and others was far ahead of the American league last season. That won't happen again. Watch and see. The American league will take back its old spot as the harder-hitting league, and it will have to face pitching that is just as good."

S. American Baseball

No one can shake Larry Mac-Phail, the Dodgers' owner, loose from the idea that baseball is headed for a big boom in Latin America and that what we often call "The National Game" will soon be the national game of Mexico, Panama, Venezuela, Colombia, Cuba and other tropical spots.

"The answer is simple enough," MacPhail says with emphatic gestures. "The kids of these countries are baseball crazy. It is the only game most of them want to play. It is the only game most of them care to talk about. Their knowledge of baseball today is amazing. I'm not guessing about this, for I've been in the middle of at least part of it. "To my mind this will be the best possible build-up for any good-neighbor policy for Latin American friendship. Baseball could do more good in this respect than all the diplomats we could ever assemble.

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