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Defenses Strengthened For Battle For Shanghai

NANCE CIVIL SUIT EXPECTED TO REACH 91ST JURY TODAY

A 91st District Court Civil Suit—Patsy Nance and others against Wesley Isenhower and others, all of Cisco—was expected to go to the jury this afternoon, following eight days of trial.

Plaintiffs in the proceedings are seeking \$100,000 in damages as result of an automobile accident in Cisco in November, 1947, in which Miss Nance was an occupant of a vehicle being operated by Mary Poe of Cisco, that was involved in a collision with a vehicle operated by Isenhower.

Judge George L. Davenport charged the jury Monday afternoon to answer 63 special issues in the complex civil suit.

Following the jury charge, opening arguments were presented by attorneys for the parties involved in the suit. A spokesman for the seven lawyers representing the plaintiffs and defendants announced to the jury that with permission of the court they had divided up in presenting arguments and rebuttals to expedite the trial.

Willard White, Dallas, presented the plaintiff's argument in which he asked the jury to rationalize the special issue involved. White claimed Isenhower was a careless and reckless driver, that the Miss Poe reached the intersection of Avenue J and Third Street (where the accident occurred) and should have yielded the right of way. In conclusion, he exhibited a set of braces worn by Miss Nance, who suffered permanent paralysis from the chest down as a result of the accident.

Claude Williams, Dallas, representing Wesley Isenhower and his parents, made an eloquent address in which he said "I won't use a two dollar word like rationalize as Mr. White did, as I am going to ask this jury to just use good old common horse sense."

Several times during the early part of his argument Williams wanted to know where White "had got off to". At the time, White was sitting in the spectator's section with his wife, who came down from Dallas earlier in the day.

Williams commended the jury highly for their interest and patience during the trial. He reminded them that when being examined, each had promised to lay aside sympathy for the injured Nance girl and consider only the technical issues involved in the accident and suit. He charged plaintiff's counsel with "deliberately leaving the braces on a table in front of the juror's eyes with no other purpose than to get your sympathy to run away with you. I charged them (plaintiff's counsel) and parade it in their face, with doing this directly contrary to the charge of the court."

Regarding the special issues, Williams claimed that Isenhower entered the intersection first and Miss Poe should have yielded right-of-way, and that the latter was a careless and reckless driver.

Carl Conner, Eastland, representing Miss Poe and her parents who are defendants with the Isenhowers in the suit, stated the only special issue having to do with Miss Poe was keeping a proper lookout at the time of the accident and was she a careless and reckless driver. Conner presented a detailed mathematical argument to reach his point.

The courtroom was packed as it has been through most of the trial.

George I. Lane, Eastland, rural supervisor of the Farmer's Home Administration, spoke on the subject of "Bettering Our Community Through Better Standards of Living on Farms and Farm Homes", at the regular Monday noon meeting of the Eastland Rotary Club at the Connellee Hotel.

The speaker was presented by Jim Horton, president of the club.

Lane cited an example of a poor sharecropper that lived miserably and was unable to be a creditable citizen of the community, who received a farm ownership loan under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act and was able to buy a 302-acre farm and became a prosperous and influential person.

Other business of the meeting included the election of Bob Gilchrist as a delegate to the national Rotary convention in June at New York City.

President Horton made an interesting and informative report on the district Rotary convention held in Mineral Wells last week-end.

Western diplomats conceded that the critical stage now has been reached in the east-west negotiations to settle the Berlin crisis and other German problems.

Tornadoes Damage Southwest



Gazing at the wreckage of the G. L. Purcell home in Bonham, Texas, this small boy typifies the sentiments of many other South westerners during the past week end. Tornadoes, striking over a three state area, caused wide spread damage and at least 12 deaths. Mr. and Mrs. Purcell escaped injury by going into their storm cellar when they noticed the approaching storm. (NEA Telephoto.)

MISTAKE MADE

Local Band Rates First Division Not Second As Previously Listed

Eastland citizens and T. R. Atwood were happy to learn that in the report placing the Eastland High School Band in second division, Eastland was confused with the Junction group, and Eastland's band earned first division, in Friday's Interscholastic regional meet held in San Angelo.

Atwood said that the bands in the regional meeting were not in competition with each other for ratings and a first rating would be a best possible high school band, corresponding to a grade of 95 to 100. Eastland's band was placed first division on two counts, concert playing and sight reading.

The rating was confirmed by telephone after newspapers in other cities listed the group in first division. Atwood said.

The second-grade rating in which the Eastland group was first placed compared to a grade of 87 to 95, which is above the average band, which is a third division rate.

The Eastland High School band have been working harder on the annual Spring Concert program, which they will present Mother's Day, May 8, at 3:30 P. M. in the high school auditorium, Atwood said.

Judges of the bands were Maurice McAdow of North Texas State Teachers College at Denton, R. A. Tompke of San Marcos Teachers College, D. O. Wylie of Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oakley Pittman of Sam Houston State Teachers College, and Fred Smith, Harold Fisher and Anton Beck.

While attendance was small at the meeting, the ball was started rolling for league play.

Another meeting of team managers and representatives has been set at the Fire Hall Thursday night, May 12. At this meeting, copies of the league schedule will be distributed and a date set for the opening night of play.

Any other teams desiring to enter the league must notify Chief Hennessie by the end of this week to be represented in the schedule.

Eastland V F W May Purchase New Post Home

A proposal to buy a Post home will be considered at a special meeting of the Karl & Boyd Tanager Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Wednesday night, May 4, at 8 o'clock, it was announced by Commander James R. Gilbreath Jr.

Officers have secured a 15-day option on the property and a vote of members will be taken to decide if it shall be purchased, Commander Gilbreath stated.

Olden Seniors Travel 1,000 Miles On Trip

The Olden Seniors report they traveled more than 1,000 miles on their senior trip last week-end. Scenic points in South Texas, Austin (where they toured the University of Texas Campus and the Capitol Building), San Antonio, and crossed the Rio Grande at Eagle Pass and entered Mexico at the small town of Piebros Negras, where they were treated as neighbors and friends, the spokesman said.

Eleven Seniors accompanied by the class sponsor, J. T. Weaver and Mrs. Weaver, and by Supt. Travis Hilliard and Mrs. Hilliard, made the trip in private cars and returned to Olden Monday evening, after having left from the school at noon last Friday. A good time was enjoyed by all, they agreed.

Local Couple Attend Funeral Of Relative

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McKee attended the funeral of Mrs. E. E. Smith held in Winters Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Smith is an aunt of Mr. McKee, and was the former Miss Frankie McKee and was born in Belton Nov. 9th, 1873. She married the Rev. Mr. Smith in Belton in 1892. He is a well known early day Baptist preacher of West Texas. They have lived near Winters since 1913 and moved to San Angelo in 1924, where they lived until about two years ago, and have since lived in Ballinger, where Mrs. Smith died.

She is survived by her husband, five sons and three daughters, 15 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Range Riders Join Search For Man

AMARILLO, May 3. (UP)—The colorful Will Rogers Range Riders took to the saddle today on an errand of mercy.

They joined the Potter County sheriff's department in a search for Willis Moore, 68, patient at the County Convalescent who has been missing since last Thursday.

Residents north of Amarillo said they saw a man wandering about near Amarillo Creek Sunday afternoon. The Range Riders will search the Canadian River breaks today.

Quarterback Club To Meet Tonight

A regular monthly meeting of the Eastland Quarterback Club will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the high school gymnasium, it was announced by Jack Chamberlain, president.

Chamberlain urged all members to be present for the important business to be considered.

AIR ARM CONCENTRATED IN AREA TO SUPPORT GROUND FORCES

School Board Holds Election Of Teachers

Election of Eastland Public School teachers for another year was the principal business of a regular meeting of the Eastland Independent School Board Monday night.

In earlier meetings, principals, coaches and bandmaster had been named.

Re-named for another school year were the following teachers: High school — Miss Verna Faye Johnson, Miss Maratha June Morehart, Miss Loreta Morris, Mrs. J. C. Whately and Mrs. Ethel Woloszyn.

Junior high school — Mrs. H. H. Hardeman, Mrs. Guy Patterson, Mrs. Joe Stephen and Mrs. H. J. Walter.

South Ward — Mrs. H. M. Hart, Mrs. Marvin Hood, Mrs. E. E. Layton and Mrs. Homer Smith.

West Ward — Mrs. T. L. Amis, Mrs. Hazel Green and Miss Nettie Thornton.

Three janitors — Claud, Werner and Maxwell — were also re-named.

All members of the Board and Supt. W. G. Womack were present for the meeting. Board members are: Chairman Norris Wilson, Jack Muirhead, Pat Miller, L. C. Inzer, Earl Conner Jr., Robert Vaughan and Mrs. James Horton.

Former Eastland Woman Honored

Miss Dorothy Perkins has recently been elected president of the Midland County unit of the State Teachers Association.

Miss Perkins is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins and has been a teacher in the Midland Schools for the past three years.

MONEY RECOVERED

Eastland A. & P. Food Store Robbed, Suspect In Custody

The Eastland A. & P. Food Store, located on the south side of the court house square, was burglarized Monday night, between 9:30 and 10 o'clock, with \$300 being taken in a change box, according to the Sheriff's office.

A suspect, arrested by City Police, was being retained in County Jail this morning, pending filing of charges. The Sheriff's office stated the change box and contents had been recovered.

The burglary was discovered by B. H. Green, manager of the A. & P. Food store, at 10:50 last night, when he made a customary trip to the store to check the ice boxes. The store had closed earlier at the regular time—6:45 o'clock.

Green stated he found the lower part of the center front door—consisting of wood and glass paneling—"kicked in". Without entering the store, he called City Police from a nearby cafe.

City and County authorities investigated and found that entrance had been tried from a back window, but iron bars prevented the break-in, with the burglar entering and leaving the store from the front door.

A 42-year old man, who had been under surveillance earlier in the day by City Police, was arrested about two and one-half hours after the burglary was discovered.

Governor Given Award



Walter R. Humphrey, left, editor of the Fort Worth, Texas, Press, sponsor of the State Soil Awards program, watches as Guy C. Jackson, right, president of the Water Conservation Association, gives a plaque to Governor Beauford Jester. Jester received the award as the individual who rendered the greatest unselfish service in water conservation. (NEA Telephoto.)

SHANGHAI, May 3 (UP)—The Chinese Nationalists threw the cream of their land and air forces into the defense of Shanghai today, leaving only thinly guarded central and southern plains into which the Communists already had thrust 175 miles deep.

The fast breaking Communist threat to South China was thrown into sharp relief by a warning from the U. S. Consul in Canton that all Americans should get out while they could be sure of being able to do so.

Columns of troops marched briskly through the streets of Shanghai in the most impressive appearance of Nationalist armed might seen for some time in the jittery metropolis of 6,000,000.

The Official Central News Agency said the Nationalist Air Force was being concentrated in the Shanghai area to support ground forces in a last ditch effort to defend the city.

The agency reported that Nationalist planes sank six ships and badly damaged two more in a broadside bombing of eight warships seized recently by the Communists in their sweep across the Yangtze.

The strength of the Air Force was unknown. Observers believed it was not great, since a relatively large number of planes withdrew to Formosa during the winter.

Shanghai garrison headquarters, the only "official" source of information recognized a rigid censorship, reported that the front west of Shanghai had been quiet for the last 24 hours. A communique said the Communists had not renewed their attacks around Kungshan, 25 miles west of the city, where a week-end assault was reported repulsed.

Train service between Shanghai and Kunshan was reported resumed this morning after three days of broken schedules. Passengers from Kunshan said the outpost city was calm and business was going on more or less normally.

Hangenow, the so-called "back door" of Shanghai, also was reported calm, despite the fact that telephone reports from the rail city said it was wide open to the Communists who stood passive to the north.

SHANGHAI, May 3 (UP)—A U. S. Navy spokesman announced today that all American Marines and heavy Naval units had left Shanghai waters for Tsingtao to avoid any chance of becoming embroiled in the Chinese Civil war.

The Navy spokesman also revealed that U. S. warships departed precipitately from Shanghai itself last Tuesday after being tipped that "unfriendly forces" (presumably Communists) planned to scuttle ships in the narrow Whangpoo channel and bottle up all western shipping.

The plot was nipped in the bud, but "nevertheless it would seem that this danger still exists" thus imperiling American and other foreign ships and freighters which daily enter Shanghai harbor to evacuate foreigners, the spokesman reported.

The spokesman for Vice Admiral Oscar C. Badger, U. S. commander in the Western Pacific, said that with the departure of the big ships for the port 400 miles to the north, only three destroyers and a few small landing craft were left in the Shanghai area.

They were anchored at the mouth of the Whangpoo, out of range of the guns at the Woosung forts where the Whangpoo flows into the Yangtze estuary some 15 miles from Shanghai.

However, the spokesman insisted that the remaining naval units were adequate to evacuate some 1,600 Americans still in Shanghai should that be necessary.

Ft. Worth Claims Population Gain

FORT WORTH, May 3 (UP)—Fort Worth population was estimated today by the Chamber of Commerce at 271,910, for a gain of 335 new residents last month. Metropolitan area population was estimated at 340,932, for a gain of 559 over the preceding month.

The Weather

By UNITED PRESS
East Texas — Mostly cloudy and warm this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday. Scattered thundershowers Wednesday day. Moderate to fresh southeast and south winds on the coast.
West Texas — Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday. A few showers and not so warm in the Panhandle Wednesday.

WESTERN POWERS ASK LIFTING OF BERLIN BLOCKADE MONDAY

LONDON, May 3 (UP)—The western powers have asked Russia to lift the Berlin blockade next Monday in return for holding a foreign ministers council meeting on May 23, it was reported reliably today.

Russia, on the other hand, has suggested it would be better timing to lift the blockade early in June and to call the council meeting for the middle of June.

In Berlin, the American-licensed newspaper Der Abend said the Russians are trying to delay Big Four talks on Germany until after the scheduled meeting of the Soviet Council of Ministers May 22).

summe discussions on Germany as soon as the blockades are lifted.

The reports said there is disagreement on these points:

1. The Russians want the council meeting to begin a week after the restrictions are lifted. The west wants a two-week difference.

2. The west wants the blockade lifted on May 9 and the council to meet on May 23. The Russians propose the middle of June for the council meeting.

The Russians want the current preliminary talks to continue with the U. S. acting as spokesman for the west. The west wants British and French representatives to join the talks before agreement is reached on the dates.

Urges Immediate Aid To China

WASHINGTON, May 3 (UP)—Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault told Congress today that \$350,000,000 (M) in military and economic aid to Nationalist China could save the interior of China from Communist domination.

Sen. Pat McCarran, D., Nev., chairman of the joint Congressional "watchdog" committee on foreign aid, told reporters that Chennault urged immediate aid to Nationalist China at a closed committee hearing.

"Chennault said that if we spend as much in aid to Nationalist China as we are spending on the Berlin airlift we could preserve the interior of China," McCarran said.

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By Buena Van Winkle

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Skeeter and Curry No. 1 Harvey Parker will have their potential in within a few days they assured me, but so far I have not had access to the actual results of the treatment, except that it will make a well, they are reasonably certain.

Rent Boosts Made Possible
WASHINGTON, May 3 (UP)—The nation's tenants were faced with a rent boost today if their landlords can prove they are not getting the guaranteed 20 to 30 per cent net operating income. Housing Expediter Tighe E. Woods issued his "fair net new operating income" formula last night. It is designed to give property owners a fair return on their investment in accordance with the provisions of the rent law

Motive Sought In Slaying Of Elderly Man

WESTON, Mo., May 3 (UP)—A motive was sought today in the "fiendish" slaying of an elderly man who was wired to a tree, soaked with gasoline and burned to death.

The victim was unidentified, although authorities believed he might have been a railroad section hand.

"No one has any idea what motive could be behind such a fiendish act," said Sheriff John W. Lowmiller.

Two farmers, Billy J. Miller and Collins Yates, discovered the body while they were hunting mushrooms in a dense, isolated wood in the Missouri river bottom near here.

The body had been lashed to a tree by a copper wire at the

passed by Congress last month. Woods refused to estimate how many of the 14,000,000 housing units under rent control would be affected by his order. But he made it plain that there "definitely" will be no "general rent increase."

The burden of roof will rest with the landlord, Woods said. Unless he can show conclusively that his return does not meet the guarantee, he will not be allowed any rent boost. In addition, the expediter said, tenants will be able to appeal to the rent control office.

neck. Most of the clothes had been burned away. The lower part of the body was charred and the hands and face were blacked by smoke and flame.

A foreman of a railroad section gang, employed by the C. B. & Q. Railroad to repair tracks in the vicinity, said he "believed" the body was that of one of his workers. He said the name was "Perry Enlof."

Troopers of the state highway patrol and deputies of the Platte County sheriff's office, however, could not locate any friends or relatives of "Perry Enlof" and authorities were reluctant to accept the identification.

Corner Thomas Hulet at first believed the man had been dead for "possibly a month," later, however, local doctors agreed it had been "only a few days." 1574.

The railroad foreman reported that Enlof had been seen in Weston last Friday "when he came to get his paycheck." Enlof had not been seen since that time.

Cozby Rites Today

FORT WORTH, Tex., May 3 (UP)—Funeral services for James A. Cozby, 47, vice president and cashier of the Fort Worth National Bank, were to be held at 4 P. M. today.

Cozby, lifelong Tarrant County resident who had been associated with the bank 30 years, entered a Fort Worth hospital Jan. 3 for treatment of heart complications.

The first "treatise on the culture of hogs" was published by Reynolds Scott in England in 1574.

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WANTED: Neat, middle aged lady desires job as housekeeper, daily from 8 to 5. Phone 28, Olden, Mrs. C. C. Martig.

Fishing License Bill Becomes Law

OKLAHOMA CITY, May 3 (UP)—It's legal now for Oklahoma to enter into a fishing license agreement with Texas for Lake Texoma.

Gov. Roy J. Turner yesterday signed a bill setting the joint license fee at \$5, with Oklahoma getting 70 per cent of the proceeds and Texas 30 per cent. The lake lies about 70 per cent inside Oklahoma.

The state game and fish commission is authorized to negotiate and agreement with Texas representatives.

The Oklahoma law would permit a joint license for \$5, and a holder would be allowed to fish in any part of the lake. No individual state license would be required. For "temporary" fishermen, a 10-day joint permit would be issued for \$1.25.

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TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

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WESLACO, May 3 (UP)—A copper-haired woman found dead a week ago in a lake near the U. S.-Mexico border was identified yesterday as Mildred Louis McEuen, 33, of Bakersfield, Calif.

Police officials said her criminal record stretched from Indiana to California over the last 10 years. She was originally identified as Anna Louise Holloway of Corpus Christi, one of her aliases. Attorney Jack Ross said he was awaiting a report from the State Health Department in Austin on the case of the woman's death.

EDINBURG, May 3 (UP)—Thomas R. Black, Jr., died in the polio clinic here yesterday of a bulbar type poliomyelitis.

The youth's death came on the same day the clinic started its second year of treatment for the Lower Rio Grande Valley's infantile paralysis victims.

HAMILTON, May 3 (UP)—Funeral arrangements had not been announced early today for Jack Boykin, 15, Jonesboro, who was killed yesterday when a car ran over his body a short distance from Jonesboro.

Hamilton Motorist Derrell Arnold told authorities he saw Boykin lying in the road and returned to investigate, but another car coming over the rise on the road ran over the boy.

He died in a Gatesville hospital. Authorities said there was no evidence he had been hit by a vehicle previously.

AMARILLO, May 3 (UP)—H. G. Kinkead will become Potter

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County's new Tax collector and assessor.
Commissioner's Court yesterday appointed Kinkead to fill the unexpired term of Frank Hoyt, who resigned to enter private business with an accounting firm. Hoyt took office last Jan. 1.

BAYTOWN, May 3 (UP)—Roy Baca will leave his post as director of public works to become city manager of Killeen, Tex.

Baca, a member of the Baytown City Government for several years, resigned yesterday.

COALLEN, May 3 (UP)—Members of the Chamber of Commerce here were plugging an idea borrowed from across the border today.

Business leader were advocating the siesta, or a complete shutdown of stores and offices from 12 noon to 2 P. M. daily. They said that's the way business is done in Mexico, and to quote one leader of the movement, "it never hurt anyone."

A discussion of siestas will be the number 1 topic when directors of the Chamber of Commerce meets Thursday.

BAYTOWN, May 3 (UP)—Two men injured in a freak highway accident near Cedar Bayou Saturday night were near death today.

The men, James Wesley Mitchell and James M. Mangum, were pinned beneath their wrecked automobile in a water-filled ditch almost 20 minutes before passing motorists rescued them.

Mitchell, 38, a former Baytown taxidriver, received a broken back and crushed chest. Mangum was treated for a broken left collar bone and possible head and internal injuries.

JACKSBORO, May 3 (UP)—Funeral services will be held at

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Hearings Due In Paternity Suit

HOLLYWOOD May 3 (UP)—Hearings were scheduled to begin today on a Texas airline executive's attempt to have himself declared the illegitimate son and heir of the late comedian W. C. Fields.

A suit by William R. F. Morris, 31, Dallas, Tex., to break the bulb-nosed comic's \$771,428 will was to get a court hearing yesterday but was delayed a day when no judge was available.

Mrs. Rose Holden of Passaic, N. J., Morris' foster mother, filed a sworn statement in Superior Court yesterday saying she saw Fields write a letter to former

4 P. M. today in the Memorial Christian Church for Mrs. J. A. (Gus) Jones, wife of a well-known rancher.

Mrs. Jones, 63, had been ill a year. She was born in Oklahoma Indian Territory, but lived most of her life in Texas where she was active in civic work.

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folly beauty Elizabeth Chatterton Poole, describing Morris as their son.

"We'll be proud of our son yet," she said Fields wrote when he visited the Holden home once while Morris was a baby.

"Bill never denied the fact that he was the father of Billy or that Bessie was his mother," said a letter to Mrs. Holden which was described as being from Fields' attorney, Robert P. Burkhalter.

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Billy's father, his every action tended to prove it."
Accompanying the deposition were many other letters which Mrs. Holden said were from Fields, his business manager and secretary. Those from the comedian were brief notes accompanying remittances of from \$50 to \$200 for Morris' support, she said.

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Woman's Missionary Society Gives Mothers' Day Silver Tea

A "Mother's Day Silver Tea" honoring the Baptist hospitals was given by members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church in the fellowship room of the church, Monday afternoon.

Guests were registered upon



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arrival by Mrs. John Dorsett. Mrs. Jennie Self was program chairman and presented Mrs. H. F. Vermillion, who gave the devotional and told of the wonderful work being accomplished by the hospitals. Mrs. Loyd Chapman talked on the hospitals comparing them to the "Lighthouse", and demonstrated her talk by painting a picture of the Lighthouse, comparing its rays with the light given the sick by the hospitals, as Mrs. Jimmy Young played, "Send The Light".

The meeting was opened with ensemble singing of "My Mother's Bible", with Mrs. Young at the piano. Mrs. J. F. Goldson gave the prayer. Mrs. Roberta Grisham sang "None But My Heavenly Father", accompanied by Mrs. A. B. Cornelius, who was also composer of the song. Mrs. Cornelius also played two other of her own com-

Mrs. David McKee Named Head Of Woman's Council

New officers were elected Monday afternoon by the members of the Woman's Council of the First Christian Church at their meeting at the Church.

Mrs. David McKee was elected president, Mrs. Curtis Koen, vice president, Mrs. D. J. Fiensy second vice president, Mrs. Eldress Gattis, secretary, Mrs. Carl Garrett, Treasurer, and Mrs. J. A. Beard, World Call Chairman.

Mrs. T. L. Cooper, president

positions during the tea hour.

Mrs. D. J. Daniels presided at the refreshment table, laid with a lace cloth, and centered with a bowl of red roses. Red roses, iris and honeysuckle was used throughout the room for decorations. Red rose buds were used on each plate and the refreshments of tea, homemade cookies, fancy openface sandwiches and mints were served to Mesdames: Vermillion, Chapman, Young Dorsett, Winston Boles, J. F. Goldson, C. C. Street, Daniels, Cornelius, B. W. Patterson, Frank Lovett, P. L. Parker, Nora Andrews, J. L. Waller, Lewis Barber, James Ward, J. L. Brashears, W. W. Carner, Jess Siebert, Lewis Fagan, Rhea, Aubrey Shafer, Robert Perkins, James Fields, Howard Upchurch, A. J. Blevins, Jr., T. I. Morgan, J. L. Hart, Roberta Grisham and Miss Susie Naylor.

Club Observes Music Week

The Music Study Club will observe Music Week Wednesday by inviting guests to hear the guest artists from Abilene, who are members of the Abilene Christian College Quartette.

Mrs. Prentiss Jones will be program leader and Mesdames M. D. Murdock, Donald Kinnaid, H. H. Durham, F. L. Drago, and A. D. Dabney will be hostesses to the group.

Tea will be served and each member is entitled to invite two guests. Mrs. T. E. Richardson, president, will preside.

presided over the business session and Mrs. Ben Kelley was program leader and talked on "Missions", from the study titled, "Our Common Witness", and presented Mrs. E. K. Henderson, who talked on, "Brotherhood". Mrs. D. J. Fiensy gave the devotional on "The Master Said".

Present were Mesdames Kelley, Fiensy, Fred Maxey, Henderson, Cooper, N. L. Smitham, Neil Day, R. L. Carpenter, Cyrus Miller, Eldress Gattis, Eugene Day, E. E. Wood, Jerry McCollough, Clara Wingate, T. E. Bendy, Winnie Wynn, J. L. Watson, McNatt, Henry Ferrell, and Miss Sallie Day.

District WSCS Officers Meeting Set In Eastland

The Cisco District officers training school is to be held in Eastland, May 18, at 9:45 A. M., according to an announcement made at the W. S. C. S. of The First Methodist Church at their meeting at the Church Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Frank Crowell, president presided, and the group completed plans for a rummage sale to be held at the Castleberry Feed Store all day Saturday, May 7th.

The meeting opened with ensemble singing of the hymn, "Wonderful Words Of Life", with Mrs. J. M. Bond at the piano. Following the business session, Mrs. J. L. Cottingham gave an inspiring devotional. Mrs. N. P. McCarney, program chairman, presented Mrs. M. B. Titsworth, who gave the third lesson from the study titled, "China—Twilight or Darkness". Mrs. Titsworth spoke on "Will Communism Destroy Christianity in China?". Mrs. B. O. Harrell gave the closing prayer.

Present were Mesdames B. O. Harrell, McCarney, Frank Crowell, Cecil C. Collings, J. A. Doyle, J. M. Bond, Charles Harris, Titsworth, Cottingham, T. M. Johnson, Fred Adcock, Annie Day, Mac Haymes, Ina Bean, O. O. Mickle, Ed Willman, W. H. Mullings, F. L. Drago, Earl Bender, Fred Dav-

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Millings spent last week in Cleburne visiting with their daughter, Mrs. J. B. Baker, and Mr. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McKee accompanied by their daughter, Miss June McKee are visiting relatives and friends in Fort Worth.

Mrs. A. H. Gleason has returned to her home in Gleasondale, Mass. after having spent the winter here in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins and family.

Mrs. B. W. Marrs visited in Fort Worth this past week-end in the home of Mr. Marrs' aunt, Mrs. Eula Tallman, where she was joined by her husband, who is employed in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stasey, Mrs. George Morrow of DeLeon, Mrs. Emma Freeman, Mrs. Cora Foster and daughter, Vivian, and Mrs. Lester of Abilene visited with their former pastor, Rev. J. L. Collings in the home of his son Judge Cecil Collings, South Daugherty Street.

Mrs. Joseph H. Graham and little son Jody of Fort Worth ar-

enport, H. L. Hassell, George Cross, Frank Castleberry, Ora B. Jones, and R. D. Estes.

Jury Selection On In Slaying Case

PERYTON, May 3 (UP)—Selection of a jury began today in the murder trial of Derby A. Cronister, West Texas rancher who faces charges in the slaying last May of W. H. Barker.

District Judge Jack Allen refused the state's request for a change of venue.

Cronister also is charged with slaying Barker's father, C. W. Barker. The father and son were killed

today to be the guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Ida B. Foster, 209 South Walnut Street. Mrs. Graham will be remembered as the former, Miss Ida Lee Foster.

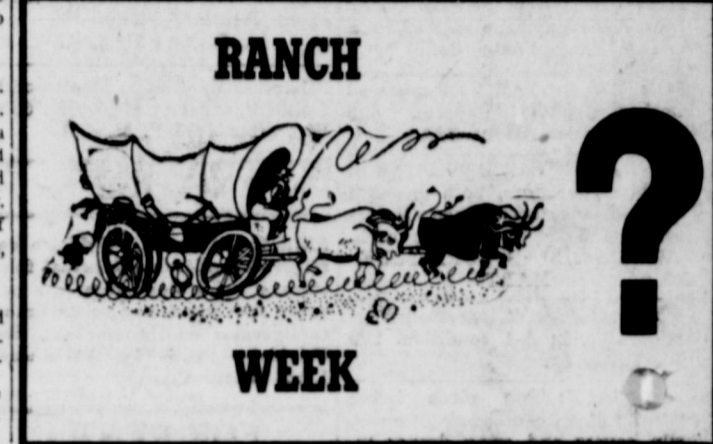
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