

ELLINGTON IS C-C PRESIDENT

ate Promises Adequate Gas Supply For Big Spring

COMPANY AND CITY DISAGREE

In Franchise By Utility Concern

That Big Spring an adequate supply of gas supplied by the Public Service Company under the present contract was received just one o'clock Thursday in a message from the chief of gas utilization of the Texas Railroad Commission to City Manager Ellington.

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Barbers Select Official Staff

New Officers of Local No. 921 of the Journeymen Barbers International Union were elected in Big Spring this week to serve for the next 12 months.

NEW RAIL LINES ARE ENDORSED

Texas Lines Involved In Report Made To I.C.C. By Examiner

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19. (AP) Extensive expansion of railroad lines in the North Central and Panhandle districts of Texas would be approved under recommendation made to the Interstate Commerce Commission today by Examiner Thomas F. Sullivan.

The examiner would permit construction by the St. Louis, San Francisco and Texas Railway of a line in Wilbarger and Bayles counties and operation by the road under trackage rights over the line of the Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway in Jack, Wise and Tarrant counties.

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Says He's Connie



Here's the man who has returned to the Ozark Hills community at Mountain View, Ark., claiming he is Connie Franklin, for whose alleged murder the man was tried Dec. 26. Tiller Kimmner, 16-year-old girl, who is Connie's sweetheart and who is to be the prosecution's star witness, claims he is an impostor, so the jury will have to decide.

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Ark., Dec. 19. (AP) The jury in the Connie Franklin murder trial reported to Judge S. M. Bone soon after 11 a. m. today it was deadlocked regarding a verdict. The judge ordered the jurors to continue deliberations.

KIWANIANS IN MEETING

Dillard Retires; Girls Of Minstrel To Be Honored

Reports of the retiring president and secretary, talks by Chris Ming, director of the Kiwanis Minstrel of Tuesday night and Homer McCurdy, who as a member of the cast aided materially with the production, decision to tender a dance in honor of the girls who helped with the minstrel and formal retirement as president by Dr. J. R. Dillard in favor of Dr. C. W. Deats, elected for 1930 marked Thursday's weekly luncheon program of the Kiwanis club at the Methodist church.

Chris Ming, Homer McCurdy and Dr. Reynolds of New Braunfels were guests.

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BARBERS OF CITY MEET IN BANQUET

Medical Man Addresses Journeymen And Masters

Journeymen and master barbers of Big Spring assembled for a joint banquet and business session in basement of the First Methodist church Wednesday evening and before adjourning organized a permanent group and decided to hold monthly meetings the first Tuesday in each month.

The organization has as its purpose not only betterment of the profession in which members are engaged, but will assume a social aspect and assist where possible in civic matters. Mr. Smith, sounding a note of optimism, predicted a bright future for the new organization where petty differences between master and journeymen barbers can be forgotten.

Mr. Smith, chairman of the program Wednesday evening and toastmaster for the occasion, presented two entertainment numbers that were enthusiastically received.

Dr. J. B. Barcus, representative of the Howard County Medical Society spoke at the concluding number of the evening's program. He chose for his topic "some general health hints that may be used in the modern barber shop."

Those present were: V. B. Smith, Dr. J. B. Barcus, Mrs. Omar Patton, Mrs. W. R. Hines, Bert Riedel, A. H. Danierman, Joe Jacobs, O. J. Welch, E. O. Bell, Robert Wynn, Ed Weaver, J. C. Matthews, J. E. Payne, L. J. Tompa, E. A. Laney, J. W. Gillis, P. Sanders, L. E. Thomas, O. C. Curtis, A. P. Darrow, J. M. Newton, Ben Allen, W. A. Hughes, G. E. McNew, S. J. Elz, J. B. Stewart, L. C. Madison, Olin Anderson, P. S. Wilkins, E. H. Sanders, and B. M. Newton.

Formal Opening Of Church Delayed

Formal opening of the E. Lee Fourth Street Baptist church has been set for Sunday, December 29, according to an announcement made by Rev. S. R. Hughes, pastor.

Tom Shook Given Term Of Five Years

GRAHAM, Texas, Dec. 19. (AP) Convicted of complicity in the robbery of the Jefferson Hotel at Elberta, Tom Shook, former Elberta police chief, was assessed a five year term in the penitentiary by a jury today. He was charged with robbery with firearms.

HER DEATH LINKED TO DOT KING'S



Confronted with evidence that allegedly links the death of Dot King, Broadway butterfly, eight years ago, and Aurelia F. Dreyfus, wealthy New York divorcee, Washington officials have reopened investigation into Mrs. Dreyfus' fatal plunge Oct. 30 from 13th balcony of the Potomac pavilion in Washington. Mrs. Dreyfus was the mysterious blonde who helped establish alibi of Albert E. Guimaraes, suspect in Miss King's death. Her companion in Washington was the roommate of Guimaraes and partner in his alibi of New York. Photo above shows the late Dot King and Albert Guimaraes in Atlantic City, N. J., in 1922, six months before she was slain. Inset shows Mrs. Dreyfus.

CURTIS G. CONDRA AGAIN ELECTED CLUB PRESIDENT

Curtis G. Condra was re-elected president of the Business Men's Luncheon club at the weekly meeting Wednesday night in the basement of the Methodist church. Dr. C. D. Baxley was made vice president and Mrs. L. A. Rubanks, secretary and treasurer.

C. Of C. Banquet Tickets On Sale To Friday Noon

Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Methodist church the annual banquet and membership meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of Big Spring will be held.

GOODFELLOWS SEEK REPORTS OF NEEDY ONES

The Goodfellows' problem now lies not so much in lack of funds as in cooperation of the public at large in reporting names and addresses of families worthy of being visited Christmas Eve when the food, clothing and other gifts are distributed.

Automobile Blaze

Fire in an automobile, which was slightly damaged, caused a run by the local department to 200 West Third street Thursday morning.

Mrs. Nat Shick and Mrs. Una Covert will leave for Abilene Thursday for a two-day visit before returning with Lillian Shick who is attending school at Simmons University.

PICKLE NEW MEMBER OF COMMISSION

R. D. MATTHEWS RESIGNS AND POPULAR MERCHANT ACCEPTS PLACE

J. B. Pickle, grocery merchant, was appointed city commissioner late Wednesday afternoon to complete the unexpired term of R. D. Matthews who tendered his resignation from the commission on which he had served since 1926.

Mr. Matthews, the retiring commissioner, was the first mayor of Big Spring under the city manager form of government adopted in 1926. He had made a success of his personal business and was the unanimous choice for the post when Mr. Matthews decided to retire from public life.

Several months ago Mr. Matthews resigned the post of mayor because of ill health, but consented to serve as an commissioner.

12 DEGREES MINIMUM

The coldest weather of the season, 12 degrees above zero, was reported this morning from the government experiment farm.

Season's Lowest For Big Spring Recorded Thursday

DALLAS, Dec. 19 (AP). Numerous bitter casualties in the way of frozen water pipes and automobile radiators appraised Texas today of the coldest December 19 in years.

Changes Suggested

Considerable discussion of suggested amendments or changes in the constitution and by-laws was held.

NEW BOARD MEETS FOR FIRST TIME

Kelley And Willcox Made Vice Presidents For 1930

Calling to the presidency for 1930 one who has been a "wheel horse" of the organization through a period of fifteen years' service, the newly elected board of directors of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce Wednesday, night in a business session at the Episcopal Parish house selected Dr. E. O. Ellington, president.

Edwin A. Kelley, who is finishing a successful term in the presidency, was made first vice president. Ray Wilcox, conceded to have spent as much, if not more, time in Chamber of Commerce work during the year as any director, aside from the president, was named second vice president.

Five new members were elected to the board of directors. The method of electing this group here is more democratic than that followed in most cities. Forty names are selected by a nominating committee and from the list 20 are voted on by individual members, who are furnished a printed ballot.

Re-Elected

E. A. Kelley, member of the Southern Ice & Tubs company, the retiring president; B. L. Price, chairman of the First National Bank; R. L. Cook, real estate and oil man; Dr. E. O. Ellington, dentist; Tom Ashbaugh, of the Texas Company; Garland A. Woodward, attorney; Shime Philip, druggist; E. Resgan, president of the West Texas State Bank; George White, farmer and county commissioner; Fred Keating, superintendent, Government Experiment Farm; W. W. Holmes, insurance broker; Joyce Fisher of J. & W. Fisher's; T. R. Currie, active vice president, The State National Bank; Wendell Reddick, managing editor of The Herald; Ray Wilcox, holder of extensive business properties.

Order in which the directors are listed shows no relation to the number of votes cast for each. In making the report of the nominating committee at Wednesday night's meeting, the chairman, B. Resgan, made an indication of the relative number of votes polled. Those named being named in the order of their appearance on the ballot. The votes were canvassed by a separate committee.

General tenor of the discussion was a desire to inject "new blood" into the board, several men who have served for a number of years being important of obtaining representation of new interests in the city. Proposals looking to accomplishment of this included one to increase membership of the board to 25 or 30, to have terms of office alternate by electing ten members each year, and to name a board of directors approximately twice as large as the present one, maintaining the present body of 20 as an executive committee.

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Keep Up With Happenings In The Rural Schools of Howard County Through The Rural Chronicle.

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This Paper Is Written By And For Rural Students In Howard County In Which An Efficient Educational Program Is In Effect.

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BIG SPRING, TEXAS, FRIDAY DECEMBER 20, 1930.

COAHOMA HANDS HORNETS FIRST DEFEAT OF SEASON

Hopper Is Coahoma's Individual Star That Wrecked Clean Record Of Lomax Basketball Team Last Friday Afternoon 28 To 12

LOMAX, Dec. 20.—Until last Friday, the Lomax Hornets had played and won seven consecutive basketball games, but the seniors from Coahoma posed too big a task for the Hornets and Coahoma carried off the heavy end of a 28 to 12 score.

Hopper, Coahoma's star, showed the big factor in defeating Lomax. After he had established the lead, he tucked it through the hoop for five or six field goals. The Hornets called to life and started covering the danger zone.

Lomax started a defensive comeback in the second half, making the first moving shot in the game, a 19 to 9 score. But the seniors kept up in the first period, and the last of an obstacle to Coahoma.

Had the Hornets tumbled out of their simplicity of an earlier game, Coahoma's score would probably have been considerably reduced. Lomax will be in improved condition after Christmas and will be ready for more games with other schools of Howard county.

VINCENT TO HAVE COURT FOR TENNIS

Children Clear Plot In Spare Time And Work For Meet

VINCENT, Dec. 20.—A large number of Vincent students have spent their spare time the past week clearing off grounds for a tennis court. If plans now progressing can be terminated, a tennis court will be erected in the immediate future near the school building.

Mr. Hutton expects to enter the tennis team this school year. There will be play on ball courts for both boys and girls and numerous other contests in which Vincent teams will be entered.

Standardization Is Source Of Pleasure To Lomax Community

LOMAX, Dec. 20.—The entire community is proud that Lomax school was placed in the select group of standardized schools. Every requirement of the state board of education was met and it is a source of community pride that the state inspector declared Lomax school to be one of the best institutions of its size in the entire state.

Teachers asked their thanks be extended to trustees and to patrons who have played a vital part in helping to meet all standardization requirements. Cooperation and loyalty accorded the school has been instrumental in assisting the school to its high level.

Lomax Briefs

New curtains have been purchased for Sunday School. Each teacher will have a room curtained off for her class.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Lomax are building a new modern four room and bath dwelling on their farm in the Lomax community.

L. J. Lomax is having two of his new homes painted and papered.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Rice and Mrs. Mrs. O'Brien Vaughn will leave the week end for a Christmas holiday trip.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wood and family will leave for Anaheim, Fla., this evening for a Christmas holiday trip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Thompson made a business trip to Abilene Wednesday.

T. P. Leubetter and Will Barnhill returned last Monday from a hunting trip where they enjoyed a most successful hunt.

Miss M. H. Connell and son of Houston are visiting in the McLeod home this week.

Vincent Plans For Big Meet

VINCENT, Dec. 20.—Plans for entertaining the inter-school league meet at Coahoma are being completed in Vincent school. Students are displaying more interest in the meet than in years past and it is reasonable to assume Vincent will give a better showing in all respects than in the past.

Vincent Playground Team Is Organized

VINCENT, Dec. 20.—Vincent school has organized a playground team with Mrs. Ted Bishop, primary teacher, directing work. The team is practicing each week and is expected to furnish some competition at the county inter-school league meet at Coahoma.

LOMAX GIRLS GIVEN SUITS

Home Demonstration Club Presents New Uniforms This Week

LOMAX, Dec. 20.—The home demonstration club of Lomax has made new uniforms for the Lomax girls basketball team. The new suits consist of neat attractive navy blue suits pleated at the waist with navy sweater and tie. The girls are proud of their new uniforms principally because they so attractively display the school colors of blue and white.

School will close Friday for one week's vacation Saturday night, Dec. 21, a combination school and Sunday school Christmas tree will be held in the school building. Pupils of Twine Lomax will present a Christmas program before Santa Claus is introduced.

During the holidays, teachers of Lomax school are planning a trip to Central Coahoma on which students of the school will be taken. Many parents are expected to take the trip in connection with teachers and pupils, which will give the venture a community aspect.

Joint Meeting At Richland

By H. MONTGOMERY, Jr., Chronicle Correspondent.

RICHLAND, Dec. 20.—A joint meeting of the P. T. A. and Literary Society was held at Richland last Friday night. The meeting was well attended and the program was enjoyed by all present. A decision was reached to enlist young people of Richland community in work of both organizations.

The school board has just completed playgrounds and apparatus on the school grounds for proper exercises. The equipment installed consists of see-saw, chinning rod, basketball court and baseball diamond.

A junior basketball team has just been organized and those directing activity of the team are now attempting to schedule games.

N. H. Montgomery, Sr., who has been ill for nearly two weeks is recovering.

Mr. Blow and family of Center Point spent Sunday in Richland community visiting friends.

Miss Kilpatrick and Miss Lett of Cone, Tex., spent last week with their cousin, Iva Bynam of Richland.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Montgomery of Phoenix, Ariz., are visiting relatives. The couple expects to return to Texas in the near future.

Amerada's Coffee Nears Pay Depth

With total depth of the well now being 1,865 feet, operators expect to drill Amerada Petroleum Company's No. 1 Coffee, Glasscock county test into the lime and set pipe late this week, according to information reaching Big Spring from the Coffee-Phillips pool Thursday.

Amerada's No. 1 Coffee is 2,310 feet from the west line of section 22, block 32, township 2 south, T. & P. Ry. Co. survey and is the most western well drilled in the Coffee-Phillips pool at the present time. The well is a diagonal southwest offset to Shell Petroleum Corporation's No. 1 Coffee up in section 15.

32 Junior High Students Inoculated

Report of 32 students in the Junior high school having been given toxin anti-toxin treatments, was made at the Tuesday meeting of the P. T. A. of the school.

Among items taken up at the meeting were the purchase of hooks for the cloak rooms and a new phonograph for the school. It was decided to make both purchases.

Decision was also reached to hold a cafeteria for the children each Wednesday, mothers of pupils in the rooms alternating in the duties.

Mrs. L. L. Freeman gave an interesting report of the state convention of parent-teacher associations held last November in Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester King and Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Beckett accompanied Miss Lucile Reagan to Coahoma, where Miss Reagan addressed the congregation of the First Baptist church there by appointment Sunday evening. A substantial offering toward the Lottie Moon Anniversary fund was raised following Miss Reagan's talk.

Mrs. J. I. McDowell plans to leave Wednesday night for an extended visit with relatives in Houston and Austin.

Midway Honor Role Announced; Some Held Off Because Of Absence Marks

MIDWAY PTA TO GATHER

MIDWAY, Dec. 20.—Only four Midway students were placed on the honor roll this month. Dorothy Hutchins, first grade, Glenn West, second grade, Dorothy Hoover, sixth grade and Marjorie Hardin, seventh grade, are the honored students.

Because of absence or tardiness, 37 students were eliminated from this month's honor roll despite creditable school work. The number from each grade deprived of honor roll mention for tardiness or absence, follows: first grade 9; second grade 6; third grade 2; fourth grade 2; fifth grade 1; sixth grade 3; eighth grade 1; and ninth grade 2.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shirley and Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Shirley returned Monday night from Eden where they were the guests of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Hoover, attended the quarterly conference at Center Point Saturday.

Mrs. Roy Tonn visited in the intermediate room Friday afternoon.

CANNING WORK INCREASES IN CLUB ACTIVITY

County Women Prove Turnip Greens To Be Adaptable

Following the farmers short course given in August county club members were requested to plant greens for fall use and for canning later on, said Mrs. Louelle Allgood, county home demonstration agent. Fifty-three club women followed the suggestion and planted turnip or other greens. Up to December 1, 733 quarts of greens had been canned by these women. Twenty women are using their present cookers for the first time, and are canning green vegetables that they need in their family diet. Those working are women who have never done this before.

This amount of canned greens from this number of women may seem meager to people in a more moist climate such as south and east Texas but it shows that there is one green vegetable adaptable to Howard county and that is turnip greens.

Gifts Of Gold By Employers Fading As Annual Practice

Employees of Big Spring business houses will carry around about \$1500 worth of gold pieces around Christmas Day as gifts by employers, according to an estimate made by the banks.

The practice of giving gold coins as Christmas presents to employees has lost ground considerably since the war, and employers have taken up less quaint means of rewarding faithful employees at the Yuletide season.

Time was in American history when the majority of business firms extended their wishes for a merry Christmas with \$5 and \$10 gold pieces, but present day "hired hands" are given less chance of mistaking a gold piece for a lowly penny or giving away a yellow coin in place of a less coveted silver piece of like size.

Big Spring banks have a supply of yellow coins and it is estimated that by Christmas Day the supply on hand will have been somewhat depleted.

Lubbock Adopts Road Bond Issue

LUBBOCK, Dec. 18.—By a vote of approximately 3 to 1, a \$901,000 road bond issue carried in an election held in Lubbock county yesterday, unofficial returns from all but 12 small rural boxes revealed.

As a result of the election, highways seven, nine and fifty-three will be paved, and outstanding district road bonds of \$21,500 will be taken care of. Almost 100 miles of highway will be paved.

The total vote from 20 boxes showed 3,258 for the bonds and 685 against them. The heaviest vote was in Lubbock and Slaton, Lubbock registering 2,374 for and 211 against while Slaton voted 451 for and 96 against.

This was the third attempt to vote the bonds, the first election being held in December of last year and the second in January of this year.

The name of Don Carter, Jr., pupil in Central Ward, was unintentionally omitted from the E honor roll of that school, when the list was submitted to The Herald for publication, which was in Tuesday's issue.

MIDWAY PTA TO GATHER

Group Adopts Night Sessions To Secure Better Attendance

MIDWAY, Dec. 20.—The P. T. A. committee met Friday afternoon and outlined an interesting season for Friday night, December 20th.

The P. T. A. has adopted the policy of holding meetings at night instead of in the afternoon as it customary in most schools. This change is made in order that fathers as well as mothers may have a chance to attend the meetings.

The Midway P. T. A. was organized last year with sixteen members but membership has increased to twenty-four this year, sixteen women and eight men. The program will begin at 7:00 o'clock Friday night and a cordial invitation is extended every one to attend.

Alice Pickel is anxious to increase the news from Midway community and by way of encouraging contributions she says:

If you have a bit of news, Send it in.
Or a joke that will amuse, Send it in.

A story that is true, An accident that's new, We want to hear from you—Send it in.

Never mind about the style, If the story is worth while, Send it in.

Brotherhood Of Trainmen Holds Installation Here

The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and the Auxiliary met jointly Sunday afternoon in the W. O. W. hall for installation of officers. Other matters taken up in addition to the installation included the initiation of Mrs. Cagle of Abilene. During the social hour which followed the business session, refreshments were served to about 40 members.

Officers of the Brotherhood installed at the ceremony were as follows: J. T. Allen, president; J. F. Meador, vice president; B. N. Ralph, secretary-treasurer; J. C. Lane, agent of official publications; T. E. Baker, chaplain; H. Fox, conductor; W. R. Ivey, warden; T. A. Underhill, inner sentinel, and N. P. Smith, outer sentinel.

Officers of the auxiliary are: Mrs. Effie Meador, president; Mrs. Sophia Corcoran, vice-president; Mrs. Ruth Pittman, secretary; Mrs. Esther Powell, treasurer; Mrs. Crystal Underhill, chaplain; Mrs. Gertrude Wasson, conductress; Mrs. Genevieve Hawk, warden; Mrs. Willie Mae Henry, inner guard; Mrs. Anna Petfish, outer guard; Mrs. Della Hicks, pianist; Mrs. Bonnie Allen, legislative representative; Mrs. Effie Meador, alternate, and Dr. M. H. Bennett, medical examiner.

Engine Trouble Delays Test For Edwards Well

Engine trouble caused by exceptionally cold weather delayed Glasscock Brothers No. 1 Edwards from starting pumping Thursday morning as was planned and operators announced they will either start producing the new well Thursday evening or Friday morning.

At noon, 40 joints of tubing remained to be run in the hole and then crews were to start running sucker rods immediately. It seemed doubtful if the new northern Glasscock county well can be pumped before Friday morning, however, and operators made plans accordingly.

If tubing and rods are run before dark Thursday night, the well will be pumped Thursday night, making a production gauge available Friday evening for a full 24-hour period.

Fire Boys Given \$50 For Good Work

In appreciation for efforts of Saturday night which prevented serious loss to the building on Main street occupied by The Grand Leader, T. S. Currie, owner of the building, Monday sent a check for \$50 to the volunteer fire department's chief, Harry Lees.

Although The Grand Leader's stock was practically destroyed by fire, water, and smoke from a blaze which, firemen declared apparently originated in the store balcony, the building itself suffered much less.

Fire was discovered still smoldering in the store Monday morning, it was said.

R-BAR LOSES TO VINCENT

Winners Stage Final Rally That Tops R-Bar's Lead

VINCENT, Dec. 20.—Vincent defeated R-Bar 11 to 8 in one of the closest fought games played on a rural basketball court this season.

Early season roughness characterized the game, but the interest that developed from the start to a near frenzy at the close had supporters of both quietists near nervous prostration.

R-Bar gained an early lead that was not overcome by Vincent except until just before the final whistle. It was the third victory for Vincent in as many starts. Strenuous practice is held each day in anticipation of more regular contests after Christmas holidays.

Oil Company Employee Dies Unexpectedly

J. E. Bowman, 37, chief clerk for the Continental Oil Company in this district, died unexpectedly at the company camp near Forsan Monday morning at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. Bowman had been in the Big Spring territory approximately 14 months coming here from McCauley. He had been associated with the Continental Oil Company about three years.

His wife and three children, Jack, 2; Don True, 11; and Fay, 13, survive. Fay, the older daughter, lives in Pecos, where she attended school. Mr. Bowman's mother is said to live in San Antonio. The deceased arose Monday morning about 6:30 o'clock and remarked to his wife how well he was feeling.

Burial will be in Devine, Texas. The body was to be shipped either tonight or carried overland tomorrow. Relatives who will accompany it are Mrs. E. P. Langley of Pecos, Mrs. Bowman's sister, with Mr. Langley and son and Mrs. L. H. Francisco, another sister-in-law, with her husband and children, Mildred and Betty Roy.

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Results of the first few 24 hour gauges will determine whether Shell Pipe Line Company will extend its gathering line from the Coffee-Phillips pool to Glasscock Brothers' No. 1 Edwards, three miles west.

No. 1 Edwards was drilled into pay at 2,277 feet and continued to a total depth of 2,299 feet. The well is located 1,850 feet from the east line and 330 feet from the south line of section 18, block 33, township 2, south, T. & P. Ry. Co. survey. Humble Oil & Refining Company has staked location for a south offset in section 19, but Thursday morning there was no indication of immediate spudding the well.

Mrs. E. R. Wolcott is expected to return soon from Hamlin where she has attended the bedside of her mother who has been seriously ill. Mrs. Wolcott's mother is reported greatly improved.

COUNTY TEACHERS HOLD REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Program Committee Called to Meet On Next Monday Evening To Draft Entertainment For Next Regular Meet In Jan

By PAULINE CANTRELL, County Superintendent.

The regular monthly meeting of the Howard Teachers' Association was held Saturday afternoon 14th, in the County Court House of Big Spring, attendance was good considering the Christmas festivities and parents.

LOMAX CLUB ELECTS NEW OFFICIALS

Club Hears Report On Prosperous Year Now Ending

LOMAX, Dec. 20.—The home demonstration club of Lomax met last Monday afternoon for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. At the meeting brief talks were made relative to progress made in the work during the closing year.

Mrs. J. W. Williams, president and Mrs. Ennis Jones, secretary, were unanimously elected to serve a second term. Mrs. Mack Stallins was made vice-president of the group.

Each club member expressed a desire to do more towards making the organization successful. The Lomax home demonstration club won first prize at the Howard county fair held this fall.

Following adjournment of teachers went to the trace of the courteous group picture was made. The picture will appear in the Daily Herald within a few days.

The program committee in the county superintendent's office, December 20th, the program for the meeting of the County Teachers' Association to be held Saturday in January. All are urged to attend the program will be varied to month. The program such that no teacher miss. Teachers give a day afternoon of each good cause! Do not be vacant.

Six Indictments Returned Here

Six new felony indictments were returned to Howard county district court late Wednesday afternoon when the grand jury empaneled nearly three weeks ago made its final report for the December term of court, which ends here Saturday evening.

One of the indictments charged Otha Hopkins of operating an automobile while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. Others named in the bills of indictment have not been arrested or placed under bond.

Fitz R. Smith, district judge, was attempting to hear all cases possible in the two and one-half working days remaining in this term of court. Criminal trials have been ended for this term and Judge Smith is devoting his undivided attention to the over crowded civil docket.

Coahoma Will Succeed

Mrs. J. L. Joiner, 24, died in a local hospital Monday afternoon. Her arrangements will be made as relatives have made plans. Burial will be Tuesday afternoon, at information received.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Roy to leave within a few days for Stephenville and Waco, holidays with relatives.

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KNOTT

SHOWER
Christmas spirit was expressed Thursday afternoon when given by Mrs. T. J. Knott at her home near East of Mrs. R. G. East.

Miss Annette's daughter, Miss Annette, assisted in entertaining. Many useful and beautiful presents were presented the hostess.

Guests included Mesdames J. J. Jones, Fred R. Castle, W. S. Shaw, S. C. Wood, Sara B. Peter, D. Sample, J. W. Gregory, D. G. Hart, Faye Phillips, D. Alfred, Gnes Nichols, D. Mar Brown, Mrs. J. O.

Miss Annette assisted by Mrs. Knott, served a dainty refreshment of cake and hot

ending their gifts were Jewel Oliver, J. C. Ernest Grear, Laura and J. W. Walker.

local officer, carried to the Big Spring jail for night, for drunkenness.

FAMILY REUNION

Petus had a family reunion home west of Knott Sunday children having been their included Floyd Petus, Mrs. Lee Cole and family, Petus and wife, Fannie and family, a sister-in-law, Verdie Petus, Others at Eddie Newcomer and Mrs. J. J. McGregor and Mrs. J. J. McGregory and children.

Wiley and children visited her sister, Mrs. Lee Wednesday.

Ernest Grear is preparing Christmas dinner.

Castle, wife and baby son, visited relatives here. Castle is the daughter of

Simple's friends are glad to see him, although still confined to his room by illness.

Barrow of West Knott entertained the young people with an party Saturday and all the hostess an efficient

Stanton visited on here Sunday.

Turner moved from Oklahoma. Shorter's place Monday.

C. Williams spent Monday. J. C. Spaulding.

Phillips, Mrs. J. W. and Mrs. G. Shorter were shopping in Big Spring Saturday and family of Abington a brother, W. W. and family, this week.

Thomas Sunday visited who is in. She resides Hamlin ranch.

burned her feet Saturday evening while "seek" with other with another child she the burr-pit at the Commission being aware of the burrs under the shoes, filling her shoes

will dismiss Friday holidays. All school decorated beautifully in

Gist took supper Sunday. Minnie Bebe Page.

Prugh and Miss Daisy Thursday night with a

father, Mr. Martin, Ross Martin, visited

Lee Long, Miss Ruby and brother, Vernie, attending services at Merrick Sunday evening.

Simmons spent Friday. Miss Roxie Peugh.

Miller, teacher of the school, entertained the home of Prof. and Mrs. at the Teachers' Friday. Following guests were present: McGregor and J. J. McGregory, Bill Trout and Pauline, J. E. Whittington, Floy McGregory, J. D. was high score and Miss Ruby prize. The hostess refreshment plate and chocolate, with Christmas trimmings.

Whittington, Mr. Whittington, and Miss McGregory, teachers in the Knott school, the county teachers in Big Spring Saturday.

and family of Sister here Sunday.

oil company re-

On Thursday, December 12, every body gathered on the Main street of Coahoma to see Santa Claus. The fire works were going on both sides, making so much noise you could hardly hear yourself talk. Everyone was having a good time for once in his life. There was a crowd of about two thousand. About six thirty the band from Big Spring came over to give old Santa a musical welcome. After the band had been here about ten or fifteen minutes, a telegram was received from Santa, saying he was on the road from Colorado, with a negro chauffeur driving his car, and also stated that he had many presents. In about twenty more minutes Santa and his negro chauffeur came driving into town.

Santa got out on the platform and made a little talk. I think he said that he had presents for everybody between the ages of six and forty-five. Jim Brown, the faithful night watchman, was the first to be honored. Old Santa presented him with a handsome present.

Then Old Santa went to his car and got a box, which was filled with little boxes of candy, told all the people, both young and old, to line up and Mr. Archer Thompson would pass the presents around. Mr. Thompson didn't have much luck passing them. All the little fellows swarmed around him and began to take the candy away from him, until finally he had to give it up as a bad job, and let them have their way. After the presents were disposed of the band gave several good tunes.

LOCAL CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

Mrs. J. L. Joiner, age 20, of here, died in a Big Spring hospital at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, December 1. Funeral services were held at the Coahoma Methodist church Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. She is survived by her husband, two children, father, four sisters and two brothers.

EASTER STAR ORGANIZES AT CRANE

Mrs. Norman Read, deputy grand matron of the local Eastern Star chapter, and Mrs. E. R. Thomason, and Mrs. DeWitt Shives, perfected the organization of an Eastern Star chapter at Crane last Tuesday night. A banquet was given in their honor, and a very enjoyable time was reported.

MISS LOUISE WATSON SPENT WEEK-END WITH MISS OETA WARD OF CENTER POINT

Jack Robinson visited in Oklahoma City and Dallas last week.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS

The Missionary Society of Coahoma Methodist church met with Mrs. A. P. Houck, Friday afternoon, the 13th, in a business session. The following officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, Mrs. A. C. Bass; vice president, Mrs. J. P. Watson; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. A. P. Houck; superintendent, Mrs. Lem Dennis. Greater things in the missionary work are expected to be done in 1930. Ladies of the church are urged to join in

PEP SQUAD ORGANIZED

The Coahoma school girls met Monday night with Mrs. Hatton for the purpose of organizing a pep squad. The girls were all interested and ready for work. With the help of Mrs. Hatton they intend to ac-

SOASH

J. W. Low and family were week-end guests at Alva Low and wife of Lamesa.

Mrs. Bob Mahan entertained the young people with a social Monday evening.

Lee Lauderdale and wife were Sunday guests of Virgil Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hannah and Luther Reuter and family were visitors of William Holman and wife of Lamesa Sunday.

Virgil Sarge and family of Midland were week-end guests of B. G. Sarge and wife.

Mrs. R. N. Adams was a guest of Mrs. William Mitchell of Ackerly Monday.

Mrs. Virgil Williams spent Monday at the home of Mrs. Will Hannah.

Isaac Low and wife of Ackerly were visitors at the J. W. Low home Sunday.

Lehman Crass of California is a visitor at the homes of his uncles, J. J. and Lucas Crass.

Harry Graham and wife were visitors at the Chris Hubner home Thursday afternoon.

The Community box supper given at the school building Friday night was enjoyed by all. Twenty-five boxes were sold in a few minutes and about \$32. was the total amount received from the boxes and cake.

Miss Odessa Hodge received the cake for being judged the most popular girl and R. N. Adams was awarded a bar of soap for being the homeliest man.

Lelia Hannah was a guest of Mrs. Thurman Baum Sunday.

Majority Of 25 Is Given School Bonds In Glasscock County

GARDEN CITY, Dec. 19.—Final returns from all voting boxes show that Glasscock county's \$40,000 school bond issue was adopted by a majority of 25. Line School, the last box to report, returned 19 against and 3 for the issue.

Registered, big type, Poland China pigs. Price \$7.50 with papers. Also bred sow, \$35.00. See L. E. Atchison, Stanton, Texas.

Italy—Modern library may be erected here.

representative painted the pumps at Airhart Brothers' garage, greatly improving appearance of the place.

The singing class met in its regular session Sunday afternoon at the tabernacle. Because of cold weather but a few selections were sung. Among those attending were Mrs. Springfield and daughter of Ackerly. The girls sang a duet, which was enjoyed. The class has been missing visits of Big Spring singers.

The P. T. A. will meet Friday night for a miscellaneous program.

complish much, and have a real good pep squad this year, full of Coahoma boys. Officers are: Yell Leader, Jewel Brown; President, Belma Hale; Secretary and Treasurer, Alene Bass.

COAHOMA BASKETBALL BOYS VICTORIOUS AGAIN

The Coahoma basketball team played its hardest fought game Friday, December 13, against Lomax. Score: Coahoma 28, Lomax 12. The boys played a peppy game from start to finish, with plenty of class. Neel was high point man, and Hopper second. These two boys are making a good showing at forward. Neel having the best luck in the game. He dropped the "old pill" through the basket almost every time he could get his hands on it. Robinson, center, Watson and Gland, guards, and Hagler, substitute, did excellent work. The team is getting in better form every day under the able coaching of Mr. Comalander. All of the Coahoma basketball fans are invited to go with the team when they play away from home.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school 10 a. m. J. M. Cramer, superintendent. Preaching each Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. All are welcome to the services. If not affiliated with some other church, we especially invite you to attend. All members are urged to attend. Rev. J. P. Watson, pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Watson, daughters Louise and Laverne, Mrs. Lee Deshaio, Miss Susie Brown, Mr. Cramer, Mr. Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Hoover, Mrs. Robertson and sister, attended the Quarterly Conference at Center Point last Sunday.

this work. The next meeting will be a Social at the Methodist parsonage, January 2, 2:30 p. m., with Mrs. J. P. Watson as hostess and all the ladies are invited to attend. A special program will be rendered.

NEW BOARD

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changes and submit findings to the board will be named by the president, in accordance with a motion adopted at the meeting.

The financial report of the manager, C. T. Watson, was read. It covered the period from January 1 to December 18, 1929 and listed total receipts of more than \$21,000 with a net balance of that sum in the treasury Wednesday amounting to \$22.

All directors were urged to join the membership at the annual banquet of the organization Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Methodist church.

COMMITTEE

Nominations for president and the vice-presidents were submitted at the meeting by a committee appointed from the board by President Kelley. It was headed by Shine Phillips with W. T. Strange, Jr., J. C. Douglass, George White and Wendell Bedelchek.

A delicious meal was served by ladies of the Episcopal Auxiliary. The table was decorated in Christmas fashion, centered with blue and red lights and a wreath of holly and cedar.

At their plans the directors found copies of the Industrial Survey of Big Spring, which has just been completed by the Chamber of Commerce staff. It consists of 21 pages of authentic information on the developed and undeveloped resources of Big Spring and Howard county.

The survey was compiled by the office force, which mimeographed 30,000 sheets. The only work done outside the office was printing of the covers, and binding.

REPORT

In submitting the report of the committee on nominations of directors, B. Reagan said it was the sense of the committee that "new blood" ought to be obtained and that a number of men considered "new blood" whom the committee felt could be elected were nominated. He said he felt more team work was necessary to prosperity of the city and that more of the citizens ought to be enlisted for active work in the Chamber of Commerce.

He suggested more men be included on the board.

Those who served with Mr. Reagan in selecting the 40 nominees were Sam Weaver, Shine Phillips, J. B. Pickle, Dr. G. T. Hall, George White and Carl S. Blomshield.

Mr. Watson suggested to changes in the law of the Chamber. One was that the 1930 board draw for one and two year terms, and that after 1930 ten members be elected each year.

Another was that the retiring president each year automatically become the first vice-president.

CONSTITUTION

By-laws provide that any constitutional change must be approved by two-thirds of the directors in any meeting but only after the proposed change has been published locally and sent by letter to members at least ten days before voted on by the board.

Therefore, no action on proposed changes was taken Wednesday night.

On motion of Mr. Reagan, seconded by Mr. Currie, constitutional amendment matters were submitted to a commission, to be named by the president.

The new president's first action on taking the chair was to discharge that named nominating committee.

Mr. Reagan made a report of his trip of last Friday, with four other local men to the Regional conference of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in Midland. He explained actions taken there, and the activities of the W. T. C. C. officials in attempting to finance it in 1930 without sending membership solicitors out on salaries. Major accomplishments of the W. T. C. C. were reviewed. Region 6, of which Mr. Reagan is director, pledged 200 1930 memberships in addition to those taken this year, some of which do not expire until late in

RESTRICTION OF IMMIGRATION FROM MEXICO URGED BY EL PASO MAYOR, CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS

EL PASO, Dec. 18. The El Paso Post published the following Monday:

In his first public utterance upon specific policies since he announced his candidacy for representative from the 16th congressional district, Mayor R. E. Thomason, speaking before the El Paso-Hudspeth county farm bureau Saturday, declared unequivocally for restriction of Mexican immigration. His typewritten statement on that subject follows:

As long as we have a tariff on manufactured products that come into competition with foreign products produced by cheap labor, farm and ranch products that come into competition with that same cheap labor are entitled to adequate protection.

I am for a tariff on hides, wool, cattle, mohair and other products of this section.

It would be inconsistent, however, to advocate a tariff for the protection of the country's industries against the cheap products of foreign countries and deny to labor the same kind of protection against the peon labor that is coming to us from foreign countries.

I am for restricted immigration. I am for the Box bill, but would amend it to provide seasonal labor for farmers and ranchers.

I have had enough experience and knowledge of the situation along the border to know that something must be done to relieve present conditions.

I do favor, however, seasonal labor properly safeguarded for farmers and ranchers. If labor is not obtainable in this country during the growing and harvesting season, then I think that provision should and can be made for the farmer to get seasonal labor when he needs it.

In addition to a bond, or whatever the government may require, for providing for the return of the alien after the work is completed, I would also provide that an agricultural permit or identification card be issued to the laborer and make it unlawful for any person to give employment to one of these laborers in other than agricultural or ranch work.

The trouble has been that many thousands of aliens come in every year lawfully, but the farmers in this valley are not able to hold them because the railroads, mines and other industries north and east of here take them to the interior at higher wages. The result is that perhaps a majority of the laborers now in this valley are in the country illegally, and if the government should suddenly deport them it would mean ruination for the farmer.

A plan should be worked out so as to give stability, as well as assurance to the farmers of this section that they can get a proper supply of labor, as well as hold it while needed.

I am absolutely opposed, however, to having aliens enter the country under the pretense that they are going to work for the farmers and ranchers and then be turned into

DAWSON COUNTY JUDGE RESIGNS

LAMESA, Dec. 16. The resignation of County Judge Dixie Kilgore has been accepted by the Dawson county commissioners court, it was announced here this week.

The resignation of Judge Kilgore is one of considerable interest all over the Lower South Plains. He is prominent among judicial circles in this section, and his resignation is looked upon as a loss for his county.

Phillip Young has been named to succeed Judge Kilgore, the court announces. Young is a prominent private attorney here, connected with the law offices of Garland and Yonge. He is to begin serving as judge January 1.

Judge Kilgore, who has been county judge of Dawson county for several terms and who was county clerk before becoming judge, will be business manager of the Loveless-Bennett hospital here after closing his law books, it is said. He is also connected with the Lamesa Chamber of Commerce as director of the highway department.

The Dawson county commissioners court is composed of L. Berry, W. E. Bartlett, H. L. Hon and C. M. Burton.

MOODY RECEIVES STIMSON'S REPLY

AUSTIN, Dec. 19.—Governor Moody has received a reply from Secretary of State Stimson to his message asking that he take up the matter of reopening the consulate at Laredo, but has refused to divulge its contents. He said the message is of a confidential nature, and if it is released, Secretary Stimson must do so.

1930. The Big Spring delegation pledged a quota of \$500 at \$10 each. Mr. Reagan's plea that Big Spring meet this quota was received enthusiastically by the board.

ROAD AID GRANTED

Sterling County Is On List For New Funds

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FROM FRANCHISE

The two paragraphs in the gas company franchise to which officials objected are:

Section 18: Be it further ordained that in consideration of said franchise gas meters are to be read monthly by a representative of the city of Big Spring and the said readings shall be immediately delivered to the office of the grantee or his assigns, for entry and computation and that in consideration of such reading the grantee or his assigns shall pay to the city of Big Spring, on or before the 15th day of the month following the month at which the readings are made, 25 cents per meter in cash for each meter read during the previous month.

Section 19: Be it further ordained that for five (5) years after the consummation of gas shall begin, on or before the 15th day of the month grantee or his assigns will pay to the city of Big Spring three per cent of its gross receipts, and thereafter during the life of this franchise five per cent of its gross receipts, provided further in arriving at said gross receipts there shall be annually be first deducted therefrom, all state, county, municipal, school or improvement taxes assessed against said distributing system and paid by grantee or his assigns each year during the life thereof.

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AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 19.—More than \$1,000,000 aid on projects in 19 counties was allotted by the highway commission at its December meeting, according to minutes on file in the department.

That 1930 will be a busy year with probably more construction put under contract than ever was indicated by announcement of \$2,440,000 bridge program, and the commission would let contracts for two causeways and three interstate bridges, the projects to cost \$1,500,000.

The causeways will be on Highway 37, known as Big-The-Cost-Highway, near Laredo, Big in Calhoun county and the other on Texas and Louisiana will build a bridge across the Sabal river on Highway 83 and two bridges will be constructed by Texas and Oklahoma across the Red river at Gamsville and Higgald.

The surface treatment budget for the year was set at \$1,455,000.

It is planned to lay on 240 miles and to place a seal coat on 197 miles of highway during the year.

Compliments in the aid allotments were: Matador, \$14,673 for Highway 38; Limestone, \$11,207 Highway 7; Brooks, \$8,548 Highway 12; Aransas, \$25,630 Highway 27; Guadalupe, \$3,000 Highway 2-A; Wharton, \$16,276 Highway 60; Waller, \$120,666 Highway 20; and \$71,416 for Highway 6. Hardin, \$32,320 for Highway 49; and \$19,774 for Highway 8. Orange, \$9,704 Highway 8; Jefferson, \$21,215 Highway 8; McLennan, \$14,202 Highway 2; Falls, \$5,933 Highway 6; Sterling, \$129,375 Highway 9; Motley, \$107,719 Highway 28; Lubbock, \$5,746 Highway 7; Potter, \$6,310 Highway 13; Jones, \$428,767 Highway 4; Webb, 6,103 Highway 2; and Eastland, \$35,000 Highway 1.

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CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE OR TRADE for land combined apartment house, residence and poultry farm—\$300.00 per month to right person, three acres equipped for irrigation, 700 hens go with deal. R. O. Walker, P. O. Box 1002, Midland, Texas. Phone 189-J.

STRAYED from my place near Westbrook, Texas, one black saddle horse, eight years old, about 15 1/2 hands high, had shoes on back feet, with rather short tail. Was raised near Big Spring, will pay liberal reward to finder. J. W. Bird, Westbrook, Texas.

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SPRING STUDENTS HONOR ROLLS DURING SECOND PERIOD OF SESSION

Ninety-seven students of the Big Spring schools are on the honor rolls during the second period of the current session. The honor rolls for the first period of the session were published in the issue of December 13. The names of the students on the honor rolls for the second period are as follows: 104 in the first grade, 104 in the second grade, 104 in the third grade, 104 in the fourth grade, 104 in the fifth grade, 104 in the sixth grade, 104 in the seventh grade, 104 in the eighth grade, 104 in the ninth grade, 104 in the tenth grade, 104 in the eleventh grade, 104 in the twelfth grade.

**NORTH WARD
"A" Honor Roll**
Margaret Dodson, Louise Hucklebee, Edith Felton, Florence McNew, Juanita Stevenson, J. R. Moore, John Woens, Marie Gray, Alice Johnson, Lendora Rose, Virginia Tucker, Pierce Huubbe, Hudson Patterson, Betty Rue Keene, Jamie Lee Meador, L. C. Gallimore.

"B" Honor Roll
Billy Boles, Major Cooksey, Robert Corcoran, Eugene Rush, Ellen Burns, Mary Lee Eddins, Helen Henry, Millard Petree, James Gallagher, Pauline Henry, Burma Jeanne Heffington, Mary Rice, Jay Rogers, Floyd Dixon, Dottie Mason, Margie Wilson, Lois Wingo, Francis Winterwood, Bruce Phillips, R. T. Reynolds, Elliott Yell, Wayne Nance, Sam Anderson.

**JUNIOR HIGH
"A" and "B" Roll**
Mary Ella Adams, Erylie Duff, Jimmy Ford, Nettie Houston, Bob by McNew, Winifred Piner, Mary Jane Reed, James Stiff, Alfred Tinsley, Naomi Alrus, Imogene Barnett, Marjorie Best, Frances Bledsoe, Eugene Damron, Betty Jean Fisher, Margaret Hudson, Tommy Higgins, Ruth Horn, Janice Jacobs, Camille Koberg, Margaret Lee, Eugenie Minor, Dorothy Dean Sain, Frank Stamphill, Grace Stamphill.

**SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
"A" HONOR ROLL**
High School
Carmen Compton, Anita Davis, Rita Debenport, Bernice Hansen, Ruth Mellinger, Margaret McDonald, J. D. McWhirter, Dorothy Mae Miller, Jimmie Reeves, Gentry Rowley, Jane Tinsley.

High School
Margaret Alderson, Hene Barnett, Dale Barrett, Allene Bell, Margaret Bettle, Mablegrace Close, Lorena Cutler, Nancy Dawes, Ima Deason, Rosemary Duff, Zillah Mae Ford, Maurine Garrett, Lane Hudson, Lorie Harrell, Hudson Henley, Elizabeth Hanson, Rhyley Johnson, Lucille Kennedy, Johnnie McElhannon, Dora McDonald, Pauline Melton, Dorothy Mann, Frank Martin, Leola Moffett, James Rippitt, Clifton Smith, Mattie Satterwhite, Freddie Sells, Willie Frances Thomas, Leonard Van Open, Charles Vines, Fred Wall, Lenora Williams, Erwin Ely, Lucille Ammonds, Fannie Sue Read.

Sixth Grade
Lula Ashley, Dorothy Coleman, Frances Goggans, Mary Huitt, Nannie Bob King, Martha Montgomery, Dorothy McAdams, Caroline McClesky, Fern Smith, Willu Tripp, Margaret Washington, Faye Yates.

Fifth Grade
Ruth Adams, Frances Clouse, Fred Coleman, Roger Daniel, Arthur Dean, Jennie Faye Felton, Lonathal Heblsen, Clinton Jones, Clarence Percy, Marceta Stewart.

STOCK MAY THEY REPRESENTED LOCAL P.T. A. GROUPS BE TOTAL LOSS

Grand Leader Stock Practically All Destroyed

Fire, water and smoke virtually destroyed all stock and fixtures in the Grand Leader dry goods store on Main street Saturday night, between the hours of 9:30 o'clock, when the blaze was first reported, and midnight, when firemen were still playing a small stream of water on smoldering cotton materials.

Darkness, intensified by smoke, prevented an accurate estimate by Victor Mellinger, the owner, but a hasty inspection indicated the entire stock recently increased for Christmas merchandising, is a loss. Value of the stock alone was placed at \$80,000 to \$100,000 while the cost of fixtures rendered unfit for future use will probably augment the gross loss. Mr. Mellinger was not positive how much insurance he is carrying at the present time, but one agent who had recently secured a small policy for the Grand Leader said \$60,000 is the amount of protection carried.

Others Suffer

While the Grand Leader suffered by far the most severe damage, Putser & Sons, furniture dealers, occupying the adjoining ground floor location, and the Big Spring Business College, quartered directly above the Grand Leader store, suffered unestimated loss from smoke and water. The furniture company had some stock stored in the basement, which was reported standing several inches in water. Three or four living room suits were damaged by smoke entering the ground floor.

Firemen were unable to enter the Big Spring Business College quarters for more than an hour, so dense was smoke. No fire reached the school's quarters, it was said, but furnishings and mechanical equipment was damaged to some extent by smoke and water.

In Balcony

Reports of how and where the fire originated varied. One party reaching the scene soon after an alarm was sounded, said flames were just gaining headway from some point in the balcony of the Grand Leader store, but another eye witness asserted defective wiring between the ceiling and floor of the second story, caused the fire. A daughter of Victor Mellinger discovered the fire when she went to the store about 9:30 o'clock to meet her parents. The store was closed and employees had been out of the building nearly 30 minutes before the blaze was first noticed.

Box Supper Nets \$222.79

The Moore school expresses appreciation to the following persons who donated materials to make their Friday evening box supper a success:

Nell and Sons, Hugh of groceries; Clarence Saunders, Christmas candies; Bugg Brothers, box of chocolates; M. R. Roland, doll; Mrs. E. M. Newton, cake for the prettiest girl; Mrs. Bob Wheeler, pie for the ugliest man; Roy Thomas, electric lights.

Sale of 57 boxes brought \$143.75 while donations brought the total to \$155.50. Further additions to the school fund were \$3.40 in the penit contest won by Milton Newton, \$6.11 won by Mrs. Lawrence McCoy, popular woman contest; \$31.83 won by Miss Bernice Hildreth in the most popular girl contest; \$23.65 won by A. A. Landers, ugliest man, bringing the total to \$222.79.

Presbyterians Plan Christmas Pageant

A sacred Christmas pageant will be given by the Presbyterian church at 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening in the Ritz theater, according to an announcement made Tuesday by Rev. R. L. Owen pastor.

Mrs. Lee Weathers, well known expression teacher and entertainer, will direct the pageant numbers. The general public is extended a cordial invitation to attend the Christmas offering. Christmas carols will be sung at intervals during the presentation of the pageant numbers, it has been announced.



MRS. L. L. FREEMAN



MRS. W. R. DOUGLASS



MRS. DELLA AGNELL

Mrs. Freeman, a native of Big Spring, spent much of her girlhood in El Paso, residing there until her marriage. She is a graduate of El Paso high school and after being graduated studied Beauty Culture.

For the past 22 years she has resided here and always has been interested in activities of the Parent-Teacher Association and the City Federation. Mrs. Freeman has served as president of the City Federation and several times has been president of the Parent-Teacher Association.

Mrs. Freeman now is fifth vice-president of the sixth district, Texas Association of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Association. She was a delegate from Big Spring to the recent Waco convention.

Mrs. W. R. Douglass attended the Congress of Texas Mothers and Parent-Teacher Association in Waco in November as delegate from the South Ward P.T. A. of which she is president. Mrs. Douglass has been associated with P.T. A. work here for the last two years, coming here from Colorado.

Mrs. Douglass was educated in Mississippi and finished at a girl's academy in Columbus, Mississippi where other members of her family also were educated.

In the few years since she has been associated in the work of Parent-Teacher associations, Mrs. Douglass has shown an interested spirit and enthusiastic endeavor.

In appreciation of the long and faithful service that Mrs. Della K. Agnell has rendered both in the school and in the P.T. A. at Central Ward, the Central Ward P.T. A. chose her as its delegate to the State P.T. A. Convention recently held at Waco. Mrs. Agnell is a charter member of the Central Ward P.T. A. having entered in its early days when it was known as the Home and School Club and has never missed a meeting since becoming a member twelve years ago.

Mrs. Agnell has from the first been interested and active in her organization and her associates soon recognized her ability as a worker and a leader by giving her an office, and she has held her position without an office in the P.T. A. since. At present she is first vice-president, and for the past two years has been chairman of the P.T. A. Council. Mrs. Agnell not only is interested in P.T. A. work but is keenly interested in her school work for which she is well prepared, having taken three special courses in primary work at the University of Texas. She is thoroughly Texan, having been born, reared and educated in the state. She was graduated from Belton High School, took her B. A. degree from Baylor College at Belton and has done considerable work toward a Master's degree at the University of Texas.

Limestone Bed Contains Remains Of Ten Humans

PEEPING, China, Dec. 17. (AP)—A limestone bed at Chow Outien, 35 miles from here, was believed by scientists to have yielded skeletons of ten men who probably were among the first ancestors of the human race.

None of the skeletons were headless, leading some to believe the limestone bed might have been the scene of pre-neanderthal beheadings. It was suggested the heads might have been removed for some strange prehistoric rite.

One skull was discovered, a Chinese geologist unearthing it. He claimed it belonged to a species of the famous "Peking man," the "Sinanthropus Pekinensis," associated with the period of the pittdown skull and the Java ape man.

Many of the bones were broken sharply, as if by human hands. The scientists in reconstructing the life of the distant past, suggested the ancient man might have done this in order to get the marrow probably considered a delicacy.

The scientists who first worked on the limestone excavations were sworn to secrecy, but they regarded the discoveries as the greatest human find of its kind ever made. Both the skull and the ten skeletons were in a splendid state of preservation.

The discoveries were made in the same limestone quarries where monkey man jaw teeth were found in 1928. The scientists believed that with the discovery of the skeletons site of a prehistoric, probably pre-neanderthal home of a distinct form of primitive man has been uncovered.

The scientists believe they have enough material to reconstruct the entire life of the prehistoric skeleton or at least to sketch a portrait of man as he existed near Peeping more than a million years ago.

Scientists have placed the life of the so-called "Peking man" at probably 1,000,000 years ago, antedating the neanderthal man and, probably contemporaneous with the Heidelberg man of Europe. Two teeth of the "Peking man" have been discovered. Some consider the Peking man on a stage of development between the modern human and the anthropoid ape.

Submarine Volcano Found Near Capitol

By RAYMOND BROOKS

AUSTIN, Dec. 12. (AP)—A submarine volcano, within seven miles of where the Texas capitol was built, has been identified by geologists.

Pilot Knob, Travis county "mountain," now in the middle of a range of hills, once spouted forth molten lava into the waters of the ocean—this much has been definitely established according to members of the water board.

As the hills of this section pushed their way above the bed of the ocean, the volcano dammed up a large lake, and the water from the lake cut a deep channel through the hills and made the little canyon through which Onion creek now runs, almost within site of the Texas capitol.

The spot, one of the most interesting in the nation from a geological viewpoint, is now in a privately owned pasture and is rarely seen by any of the thousands of persons who ride along the top of a number of the water board points.

That the hill country of western Texas was the floor of an ocean is, comparatively recent times, geologically speaking, has long been known. The Travis county volcano, apparently one of the few whose existence definitely has been established. In many sections of the country around Pilot Knob, lava twisted into gullied, fantastic shapes as it suddenly was cooled by water, can be found in abundance.

EL CAMPO, N. N. Newman opens chuck hatchery here.

Pay was topped in No. 1 Edwards at 2,277 and drilled to a total depth of 2,290 feet. One swabbing test before the well was drilled deeper has been made. The well is located 1,500 feet from the east line and 230 feet from the south line of section 18, block 23, township 2 south, T and P. R. Co. survey.

John P. Wolfe is on a business mission in Fort Worth.

A Happy Group Of Howard County Oil Workers



Employees and friends of Lonnie and C. G. Glascock, grouped around a festive board at the lease in southern Howard county, Thanksgiving Day.

In the background and in the rear of the lease house can be seen one of the oil wells producing on the company's lease. On the left side of the picture is John C. G. Glascock with Mrs. Glascock standing between him and F. R. Peck, manager of the Schuler Oil Company, who was one of the guests seated at the corner of the table, the man in a dark suit holding a cigar is the father of Lonnie and C. G. who came out sixth from the right, standing by Lonnie Glascock.

The Thanksgiving dinner to which all employees of Glascock, 4200 hrs. are special guests has become almost an institution and is one of the bright-spots in the social life of the oil fields when owners, superintendents, drillers, roughnecks and families of each are joined together around a scrumptious dinner.

PLANT FOR PURPOSE IS OBSOLETE

Open Ditch Carries All Refuse From The City

Declaring that he viewed his duty to the citizenship a program of publicity designed to acquaint it with true conditions of all branches of the city's business and government, City Manager V. R. Smith Friday accompanied newspaper men to the city's alleged sewer disposal plant, as the first object lesson in just what this city of 12,500 persons has and what it needs.

Many Problems

There is no city in Texas which more municipal problems exist, said Mr. Smith. "These problems are the people's. In the final analysis they must solve them. It is my duty as City Manager to give them the facts on conditions existing in all city departments."

"I believe that if our citizenship knew exactly how utterly lacking we are in facilities with which to dispose of sewage they would be anxious to help solve the problem," he added.

Seepage from the city is not being treated so as to remove its objectionableness and its threat upon the health of the people, inspection of what is termed the city disposal plant discloses.

Practically all this tremendous amount of refuse is flowing down an open ditch, beginning a half mile within the city limits. It is not entering any disposal plant for the only semblance of a plant existing has been so completely outgrown both in size and design that it is worthless.

Open Ditch

The sewerage passes by the plant, located just north of the T & P tracks, in the northeastern outskirts of town, and flows on down a creek in an uncensured trench that carries stench, disease and potential death.

Families residing in the vicinity of this ditch, especially those near the alleged disposal plant have complained, with obvious justification, to the city manager and other officials. Considerable expenditure would be necessary to remedy the situation for a complete new disposal plant would be necessary. It is pointed out by city officials that a majority of the voters recently went on record as opposing issuance of bonds to create funds necessary to meet actual needs. This complicates the problem for them.

The alleged sewer disposal plant consists of a concrete chamber into which the sewage is supposed to pass, there to be settled through gravel so that solids may be set out, drawn onto a sludge bed to dry. This would remove odor and danger of the spreading of disease.

Outgrown

Tremendous growth of the city and four to five additional sewer service connections are being added daily has rendered this plant useless. It is utterly incapable of meeting the need.

In addition existence of springs under the ditch pit next to the concrete chamber causes water from this source to stand at a level high enough to cause sewage water to flow back through the concrete chamber and from it into an open ditch rather than in the opposite direction.

It was pointed out by the city manager that the sewer system is not essentially a utility. It is primarily for the protection of health. Therefore he declared sewer service ought to be free to all residents. A small monthly charge is made here.

Want Service

There are hundreds of families here who want sewer service. "You know that home happen to be well down in the older part of town we can only tell them that sewer mains are not available and if they were, the disposal facilities cannot begin to care for the connection already made. Therefore they must put in private systems with their attendant inconveniences and unsightly features," said the city manager.

There is a trench sewer main leading from the northeast section of the business, or industrial district. However, volume of sewage has become so great practically all of it flows over into an open ditch and it flows on past the alleged disposal plant.

Rev. J. S. Reynolds and Mrs. Reynolds arrived in Big Spring from Atlanta, Georgia, Saturday and will visit in Big Spring during the week.

WACO GETS FINAL GRID GAME

AUSTIN, Dec. 16 (AP)—Waco was chosen as the site for the playoff between Breckenridge and Fort Arthur high schools for the Texas schoolboy championship of Texas today. The game will be played Saturday in the Cotton Palace Stadium.

Representatives of the two institutions agreed on Waco after a session lasting nearly three hours. Several long distance telephone conversations were held with both Fort Arthur and Breckenridge.

They also agreed on the men whom they will ask to officiate, but declined to announce their names until after their offers had been accepted.

Holland Sims left at noon for Waco to discuss arrangements for the state championship contest. Net gate receipts will be split 50-50.

OIL OUTPUT DOWN AGAIN

7,791-Barrel Fall Registered For Past Week

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 17. (AP)—The estimated daily production of oil worth in the United States continued the Louisiana drop during the week ending Dec. 14 with a total decrease of Spring 8,791 barrels, the Oil and Gas Journal will say today.

Daily production for the week averaged 2,617,287 barrels a day, against 2,624,478 barrels for the week ending Dec. 7. The lightman, who crude decrease was 6,591 barrel-company, a daily average. Heavy crude also and showed slight decrease.

With the conservation program the Cra functioning in this state, Oklahoma's production slumped with decreased production figures being levied of D shown for both the Seminole and Oklahoma City areas. The daily average for the Oklahoma City area dropped from 72,620 barrels to 64,410 barrels during the past week. Seminole's production slumped in Ackerly about 2,000 barrels, the figures being 233,210 barrels for the week of December 7, and 231,180 barrels for last week.

Although the St. Louis-Pearson white area and the northern fields showed slight gains, total for the states a business drop from 654,465 barrels as today, 610,980 barrels.

The West Texas area joined in night if the slump, its production decreased with falling from 353,292 barrels to 351,144 barrels.

Every field in that area showed a decline, except Yates which had a 3,000-barrel increase. The other mid-continent fields remained practically stationary in production.

The Gulf coast area registered an increase of about 5,000 barrels of heavy crude and the Rocky Mountain area showed an increase of cattle and sheep. Production in the eastern fields remained steady. Louisiana and California registered a loss of about 6,000 barrels.

Hundreds Attend Flower Showing

More than six hundred person-part state showed for and a generally unbroken line of comfortable air Sunday to attend the flower show of 1929, at the Florida State Fair.

Perfectly formed roses of many colors, many kinds of potter. The yellow, tremendous chrysantheums in the cuttings, fragile carnations, ferns and other types of blossoms fell unveiled, and the admiring eyes of the vast wonderland.

Mr. Ribble announced his new greenhouses is almost completed. Industry has been having a new crop of carnations. It is for next Mother's Day, and is expected to be a success.

King Enters Motor Agency

W. R. King who recently retired, both from active management of There of King Chevrolet company and company at Fort Worth, has entered the automobile business in the King-Manuel Moto company, agents for Oldsmobile and Viking automobiles, and under his plan the firm name of King Brotherly will be associated with R. J. Kincaid in the business thenceforth. R. J. King made the announcement.

The King-Manuel company, which has had unusual success and last month was awarded an enlarge territory as wholesale and retail dealers in Oldsmobiles and Vikings.

MILK PLANT, ROAD DRIVE, OUTSTANDING

LAMESA, Dec. 14.—A resume of achievements of Lamesa and Dawson county in 1929 was made during a recent meeting of the Lamesa Luncheon club that clearly shows the progress of this section. Increase in building in Lamesa was the main subject, with principal speakers citing instances where important building achievements were the major step toward progress.

Milk Factory

The outstanding achievement during the last year probably was the signing of a contract for a \$200,000 powdered milk factory. The milk plant will turn this section toward the dairy route, according to O. B. Norman, president of the West Texas Dairy Products company. A better stabilized company will be the result of this important business institution located in Dawson county.

Another major step was the \$1,200,000 road bond issue for paving the principal highways in Dawson county, to be voted on December 21. Should this issue pass, and at the present time the outlook is favorable, it will mean that Dawson county will take the lead in road construction in the South Plains, according to Henry J. Price, president of the Dawson County Good Roads Association. In step with the paving is the announcement recently by the city officials of Lamesa that paving has already begun on fifteen blocks of city streets in Lamesa, costing \$80,000.

Highway 83

State highway number 83, which has grown from a cow-trail, is now being looked to for designation as a federal highway. Federalization is being sought by numerous prominent citizens in Dawson county.

Achievement in commercial industries in Lamesa is shown by the enlarging of quarters for numerous business institutions and members of several companies. Business houses recently enlarging their quarters include the Western Union Telegraph company. The Western Union company has doubled its floor space and its office here is now equipped with modern telegraph machinery and is giving the public longer service. More than twenty new Western Union clocks have been installed in Lamesa business houses recently. The telephone company has also enlarged its quarters and equipped its office with battery type of machinery in the place of magneto, one of the best systems in West Texas. The remodeling of the building and installing the equipment totaled \$25,000.

Public utilities are also enjoying changes which will render better service to Lamesa citizens. A new ice factory, costing \$35,000 is being discussed, with lower ice rates. Addition of new motors and engines to the light plant has been made at a cost of \$15,000 and a one-third reduction of light and power rates has been granted the consumers.

Water Department

The city water department has increased its water production 600 gallons of water per minute, or 864 gallons per day. The new \$5,000 total water reservoir will be completed sometime this month which will store Lamesa's water supply and furnish the city with the largest water supply for a city its size in the South Plains. The total expenditures by the water department is \$25,000. Among commercial business mergers is the purchase of the Dawson County Journal by the Lamesa Reporter hereafter. This merger has lowered advertising rates for citizens as well as promoted harmony between the two companies where rivalry has existed before, according to Carl Sandtree, local attorney, in speaking on this subject during the meeting. The owner of the Journal, Charles Hurst, has established a job printing shop here and leaves the Reporter publishing company, which is owned by the Amarillo Globe-News. Elbert Smith is president of the local publishing company.

Merger of three important business organizations has been announced recently. This new company will serve travelers between Lamesa, New Mexico and El Paso.

The schools in the county and city are among the best, according to State Inspector G. L. Huckle, who recently toured the twenty-two schools in the county. The Lamesa high school provides education in home economics, domestic science, typewriting and other vocational studies as well as having many credit affiliations.

Activities in the schools are outstanding, with the teachers and principals stressing scholarship and student requirements before a year-end championship team of the schools to help. Home talent was used to promote scholarship squad during the football season, according to J. McCollum, principal of the postoffice in Lamesa recently changed its quarters to better

Elmer Hardy Sunday School Class Meets in Merry Party

The increased demands by the citizens here, City delivery for the business section has been secured, and will start during the first months of 1930, according to J. D. Dyer, postmaster. Dyer has been working in conjunction with the chamber of commerce in securing this service for Lamesa.

Normal building during the last year has totaled \$260,000 while numerous residences have been erected and several new business houses completed. A proposed \$75,000 new Baptist church and parsonage is being discussed at present by Baptists here, while nearly half of the money needed in cash to build the new building has already been solicited, according to O. B. Norman, chairman of the finance committee of the local Baptist church.

By looking over the above figures it is seen that Dawson county and Lamesa have not been idle during the year of 1929 and in contemplated building.

NEW LOMAX ROADS BEING COMPLETED

What is declared to be one of the most valuable strips of new county road opened in the county in recent years is being finished by crews under direction of County Commissioner George White in the Elbow-Lomax section southwest of Big Spring.

Lomax community now has two direct routes to Big Spring. One leads from the Bankhead highway near Merista due south to Lomax school. The other extends from the south a mile south, thence due east to connect with existing roads. It intersects the old Lucian Wells road and leads along a section in between the McDowell and Quinn tranches. The latter route also opens a direct route between the Lomax and Elbow communities, in which some of the best farming land in West Texas is located.

Civil Suits Are Continued Here

Five civil suits set down for trial in district court Monday morning were continued and the business of clearing a criminal docket continued with J. L. King on trial charged of assault with intent to murder Mrs. J. D. Hare.

Defendant is charged with firing a shotgun into an automobile in which Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hare and small daughter were riding. Mrs. Hare was struck in the back of the head by several shots, it is alleged by the state. Mr. and Mrs. Hare were in the Big Spring region to visit parents who reside north of this city near the Hiway community.

Work of selecting a jury to hear the case was completed before noon and testimony in the case was being taken when court recessed at noon.

Local Architects Planning Church

Plans for the First Methodist church in Midland are being prepared by Peters, Strange and Bradshaw, Big Spring architects and will be ready for inspection and confirmation of the church board in the near future. It was announced Monday morning. The church has not announced a date for opening bids pending a few financing obligations that must be met.

T. & P. Brakeman's Funeral Thursday In Forest, Illinois

The body of Owen James Monroe, 39, who had been employed here two years as a Texas & Pacific railway brakeman, will be shipped tonight to Forest, Illinois, his native home, accompanied by his brother-in-law, Mr. Franklin, who arrived from that place Monday.

Mr. Monroe, who is survived by his wife and two children and the sister in Illinois, died here late Friday night.

Burial will be in Forest Thursday afternoon.

Funeral arrangements were in charge of the Charles Eberley Funeral Home.

Miss Margaret Bettle and Miss Mabel Eddy, both students in the University of Oklahoma, write home that they will arrive for the Christmas vacation Saturday afternoon.

Wayne Martin, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Martin, is expected to arrive home sometime Saturday from Norman, Okla., where he is enrolled in the University of Oklahoma, to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents.

THEY END 'HIRED HAND PROBLEM' FOR DAD!



Real job-busting, crop-planting, cow-milking farmers and Violet and tinselt Lily Austin.

**BY PHIL J. SINNOTT
N.E. Service Writer**

TAMU-CAMP, Camp, Dec. 19.—There aren't any boys in this Austin family, but a dairy farm here has three daughters. And they care for the farm with an efficiency that no more so than men farmhands. And this means excellent crop raising, successful and profitable hay raising and handling of the farm's other enterprises, and all the other work.

They are the fair-haired girls, these Austin sisters. They've never been in a field. They've never been in a hotel. They've never been in a store. They've never been in a school. They've never been in a church. They've never been in a court. They've never been in a jail. They've never been in a prison. They've never been in a hospital. They've never been in a sanitarium. They've never been in a nursing home. They've never been in a workhouse. They've never been in a reformatory. They've never been in a penitentiary. They've never been in a prison. They've never been in a jail. They've never been in a hospital. They've never been in a sanitarium. They've never been in a nursing home. They've never been in a workhouse. They've never been in a reformatory. They've never been in a penitentiary.

HOME LIFE OF CHILDREN OFTEN IS CAUSE OF MALNUTRITION

Malnutrition could be classified as a disease it would be a much simpler matter to determine its cause.

But it is a "slow" condition of health and body substance. It is easily recognized by such signs and symptoms as sallow colored skin, thin, brittle hair, a pale pinkish, dry, harsh skin, under normal weight, flabby muscles, stooping shoulders, narrow chest, protruding abdomen, what is generally termed as "sluggish" temperament where a child is inactive and indifferent to the ordinary pleasures of childhood, a coated tongue, a breath which is something but sweet, and a lack of ability to endure exercise in a period of school work.

The recognition of malnutrition condition in children is only a preliminary measure leading to the solution of the problem. The next logical step is to determine why the children of the rural as well as the urban districts show a great percentage of malnutrition.

Breakfast Is Important

A family diet may mean the difference between a healthy and a sickly child. It is a common cause of malnutrition in a family. A child who does not have a good breakfast is bound to be malnourished. An early bed hour is a common cause for missing a good breakfast. Certainly sleep is one of the essentials of good health and nutrition. An early bed hour is a common cause for missing a good breakfast. Certainly sleep is one of the essentials of good health and nutrition. An early bed hour is a common cause for missing a good breakfast. Certainly sleep is one of the essentials of good health and nutrition.

Personally Speaking

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Onstott and daughter of Sterling City were guests of relatives in Big Spring Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Crawford and George Meyer, manager of the Brockbridge Hotel, were the guests of relatives in Big Spring Sunday.

Dr. J. W. Hunt of Abilene, president of the McMurry college was a guest at the Crawford Hotel over the weekend.

Robert Nunn, president of the Colorado State of his parents.

Mr. E. E. Fothergill and his wife, Mrs. Grace Mann, were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mann of Colorado.

Mrs. D. C. Hamilton returned Saturday from Roscoe, where she visited the Boston Ballinger home. Miss Rebecca Witherspoon accompanied Mrs. Hamilton home and will be her guest for the week.

Miss Helen South and Miss Katherine Redwater of Fort Worth were weekend guests of Mrs. G. B. Gentry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gentry.

Miss Lucille Oates and her brother, John Nichols, visited their parents in Lamesa Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Taylor of Big Spring were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Miller.

J. B. Creamer made a weekend business trip to McCombs and San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lyle of Lubbock are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Raymond Dungan, and Mr. Dungan.

Miss Evelyn Creamer, who is a student at Randolph college at Cisco, arrived in Big Spring Saturday and will be the guest of her folks until after the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Creamer of Wink are spending their Christmas vacation in Big Spring and will be guests at the Crawford Hotel.

Jack Martin returned Sunday morning to Horton, Kansas, after having been the guest of relatives in Big Spring for several days. Mr. Martin was accompanied home by his niece, Miss Nora Pearl Marchbanks, who will visit with them until after Christmas holidays.

Miss Jessie D. Boykin and Fred Young of Winters were Sunday guests of Miss Boykin's father, J. D. Boykin, in Big Spring.

Travis C. Burnham and James Clyde Ault of Abilene were guests of friends in Big Spring Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Mann visited in Midland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hunt and family returned from a visit in Abilene with Mrs. Hunt's mother, Mrs. E. E. Hall. Mr. Hunt is recovering rapidly from effects of a fractured left shoulder, received when he stepped into a hole near the T&P tracks here while en route to a job where he was attending an injured railroad worker.

Mr. E. R. Woodford has returned to his home in Dallas after a week's visit with friends here.

J. C. Nix, deputy county clerk of Andrew county, visited friends in Big Spring Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Rhoads and Mrs. Jack returned from a business trip to Dallas Saturday night.

Mr. R. A. Rutbanks returned Sunday night from Hope and Nashville, Arkansas, where he has been the guest of relatives for two weeks.

Mrs. W. H. Davis of Kansas City visited in Big Spring Sunday, where she joined her husband at the Crawford hotel.

J. M. B. Wright left Monday for Colorado and Anson, where he is engaged in landscape work for the Humble Oil Company.

George Palmer and Dave Brudner left Sunday for Leno, Ohio, where they will visit relatives until after the Christmas holidays.

Miss Ab Hendricks of Midland was a Sunday visitor in Big Spring.

R. S. Harper of Wichita Falls was a guest at the Tex hotel over the weekend. Mr. Harper is president of the Hostess Cafe Company.

B. M. Salade of the Interstate Service Corporation of New Orleans, La., was a business visitor in Big Spring Monday.

Robert Cotton of New York City and recently from Dallas, is a summer visitor in the city. He accompanied A. B. Anderson of the Texas Electric Service company to Hobbs, New Mexico, this morning

Carlsbad, New Mexico, where he has been employed.

Miss Louise Shive was the guest of friends in Midland Sunday.

Rev. Claude Wingo returned Monday from Brownwood, where he conducted the services of both church home for the First Christian church.

H. B. Stewart and his three children, two daughters and a son, underwent operations for removal of tonsils Monday morning in a local hospital.

A. J. French of Conhoma is in a hospital here and will undergo a major operation Tuesday morning.

Rev. J. H. Hall and Mrs. Irudine of Abilene, Oklahoma, passed through Big Spring Sunday to Lawton, Okla., where they will attend at the Church of God Sunday.

Miss Grace Pannell was a business visitor in Roscoe Tuesday.

Mr. Joseph A. Perry returned Monday from Lamesa, where she has been the guest of friends.

President R. H. left Tuesday morning for San Antonio, where he will make his home.

Mrs. E. O. Price, Mrs. D. H. McMaster and little Miss Mary Louise McMaster of Chicago arrived Sunday to be the holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Price.

Mrs. H. L. Porter left Monday for Waxahatchee to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Geat McNeill of the Wm. Cannon Lumber company will leave Thursday for a week's visit with relatives in Hillboro and Denton.

Ed Denton of Abilene is in Big Spring on business. Mr. Denton has ranching interests in this section.

Charlie Chanty, who is a student at New Mexico A&M College at Las Cruces, arrived in Big Spring Sunday and will visit with his folks until after Christmas holidays.

Dr. J. Wetzel and Mrs. Wetzel, who have been recent guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Haddock, returned to their home in Fort Worth Thursday.

Miss Abner Anglin has returned to her home in Big Spring after having been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Anglin of Stamford for the past several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Spens of Stanton were in Big Spring on a business errand Wednesday.

John Gorman of Dallas made a business trip to Big Spring Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Early returned to their home in Wink, after having been the guests of friends and relatives in Big Spring Wednesday and Thursday.

H. F. Hoffes of Fort Worth, who is representing the Fort Worth Investment Company, is in Big Spring for a few days looking after the interests of his company. He is stopping at the Crawford Hotel while in town.

H. H. Hollington and Ed Stofens of Colorado were guests of Ed Edwards Thursday.

N. H. Debeck of Fort Worth was a business visitor in Big Spring Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed S. Mills of Dallas are the guests of Mrs. Gertrude MacIntyre.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Moore of El Paso, formerly of Big Spring, who are the city visiting friends, Thursday.

Mrs. A. G. Camp, Mrs. W. F. Anderson, Mrs. O. V. Gray, Mrs. G. R. Ditty and Miss Opal Petty were visitors of Sweetwater Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Neal of Denver, Colo., are the guests of Mr. Neal's sister, Mr. R. H. Ford and Mr. Ford.

Mrs. Agnes Carter left Monday for Jordan plan to leave for San Angelo Saturday morning to hear the state's court there that evening.

Frank Beas, Cecil Collins, and H. S. Mims attended the district officers' meeting of the Lions club in Colorado Friday.

A. R. Anderson, Paul Ryan of Dallas and G. B. Rowsey left Friday evening for a hunting trip to Mason county.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Menden accompanied by Bill Jordan, Curtis Enoch and Tom Jordan, Jr. went to Roscoe Friday to see the district football game between Roscoe and Ballinger.

Holls Miller of Kemp is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Buck Rich, Ardson enroute to his home from Saturday to visit relatives in Prescott, Arkansas. Mr. Harrell is connected with the Wolcott Oil company.

Miss Golda Parrish is spending the week-end in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Mrs. Wason is expected return home Sunday from an extended visit with relatives in C. P. Christ.

Mr. B. F. O'Connor of Fort Worth, formerly a resident of this city, has returned to her home after spending a few days the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Cowan of West Third Street.

Rev. Claude Wingo, pastor of First Christian church here, is delivering the church services in Christian church of Brownwood Sunday.

Mrs. J. P. Norris of El Paso, formerly of Big Spring, is in an El Paso hospital seriously ill, according to word received here Friday.

Mrs. Frank Wilson is confined to her home on North Johnson street by an attack of influenza.

Miss Meta Duvall of Fort Worth is the guest of her brother, C. Duvall and Mrs. Duvall.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Timmons have their house guest, Mrs. Pe. Thorne of Snyder, who is a cousin of Mrs. Timmons and Mrs. Thra have only recently met. Mrs. Thra has the distinction of being the first white child born in Seaton county.

Miss Billie Nel Pittle of Toy is the week-end guest of Miss Florence Sullivan.

Miss Florence Cotton is expected to leave Wednesday for Little Rock, Ark. where she will visit until after the Christmas holidays.

Clarence Porter of Jal, New Mexico is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Good.

E. H. Coughlin of Fort Worth, assistant manager of the Louisiana Ice and Utility company was a business visitor in Big Spring Sunday.

G. F. Cotton was a business visitor in Conhoma Saturday.

E. A. Elliott of Sherman, who with the F. H. E. Oil Company, arrived in Big Spring Friday and looking after business interests here. He is stopping at the Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Levy of Dallas are spending the week-end in Big Spring and are guests at the Crawford.

G. F. Cotton and V. V. Strah are expected to visit in Ackerly Sunday.

Mrs. Joe Stokes left Thursday for Lubbock and Post where she will spend the remainder of the winter.

Thomas J. Coffee was a business visitor in Colorado Friday.

A. Eron left Saturday night for Dallas where he will visit with his parents over the week-end.

Charlie Kemball returned Friday from a business trip to Midland.

CATTLE IN GOOD SHAPE

ASTIN, Dec. 16 (AP)—Cattle are going into the winter in fair good shape, and losses should be only nominal unless the weather becomes unusually severe, according to H. H. Schultz and K. J. Bledsoe, statisticians for the United States Department of Agriculture.

Changes in Texas are on a par with the average condition of the past five years, but the condition of cattle averages somewhat better, their monthly report state. Trading is slow, and most of the ranges are not overstocked. Receipts of cattle and calves at Fort Worth up to December 1 were 15,000 head short of the number for the period in 1928. The year has been an active one in the cattle industry. Several years of fairly good prices have prevailed, and many operators are wondering whether the peak has been reached.

The sheep and goat industry has felt the effects of the decline in prices of wool and mohair, as there has been great disappointment in the prices received this year.

Sheep and goat ranges are good as they have been on the average during the past five years. Likewise the condition of sheep at goats, the report said. Both the wool and mohair clips were of good quality. Receipts of sheep at Fort Worth for the 11 months exceed those of the period in 1928 by 7,000 head.

Harry Hurt is back in his place in the First National Bank following a few weeks' absence due to illness.

Mrs. J. I. McDowell expects to leave Wednesday for an extended stay in Houston.

H. G. Castle of Abilene spent the week-end visiting relatives here and in the Knott community.

TICK WAR HELPFUL

Gradual Eradication of Pest Reported By Federal Men

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The cattle tick that has taken a toll in death as great as 90 per cent from herds in southern, southwestern and western states is being gradually eradicated.

Although the tick continues to harass herds in many sections of Texas, the agriculture department reports better conditions are found in California and the southern states.

Appearing before the house appropriation subcommittee Dr. John H. Mohler, chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, said:

This last year we released from quarantine 23 whole counties and parts of 5 counties, over 22,000 square miles in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas. The release in Oklahoma removed all of the federal quarantine from that state.

Dr. Mohler said eradication work was needed in Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, and Florida, and that it should be continued in Mississippi, although conditions had improved to some extent.

California, he added, had constructed a fence from the Pacific Ocean to the Sierra Madre Mountains to keep out tick infestation while Georgia was considering building a fence on the Florida border since it has been freed of the tick. Texas, he continued, was considering building a fence along the Rio Grande to keep out Mexican infestation.

Contracts On Delinquent Taxes Alleged Illegal

AUSTIN, Dec. 12.—Asst. Atty. H. Grady Chandler, who has brought suits in state courts challenging legality of county contracts for the collection of delinquent taxes, has gone to Waco to represent the state in a similar proceeding in federal court. The federal court case has been pending approximately two years, and involves questions closely akin to those in the state's recent suits, Mr. Chandler said.

This year there were 47 county contracts for delinquent tax collections on record here.

Recently several other counties have submitted proposed contracts to the attorney general's department for rulings whether or not they will be legal, it was said. The department has approved one, and in the suit recently brought is making a test case to determine whether any such a contract can be legal.

Mr. Chandler said he will contend that the extent to which a county can go forward securing outside assistance in tax collections is to employ an assistant county attorney for the purpose, at a fixed salary.

Stanton-Andrews Road Discussed

Business men and county commissioners of Stanton and Martin county will join a committee from Big Spring this week in inspecting a route for a proposed road leading from Stanton to Andrews, near where West Texas' latest discovery of oil occurred a week ago as the result of conference held here informally and one in Stanton Friday afternoon between local business men and leading men of that city.

The plan is to open a new, nearer route from the Bankhead highway not only to Andrews but further west to Hobbs, New Mexico, thence to Pearl, where the Lovington-Carlsbad highway would be reached.

Local men who have been over the country were of the opinion a route from the Bankhead at Stanton would be more practicable than to attempt to open a road due west from Big Spring, crossing the northern part of Martin county.

Terracers In Moore Section

Terracing 10,000 acres in Howard county was shifted to the Moore community Tuesday morning. The work is being done by 17 farmers of Howard county, who attended terracing schools included in the program of J. V. Bush, county agent.

There are approximately 500 acres now terraced. Wednesday morning the work will start on the farm of L. B. Raney in the Richland community where nine farmers have signed up to terrace their farms.

The program will be temporarily suspended after completing work in the Richland community to allow County Agent Bush to compile his annual report. Immediately after the holidays, work will open in another community of the county and continue until the entire project is completed.

RELENTLESS MARCH OF PROGRESS CAUSES DESTRUCTION OF OLD OPERA HOUSE, GAY CENTER OF COMMUNITY IN EARLY 90'S

By CAROLYN EARLY

The old opera house is gone. It is a thing of the past existing only in memory and local history. It was a victim of progress and was demolished Thursday to make room for a new, finer structure, J. & W. Fisher's new store.

The old building in its earlier days was considered an impossible structure and was a means for all community social affairs of a secular nature. It was not only a community center at which very pretentious social affairs, numerous programs and little theater plays took place but that it attracted road shows and stock companies. The members of the company were the Taylor Stock Company which came regularly each season.

The opera house was built in 1890 by a group of participating local business men who formed the opera house into an organization known as the Big Spring Opera Company. The members of the company were: R. E. Sanderson, Chas. Koback, D. C. Forster, J. S. McDowell, J. L. McDowell, W. W. Rix, William Deering and W. H. Bennand.

One of the most interesting which took place in the old opera house was the Eastern Star Bazaar which lasted two and one-half days terminating with a Thanksgiving bazaar. The money raised at this bazaar was used to purchase a carpet for the Masonic Hall and the carpet is still in use at that place.

Much of the funds used in building the present Episcopal church were raised by various entertainments at the old opera house. Mrs. J. B. Young sponsored most of these plays, training the actors and directing the performances. Among the best of these home talent productions was a domestic drama in three acts, entitled "Dross or the Root of Evil." Both Mrs. J. B. Young and Mrs. Iran Park sponsored this play. The cast of characters were as follows:

Tom Chung, Tenant Farmer—Verd Van Gieson.
Tremaine Darracott, Squire's Grandson—David E. Bryant.
Richard Rugsley, Groom of the old Squire—A. Hill.
Richard Avery, Farmer's Son—Fred Coe.
Captain Vandean, British Cavalry Officer—W. W. Rix.
Mr. Bates, Grocer—Henry Hayden.

Lieutenant Owens, Guest at Manor—A. Hill.
Mary Chugg, of Hazel Farm—Miss Nettie Anderson.
Sylvia Seibel, Protege of the old Squire—Miss Ralph Atwood.
Mrs. Hammick, Lady housekeeper—Mrs. Hawkins.
Lady Skimper, an adventuress—Miss Gertrude MacIntyre.
Leonora Skimper, a society girl—Miss Lillian Birdwell.
Lady Algy, guest—Miss Mary Potton.
Lady Cecil, guest—Miss Olive Gentry.
Footmen—Carol Singers, etc.

This play was such a success that the public requested the management to present it a second time, which was done at a matinee, using the box receipts as the nucleus of a fund which purchased Big Spring's first horse.

The proceeds of the first performance were applied on the Episcopal Church building fund.

After the dinner Miss Young honored the young people who took part in the play with a six o'clock dinner at her home, their place cards designating them by their cast names, which were used throughout the evening.

Miss Jessie Miller was present at the dinner and at the performance. She was a member of the original cast but was unable to continue with it because of illness. Miss Miller is now Mrs. Verd Van Gieson.

An interesting incident of the play was that Captain Vandean said to be Big Spring's handsomest young man and strongly opposed to smoking, really did forget his cigar when he walked upon the stage, notwithstanding the fact that he had been cautioned repeatedly about it.

One of the cast who always was chosen for stately and dignified parts, remarked in Sarah Bernhardt fashion after each performance: "This is my very last appearance."

Too Young
Following one of the balls which is said to have been a very brilliant and formal affair at which ladies appeared in elegant evening dresses and men in full dress suits, a little boy was found in tears. When his mother questioned him as to the cause of his tears he replied, sobbing: "Mother! all of the pretty girls will be married when I grow up."

This child was Mitchell Park, a very bright and unusual little boy. The young ladies are said to have been strikingly pretty and beautifully costumed; that night and the ball a close rival to the gaudy splendor of Shakespeare's Midsommer Night's Dream, those who attended it declare.

It will be of interest to the public to know that David E. Bryant now lives in Roswell, New Mexico, that Miss Nettie Anderson is the sister of Mrs. E. Reagan and is

He's Young But Good



HARRY ALLSMAN, JR.

Now young men and older ones of Big Spring and all West Texas for that, here's one for you to shoot for.

Harry Allsman, Jr., 11 years old, of Big Spring is pictured above with the trusty rifle he used to bring down the 10-point buck you see him proudly exhibiting.

Harry is a student in San Antonio Military Academy, this year and took a few days off for a hunting trip with his father.

The buck was shot near Mason.

Big Spring's Future



PATRICIA HALL

Patricia Hall really has another name, Lucinda or something like that, but Patricia seems to be identification enough. A young lady with a smile like Patricia's really has no need for a bunch of names to drag around.

No, Patricia does not chase around barefoot in this kind of weather. This photograph was taken before cool weather set in.

The little girl was nine months old when the accompanying photo was taken but is a little nearer grown now. She is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hall of 1410 Main street, who moved here from Dallas county last spring.

now Mrs. Hale and lives in Brady, Texas. Miss Lillian Birdwell has long since married and lives in California. A Hill is the brother-in-law of Mrs. S. H. Morrison and A. P. McDonald and is now living in Malvern, Arkansas. Miss Ralph Atwood, who was an unusually pretty girl is now Mrs. Dean and lives in Cisco. Miss Mary Potton is now the wife of Henry Hayden and is living in Big Spring. Miss Olive Gentry is now Mrs. John Bates and is living in Lubbock. That W. W. Rix now lives in Lubbock that Henry Hayden, Verd Van Gieson and Miss Gertrude MacIntyre are all Big Spring residents at present, and Fred Coe is now associated with a bank in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Few Applying For Auto Licenses

Howard county automobile owners are clamoring their new license plates, mostly it was revealed Monday morning by records in the county tax collector's office. Only 72 licenses for 1930 have been issued.

O. T. Underhill, deputy tax collector, issued a statement urging Howard county automobile owners to pay their taxes in the courthouse and secure license plates, before Jan. 1. He pointed out that all automobile taxes are due on or before Jan. 1, but that state license plates are not secured until Feb. 1.

Georgian To Hold Revival Here

Rev. J. S. Reynolds of Atlanta, Georgia, will conduct a series of services at the Church of God, Tenth and Main Streets, beginning Monday night and continuing through Sunday night. Mrs. Reynolds will assist him. The public is cordially invited.

Jack Rogers Is Honored Sunday

Jack Rogers was the honor guest at a dinner given at his home Sunday, celebrating his seventeenth birthday anniversary. An old-fashioned turkey dinner was served to the following: Shime Philips, Homer Martin, Harmon Mortenson, Paul Smith, Raleigh Sims, Lester Short, Jack Ashlock and the honor guest.

Brother Of Local Man Dies Sunday

M. W. Rogers of San Antonio, older brother of C. P. Rogers, Big Spring attorney, died at his home Sunday, according to information received here. Judge Rogers of Big Spring will leave for San Antonio when funeral arrangements are announced.

VIADUCT IS NEAR FINISH

Huge Structure Spans Texas And Pacific Tracks

The Gregg street viaduct over the Texas & Pacific tracks will be completed this week unless decision is made to build a curbing at the corner of 10th South First and Gregg, where a dwelling may be raised to level of the approach to the huge steel and concrete structure.

Laying of brick on the south approach to the main span of the structure was finished yesterday. Only the laying of asphalt on the main span driveway and some final touches to the painting job remain to be done.

Crocker & Fisher, the contractors, who started work late in March, have employed as many as 175 men at one time and Saturday were working forty.

Built entirely of concrete and steel—the latter being heavier than that required by the highway department but heavy enough to meet railway company's demands, this viaduct has 26 feet clearance above the tracks. Height from the ground to the top of the truss work is 75 feet.

Truss work was necessary to allow a 250-foot span without support from the ground, as this is necessary to allow trains to pass under.

Approaches to the viaduct, now graveled, will be paved next year, after the earthwork has settled.

Mrs. Ellis, 69, Succumbs Here

Mrs. Sarah Ellis, 69, wife of John Ellis, mother of 12 living children, who died at her home here at 8:20 p. m. Sunday, will be buried Wednesday in Cleburne, following funeral services there under direction of the Baptist minister.

Mrs. Ellis had resided here more than two years. She had been ill since June. Her husband and four children, Mrs. Fannie Black, and Ivy, Coltie and Strad Ellis, residing here, will accompany the body, which is in charge of the Charles Eberly Funeral Home. The other children will attend the funeral.

1,267 Attend Bible Classes

Seven churches of the city reported a total of 1,267 students attending the Sunday School services Sunday. The following report was submitted: Methodist church, 440; First Baptist church, 336; First Christian church, 151; Presbyterian church, 89; Episcopal church, 41; East Fourth Street Baptist church, 125; and the Church of Christ, 85.

Dr. J. W. Hunt, president of McMurry college in Abilene, preached the evening sermon in the Methodist church, taking as theme "Genuine Christianity." Announcement was made of the Christmas tree to be held in the church Tuesday evening, December 24. Jack Hodges, student in S. M. U. at Dallas, will conduct prayer meeting Wednesday evening of this week. It was announced.

Mrs. Joiner Is Buried In Coahoma

Mrs. Cora E. Hale Joiner, 20, wife of Jake Joiner, of Coahoma, who died in a local hospital at 2 p. m. Monday was to be buried in Coahoma cemetery Tuesday afternoon following funeral services from the Methodist church there, with the pastor, Rev. J. P. Watson, presiding.

The body was in state at the Eberly Funeral Home until 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Joiner is survived by her husband, two children, Dorothy and Ivy Jean; father, P. D. Hale; her parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Joiner; two brothers, R. D. Hale and C. C. Hale of Big Spring; four sisters, Mrs. Viola Burchett of Big Spring, Mrs. Vida King of Waxahachie and Mrs. Birdie Nuckles of Big Spring.

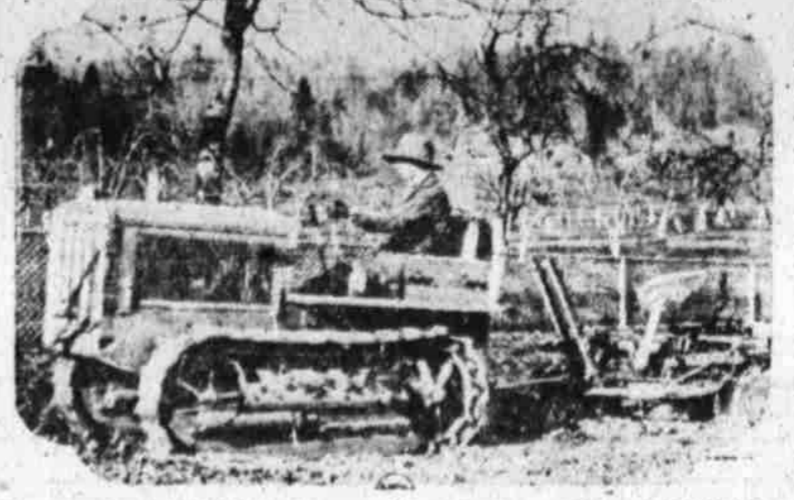
She was married to Mr. Joiner July 28, 1928.

Viaduct May Be Finished In Week

C. F. Duvall, division civil engineer for the Texas & Pacific Railway company, is endeavoring to have the Gregg street viaduct, on state highway 9, completed in time for formal opening before Christmas, City Manager V. R. Smitham was informed Tuesday.

Prospects now are that the structure will be completed Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

Manless, Horseless Farm



Mrs. man and old Bobbig do no work on the farm of Mrs. J. E. McWhirter, wealthy Seattle sportsman who manages an 80-acre farm nearby. Along with Charlotte and Max Turcotte, Mrs. McWhirter raises hay and grain and works an orchard on the farm. Horses have given way to tractors. On this farm, one of the showplaces of western Washington, Mrs. McWhirter raises pedigreed saddle horses, many of them winners of blue ribbons on various tan bark arenas. The picture shows Max Turcotte driving a tractor on the farm.

Farm Board Aids Cotton Growers



NEA, Memphis Bureau

The "most important conference ever held" was the way the south's cotton king, Clara Fritz of Memphis, Alexander Lezer, chairman of the Federal Farm Board, is shown seated in the center outlining the board's centralized marketing corporation plan to stabilize the cotton industry. Others are: seated, Mayor Watkins Overton of Memphis, left, and Carl Williams, cotton member of the farm board, right; standing, James C. Stone, another board member, left, and Abe Waldauer, attorney for the Tennessee Cotton Growers' Association.

Susannah Wesley Class Holds Christmas Tree and Names Officers for 1930

The Susannah Wesley Sunday school class of the First Methodist church observed one of its most enthusiastic meetings Friday evening when members met at the church for the Christmas party and election of officers.

A large Christmas tree centered the church parlors and bore gifts for all members. The rooms were attractively decorated with the Christmas green and red colors and radiated a cheery Yuletide welcome.

Hostesses were: Mesdames J. B. Hodges, J. T. Rogers and H. F. Williamson. New officers elected were: Mrs. J. T. Bell, president; Mrs. W. J. Higgins, vice president; Mrs. H. F. Williamson, secretary, and Mrs. R. E. Morris, treasurer.

Mrs. E. S. Josey Honors Daughter, Glenna, At Party

Celebrating the seventh birthday anniversary of her daughter, Glenna, Mrs. E. S. Josey entertained with an informal junior party Monday afternoon at her home, 1209 Gregg street.

Rooms where the children played were gay with Christmas red and green featuring a small Christmas tree shining with tinsel and other bright decorations. Each little guest remembered the honoree with a gift which they placed on the snow under the tree.

Glenna assisted her mother in receiving guests at the front door.

Entertainment featured music, Christmas stories, out-of-doors games and a contest of which little Miss Nettie Jean Carter was winner, receiving a toy trumpet as prize. After the presents on the tree had been presented, Santa Claus in his customary red suit made his appearance carrying on his arm a great basket of gay galleons which he gave to the children.

Centering the table where refreshments were served.

At the refreshment hour the youngsters were invited into the dining room where a large pink and white birthday cake topped with lighted candles centered the table from which, refreshments were served.

The Christmas color idea was repeated in the party favors which were green baskets filled with red candy.

The hostess was assisted by Mrs. C. E. Stephens and Misses Ruth and Esther Early.

The guests included Audrey and Vernith Early, Lavern and Alla V. Sims, Virginia Ford, De Alva McAlister, Ruth and C. G. Griffith, Billie Bess Shive, Roberta and Keith-Cass, Jack and John Billy Gary, Sylvia Smith, Nettie Jean Carter, Leon Pierce, Jack Brownbridge, Dorothy Josey, Billie Out-

Miss Landers Becomes Bride of Charles Read In Pretty Home Wedding

Miss Ida Lee Landers became the bride of Mr. Charles Read in a lovely home wedding at 8 o'clock Saturday evening in the home of her grandmother, Mrs. J. L. Jones, at 1308 Runnels. Details of the ceremony were characterized by a pretty simplicity and the ceremony was witnessed by relatives and close friends of the young couple.

An altar of fernery with relief of shaggy yellow chrysantheums formed of holly and centered by a large Christmas bell and a large Christmas tree. Before this attractive home wedding ceremony was read by Rev. G. Bailey, pastor of the Methodist church.

Regional Meet Of W.T.C.C. Held With Midland

REAGAN PRESIDES; COOMBES AND BANDEEN TALK; QUOTAS TALKED

The larger towns of the region being represented, a conference of Region Six of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, including ten counties, with B. Reagan of Big Spring as regional director, decided that a minimum goal of 200 memberships in the regional organization should be the 1930 quota.

Big Spring was represented at the meeting, held in the Scharbauer hotel by Mr. Reagan, Manager C. T. Watson of the Chamber of Commerce, T. S. Currie, R. L. Price and Wendell Bedebeck.

Coombes Heard
Mr. Watson acted as secretary of the meeting.

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce was represented by Charles E. Coombes, first vice-president, and D. A. Bandeen, manager, both of Stamford, where headquarters are maintained.

Judge Coombes' address dealt with finances and a brief resume of the principal activities of the organization during the past eleven years.

"The W. T. C. C. has spent \$700,000 in 11 years. When Homer D. Wade resigned as manager there was a deficit of approximately \$25,000, said Mr. Coombes.

Responsibility
"You are wondering how this condition came about. I'll illustrate. Suppose you decided you wanted to travel for a year or so, called your employes in and told them to run your business as they saw fit, fixing their own salaries, hiring additional employes as they saw fit, drawing funds for their expenses as they chose? How much business do you think you would have when you returned?"

"That is just what happened. The directors of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and not the appointive officers are responsible for its financial condition.

Mr. Coombes declared the organization's work with traffic matters alone had been worth the money used to operate it. Its work in helping to save the Orient railroad when it faced the junk heap also was cited.

Land Titles
The speaker, title of the foremost civil lawyers of West Texas and an authority on Texas land laws, especially their application to West Texas, then launched into a detailed account of the W. T. C. C. drive which resulted in passage of the River Bed bill over the governor's veto and its continuation of work in behalf of other legislation designed to guard against the activities of "land sharks."

"If its constitutionality is upheld by the supreme court the West Texas Chamber of Commerce's efforts for the River Bed bill will have been worth all the money put into the organization in all these years," said Judge Coombes.

"Although under its interpretation of the law excesses and vacancies and land belonging to the state is located in every county of the state no suits have been brought by the attorney general's department to obtain any land for the state or for 'land sharks' except West Texas land and that only after oil had been discovered on or near it," Judge Coombes pointed out.

Bandeen
Mr. Bandeen, who was appointed manager following the annual convention in El Paso in October, said he felt efforts of the W. T. C. C. ought to be aimed at protecting and expanding what already has been obtained through it and promoting new enterprises, industries and commercial expansions for the region.

He said efforts for good roads, support of schools and legislative activities ought to be watched but emphasized importance of a detailed, accurate industrial survey of all West Texas.

Aid of secretaries of local Chambers of Commerce is being enlisted in the task of compiling an exhaustive industrial survey, he said. Operating expenses now amount to \$1,200 monthly and will not be increased unless income of the W. T. C. C. grows, said the manager.

The region held 228 memberships for this year. At the El Paso convention various towns pledged varying amounts toward wiping out the

deficit. Among these pledges one of \$250 from Big Spring has been paid.

Quotas
Difficulty in arriving at amount the towns would raise in 1930 membership drive was created by the fact that memberships expire at different times during 1930, some of them late as October.

The number of memberships held in the region last year (towns was: Seagraves, 142; Ingle, 10; Lamesa, 32; Stanton, Big Spring, 50-127; Keram, Odessa, 17; Midland, 33-127; homa, 4.

Towns represented in the region held 177 memberships. Stanton representative thought that town could get 20 memberships for 1930. Big Spring set 1500 as its goal (memberships) and Midland (memberships) felt 20 memberships should be obtained there.

Midland agreed to pay one-third the total of its memberships and by January 1, 1931, raise at least 50 memberships for the total for 1929-30.

A membership committee named by Chairman Reagan includes: Lee Satterwhite, O. G. Bedford, Midland; Carl E. Lamesa; R. L. Price, Big Spring; Claude Holley, Stanton.

The Midland Chamber of Commerce served luncheon to the delegates, the following attended: Paul Barron, Claude O. Coombes, C. E. Bedford, M. C. Legg, E. R. L. Price, Big Spring; C. A. McClintic, Alice M. M. L. Layton, J. B. Monahan; Ralph Schuffert, E. Camp, J. P. Donnell, T. S. B. Reagan, R. L. Price, T. S. C. T. Watson, Wendell Bedebeck, C. T. Watson, Wendell Bedebeck, Big Spring; Charles E. Coombes, Stamford; Claude Holley, Whitson, Stanton.

103 Children Are Given Antibiotics

Three clinics held here under direction of the public nurse, Mrs. M. R. Showalter, resulted in immunization of 103 children against diphtheria, were given the first injection of diphtheria toxoid and will be the second inoculation three from yesterday.