

# THE STRATFORD STAR

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## Fifth Graders Write Poetry

[Editor's note: Space is being given for publication of poetry composed by students in the Fifth grade, to encourage them in their work and to furnish adults a glimpse of the minds of American youth who live in the "Land of Never-Never," daring to dream, and daring to make their dreams come true.]

Reported by Joe Boren)  
We are learning how to memorize poems, write poems, and say poems. We have picked out the best ones for you to read and enjoy.

### SPACE

The Americans and Russians are in a great race, To see who can conquer outer space.

There's one thing we know without a doubt, The direction they are going will never run out.

No matter how high these birds may fly, They will never run out of beautiful blue sky. And if they should fly out to the moon, What would they find man, beast or typhoon.

I don't suppose it matters at all, For the way I've been taught all that goes up will fall, Now take this thing seriously and lay all jokes aside, We know these Sputniks will surely glide.

And the day will come, and not too far, When we will spend Christmas on Mars. As far as I'm concerned, I'm happy at home, And I'd be satisfied if they'd let it alone.

— By Boyd Spurlock

### STARS

Those little things you see at night are stars. Pluto, Venus, Jupiter and Mars. Some of the forms you see look like Fishers in the sea.

The stars shine so bright, As the sun goes down at night, Then the moon pops up in sight, As my mother says good night.

You can see many stars at night If there's not a cloud in sight, You can not see stars by day, Because of the sun and its bright rays.

— By Cheryl Judd.

### SHOES

You wear shoes on your feet, When it's cold they keep in the heat. You take them off before you go to bed, If you don't your seat will be a little red.

When you get mud on your shoes, Don't go in the house or you will be singing the blues, When you're in the house don't jump on the divan, Or your mother will spank you with her hand.

You ought to know there's different kinds of shoes, There's one kind that's so little that you often lose. Now you know you ought to wear shoes, Or you might get a great big bruise.

— By Jimmy Hudson

### SPACE TRAVEL

Are you ready to go to the moon, In a rocket ship that whirls in space? It may be possible very soon, If you're not afraid to enter a race.

Nine days it takes to go to the moon Do you have that time to spare?

Do you think there'll be enough room, For the people who want to go there?

If you meet up with sputnik number two Just give a friendly wave And then speed on though the friendly blue

Time and money you may save.

— Tanna Fisk  
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## LETTERS TO SANTA



December 9, 1957

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is George Coats. I am four years old. I am mother's little helper. I have been a good boy this year. I would like you to bring me an airplane, a big red fire truck, a bulldozer and a road grader.

Don't forget my little brother, Stevie. He is one year old. He is a good baby. He would like some baby's toys. I'll see you in church Christmas Eve.

Love,  
George Coats

Stratford, Texas  
December 10, 1957

Dear Santa:

We are a little girl and boy three years old. We would love to have dolls, a truck, tinker toys and dishes.

We love you and ask God to bless you every night.

Rowena and Randy McAdams

Dear Santa Claus:

I love you. Will you please bring me the doll family? Remember my brother and friends. I'll love you some candy.

Love,  
Mary Catherine James

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little boy this year. I would like some guns, spurs, building logs and an archery set.

Please bring my little sister a doll, doll clothes, dishes, cleaning set and stove.

Love,  
Rusty Garrison

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a Madame Alexander with a ring and clothes. I would like a Candy Land game.

I am 8 years old. I have tried to be a very good girl. Remember all my friends and my cousins. I would also like jumping skates.

I will leave you some cake and milk. I love you very much. You're a sweet Santa Claus.

With love,  
Dolly Mehner  
P.S.: If you can not bring this much, it will be all right.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a dolly, a xylophone, cradle, stroller, nurse kit and a washing machine.

Merry Christmas.  
Brenda Jo Boldin  
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## School Robbery Unsolved

The recent robbery of classrooms in the Stratford elementary school remains unsolved although a rumor has been circulated to the contrary.

In a statement this week, Superintendent R. W. Standefer Jr. said: "To my knowledge no one has been charged with the robbery and money taken from the school has not been returned."

## Eyes Of Stratford Students Are Examined

Eyes of all new pupils in the Stratford school, and the eyes of all students whose vision was questionable, were examined here Wednesday morning by Dr. Guy D. Clayton of Dalhart.

Only 11 pupils of the 95 whose eyes were tested needed further examination. Parents of the 11 children will be contacted. Stratford Lions Club members sponsored the examination of the eyes of students with possible impairment of vision from the first grade through high school. Mrs. Joy Smith and Mrs. Dwight Hester, representatives of the Stratford Parent-Teacher Association, assisted Dr. Clayton with the examination.

## H. D. Clubs Honor County Commissioners

Members of the Commissioners' Court, Roscoe Dyess, E. W. Carter, W. T. Crabtree, Floyd Keener and Clyde Hudson, were honored by the Home Demonstration Clubs at a Christmas dinner given in the American Legion Hall Monday noon. Ladies of the Nu Beta chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi served the dinner.

Mrs. C. W. Wells, H. D. council chairman, was mistress of ceremonies. Rev. Charles Gates said grace. Mrs. Wells made the introductions. Mrs. Kenneth Pickens was named "Woman of the Year."

A sextet composed of Tommy Lavake playing cornet, Kay Jacobs playing cornet, Joe Ray Brown playing baritone, Neil Harris playing trombone, J. D. Plunk playing trombone and Jimmy Skillin, playing a base horn, played Christmas music. A reading was given by Mrs. H. Caraway. Miss Nellie Johnson sang during the dinner. The group sang "White Christmas." Rev. Charles Gates pronounced the benediction.

## Graveside Rites For Gunnels Infant

Graveside services for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Ray Gunnels of Amarillo were conducted Saturday at 9:30 a. m. in Llano Cemetery in Amarillo by Rev. Jack Cox, minister of the Washington Avenue Christian Church.

The baby died at 7:07 p. m. Thursday of last week in Northwest Texas Hospital. Survivors are two brothers, Danny Ray and Phil; a sister, Pam Sue, and three grandparents, Gerd Gunnels, Springfield, Colorado and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Joiner of Amarillo.

## Miss Hayse Engagement Is Announced



Alice Ann Hayse

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Everett announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Alice Ann Hayse, to George Harding, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Harding. The bride-elect is a student in Stratford High School. The prospective bridegroom is stationed with the U. S. Marine Corps at Camp Pendleton, California. The wedding will take place in the spring although a definite date has not been set.

## 26-Year Old Hupmobile Fails In Stratford

Mr. and Mrs. Ora O. Kirtley of Kaycee, Wyoming are in Stratford waiting for the arrival of repairs for their 1931 Hupmobile which is being repaired by Ollie Davis at the Garrison Motor Co. The Wyoming rancher and his wife drove the car over 210,000 miles before having any difficulty with it. Mr. Kirtley never carries any tools in his car. He always lets qualified mechanics make the adjustments, and credits this with the long life of his mechanical vehicles. This summer Mr. and Mrs. Kirtley drove their Hupmobile to Canada for a tour of the country and a visit to Lake Louise. At present they are on their way to Tucson, Arizona and Los Angeles, California. Mr. Kirtley is 80 years old.

## Livestock Show Date Is January 11

January 11 has been set as the date for the Sherman County Livestock show to be held at the county barn in Stratford. Stratford FFA and Sherman County 4-H livestock will be shown along with Sherman County breeding stock. The date was set by members of the fair committee in a meeting held Thursday of last week.

## Assembly Of God Ladies Bazaar And Sale December 14

The Woman's Missionary Council of the Assembly of God Church is advertising a bake sale, bazaar and rummage sale to be held in the Taylor building adjoining the post office beginning at 10:00 a. m. on Saturday, December 14.

## Calendar Will Change Star Publications

Next week will be the last publication in December when regular deadlines and regular publication deliveries of the Star will be met. For the issue of December 19, the regular deadline of 3:30 p. m. Wednesday will be observed.

The deadline for all copy in the Christmas issue will be 10:00 a. m. Monday, December 23, and the publication will be placed in the mails the morning of Tuesday, December 24.

The deadline for the New Year edition will be 6:00 p. m. Friday, December 27, and the newspapers will be delivered to the post office for distribution on December 30.

The Star office will be closed most of the first half week in January to make possible a short vacation for the members of the staff.

## Dr. Jose Roman Declines Place With Clinic

Jose Roman Jr., M. D., of El Paso, Texas has declined the offer to head the Stratford Clinic, as was previously announced. Dr. Roman made known his change of plans in a letter to Mayor Eugene Hudson. The letter reads:

"It is with sincere regrets that I write you this letter, to inform you that for personal reasons, as well as for financial reasons, I will be unable to come to Stratford to practice medicine January 1st.

I have an opportunity to accept a position elsewhere which will essentially relieve me of financial stress, in the very near future, which at least at the present time I require greatly.

I want to thank you, and all the people who received me and my wife at Stratford, and sincerely want you to know that we regret changing our decision, but circumstances make it so.

I want to thank you very much for considering us, for allowing us to come up there and visit with you, and again I want to say that we are very sorry about our change in plans."

## Pfc. Carl Ritchey Has Army Duty In Korea

SEOUL — Pfc. Carl H. Ritchey, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Ritchey of near Conlen, is a truck driver in Company C, 17th Transportation Battalion, 7th Infantry Division in Korea.

Pfc. Ritchey, 23, entered the army in October of 1956. He took basic training at Fort Bliss, and went overseas in June, receiving his orders at Fort Sam Houston. He is a graduate of Stratford High School.

## Stratford P-TA Will Meet On December 19

The P-TA will have its December meeting Thursday, December 19, in the school auditorium at 7:30 p. m.

There will be a musical program "Young Voices Fill the Air" under the direction of Mrs. Mehner and George Dick. It will be a very enjoyable program and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

## Methodists In Conference

### Penny Brooks Enlists In U. S. Navy

Russell (Penny) Brooks, 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Brooks has enlisted in the U. S. Navy. The young sailor left Wednesday for Tucuman, New Mexico. He will be flown to San Diego, California for traditional boot camp training.

### Weed Growth May Cause Costly Fire

Weed growth on vacant lots in Stratford may cause a costly fire if the wind is in the right direction, it was pointed out this week by members of the Stratford Volunteer Fire Department. The firemen held their breath during a two engine alarm Thursday of last week when they fought a grass fire along the Rock Island right-of-way. One loose weed blowing across the track would have set a blaze which would have damaged or destroyed one garage and service station, one home and two tourist courts. This is what firemen expect to see happen unless residents of the city at least use some heavy object to drag down dry weeds. Dragging down the weeds will help prevent flash fires from occurring.

The law of averages has spared Stratford with only a few small fires in recent years. The pendulum could swing to a disastrous fire this year unless the weeds which would feed the flash fire are destroyed.

As secondary measures advice is given to check all natural gas lines, electrical outlets, and to remove the pennies from behind switch box fuses although the property owner may have to call an electrician to correct the trouble.

### 4-H Council Met Saturday

The Sherman County 4-H Council met Saturday in the commissioners' court room. Elaine Spurlock presided over the meeting. The opening exercises were led by Secretary Elaine Spurlock. All bills were approved.

A motion made by Jonna Knight to have an achievement program, was approved. The achievement program was discussed and a committee to make arrangements was selected.

Officers elected for 1958 are: chairman, Keith Borth; co-chairman, Kay Spurlock; secretary-treasurer, Ann Burgess, and reporter, Elaine Spurlock.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a. m.

### Set District Court Trial Dates

District court trial dates for four cases to be heard has been set for Monday, January 13. The cases to be heard are: The State of Texas vs. Kelley Scott, T. J. O'Neal, George Moore and W. H. Eggers. Jurors called for service are so notified.

The Amarillo district conference of the Methodist Church was held at the First Methodist Church in Stratford Wednesday of last week. Dr. E. D. Landreth, district superintendent, presided. Rev. Charles H. Ellzey, assistant pastor of the Polk Street Church in Amarillo, was elected secretary. Mrs. Martha Harrison was the conference organist. Dr. Cecil Williams of the Houston Tillston College of Austin for negro students, directed the music and led the singing.

Charles R. Gates, local pastor, gave the welcome address. Reports of the district were made.

Dr. Chess Lovern, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Lubbock, delivered the morning message. Dr. Lovern flew to Stratford from Lubbock and his plane was landed on U. S. Highway 54. Fifteen local people and 166 out of town guests signed the guest list. Ladies of the three circles and the guild served food at the noon hour.

In the afternoon Dr. Gordon Bennett of McMurry College at Abilene, Dean Williams of Lubbock, director of the McMurry Living Endowment; Dr. Tom M. Johnston of Abilene, executive secretary of the Pension Foundation, and Rev. Hugh H. Hunt of Lubbock, executive secretary of Town and Country Commission, gave reports. Reports were also made by secretaries of the various boards within the Amarillo district.

Dr. Hubert H. Bratcher, Pampa district superintendent, delivered the evening message.

### Clinic Phone Is No. 2351

2351 is the phone number of the Stratford Clinic. This number is not listed in the telephone directory and should be written for emergency use.

### Harrison And Goule Grade Eggs At School

County Agent Ernest Goule and M. H. Harrison attended the egg grading training school held in Amarillo Thursday of last week. After listening to several lectures of instruction, they were given experience in grading the eggs.

Penalties for non-compliance with the Texas Egg law will go into effect on February 17 of next year.

### Doctor At Clinic Tuesday

A doctor will be available at the Stratford Clinic Tuesday afternoon of next week. The clinic will not have a doctor on Wednesday, as has been the usual custom.

### Legion Auxiliary Postpones Dec. 19 Meeting

Due to conflict with the Christmas program Thursday night, December 19, the American Legion Auxiliary, will not have their regular meeting.

Pyroceram, a new glass material harder than steel, lighter than aluminum, and 15 times as strong as plate glass, has been developed.

# Town Talk

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stublefield have as a guest, his grandmother, Mrs. Ollie Stublefield of Felt, Oklahoma. Mrs. Stublefield, who will be 87 years old in February is a bed patient, having fractured her hip in a fall on May 30. She had been in her home, since being released from the Boise City, Oklahoma, hospital in October, until Saturday when Mr. and Mrs. Stublefield brought her to their home for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. W. H. Gaylord and sons were guests of Mr. Gaylord's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gaylord, in Selling, Oklahoma from Thursday night to Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Chisum attended graveside services for the baby of their nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Gunnels, in Amarillo Saturday, and visited over the week in Amarillo with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harding of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Ragsdale, Jimmy and Pat, of Fritch, visited Mrs. J. G. Cummings Sunday.

Darrell Stublefield, student in T.C.U., Fort Worth, spent Thanksgiving at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stublefield.

Mike Neal, student in Southwestern State, in Weatherford, Oklahoma, spent Thanksgiving with his mother, Mrs. Ruby Neal.

Miss Hazel Harris and Miss Opal O'Neal of Dalhart were guests in the home of Miss Minnie Laura Jackson Sunday.

Mrs. Dorothy Slay and Mrs. V. M. King attended the opening of a wing of Coon Memorial Hospital in Dalhart Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wisdom attended the football game in Amarillo Saturday.

Mrs. Noel Rowe left Sunday for a visit in Oregon until the first of the year.

Mrs. Everett Toomey of Sunray visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Keener Sunday.

Mrs. Lelah Boney and Mrs. Bessie Hodges spent the week end visiting in Amarillo with Mrs. Marjorie Rayburn and son, Steven.

Mrs. Raymond Blount of Tulla is a guest in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gail Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Jackson and daughter, Pattie, are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Keeney, in Amarillo.

Mrs. Earl Phelps returned last week from a visit with relatives in Calhoun, Missouri. She brought her father, M. J. French, home with her for an extended visit with Mr. and Mrs. Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Garrison, and his sons, Herbert and Mr. and Mrs. Bill French in Stratford, and Mr. and Mrs. Rex French and Mr. and Mrs. Gene French in Raton, New Mexico and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Irlbeck and children and Earnest Palmer spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Irlbeck and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCart and family of Amarillo, were guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wohlford. Mr. and Mrs. John - Kidwell and other family members were also guests in the Wohlford home.

Mrs. Ruby Neal spent last week end in Amarillo with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cummings.

Mrs. Joe Trimble, Englewood, Colorado, arrived Wednesday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Ruby Neal.

## Better Homes Club Entertains Husbands

The members of the Better Homes Demonstration Club entertained their husbands with a Christmas dinner party Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hacker.

The hostess prepared the turkey and dressing and the remaining members each brought a covered dish.

A ladies' gift and a man's gift was furnished by the hostess. Mrs. Larry Seaman's name was drawn for the ladies' gift and she received a Santa Claus apron. Richard Albert's name was drawn for the man's gift and he received a bow tie.

After dinner, served buffet style, the guests played Canasta and "42."

Those enjoying the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Albert, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Coats, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis, Mr. and

Mrs. Junior Harkins, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Seaman, and the host and hostess.

The next regular meeting will be January 14, at 7:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Richard Albert.

## Naoma Class Has Luncheon At Parsonage

The Naoma Sunday School class of the Methodist Church enjoyed a Christmas covered dish luncheon at the Methodist parsonage during the noon hour Tuesday. Two large table were fashioned in a "T" shape in the room festooned in Christmas decorations.

After the luncheon, Mrs. Elizabeth Cummings read the Christmas story from the Bible, and Mrs. Charles Gates gave a number of Christmas thoughts.

Members of the class attending were Mrs. Clara McWhirter, Mrs. J. W. Elliott, Mrs. A. E. Pronger, Mrs. C. R. Foster, Mrs. A. W. Allen, Mrs. H. M. Brown, Mrs. W. P. Cummings, Mrs. Ross Turner, Mrs. J. G. Cummings, Mrs. Hattie Flores, Mrs. Jessie Wilson, two guests, Reba Ann Preston and Lisa Collins, Rev. and Mrs. Charles Gates, and the teacher of the class, Mrs. Sallie V. McAdmas.

## Happy Hour Club Has Christmas Luncheon

The Happy Hour Home Demonstration Club enjoyed their annual Christmas luncheon in the club room at the court house, with Mrs. Harold Baker

as hostess.

Secret pals were revealed after exchanging Christmas gifts.

Those present enjoying an afternoon of visiting were: Mrs. W. J. Lowe, Mrs. Kenneth Pickens, Mrs. Hugh Stewart, Mrs. Daniel.

Oma Ellison, Mrs. C. W. Wells, Mrs. Edward Brannan, Mrs. Joe Billington, Mrs. E. E. Riggs, Mrs. C. W. Moon, Mrs. Philip Blanck, Mrs. Grover Keown, Mrs. Bernard Dovel, and Mrs. Gail Me-

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# THE ELK

## Mystery Boy

(By Wilma Jean Sneed)  
Last week our mystery boy was Robert Ragsdale. This week our mystery boy is a sophomore. He has light brown hair and blue eyes. He is five feet and seven and one-half inches tall and weighs 165 pounds. His favorites are: food, steak; drink, milk; subject, science; teacher, George; sport, football; actor, Parker Fennelly; and actress, Marjorie Main. He spends his pastime in going with girls, and his ambition is to make a lot of money.

## Mystery Girl

(By Wilma Jean Sneed)  
Last week our mystery girl was Nancy Farris. This week our mystery girl is a sophomore. She has blond hair and brown eyes. She is five feet and four inches tall and weighs 162 pounds. Her favorites are: food, steak; drink, tea; subject, English; teacher, all; sport, football; actor, Ricky Nelson; and actress, Debbie Reynolds. Her hobby is reading and her ambition is to be a nurse.

## Events Of The Coming Week

(By Joyce Fisk)  
Thursday, December 19, a P-TA meeting will be held. Every parent is urged to attend. There will be a program presented by the school kids.  
In sports this coming week Stinnett will play basketball here in Stratford on Tuesday, December 17. On December 20 the Elks and Elkettes meet Sunday here in Stratford.

## Correction Of Last Week

(By Wilma Jean Sneed)  
Last week we failed to list the honor roll students. The following students have earned a School honor roll for the 2nd place on the Stratford High six week's period ending November 22. Each of these students has an average of 90 or above in all academic subjects.  
Seniors: Betty Bradley, Jessie Davis, Sharon Hampton, Tommy Lavake and Wilma Sneed.

Juniors: Sue Flores, Glenda Green, Holly Harrington, Cagle Kendrick and Mary Sue Taylor.  
Sophomores: Carolee Baskin, Linda Coffman, Elaine Crabtree, Ruthie Kendrick, Karl Kirkwood and Betty Naylor.  
Freshmen: Linda Brewster, Joe Brown, Lela Hampton, Gary Mathews, Bill Stone, Kay Spurlock and Kaye Webb.

## Senior Personality

(By Sharon Hampton)  
Larry Herald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Herald, was born January 14, 1940, in Hooker, Oklahoma. He is six feet and one inch in height, has blue eyes and blonde hair. His favorites are: sport, football; subject, agriculture; teacher, Mr. Bate-man and Mr. Lamb; food, ham; hobby, sleeping. He is a member of FFA. Larry's plans for the future have not been completed at the present time.

## Menus

(By Betty Bradley)  
December 16 to 20  
Monday: Macaroni and cheese, English peas, pickled beets, jello salad, biscuits, peaches, butter and milk. Tuesday: Grilled hamburger, mashed potatoes, gravy, blackeyed peas, celery, rolls, cookies and milk. Wednesday: Wieners with sauce, buttered potatoes, peas, jello salad, rolls, butter, pineapple pudding. Thursday: Hamburgers, lima beans, jello salad, chocolate cake and milk. Friday: Baked turkey, dressing, giblet gravy,

green beans, cranberry jello, rolls, cookies and milk.

## Fourth Grade

(Miss Ensign's Room, reported by Donna Judd, typed by Jessie Davis)  
We have only three children who haven't missed a day of school. They are Linda Mitts, Walter Lasley and Alvin Adams. Ronnie Ford and Charles Plunk have been absent. We are glad to have them back.  
We had perfect attendance Monday, November 18. It was the first time we have had perfect attendance in several weeks. We received our pictures Friday, November 15. They were all good.

## Fourth Grade

(Mrs. Ottinger's Room, reported by Donna Summerour, typed by Jessie Davis)  
Patsy Sandlin had a birthday December 3. She was ten years old.  
In geography, we are studying a new unit. It is about corn and wheat.  
We drew names for Christmas, Monday, December 2.  
We have started working with multiplication in arithmetic.  
We have been studying about magnets in science. Donna Summerour brought a magnet and compass. We used them to answer some questions. We learned that if you put two North Pole magnets together they will push away. If you put a North Pole and a South Pole magnet together they would pull together.

## Mrs. Cameron's

### Eighth Grade

(Reported by Donna Boner and Sue Hudson; typed by Jessie Davis)  
The Stratford Grade school boys won their first game of the season Thursday, December 5, when they defeated Griggs, Oklahoma Grade school by a score of 27 to 23. Bob Seaman was the leading scorer of the game with 9 points.  
The team was a little jittery, but showed some bright spots.  
The Stratford Grade School girls won their first game of the season by beating Griggs, Oklahoma Grade School team by a score of 23 to 19. The girls started slow, but came on to look good during the final half.  
Our teacher, Mrs. Cameron, went to Phillips to visit their schools. She told us that we have many of the same facilities, but also many differences.

## Teacher Demand Exceeds Teachers

P.A.M.C. News Letter  
A total of fifty-one teaching certificates were processed by the College Certification Officer during 1957. This decrease of 11% from the preceding year represents a desirable trend, since it indicates that more teachers are qualifying, and have qualified in recent years, for the five-year standard credential, and that fewer temporary and provisional certificates are being issued.  
As would be expected in light of the steadily-increasing col-

lege enrollment and ever-growing alumni roles, the Placement Office has recorded what appears to be the busiest year in its history. Eighty-seven PAMC graduates and other persons utilized its services in obtaining satisfactory employment for 1957-58, an increase of 26% over the preceding year. Seventy-five of the positions were in the teaching field, an increase of 29% over 1956. Thirty of the teachers placed were graduating seniors of the 1957 class. This number was 25% greater than the year before. The figures in this paragraph do not include students who were assisted in finding part-time employment while attending school.

The demand for teachers continued to exceed the available supply. The requests coming to this office indicate that the teacher shortage probably will continue for some time.

Two hundred separate calls for teachers were received during the year, most of them reporting multiple openings representing altogether 638 different positions. These figures do not include the larger cities listing indefinite numbers of vacancies. Forty-two per cent of the 200 calls came from Oklahoma schools, 29 per cent from Kansas, 13 per cent from Texas, 12 per cent from Colorado, and the remaining 4 per cent from California, Florida, Missouri, New Mexico, North Dakota and Wyoming.

The greatest single demand, again in 1957, was for elementary teachers.

## PAMC Voices Will Sing December 15

The combined Panhandle Community Chorus and the PAMC College A Capella Choir will present "The Christmas Oratorio" by J. S. Bach on Sunday, December 15, at 8:00 p. m. in the Field House on the PAMC campus.  
Singers from towns throughout the Panhandle area make up the chorus of 125 voices. The public is invited to attend and no admission will be charged.

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**Sunday Services**  
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**Wednesday**  
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Children's Church 6:00 p. m.  
Evangelistic Service 7:00 p. m.  
Wednesday night service 8:00 p. m.  
The public is invited to all services.

5, a meeting was held at the Catholic Chapel to discuss plans for building a small church here. Father James W. Sonderman of St. Anthony's Church in Dalhart, presided.  
On Friday, December 6, the Catholic Parent-Educator Group met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Englebrecht. They dedicated their group to St. Anne the mother of Mary. Father James W. Sonderman is their spiritual advisor.  
Refreshments were served by Doreen Englebrecht, the hostess for the evening.

ter the business session, a demonstration was given on Christmas decorations.  
**Sunray Man Gets ROTC Promotion**  
LUBBOCK — Six cadet officers of Texas Tech's Army ROTC unit have been promoted in a general revision of the Army ROTC organization. Among them is Billy J. Johnson, senior in arts and sciences of Sunray, who was promoted to first lieutenant as first platoon leader, "B" company.

And you'll find boys in sight. Autumn, with red and gold, With pumpkins scattered here and there. It's the pretty season I've been told, And there is beauty every where. Winter, with the snow so white Brings a joyful season, And all good men who live for

the right, And that's a very good reason. Spring, is when the flowers bloom, And when we plant our crops. And plant so thick there isn't room, And we will welcome the rain that drops. — By Louis Frank James [To Be Continued Next Week]

# Want Ads

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FOR SALE: Modern Furnished House and Modern unfurnished House. Call Mrs. R. B. Terrell, Phone 2491. 44-tfc

FOR SALE: Three bedroom brick veneer home in Stratford, 2,160 feet floor space. Priced to sell. — Ralph Harding, 1112 S. Pierce, Amarillo. 32-tfc

FOR SALE: My home in Stratford. — Mrs. J. W. Garoutte, Phone 3791. 18-tfc

FOR BIBLES see Mrs. L. E. Bonar, 4th and Santa Fe, or dial 2411. 45-tfc

FOR SALE: Used Westinghouse Laundromat Automatic Washer. — McMahan Furniture Co. 40-tfc

FOR SALE: Maytag Laundry and three bedroom home, on pavement. Will sell together or separately. See or call John Haney, Coldwater 2124. 11-tfc

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## For Rent

FOR RENT: Furnished house, four rooms and bath. Located on east side of Gruver Highway, green asbestos shingle siding. \$50 a month and tenant pays sewer bill. — John W. Reeves, First Christian Church, Snyder, Texas. 50-3tc

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APARTMENT for rent. — C. T. Watson. 21-tfc

## The Womans Missionary Council

Chorus sang two hymns at the opening of their service Wednesday afternoon. The devotional was given by Mrs. K. M. Horn. Roll call was answered with scriptures. A business session was held on getting the Christmas box mailed to the children's home and getting ready for the bake sale, bazaar and rummage sale.

Friday afternoon the Missionettes met in the W. M. C. room. Their pledge was repeated, prayer was offered and two hymns were sung. The devotional was given by different members on James Thompson, missionary to Buenos Aires. A Christmas party was planned for December 20.

Sunday night the Christ Ambassadors and Children's Church joined together for services. They had a special song, testimony service, and group discussions on the Bible.

## Catholic News

On Thursday night, December

## The weekly meeting of the St. Ann's Parent-Educator Group

was held Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Irlbeck. The last of the series of lessons on "Parental Responsibility," was discussed and the second series on "Teaching Prayer in the Home," will begin next week. Refreshments were served by the hostess Joyce Irlbeck. The next meeting is to be held on Tuesday night, December 17, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rene Gunzelman.

Early in November a group of Catholic parents with young children, formed a discussion group to educate themselves in their roles as spiritual and social teachers of their families. Since that time, five weekly meetings have been held to consider and discuss their problems together and formulate ideas which seem helpful. Any one interested in attending these meetings is welcome.

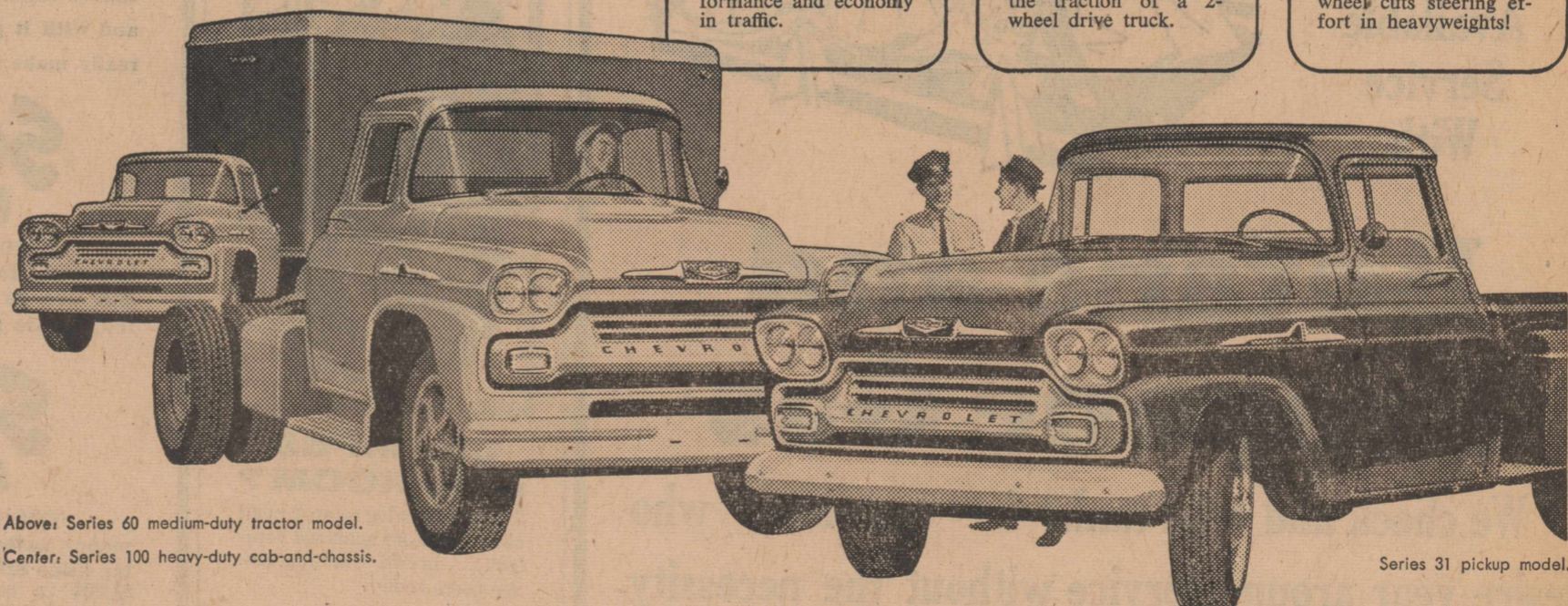
A group of Catholic women from Stratford went to Dalhart, last Wednesday night to attend their regular monthly meeting of the Rosary Altar Society. Af-

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**Wesleyan Guild Party Enjoyed In Methodist Parsonage**

The First Methodist Church Wesleyan Guild party was held at the parsonage, Tuesday at 7:30 p. m.

The meeting was opened by the group singing Christmas Carols. Mrs. R. B. Musick and Mrs. E. R. Bell each gave a Christmas story. Mrs. Charles

R. Gates gave the devotional entitled "The Bethlehem Angels."

A gift exchange was held. Those present were Mesdames Granvil Preston, Martha Harrison, Jimmie Milam, Earl Kirkwood, Billy Pendleton, V. A. Plunk, Lois Holmes, E. B. Musick, E. R. Bell, Claude Williams and Ann, and the hostess, Mrs. Charles R. Gates.

**20th Century Group Has Meeting With Mrs. Sam Lasley**

The 20th Century Group of the C.W.F. met Wednesday, December 4, at 1:30 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Sam Lasley.

The hostess served dessert of cake and coffee to the group during the fellowship period.

The regular business meeting was conducted by the group leader Mrs. Dwight Hester. The group voted to call on all

inactive members Wednesday, December 11, at 9:30 a. m. The purpose of the calling was primarily to secure pledges to underwrite our missionary budget and encourage a more active participation in Christian Work. At the conclusion of the business meeting Mrs. Harold Baker, assisted by Mrs. Gordon Federic, Mrs. Dale Schriber and Mrs. Bruce Clark, brought the lesson on race relations.

The meeting was closed with devotions led by Mrs. Dwight Hester.

Those present were Mesdames James O'Quin, Gordon Federic, Harold Baker, Dale Schriber, Dwight Hester, Bruce Clark, the hostess, Mrs. Sam Lasley, and a guest, Mrs. Carroll Gribble.

**Mrs. Earl Albert Honored With Birthday Parties**

Mrs. Earl Albert was honored Tuesday afternoon from 2:30 to 5:00 at a surprise birthday party in the home of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Russell Albert.

Those present were Mrs. Earl Albert, the honoree, Mesdames H. M. Brown, L. L. Thornton, George Skillin, Marvin Burkham, Leonard Plunk, Bill French, Brown Ross, the hostesses, Mrs. Russell Albert, Mrs. Richard Albert, and Mrs. C. T. Watson, Sandra and Debra Albert also enjoyed the party for their grandmother

Mrs. Bob Marshall had as guests, for coffee and cake at 10:00 Wednesday morning, her daughter, Mrs. Leonard Plunk, whose birthday is today (Thursday), Mrs. Earl Albert whose birthday was Tuesday and Mrs. C. T. Watson.

**Mary Ethel Circle Meets With Mrs. Stephenson**

Mary Ethel Circle met at 9:15 a. m. Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Max Stephenson.

The Circle concluded their study on "Church and Race." Mrs. Earl Riffe was in charge of the meeting.

**Sandy Kimball And Barry Smith Have Birthday Party**

Mrs. Marvin Kimball and Mrs. Edward Smith entertained with a birthday party Friday from 3 to 5 in the Kimball home, honoring their sons, Barry Smith who was six years old December 7, and Sandy Kimball, who will be six years old December 22.

The Christmas theme was carried out in the cakes and favors, with a Santa Claus cake for

Sandy and a Christmas tree cake for Barry, with balloons and candy filled red felt boots as favors for the birthday boys and the twenty guests present.

**New Arrivals**

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Beaton of Canyon are parents of a son. Mrs. Beaton is the former Janet Garoutte, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Garoutte. Following is an article from the Amarillo Daily News, announcing the baby's arrival:

"Next Time Try the Train" West Texas State basketball player Charlie Beaton and the stork timed their flights at the right time. Beaton a 6-5 Buffalo center, returned home from West Texas State's basketball trip to California at 8:30 Sunday. The stork visited the Beaton family at 4 a. m. Monday at Canyon.

The Beatons are the parents of a seven-pound four-ounce boy Gary Don. It is the second son for the Beatons."

Mrs. Garoutte went to Canyon Monday morning to visit Gary Don, his parents and brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McDaniel are parents of a 6 pound 13 1/2 ounce daughter, Brenda Lynn, who was born Tuesday of last week in Dumas Memorial Hospital. Brenda Lynn has two brothers. N. D. Smith is the maternal grandfather.

Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Gaylord are announcing the arrival of a daughter, Dixie Kathleen, who weighed 6 pounds 3/4 ounces when she was born Saturday in Dumas Memorial Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bachman Jr. are the maternal grandparents and the paternal

grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gaylord of Selling, Oklahoma. Mr. Gaylord brought his wife and baby home Tuesday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord also have another daughter, Debbie.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Johnson of Matador are the parents of a seven pound daughter, Charlotte Lou, born December 5, in a Matador hospital. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lowe. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Johnson of Hedley.

Mr. and Mrs. Orland Lasley are the parents of a six pound daughter, Lujana Jo, born Wednesday of last week in Dumas Memorial Hospital. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Billington. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lasley Sr.

**"THANKS"**

On behalf of the Legion Auxiliary, I want to say "Thanks" to each and every person who helped in any way to make up our box of "gifts for the Veterans Gift Shop."

I had the privilege of working in the gift shop a few hours and will say that if every one could see the shop they would realize they had helped make a Merry Christmas somewhere and would feel better.

Thanks again, Mrs. Chester Guthrie Auxiliary President

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### Letters To Santa -

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much.  
I'll see you at church on Christmas Eve.  
I love you,  
Lynn Gaylord

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy 4 years old. Would you please bring me a fire truck that pumps real water. Also a helicopter that looks just like the whirlybirds.

I have been a pretty good boy. Don't forget Terry, that's my little friend, and Debbie. She is my cousin.  
I'll be at Grandmother's house this year.

I love you very much,  
Steve Gaylord

December 10, 1957

Dear Santa:  
I am a big girl four years old. I have tried to be good this year but sometimes it seemed like an awfully long time until Christmas.

I would like for you to please bring me a bicycle to Grandma's house, a doll in a suitcase to the church and a nurse's kit to my house? Don't forget the other little boys and girls everywhere.

Love,  
Debbie Barnes

Dear Santa:  
I want a nurse doll, I want a music box, and a doll bed. I will leave some cookies and milk for you.

Debra Albert

Dear Santa:  
I am eight years old. I want a nurse doll and a music box, and I want a doll bed.

I am going to leave some cookies and milk for you.

Sandra Eileen Albert

Dear Santa:  
I want an electric train, a play electric razor and a guitar. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Lane Albert

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a pretty good girl most of the time. I want a baby doll, rocking chair, and tricycle. Don't forget all my little friends.

Dickie Lynn Hamilton

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a baby doll, a dolly bathinette, a doll stroller and a play pen.

Please bring my baby brother, Denny, a toy.  
Please don't forget my cousins in Canada and the ones in Corpus Christi.

Love,  
Mary Pat Martin

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy five years old and I have been a pretty good boy this year. Please bring

me a train and a doctor kit. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Love,  
Larry Hampton

Dear Santa:  
I am eight years old and in the third grade. I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a doll and anything else you want to bring me.

Love,  
Marjorie Hampton

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a wind-up train, and a set of plastic building blocks. I have been a pretty good boy.

Please bring Lacy a wind-up walking doll.  
Mike wants a play take a part work bench.

Love,  
Stevie Baskin  
Box 788  
Stratford, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I would like a remote control hot rod, a typewriter, some American plastic bricks, and a canteen and holster set.

I have tried to be good but some times I forget. I am a boy 8 years old.

Love,  
Terry Malone

Dear Santa:  
I would like a jeep and a doctor set. Please bring my little brother Darrell a cowboy suit and gun and holster set. We have tried to be good boys.

Love,  
Doug and Darrell Hale

Dear Santa Claus:  
My name is Kerry James Bradley and I live in the country south of Stratford. I am three years old. My mommy and daddy say I've been a very good boy so I'd like for you to bring me a shot gun.

Thank you very much,  
Kerry

Dear Santa Claus:  
Me and brother David have been good boys (part of the time any how.) Please bring me a football helmet and a new toy shotgun. Please bring brother David a Teddy Bear.  
"Lil" Bill and David Keener

P.S.: I would like a doctors kit too.

### Social Security Representative To Be Here Wednesday

Maurine A. Travis, field representative of the Amarillo Social Security office will be in Stratford on December 18. Mrs. Travis can be contacted at the court house from 2:00 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.

### Among the Sick

Mrs. William Glen Hart was taken to Neblett Hospital in Canyon Wednesday for medical care.

Mrs. Dan Foreman is recovering from an illness in Dumas Memorial Hospital and expects to return home this week.

C. W. Wall, 82 year old father of Mrs. Chester Guthrie is recovering from pneumonia in Amarillo. Mr. and Mrs. Guthrie have been in Amarillo with him

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the first of the week.

Edgar Spurlock, who has been in ill health for some time, was taken to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo Monday for a medical check-up. Mrs. Spurlock, Mrs. W. P. Cummings and

Mrs. J. G. Cummings took him to Amarillo. Mrs. Spurlock remained in Amarillo with her husband.

Mrs. Robert Bolster was brought home Saturday from Dumas Memorial Hospital, where

she had been a patient since Tuesday.

Mrs. W. D. Ellis was a patient in Dumas Memorial Hospital over last Thursday night.

Arthur King has been in Du-

mas Memorial Hospital twice the past week for tests.

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