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Christian Church Will Install Bruce Clark As Minister Sunday

Dr. Elmer Henson, Dean of Brite College of Bible at T. C. U., will conduct services at 7:00 p. m. Sunday to install Bruce Clark as minister of the First Christian Church.

The First Methodist Church will dismiss services Sunday night to allow members to have the opportunity to attend the service and Rev. Charles Gates will take a part in the service. Invitations have been extended to other churches of the city.

Clara Mae Stone Becomes Bride Of Russell Albert

In a double ring ceremony Sunday afternoon December 9, Clara Mae Stone, daughter of Mrs. Bess Stone and the late Ural Stone, became the bride of Russell Albert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Albert. Both families live in Stratford. Dr. C. A. Thompson of Dalhart read the service in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Watson. Vows were exchanged before an arch of silver blue spruce entwined with blue and silver Christmas balls. At either side of the arch were slender white tapers in branched silver candelabra. Mrs. Lorraine Mehner, pianist, played Christmas carols as the wedding guests assembled. Traditional wedding marches were played for the processional and the recessional. Miss Ealon Davis sang "Always."

Raymond Albert, brother of the groom, lighted the tapers. As her sister's maid of honor Miss Martha Stone wore a street length dress of blush pink brocade taffeta with empire waist line, and full skirt. Her corsage was of snow white carnations. Richard Albert, brother of the groom, was best man. Given in marriage by a friend of the family, Mr. Norvell Davis, the bride was attired in a mauve brocade satin sheath dress fashioned with a square neckline accented with small rhinestone clips. Her corsage was an orchid. Mrs. Stone, mother of the bride, wore a two piece black pure silk shantung costume suit. Mrs. Albert, mother of the groom, wore a tailored black fallie dress. Both mothers wore corsages of gardenias. Following the ceremony, the bridal party was honored at a reception. Laid with a floor length ecru lace cloth over ice blue satin the serving table was centered with a bride doll between white tapers in crystal holders. At one end of the table was the wedding cake, topped with a bride and groom. At the other end was the lovely silver coffee service. Mrs. George Stone served the cake, and Mrs. Richard Albert presided at the silver service. Mrs. Albert was graduated from Stratford High School last May as valedictorian of her class. She is now employed at The First State Bank of Stratford. Mr. Albert is associated with his father in the grocery business. Louise Stone, sister of the bride, presided at the Guest Book where the following guests registered: Mr. and Mrs. George Stone and Georgina, Amarillo; Donald Stone, Fort Hood, Texas; Billie Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Borth and Herman; Mr. and Mrs. John Haney; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Palmer; Mr. and Mrs. Herb Folsom and Carolyn; Mrs. Paul Aduddell; Mrs. H. M. Brown; Mr. and Mrs. Norvell Davis; Mrs. Lorraine Mehner; Mrs. Mary Sears; Mike Neal; Ealon Davis; Mrs. Houston Cates; Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Watson; Dorothy Bachman.

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Pat Taylor ROTC Drill Team Sweetheart

Pat Taylor, Texas Tech student from Stratford, has been named Sweetheart of the Sam Houston Rifles for the fall semester. The Rifles, a 38 man Army ROTC Drill Team, have designated Miss Taylor an honorary captain.

A freshman elementary education major, Miss Taylor is a pledge of Kappa Kappa Gamma, social sorority. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Taylor.

CHATTER OF THE Plainsman

(By Brown Ross)
I acknowledge with sincere appreciation the criticism directed to me this week over advertising appearing in the Star, described as offensive to the betterment of christian homes and the welfare of the children of this county.

The advertiser was within his legal rights provided under the constitution of the United States. Marcellus Voltaire, a 17th century publisher, established the principle of a free press when he accepted the copy of a bitter oppositionist with this comment, "I wholly disagree with all you have to say, but will defend to the death your right to say it."

For the benefit of the parents of the children of this age, I should like to direct your attention to the reaction of public opinion as it has taken place in the history of the little city in which we live.

We won't call any names, and we will do our best not to open any forgotten wounds. If you will think back a period of years ago, the well meaning christian people in this city, were instrumental in kicking out of the churches those who took part in or attended Sunday afternoon baseball games. The well meaning people of this town almost expelled the first senior class that made a request to have a senior dance.

Let us review what the youngsters who were made to play in their own back yards on those Sunday afternoons of years ago did when they grew up and had children. They built an indoor swimming pool and ball park for their children to play in on Sunday afternoons. They started giving their children school dances when they reached the eighth grade, repeated the practice in their junior and senior years, and have made it an annual Halloween practice.

Today, our well meaning mothers and fathers, are carrying their children in their arms or holding them by the hand, and doing their shopping in towns and cities which approve legal sale of alcoholic beverages and close their eyes to legalized prostitution without a moment's hesitation, who will fight at the drop of a hat if it is introduced in the home town.

You know the past and it's reaction. There is not a publisher nor any other man who studies how public opinion is formed, and how it reacts, who isn't a little worried over the modern day social problems. Parents think ahead for the betterment of their children, but the question is, "How far ahead?"

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl five years old. I have tried to be good, part of the time anyway. Would you please bring me a baby doll and some clothes for it, and anything else you would like to. Please don't forget John, Sparky and Butch.

Your little friend,
Mildred Ann Pickens

Star Club Meets With Mrs. Gaylord

The Star Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Hardy Gaylord, Tuesday of last week for the annual Christmas luncheon. Mrs. Raymond Keener and Mrs. Arthur Judd directed the games. After several games were enjoyed by the group, gifts were exchanged and secret pals revealed.

Those present were: Mesdames Archie Arnold, Kenneth Borth, Harold Bennett, Roscoe Dyess, Shuler Donelson, Arlyn Halle, Arthur Judd, Raymond Keener, Pruettt Adkins, Earl Kirkwood, Alfred Pronger, Gene Stinson, W. R. Scarth, Hardy Gaylord and Miss Leona Miller. The next meeting will be January 1, 1957, at noon in the home of Mrs. Alfred Pronger.

Decorations and wiring should be checked before putting up the Christmas tree.

Dr. E. Stanley Jones Will Speak In Guymon Dec. 16



Dr. E. Stanley Jones, world Christian leader and missionary, will speak at 2:00 p. m. Sunday, December 16, in the high school auditorium in Guymon, Oklahoma. No admission charge will be made.

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus:
I am eight years old. I would like to have a high-heeled doll, a clue game and a slinky. I'm writing for my little sister that is 4 years old. She wants a gasoline station with cars, doll house with dolls, a Going to Jerusalem game, a ballerina doll. We love you very much.

Love,
Linda and Debra Smith

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a baby doll that wets and cries and blows bubbles. I also want a doll house. Please bring my little baby brother a rattle. I have been a good girl.

Mary Pat Martin

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like a football and a football helmet. Please bring me a game. Please bring Denny a rattle.

Ted Martin

Dear Santa Claus:
Betsy is 3 years old and she is a good girl. And she would like a doll with a dress on and a doll buggy.

Kathy is 4 years old and she is a good girl, too. She would like a telephone set and a new doll buggy.

Larry will be 6 on Monday, and he is a good boy and helps Mommy. He would like a two gun holster set with a canteen. Also troop transport airplane.

Love,
Larry, Kathy and Betsy Dick
Stratford, Texas.

Dear Santa:
How are you? I am OK. I want a "Little Charming" doll, a tube of finger paints, "Monopoly," and "Sorry" games.

I love you, Santa.
Dolly Mehner
P.S.: If you can't bring that much, I won't be disappointed.

E. E. Coons
Back At Work
County Attorney E. E. Coons returned to his office Monday. He was injured last week when his car was involved in a car collision at the stop light intersection of U. S. 54 and Second Street in Texhoma. "I still don't know how it happened," Mr. Coons said, "but some eyewitnesses said the light was frozen on green in both directions."

Mr. Coons has a simple fracture in one vertebra of the neck. It has not been painful. Defective lighting on a Christmas tree caused a blaze which destroyed an entire business district in Pennsylvania last year.

Investigate Locating Hungarians

A committee of the Methodist Men's Club is investigating the possibilities of locating a Hungarian family in Stratford. Details of the requirements for bringing a Hungarian family to Stratford from Camp Kilmer will be related at a meeting of the Methodist Men's Club to be held in Fellowship Hall of the First Methodist Church Wednesday, December 19 at 7:00 p. m. The meeting will be open to the public.

Conrad Riffe and C. C. Plunk will interview a committee at Canadian Friday which has made arrangements for locating two of the Hungarian refugee families at Canadian.

Among the Sick

Will B. Rogers is in a serious condition in Dumas Memorial Hospital. He was admitted to the hospital Monday suffering from a blood clot in his right lung.

Dara Jean Ward, four year old daughter of Mrs. Angie Ward, was brought home Monday afternoon from Dumas Memorial Hospital, where she had been receiving treatment for a throat infection since Friday.

Mrs. L. L. Lyon, who underwent major surgery Thursday of last week, was brought home from Dumas Memorial Hospital Tuesday.

Mrs. Philip C. Johnson of Dumas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brown Ross, underwent dental surgery for removal of her wisdom teeth Wednesday in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

O. W. Parvin, who has been visiting in the home of his son, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Parvin and family, underwent eye surgery for removal of cataracts, Monday in St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo.

Mrs. D. L. Buckles is still in St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo, where she underwent eye surgery two weeks ago. She is getting along as well as can be expected, and hopes to be released from the hospital within the next week.

T. L. Taylor returned home Tuesday from Canyon, where he underwent minor surgery Friday morning in Neblett Hospital.

P. J. Pronger, Sr., who was hospitalized in a Tampa, Florida hospital last week, is undergoing examination to determine the cause of his illness.

A. E. Pronger, Sr., was admitted to a Tampa Florida Hospital Saturday. Mr. Pronger fell on the train enroute to Florida, and injured his back, and is being treated for the injury.

Orval Blades, who has been a patient in Veterans Hospital for several weeks, was released from the hospital and returned home Tuesday.

Mary Ethel Circle
Met December 5
Mary Ethel Circle met at the church parlor Wednesday, December 5, at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Alfred Pronger led in prayer. Mrs. O. L. McMinn gave the devotional and opened the study of "Mission U.S.A." Mrs. E. Cummings reported on "Urban Communities of Mission." A visitor, Mrs. C. C. Plunk, presented "Rural Work of Women Institution."

"The Institution of the Womens Society" was given by Mrs. H. L. McDonald. "Do You Know in the Home Department" was given by Mrs. Alfred Pronger.

The new study and next regular meeting will be Wednesday, January 16, at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. R. W. Standerfer.

Mrs. Alfred Pronger was hostess to the following: Mrs. Herman Lavake, Mrs. R. W. Standerfer, Mrs. H. L. McDonald, Mrs. Ernest Cummings, Mrs. O. L. McMinn, and a visitor, Mrs. C. C. Plunk.

Be the kind of driver you expect the other fellow to be.

Home Demonstration Council Has Annual Christmas Luncheon

Gaylord Home From Army Duty

Laverne Gaylord received his discharge Wednesday from the U. S. Army, in Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he has served during the two years he was on duty. Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord and Debbie returned to Stratford Wednesday to make their home.

Lions Plan Christmas Party

Stratford Lions were entertained by a talk by Rev. Bruce Clark, minister of the First Christian Church, at their meeting Monday night in the Palace Cafe.

The Lions will entertain Lionesses with the annual Christmas party on December 17. It will be the last meeting of the club until January 7.

A Letter To Santa

Mr. Santa Claus
c/o Childhood Hearts
North Pole

Dear Mr. Claus:
I hope you will remember me, Santa. It's been a long time. You'd have to blow the dust away to look up my name in your files!

The last time I wrote you, I spelled bicycle with a "k" and I've been singing "jingle bells" an octave lower for several seasons now. My stocking size and my Christmas lists have changed considerably, and I now recognize the value of a little mistletoe in the decor.

It isn't that I've underestimated you through the years, Mr. C., or forgotten our relationship. I've been giving your letters to my father to mail and its worked out beautifully since the Christmas he inquired as to my knowledge of your identity. My affirmative answer brought a "Well, start being a little nice to me, then," from him and we laughed and my mother cried.

I still believe in you, you see. I've followed your activity each Yuletide in the nation's press. I know you don't have time to read all the papers, but December's headlines, lots of them, belong to you. Annually, you crowd out the day-by-day boys who fade from year to year.

Although this is more a delayed "Thank You" for the other Christmases than a suggested shopping list, there are a few things I'd like when you rein in the reindeer at my house this year.

Could you put the light from the children's faces, pressed against countless frosted window panes, into the hearts of the world? Could you transplant a little of the feeling of holly, the glistening tinsel, the angels atop the Christmas trees, the off-key Noels and the hushed hymns, to those who are spending their first Christmas away from all that? And especially, to those who never noticed it before.

Could you remind us all that it is a birthday we are celebrating, not just an expense respite from the rest of the year? Could you put in our Christmas cards and our packages, the messages and the warmth we really mean instead of the shop-worn sentiment and the same old gifts?

Most of all, Mr. Claus, could you make sure that we'll never outgrow you — that Christmas will always be a way of life and that you'll be staging it always? I think you will because, though you've seen central heating replace the chimney you've learned that America's front door is left unlocked each Christmas Eve. There is still room for the manger and the sleighbells in this age of automobiles and atoms. So don't ever go mechanized, Mr. Claus.

Sincerely yours,
Lois Weeks

Children and adults are more excited during Yuletide and are likely to forget the danger of loose, flimsy clothing while near heaters.

On December 10th the Home Demonstration Council held their annual Christmas luncheon honoring the Commissioners, the County Judge, the County Agents, and the District Agents. The luncheon was held in the Fellowship Hall at the Christian Church.

Mrs. John Lavake, the outgoing Home Demonstration Council Chairman was mistress of ceremonies. The invocation was given by Mrs. T. F. Baskin. A very delicious dinner was served by the ladies of the Christian Church. The menu was tomato cocktail, roast beef and gravy, mashed potatoes, and green beans, jello salad, hot rolls and butter, pumpkin pie topped with whipped cream and coffee was served. The very clever table decorations were very beautifully arranged by the Southside Club.

Darla Galloway played music throughout the luncheon. The program chairman was Mrs. C. W. Moon, who represented the Happy Hour Club. Ann Caraway gave a reading "Twas the Night After Christmas." A sing-song of Christmas Carols were led by Mrs. Bruce Clark. A skit, "Lady, You're Pinched," was presented. Mrs. W. O. Bryant impersonated Judge Clyde Hudson. Mrs. Hugh Stewart impersonated Roscoe Dyess. Mrs. B. Dovel impersonated Mrs. Roscoe Dyess, Mrs. C. W. Wells impersonated Albert Lee, and Mrs. Jerry Underwood impersonated Miss Leona Miller.

It was certainly some day in the county judge's office. The benediction was given by Rev. Bruce Clark.

Honored guests were the county judge, Clyde M. Hudson, the commissioners and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Dyess, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Carstree, and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Carter. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Keener were unable to attend. Mr. and Mrs. Knox Parr, district agricultural agent and Miss Doris Leggett, district home demonstration agent, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Goule, county agricultural agent were all unable to attend. Other guests were Rev. and Mrs. Bruce Clark, minister of the Christian Church, and Miss Leona Miller, county home demonstration agent. Approximately forty women from the Star, Happy Hour, Lone Star and Southside Home Demonstration Clubs were present.

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The Elk

INSEPARABLES— CHARACTER AND EDUCATION

(By Darla Galloway)

great many things are be-
said about the youth, homes
parents, and about pupils
teachers. We are all aware
t something has or is hap-
ing to the home. We hear
ple say that there is no long-
nity, nor are they as strong
hey used to be. This I agree
very serious matter. No
do-Saxon civilization in the
t has been able to survive
n its home life has begun to

shatter.
Still, we must remember that
parenthood is the hardest job
in the world. Its simplicity de-
parted long ago, but its intricac-
ies and delicacies remain.
Despite the fact that so many
ministers and educators and
gray-beards are shedding tears,
and beating their breasts about
modern youth, we the youth, are
still throwing our banner and
pennant to the breeze. When
you and I are tempted to criti-
cize the youth of today, let's
remember the kind of world
that has been given to the

young people. They have been
given a wrecked, cynical, and
divided world. Let us look at
the millions of boys who in time
of national peril went to join
some branch of the Armed
Forces. They were ready to sa-
crifice themselves to maintain
the great intangible spiritual
values.
You and I know that moral
and spiritual values should take
their place in the education of
our youth. "True education pro-
duces free, creative, directed,
and responsible personalities."
Any system which does not teach

moral principles as well as book
learning will not be offering a
complete education.

I believe that no where else
will you find a professional
group such as our American
Teachers who are so eager to
learn the content and techni-
ques of their work. No where
else do the people expect so
much of their educators as do
the American public. Likewise,
no other people have been serv-
ed so well by the teaching pro-
fession, nor have they been
served so long. The American
Public School system began in
the Massachusetts Bay Colony
in 1647, and is the oldest.

One of the basic purposes of
education deals with character.
Knowledge is not enough by it-
self. "Without wisdom, knowl-
edge is sterile and dangerous."
Let us think a minute on the
spiritual values. They are the
fundamental health of any or-
ganization or society. Without
this binding element the com-
munity would be lost. We know
of nations who tried to survive
without this element, but they
have not succeeded, despite their
powerful armies, strong govern-
ment and stringent laws.

How should education deal
with moral and spiritual values?
First we should put those values
in their proper place. We must
find values which do not change
with the shifting of Government,
or systems or personalities.

The teacher must be positive
about all those values.
Real educators not only define
values, but exhibit them. If the
spiritual values of education are
to be placed into the minds of
the youth, they must first be
understood and believed in the
minds of the teachers.
I secured the information for
this article from the Texas Par-
ent Teacher magazine. It is a
subject which we should all
think seriously upon. The origi-
nal article was taken from the
National Parent Teacher mag-
azine and written by James W.
Clarke, Princeton Theological
Seminary.

SENIOR CLASS NEWS

(By Carolyn Folsom)

The senior class had a class
meeting Tuesday, and decided
to have a class party, with each
member inviting one guest. It
was decided that the party was
to be on December 20th, from
8:30-9:30 p. m., because of bas-
ketball rules. The party will
be started with a caroling party,
with the students on a hayride.
Carols will be sung for about an
hour, then we will adjourn to
Wayne Cummings country home
to have a dance. We are all
looking forward with great anti-
cipation to our party.

BAND NEWS

(By Carolyn Folsom)

A tramp band has been orga-
nized, composed of several mem-
bers of the band, for the purpose
of promoting school spirit, and
playing at "A" team basketball
games. Their conductor is
George Harding and their first
performance was December 7th
at the game between Stratford
and Sunray. A student con-
ductor for the high school band
will be elected soon and will be
in charge of some numbers for
our contest in the spring.

TEACHERS

(By Carolyn Folsom)

Teachers have to be pretty
brave and dedicated to enter
into the profession which they
have chosen. They have to wor-
ry with parents who think that
Little Johnny or Susy is always
right, they have to deal with
many, many children each hav-
ing a different personality.
Teachers have to be very respon-
sible individuals, because they
are every moment molding, or
helping to mold some little child
or teenager's life. They really
have it hard sometimes when
people think that they are sup-
posed to be perfect and try in-
finitely to catch them in some
kind of trap to prove that they
aren't. It seems as though we
have respect for teachers, but
try to put them in a different
class than human beings. We
do not stop to consider that they
have rights, feeling, and human
faults just as you and I. There
is a great shortage of teachers,
and there is no wonder why!
Their work goes on every day of
the week, and the majority of
hours out of the 24, with whims,
gripes, complaints, and worry
with the very minimum of pay
and sometimes the very least of
co-operation from parents and
students. Teachers are not al-
ways right of course, because as
we said, they are human. How-
ever, they have been trained
and would have to be very dedi-
cated to enter the profession, so
generally we must give them our
faith, and they will always do
their best. I am sure if every-
one had as a rewarding profes-
sion as a teacher, many would
be much happier. For no mat-
ter how much trouble is pre-
sented, they have the knowledge
of knowing they are always try-
ing to help build better Ameri-
can citizens.

EYE AND EAR CHECK-UP

(By Hugh A Stewart)

Mrs. Raymond Keener gave the ele-
mentary school the final report
on the eye and ear check-up on
December 10th. The check-up
was sponsored by the Stratford
Lion's Club and the P.T.A. Mrs.
C. C. Plunk assisted Dr. Earle in
giving the check-ups.

This check-up was for new
students in the first eight grades
and for some who were not
checked last year. The total
number checked was 86 and
there were 33 with some type of
defect.

The parents of the 33 with de-
fects, have been notified by the
P.T.A. of their child's defect.

SCHOOL SPIRIT

(By Betty Bradley)

There has been a wonderful
feeling of school spirit ever
since the first of this year. We

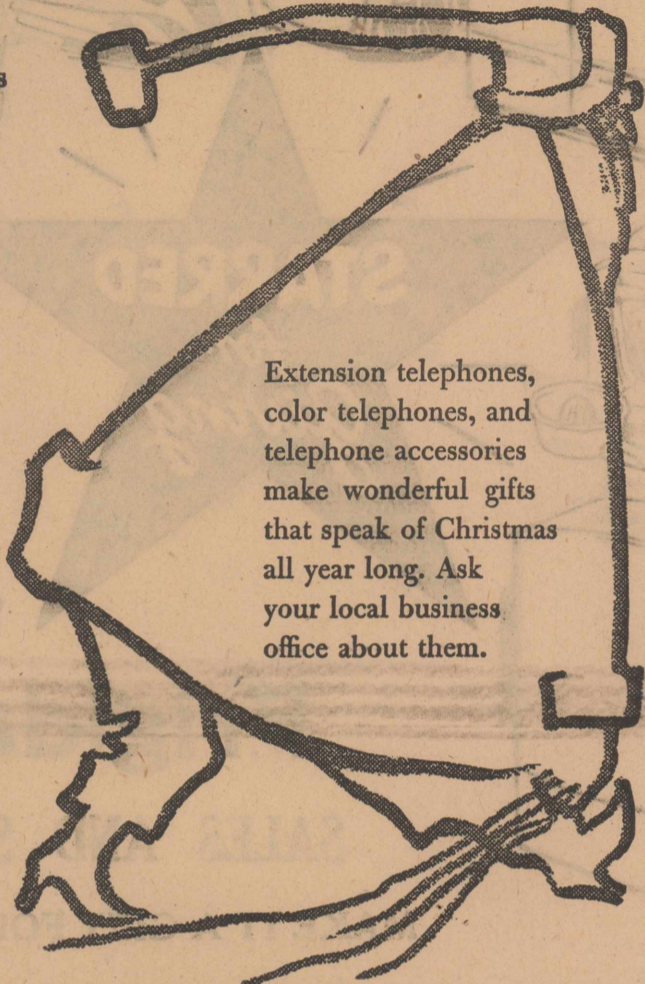
are very proud of it. Now, we
can say, "We're from Stratford
High School and we couldn't be
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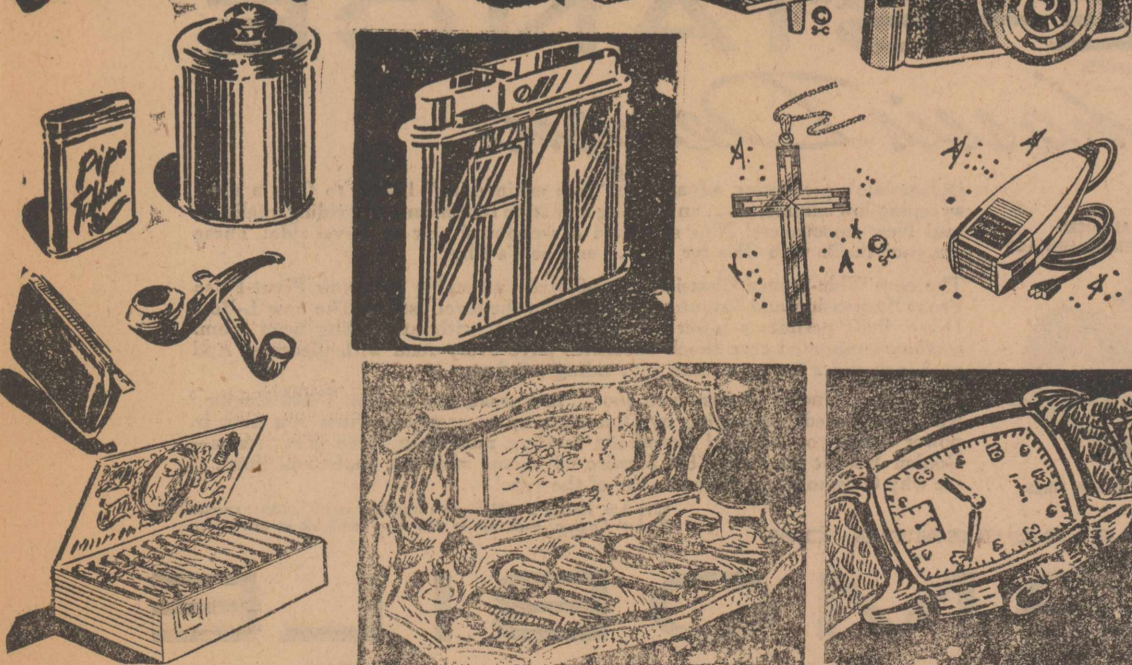
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THE ELK

(Continued from Page 3)
prouder" and really mean it.
To keep this spirit going at a high speed during basketball season, we have blocked off a special section in the new gym for the cheering section. This

special section is for the people who want to join in the cheers and for the newly organized pep band. This pep band is made up of 12 members of the band. They will play at all of the home games and at the games away from home if they are invited and decide to go.
Two of the regular cheerleaders are on the basketball team.

The high school student body selected Johnny Seaman and Jimmie Huggins to take their places. At the same meeting, it was decided to include the 7th and 8th grades at the pep rallies. We would like to welcome them and wish Johnny and Jimmie lots of luck in the coming season. We are very proud of these boys and feel they have a lot of courage in being the first to break the custom in this area of all girls cheerleaders.

40-29. Thursday the Stratford boys played Skelly and were beaten 38-19. Friday the Stratford boys played Morse and were beaten 32-10. Saturday night Madelene Reesing and Mark Gates got a little cup each for being the best players.

THIRD GRADES NEWS
(By Darla Galloway)

An operetta "Marjorie's Christmas dinner," will be presented by the third grade as the annual P.T.A. Christmas program, December 13, at 7:30. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. The cast is as follows: Turkey, Orland Lasley; Mother, Kathy Lewis; Marjorie, Susan Upchurch; Stuffing, Terry Tillery; Christmas Tree, Donna Beth Judd; Tinsel, Linda Mitts; Holly, Deborah Brannan and Lorelyn Halle; Mistletoe, Sandra French and Linda Smith; Christmas Cards, Ted Bouldin, Walter Lasley, Danny Brannan, Bobby Martin; Christmas decorations, Myrna Joy Hester, Nancy Oquin, Meddie Nulph, and Wanda Robbins; Cooks, Shirley Fenton, Janice Reynolds, Linda McRae, and Vickie Ellison; Plates, Janet McDonald, Ethel Preston and Janetta Willey; Silverware, Alvin Adams, Johnny Naylor, David Newcomb and Lynn Stephenson; Spoons, Mary Ann Roberts, Margaret Smith and Donna Summerour; Nappkins, Patsy Sandlin; Cream and sugar, Gail Mitchell and Dora Davis; Salt and Pepper, Charles Miller and Jere Ford.
We would like to thank Mrs. Mehner for her time and help, and the mothers, for their cooperation in making the costumes, and everyone who has helped with the operetta.

Teachers Attend Gamma Xi Meeting

Mrs. Hazel Cameron and Mrs. Betty Mercer attended the Gamma Xi meeting of Delta Kappa Gamma International, which was held Saturday at Suddarth's Grill in Dalhart. Teachers from Dallam, Hartley, Moore and Sherman Counties were in attendance for the luncheon meeting, and enjoyed the Christmas program which was under the direction of Mrs. Rosalie Johnson of Dumas.

PBX, referring to small switchboards, means Private Branch Exchange.

CAFETERIA MENU
(By Betty Bradley)

Monday — Barbecue roast sauce, mashed potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, rolls, butter, strawberry ice cream, and milk.
Tuesday — Meat loaf, sauce, rice, english peas, cherry jello fruit cocktail, rolls, butter, banana pudding and milk.
Wednesday — Pinto beans, pork, spinach, onions, beets, cabbage slaw, corn bread, butter, chocolate cake and milk.
Thursday — Hamburger, lettuce tomato, onions, lima beans, pickles, spiced cookies and milk.
Friday — Baked turkey dressing, giblet gravy, green beans, cranberry salad, rolls, butter, strawberry cake, and milk.

F.F.A. FEEDING PROGRAM PROGRESSING NICELY
(By Raymond Kirkwood)

Reports from the F.F.A. members who are participating in the commercial heifer feeding program show that feeding results are far above expectations. Sonny Judd weighed his heifers last Saturday and found that they had gained 3.3 pounds per head per day since the beginning of the feeding period. In as much as all the boys are feeding the same ration, we can assume that they are all doing as well. At present the boys are feeding 15-20 pounds of grain sorghum, 1 pound of cotton seed meal, 1 pound of alfalfa pellets, 3-4 pound ground bundles, and mineral salts free choice.

Walter Lasley, one of our adult leaders accompanied our F.F.A. advisers to Garden City, Kansas, Saturday of last week. The purpose of their trip was to study feeding methods and rations being fed at the Brookover Feed Yards. They brought back information which will be valuable to the boys in the feeding program. They reported that 10,000 cattle were on feed in the Brookover pens. Brookover was feeding 3,000 bushels of grain sorghum per day, and was paying \$2.17 for the grain. The sheep feeding program is progressing satisfactorily and doing nicely.

MYSTERY GIRL
(By Darla Galloway)

This week our mystery girl is a freshman. Her favorites are: favorite food, potatoes; favorite drink, milk; favorite sport, basketball; favorite subject, math; favorite teacher, Mrs. Mercer; favorite actor, James Dean; favorite actress, Natalie Wood. Her eyes are green and her hair is brown. She is five feet five and one-half inches tall. Her pet peeve is "People who talk too much." Her hobby is playing records, and her ambition is to be a good secretary.

MYSTERY BOY
(By Darla Galloway)

Naturally, our mystery boy is a freshman. His likes are: favorite food, steak; favorite drink, milk; favorite sport, football; favorite subject, agriculture; favorite teacher, Mr. Lamb; favorite actor, Rory Calhoun; favorite actress, Loretta Young. He has blue eyes and light brown hair. He is five feet eight and one-half inches tall. He weighs one hundred and seventy-five pounds. His pet peeve is "Wise guys." Hobby is modeling cars, and his ambition is to get old enough to vote.
Last week the mystery boy was Wayne Cummings.

TEACHERS PORTRAIT
(By Jean Spurlock)

Mr. Pete Bateman was born February 5, 1928 in Albany, Texas. He also attended his high school years at Albany. After completing his high school education he joined the Army Air Corp. Upon his return from the Army, he attended Oklahoma A. & M. and Panhandle A. & M. He received his B.S. degree from Panhandle A. & M. He has been teaching for five years. He prefers History to all other subjects and his favorite sport is football.

EIGHTH GRADE NEWS
(By Darla Galloway)

Stratford went to Sunray Thursday afternoon and the girls played Morse. Stratford girls beat Morse 41-16, with Madelene Reesing making the most points. Friday night Stratford played Sunray and they got beat

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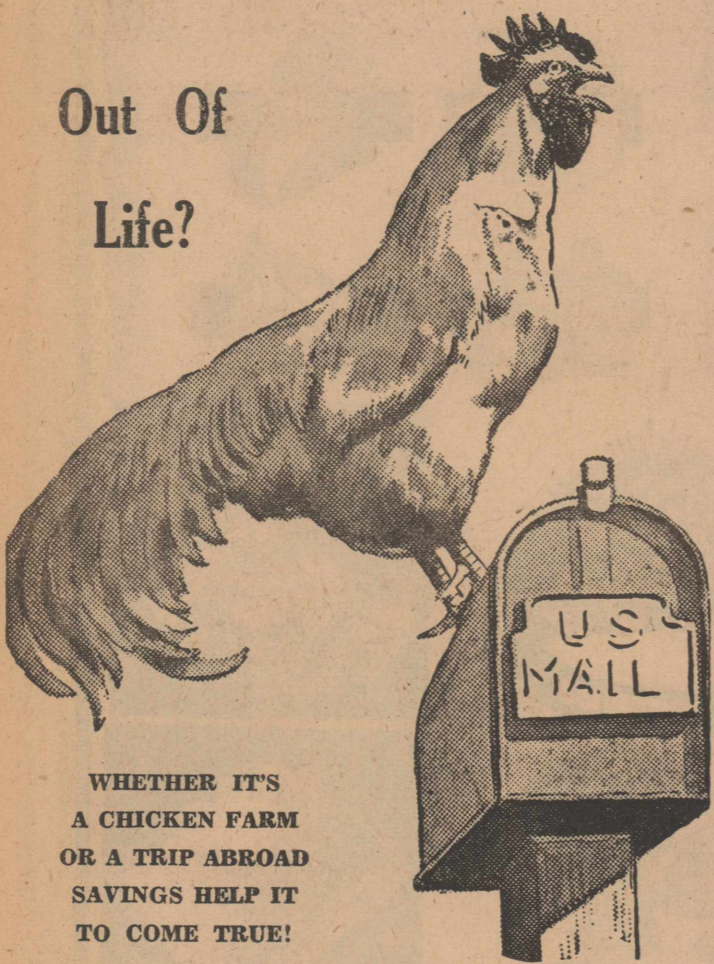
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Upon each of the ballots used in said election shall be placed the names of the candidates for Director, as follows: Director's Precinct No. 4 - Territory within the District which is situated in Moore County: Gaston Wells. Director's Precinct No. 5 - Territory within the District which is situated in Hartley County: Robert Thompson. Upon each of the ballots shall also be placed the names of the candidates for County Commissioners to be elected for each county comprising Ground Water Conservation District Number 2, North of the Canadian River, as follows:

HANSFORD COUNTY
Joe Smith
Joe Dan Bryan
Dee Jackson
Anson Ward
N. F. Renner
T. C. Harvey, Jr.

HARTLEY COUNTY
Ray Cain
Jack Thompson
Gene Atkinson

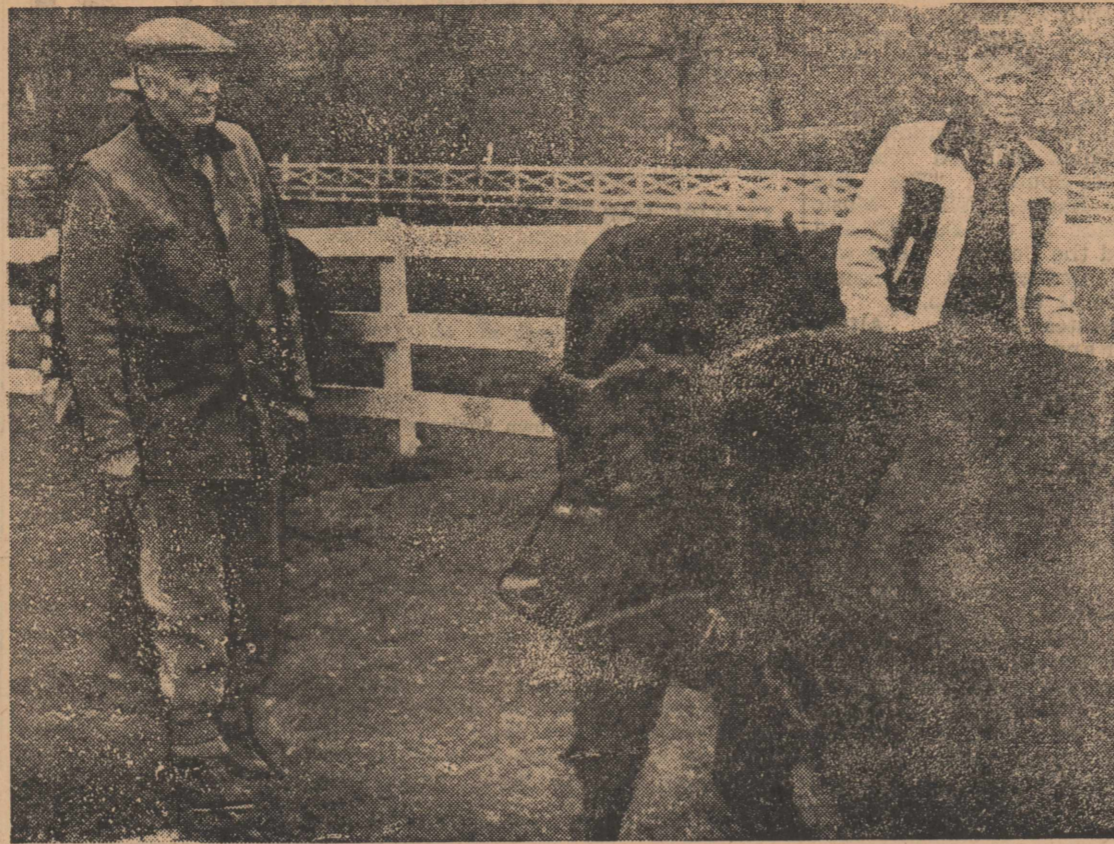
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Moody Womble
Ray Moore

MOORE COUNTY
C. C. Burnett
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Herbert Clark

OCHILTREE COUNTY
Roy Stallings
Don Manning
Howard Holt

SHERMAN COUNTY
George Jeffcoat
Arlyn Haile
Walter Lasley

Blank spaces shall be left in order that the names of other persons may be written in. Each person residing in Director's Precinct Four (4) and Five (5), as set forth above, shall vote for only one Director, namely the Director for the Director's Precinct in which the voter resides. All persons may vote for the candidate of their choice by placing an X in the square beside the name or by scratching or marking out all other names in that race and leaving the name of such Director on the ballot. All persons desiring to cast a vote for a candidate whose name is not on the ballot may do so by writing the name of that person in the blank space provided on the ballot and by placing an X in the square beside the name, or by scratching or marking out all other candidates appearing



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on the ballot for Precinct Director. Each person residing in the counties composing the Ground Water Conservation District Number 2, North of the Canadian River, as above set forth, shall vote for two (2) County Committeemen for the County in which the voter resides. Each person may vote for the candidates of his choice by placing an X in the square beside the name, or by scratching or marking out all other names in that race and leaving the name of the County Committeeman on the ballot. All persons desiring to cast a vote for a candidate whose name is not on the ballot, may do so by writing the name of that person in the blank space provided on the ballot and by placing an X in the square beside the name, or by scratching or marking out all but two candidates appearing or written in on the ballot.

the Board of Directors of Ground Water Conservation District No. 2, North of the Canadian River in accordance with the general election laws of Texas, except as same are modified by the provisions of Chapter 25, Acts of the 39th Legislature of Texas of 1925, together with all amendments and additions thereto. /s/ Gaston Wells, President Board of Directors Ground Water Conservation District No. 2, North of the Canadian River.

WORDS OF JUST BEING HUMAN THOUGHTS



Methodist District Conference Held Wednesday

District Conference for the Methodist Church was held in Trinity Methodist Church in Amarillo Wednesday. Dr. E. D. Landreth, district superintendent, received the following reports: received by profession of faith 248; received by transfer of letter 602; infants presented for dedication 128; baptism 141; average attendance in Sunday School 7,651. The total amount of funds raised by the churches of the Amarillo district for the past six months was \$480,417.00.

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Twentieth Century Circle of the First Christian Church met Wednesday morning, December 5, in the church parlor with Mrs. Nina Fedric as hostess, and Mrs. Harold Baker as leader. The lesson topic was "The Third

Missionary Journey and Experiences at Ephesus." The devotion was given by Mrs. Helen Buckles. Members present were Mrs. Harold Baker, Mrs. Orlan Lasley, Mrs. Harold Quinn, Mrs. Dickie Buckles, Mrs. Ross Wells, Mrs. Dwight Hester, Mrs. Claude Fedric, Mrs. Sam Lasley, Mrs. Bruce Clark and Mrs. Roy Mitchell.

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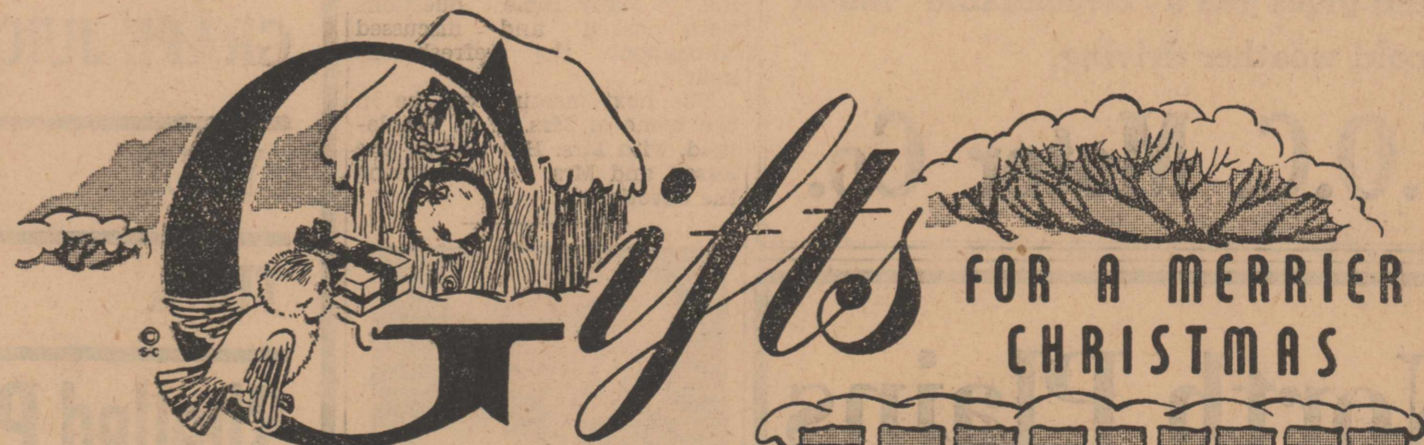
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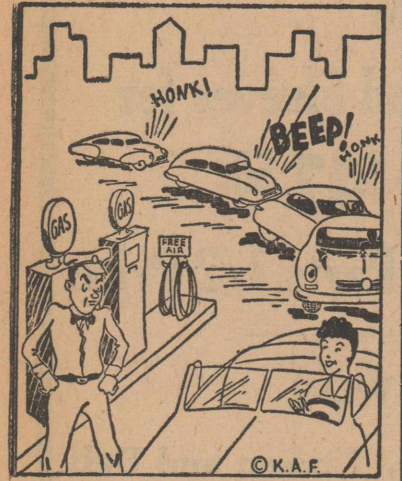
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Priscilla Club Party News

(By Club Reporter)
(Too late for last week)

Dear Aunt Sally:
Well, here I am, "a day late and a dollar short" as the saying goes. I've been gallivanting around instead of tending to business. Took Grandma down to Fort Worth to see her baby and flew home, I'll bet we never get her to go any other way again.



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Wanda had us over for club the other day. She is our newest member and practically a bride yet, and as sweet as sweet as can be. She can really cook too if the refreshments she served is any indication.

Several were not able to be there, but Ada Mae and Nancy, Twila, Syble, Velma and her daughter, Christine and baby as well as Mary Belle had an awfully nice time.

Our Christmas cards had arrived, so all took a peek.

We had a lot of fun out of Twila over hers. One thing about our bunch, no one ever gets unhappy when kidded. We have a very nice check for some worthy cause this Christmas as a result of the card sale.

We have received word that Santa Claus is to be at Mary Bell's on the 11th, so don't let anything keep you at home that day.

Love, Mary
P.S. Aunt Sally, do you know where one can find a typewriter that has a spelling and punctuation attachment on it. I really need one, Ha.

Prospectus Study Club Met Friday

The Prospectus Study Club met Friday in Fellowship Hall of the First Methodist Church for their "Guest Day" program.

Mrs. C. C. Plunk and Mrs. L. J. Davis were in charge of the program which was in honor of the older citizens of Stratford.

The theme of the program was "Winning Ways of Grandma's Days."

Mrs. L. J. Davis was master of ceremonies. During a dress revue and musical, dresses fashionable in "Grandmother's Day" were modeled by Mrs. Carroll Wisdom, Mrs. Tom Word, Mrs. E. R. Bell, Mrs. Billy Cummings, Mrs. Kenneth Mehner and Mrs. Lorraine Mehner, who sang a song from "Grandmother's Day."

Mrs. Mehner was accompanied by Mrs. Emmett McBryde, who played "Memories" and "The Rosary" during the dress revue.

Mrs. Billy Pendleton and Mrs. C. C. Plunk gave an entertaining skit, "Across the Back Fence."

Mrs. Kenneth Kendrick gave readings from "Grandmother's Day," which included "Vanishing House Sounds," "The Old Kitchen Range," "When Music Was Made in the Parlor," and "Around the Corner." She was accompanied by Mrs. Emmett McBryde at the piano.

The hostesses, Mrs. Alfred Pronger and Mrs. L. J. Davis, assisted by the ladies in costumes, served refreshments. Guests present were Mrs. S. J. Calvird, Mrs. Philip Blanck, Mrs. C. W. Moon, Mrs. Zaida Dunlap, Mrs. Tim Flores, Mrs. C. R. Foster, Mrs. Arthur Milton, Mrs. Bill Allen, Mrs. Charles R. Gates, Mrs. M. E. Upchurch, Mrs. Gene Stinson, Mrs. W. P. Cummings, Mrs. H. H. Caraway, Mrs. R. C. Buckles, Mrs. Sam Wohlford and Mrs. M. Dorch.

Members present were Mrs. E. R. Bell, Mrs. Jim Taylor, Mrs. L. J. Davis, Mrs. C. C. Plunk, Mrs. Glenn Hart, Mrs. Rex Hudson, Mrs. Kenneth Kendrick, Mrs. Emmett McBryde, Mrs. Lorraine Mehner, Mrs. Alfred Pronger, Mrs. Art Ross, Mrs. Carroll Wisdom, Mrs. Billy Cummings, Mrs. Billy Pendleton, Mrs. Tom Word and Mrs. Peach Smith.

Following the program, a business meeting was conducted to take care of some unfinished business.

Mrs. Jim Taylor, president, called the meeting to order, with the Lord's Prayer and the reading of the preamble to the Constitution following.

Mrs. Taylor appointed Mrs. Emmett McBryde, Mrs. Billy Pendleton, Mrs. Billy Cummings and Mrs. Tom Word as a committee to box gifts that are to be sent to the State Hospital in Wichita Falls, Texas. Study Club members, and others who may wish to contribute, are asked to leave their gifts at Ross Brothers Store or Word Hardware anytime before Friday night.

Mrs. H. H. Caraway was voted in as a new member.

CWF NEWS

Group 3 of the C. W. F. of the First Christian Church met in the home of Mrs. Les Parker at 4 o'clock November 7. This was a call meeting to take care of unfinished business.

The devotional and prayer was given by Mrs. T. L. Wakefield.

Daily devotionals, books read and offerings were taken. Six members were present, and one visitor, Mrs. Wakefield's little grandson was present also.

The circle meeting closed with the C.W.F. benediction.

Even at so late an hour, Mrs. Parker graciously served refreshments.

Mrs. Arthur Folsom was hostess to Group 3 of the C. W. F. on December 5.

The meeting opened at 2:30, with Mrs. E. Hill leading in prayer.

Mrs. Les Parker gave the devotional. An offering of \$5.25 was given.

Chapter IX was studied in the book: "Paul, His Life and Teaching." Many Bible questions were asked and discussed throughout the refreshment hour.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. J. B. Stublefield, with Mrs. Hill leading the lesson and Mrs. Folsom giving the devotional.

A single plant located at Belle, W. Va., produces from coal every year more than 150,000 tons of fertilizer, or enough to fertilize 4,000,000 acres of land under cultivation.

Many parts of farm machinery are now being made of Ductile Cast Iron because of this material's high strength, wear-resistance and ability to withstand sudden shock. These parts include gears, hitches, drive sprockets and steering knuckle arms.

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RALPH MARGETSON, 7 Wil-lows Court, Regina, Canada, was one of the many young men of his country and ours who have had to work their way through college. He supplemented what he earned during his summer vacations.

His father had his own business and could use all the help he could get, particularly during the summer months when his employees had vacations. So Ralph worked for his father in a business in which he had no interest and at a job he normally would never have undertaken, i.e., selling. He was no salesman and he knew it; he didn't even want to be a salesman. But sell, he must.

Day after day went by and his sales counted for practically nothing. He wasn't interested in his customers nor in what they wanted.

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even feel into his work, and to behold, soon he actually became enthusiastic.

Ralph decided to emulate this insurance man. He pretended to be enthusiastic over the article the next customer was interested in, and found himself agreeably surprised when the sale was consummated. He tried a dose of enthusiasm on the next customer, who, too, made a purchase. Throughout the day Ralph kept this up, and before the day was over he found himself really pleased when he supplied a customer with something he wanted. He began to feel truly enthusiastic over the goods he sold. Came the end of the summer. Said his father, "Son, I wish I could find a dozen young men who are as good at selling as you are. I could make a fortune—and so could they."

When Ralph finished college, he found that we all have something to sell, whether it be our brains, our energy, or a commodity, and he found that this same enthusiasm is a vital factor in selling successfully whatever it is we have to sell.

A Christmas tree will burn completely in 12 seconds according to Underwriter's Laboratory tests.



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