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Born In Log Cabin

PASSED UP IN BIG BOOM, FORMER WAGON DRIVER OVER HOGTOWN ROAD DOESN'T PLAN ON BIG CAR

By BOB MOORE
Telegram Editor

Passed by in the big oil boom of the 1920's, J. L. Brashears, 77, who used to drive steers hitched to a wagon over the old Hogtown Road, doesn't have much hope that gushers will be discovered on his property during the current flurry of petroleum activity and make him wealthy enough to drive a shiny, new automobile over modern U.S. Highway 80 that runs near his place.

Born in a log cabin near the Leon River on May 26, 1872, J. L. believes he is the oldest living person to be born and reared in Eastland County. His father originally came from Kentucky, and his mother was the former Sally Higgins of Georgia. The couple came to Texas early in their married life, built a log cabin near the Leon River and started farming. J. L. and a twin sister, who is now Mrs. Elly



J. L. BRASHEARS

Westbrook and lives in Denver, Colo., were the first children born to the union.

The county was thinly-populated at the time and a few Comanche Indians still roamed the area. J. L. attended a nearby loghouse school, which had no floor, for two terms to a man teacher he remembered only as Mr. Snoddy. He recalls the first courthouse in Eastland was a small stone structure, occupying the spot where the present modern building now stands.

After his short spell of schooling, J. L. settled down to the task of growing up and helping his father raise corn, oats and wheat on their tideland farm. When he was about 24 years old, J. L. went to an old-time Baptist meeting at Ranger. There he spied a pretty young lady named Trudy Cooper, who was sitting by a cousin. "I knew just as soon as I saw her, that she was the girl for me," says J. L.

Following a whirlwind courtship, J. L. and Trudy were married in the station wagon.

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Four Killed In Car Accident Near Merkel

MERKEL, Tex., June 11 (UP)—Four persons were killed in a collision which injured four other persons early today on Highway 80 east of here.

Killed instantly in the highway accident were constable O. L. Bishop of Trent, 59; his son, Oscar Sherrill Bishop of Midland, 35; and Leon Chapman of Grand Falls. Mrs. O. L. Bishop, 55, died three hours later in a Merkle hospital.

State Highway Patrolman G. G. Fitzhugh said the car driven by young Bishop hit a recess in the pavement when flares surrounding a road paving job were washed out by rain.

Fitzhugh said the Bishop car skidded from the shoulder of the highway across the road into the path of an oncoming station wagon driven by Robert Hugh Long of Hobbs, N. M., who was only slightly injured. Shapman was riding in the station wagon.

Others in the Bishop car were Mrs. Oscar Sherrill Bishop, who suffered a fractured skull; Mrs. Elsie Bolin of Corpus Christi, who received a fractured pelvis, and her daughter, Tena Bolin, not seriously hurt.

Jester Sees 36th In Parade

NORTH CAMP HOOD, June 11 (UP)—Gov. Beaufort Jester will watch the 36th Division, Texas National Guard unit, pass in review today.

Jester and other top Texas officials will be honored at the parade, which climaxes the end of the 36th's first week of summer training.

Major Gen. H. Miller Ainsworth, Division Commander, and Lt. Gen. Ernest O. Thompson, Texas National Guard Chief, will review the unit. Jester planned to leave Camp Hood late Saturday for Corsicana, where he will spend the weekend visiting his mother, Mrs. George T. Jester.

Head-on Collision Kills 1, Hurts 3

MINERAL WELLS, Tex. June 11 (UP)—Mrs. Will R. Smith of Oklahoma City was killed instantly early today in a head-on collision of two cars between Mineral Wells and Perrin.

Her husband was seriously injured and was in Nazareth Hospital here.

The occupants of the other car, Major and Mrs. John C. Weisler of Fort Sam Houston, also were injured. Major Weisler was in a serious condition at Evans Clinic here. The Weislers were on vacation enroute to Chicago when the accident occurred.

Methodists Close Houston Meeting

HOUSTON, Tex., June 11 (UP)—The 1949 Texas Methodist Conference ended here yesterday with changes and new conference appointments being read by Bishop A. Frank Smith.

Major changes included the announced retirement of Dr. Robert E. Goodrich, superintendent of the Tyler District, and Dr. S. Stephen McKenney, superintendent of the Longview District.

In earlier business meetings, some 1,000 ministers and lay members of the church approved an annual budget of \$262,000 for the coming year, and heard a report that donations throughout the state the past year amounted to more than \$6,500,000 (M), a new high.

The conference also voted a salary boost for district superintendents, from \$6,000 to \$6,500 annually; set a new membership goal of 8,885 for the coming year; elected Pat Thompson of Bay City to his fifth term as lay leader of the church, and appointed the Rev. A. C. Bell, former Carthage, Tex., pastor, executive secretary of the Board of Evangelism.

A membership report showed that the conference gained 4649 members during the past year, for a total membership of 162,332.

Bible School Underway At First Methodist

The Vacation Bible School of the First Methodist Church here completed a successful week's study and will begin a new week Monday at 9 A. M., where any child who wishes to enter may still do so and be eligible to receive a certificate. Mrs. F. L. Drago, general superintendent of the children's division of the church, said today.

The junior department under the supervision of Mrs. J. M. Cooper, have 16 pupils enrolled. Assisting Mrs. Cooper are Mrs. Dee Estes, Mrs. J. T. Cooper, Mrs. Gayland Poe, Mrs. R. D. McCrary, Mrs. C. J. Owen, and Sally Cooper.

The primary division, headed by Mrs. W. E. Brashier, have 24 pupils enrolled. Mrs. Brashier is assisted by Mrs. Drago, Mrs. E. J. Turner, Mrs. W. R. Cole, and Prudie Hardeman.

The beginners under the leadership of Mrs. Ed Willman have 18 pupils enrolled and is assisted in her department by Mrs. L. E. Corbell, Mrs. Russell Hill, Mrs. Herman Hassell, Bettye Grimes, and Shirley Frazer.

Sherman Boy Killed

SHERMAN, June 11 (UP)—Society Harlow, 24-year-old Denison resident, was killed early today and a companion was critically injured when his car over turned on a curve three miles north of here.

Virginia Langford of Denison received critical injuries in the highway accident.

PUPILS PAY FOUNDER TRIBUTE; RENEW FORMER ACQUAINTANCES

BY BUENA VAN WINKLE
Telegram Correspondent

GORMAN, June 11—Persons from all walks of life over the State of Texas gathered at Bass Lake, located one and one-half miles from Gorman, Thursday, June 9, for the 43rd annual reunion of the old Hankins Normal College to reminisce and renew old acquaintances.

The occasion was remarkable from the viewpoint of an outsider, in that the spirit of the meeting reflected to such a marked degree the influence of the founders: J. H. and J. F. Hankins. J. H. Hankins passed on to his reward before the 1948 reunion—he was one remembered in the 1948 memorial service—while J. F. Hankins was present at the 1949 reunion, having driven down for the service that morning from Lubbock. Scarcely does one find more forcible reminders of the lasting good or bad, which a teacher exerts on the pupils, than at such a gathering as this reunion proved to be.

Grown men and women—the boys and the girls in their teens paying tribute to the little gray-back in 1905 to 1912—were there paying tribute to the little gray-haired man who sat quietly looking down at the ground most of the time, while they were lauding his past efforts and the imprint his life and teaching had left on their lives, and even as one put it, the imprint his life and influence had made even on the children of the former students. In Mr. Hankins' deepest eyes, however, there was a twinkle, mingled with the mistiness caused by all the pleasant memories—and time has a way of softening all memories, so that this far from those old college days, nothing but the pleasant memories must remain now.

Up to about 11:30 Thursday morning 94 people had registered with about 80 of them being old Hankins students. The remarkable thing about the list of the exes of this tiny old college—and compared to our present day standards, it would certainly be considered small—they never had more than 25 to graduate at any one commencement, according to Mr. Hankins, with perhaps 250 to 300 enrolled each of the seven years the school was in existence—is the way its students have infiltrated every phase of our modern life and have themselves felt in whatever occupation or place they may have chosen to fill.

There were lawyers, doctors, congressmen, teachers, realtors, undertakers, preachers, farmers, ranchers, insurance men, storekeepers, housewives, preachers' wives, postmasters, county clerks, Railway Mail clerks, Rural Mail carriers, beauty parlor operators, public service men, County treasurers, and so on and on the list goes. And, in every case, where the men or the women of Hankins have been in the particular field they are in at the time, for very long, they are already ranking up toward the top in their field. The postmasters of two of the largest towns in Eastland County are former Hankins men—Alvin Crawley of Ranger, and Ed Layton of Eastland. Clyde Garrett, former Congressman from District 17 has an enviable record. He was County Clerk, County Judge, and then Representative to the National Congress from the 17th District. More recently he has been head of all offices in the G. I. Loan Administration for the Dallas District, and Monday he leaves for Washington, D. C. where he will assume his duties as Supervising officer over the work of the G. I. Loan Administration for three Southern States: Texas, Louisiana, and Mississippi. Then there is Joe Burkett, who could not be present at this year's meeting, but who made one of the principal addresses of last year. Joe has held these offices for his county: District Clerk, County Judge, District Judge, and State Senator, and is now a practicing attorney in San Antonio, Texas. There are others who have made their mark as lawyers: Elzo Bean of Eastland, former District Clerk and District Judge, who is the president of the Alumnae Association for 1949-1950. He was re-elected in railroading fashion without giving him a chance to object or to nominate anyone else. They followed the lead of Cyrus Frost and elected the 1948 officers for the 1949 session by acclamation. Then there is Cyrus Frost, one of Eastland County's outstanding attorneys among Hankins men who have followed the legal profession.

Jury Recesses After 1 Man Is Indicted

The Eastland County grand jury recessed Thursday night, after being in session one day, returning an indictment against W. T. Caldwell for burglary and theft, it was announced by the Sheriff's office Saturday morning.

The indictment against Caldwell was in connection with the recent burglary of a Cisco residence. He is being held in custody in county jail.

The grand jury will reconvene Thursday morning, June 16.

New \$21,000 Bridge Slated On Carbon Road

The State Highway Department has approved an expenditure of approximately \$21,000 for the construction of a new bridge and approaches on State Highway 6, between Eastland and Carbon, County Judge Lewis Crossley stated.

The new bridge will replace an antiquated one-way structure, just south of Eastland on Highway 6.

Construction is expected to start in the near future.

Rye was first grown as a field crop in America in 1648, in New England.

East Texas — Partly cloudy with scattered thundershowers this afternoon, tonight and Sunday. Not much change in temperature. Moderate southeast winds on the coast.

West Texas — Partly cloudy with scattered thundershowers in the Panhandle, South Plains and from the Pecos Valley eastward this afternoon, tonight and Sunday. Not much change in temperature.

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AWOL Soldier Returned To El Paso Brig

Pvt. John E. Baldrige, of Kentucky, deserter and escapee from the brig at Ft. Bliss in El Paso, who gave himself up at the Eastland County Jail Monday, was returned to El Paso Saturday afternoon, the Sheriff's office stated.

Sgt. Charles C. Painter of Ft. Bliss, arrived in Eastland by train Saturday morning at 3 o'clock, and started back with the prisoner by train Saturday afternoon.

Pvt. Baldrige showed up at the County Jail late Monday afternoon and asked the jailer to lock him up as he was a military deserter. He told the jailer he had escaped from the El Paso brig and had started hitch hiking to Kentucky. He became so hungry by the time he reached Eastland, he gave himself up.

Clintan for the week's school will be Clarence E. Sawhill, director of the Southern California University Band.

Concluding the five-day school will be a mass band concert Friday night, with a number of Eastland citizens expected to attend. Sponsored by John Tarleton College, the school will include classes for all instruments, full band classes and sectional rehearsals.

Catholics Strike Back At Czechs

Prague, June 11.—(UP)—Catholic bishops definitely struck back at Czechoslovakia's Communist government on four fronts today on the mounting church-state struggle.

A letter sent by the Czech board of bishops to all Catholic Clergy in the country.

1. Ordered a boycott of the government-sponsored Catholic Clergy Gazette.

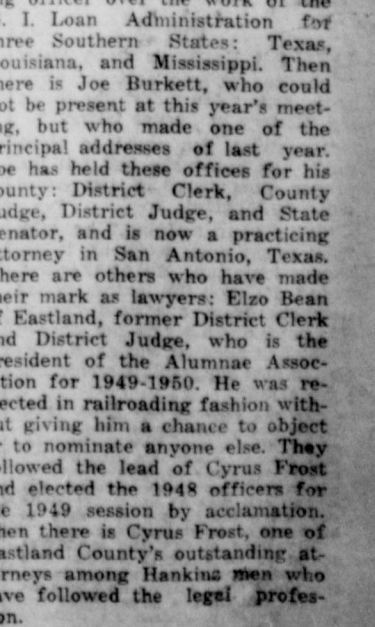
2. Denaunced the government-sponsored Catholic action movement and warned that any who join it would be "prosecuted by church punishment."

3. Instructed priests to preach in all churches Sunday, June 19, on "Papal Power and Papal Primacy."

4. Disowned the former Catholic Charity organization Caritas because it has been taken over by a "National Administration."

Virvinia Langford of Denison received critical injuries in the highway accident.

Sand Bagging For Dodge City Citizens



Two trucks, at right, filled with sand and pulled by a tractor, head toward crowd of townsfolk, in distance who are forming a human chain across one of Dodge City, Kansas', principal streets as they fill sand bags in an effort to keep back waters of the overflowing Arkansas river. (NEA Telephoto)

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"Drive It"—The New Oldsmobile "The New Thrill" Osborne Motor Company, Eastland

Showers Due Over Week End

By United Press
A week end of scattered showers in Texas was in prospect today.

Following as much as two and a half inches of rain in West Texas as during the last 24 hours, the weather bureau predicted more thundershowers today and Sunday.

Midland recorded 2.47 inches of rainfall, Abilene .90, Big Spring .57 and Marfa .58. Beaumont received 1.20 inches, Lufkin .70, and Fort Worth .24. Temperatures will remain at about the same level during the week end, according to the weather forecasters.

Yesterday's top reading was a 101 at Presidio, with Childress recording the lowest maximum reading of 82. This morning's low was 54 degrees at Guadalupe Pass. Brownsville had a high minimum of 79.

Farmer Killed By Lightning

BONHAM, June 11 (UP)—Riley Besley, Ector farmer, was killed instantly when struck by lightning yesterday while he was plowing a field on his farm.

The 32-year old man had been working on a tractor with his wife a few moments before the lightning struck. He had just told his wife to take the youngsters when he was killed.

Mrs. Besley was stunned by the stroke of lightning. The child was not hurt.

Financing Of Country Club Here Discussed In Meeting Friday

Plans for financing an Eastland Country Club were discussed at a meeting of Quarterback Club committee, sponsors of the project, in a meeting Friday night at the Connelley Hotel.

Don Hill, general chairman, presided for the roundtable discussion session.

Hill announced that plans are to build a nine-hole course first, with a long range goal of erecting a club house. It was estimated that an expenditure of \$15,000 would be necessary to building the course and a small building to store equipment. Site for the course, located north of Eastland near Lake Eastland, has been leased from the city.

After several methods of financing had been discussed, it was decided that each committeeman would make a list of various citizens that should be contacted. From these a composite list will be made in order that no one will be overlooked. A date for the opening of the finance drive will be set in the near future.

Attending the meeting were: Neil Day, Everett Plowan, Bruce Pipkin, Jimmie Harkrider, H. Weaver, C. F. Westfall, Bob Moore, (acting secretary for Wendell Armstrong) who was unable to be present, and Hill.

Says Clean-Up Must Precede DDT Spraying

AUSTIN, Tex., June 11 (UP)—Texas' state health officer said today that an unplanned fly spraying program is like using "toilet water to overcome B. O."

It doesn't, he said get at the root of the trouble. Dr. George W. Cox said his State Health Department endorses a fly spraying program, provided it includes a general clean-up program carried out during the entire year.

"For example," he said spray a garbage heap that not only invites but actually breeds flies when it should have been removed. Why spray the city dump," he asked, "when it really should have been covered?"

"I fear, he added, the unplanned spraying program is similar to the application of perfume or toilet water to overcome B. O. or the application of powder to cover dirt."

In a well-planned program, the health officer said, all places where flies gather, such as dumps, rubbish piles and decaying vegetation should be cleaned up by hauling away and burying.

Richard J. Gatling is chiefly known as the inventor of the rapid-fire gun, but in 1830 he also invented the first wheat-cutting machine in the U. S.

At one time the Crookes controlled over 50,000 miles of territory in eastern America.

Stephenville Men Still Missing

PRESCOTT, Ark., June 11 (UP)—Three Army planes and some 30 civilian planes were still searching an area from Hot Springs, Ark., to Dallas today for two Texas flyers missing since May 29.

A \$1,000 reward was posted yesterday for information leading to the whereabouts of the plane which disappeared on a flight from Hot Springs to Stephenville, Tex. Aboard the maroon and gray cabin plane were T. C. Elkins, prominent Stephenville industrialist, and his pilot, Ben Ferguson, also of Stephenville.

Anyone with information pertaining to the plane was requested by the missing men's relatives to call Gene Elkins at the Broadway Hotel here, headquarters for the search. The reward for a clue on the missing pair was offered by citizens of Stephenville and Merkel, Texas.

Latest information on the fate of the missing plane and its occupants came from a farmer near Sarasota, Ark. He said he heard a plane flying low over the dense wooded section the foggy morning the craft disappeared.

Rayburn Defends Congress' Record

OKLAHOMA CITY, June 11 (UP)—House Speaker Sam Rayburn was confident today that the 81 Congress would complete a "very imposing program" before adjourning in July or August.

Rayburn, who addressed 4,000 Oklahoma Democrats at the annual Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner last night, said the present Congress was "as intelligent and patriotic as any which ever served."

He said that Thomas Jefferson founded what is now the Democratic Party, and that Alexander Hamilton started "what is left of the GOP."

The difference between the two major parties, said Rayburn, is the difference between Jefferson and Hamilton.

"Jefferson thought the people were wise enough to govern themselves," he said. "The Hamilton theory for prosperity was 'make the rich very rich and let the rich trickles down'."

"I've watched a lot of Republican administrations but none of the rich ever trickled down to me," he quipped.

Rayburn predicted the Democratic contingent would be larger in the 82nd Congress.

From the ancient Phoenician port of Byblos on the Lebanon coast, which exported papyrus, the Greeks derived their word biblion, meaning papyrus scroll. And from biblion came the word Bible, the National Geographic Society notes.

Air France, which serves 70 countries and colonies on five continents, is the world's largest airline with 64,540 unduplicated route miles.

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ISLAND OF ESCAPE

By Hugh Lawrence Nelson

THE STORY: Four lonely women, selected through a matrimonial club as mates for Henry Gough Harding, eccentric master of Speare Island, are leading many strange, unexplained things about the place. There are four graves—those of workmen killed by accident, says Harding. But Bea Cosgrove, a wealthy widow, finds a giant by one of them—a plant she saw being carried for Captain Oak, skipper of the ship that brought her to the island. And there are four dead fish, staked on the beach by little crosses. Harding kicks down the crosses in anger.

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The gurgling mouth of the water pipe gurgled. It gurgled. A stream of clear water spouted from its lips, ruffled the surface of the pool and tossed the floating bits of wood with its outcroiling ripples.

"Who?" Harding shouted. "Who?" He ripped the key ring from his pocket, sorted the keys. He found the one he hunted, stared at it.

The water continued its gurgle. The ripples reached the fish. Their tails fanned gently.

Harding raced back up the trail toward the distant main house. Bea stood waiting until the flow of water stopped. The surface of the tiny pool settled into a sheeny surface touched by the wind which passed above it. The fish were quiet now.

Bea Cosgrove started back up the trail. Windblown sand in the trail tugged at her ankles, fought her progress. She found herself struggling to move faster and faster. By the time she covered the part of the trail to the multi-colored cliff, she was spent, trembling.

She made herself sit down on a sun-warmed flat rock. Gradually her breathing became less painful. Far ahead on the side of the island's highest hill she could make out the vivid orange of Agnes Firth's dress. No, she corrected

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BEA felt Harding's stare, knew he was far from as drunk as he pretended. "You might like to see my 'History of Speare Island.'"

"Anything you want to show me?" She knew she had put the proper unconcern in her voice when he laughed.

"With your training," he said, "you might even work up to assistant historian. Sit at the desk here." He took the leather-bound notebook from a locked drawer and put it down before her, opened to the first page. It was hand written, in neat cursive script. She read aloud:

"In the year of our Lord, 1887, H. M. B. Lightningbolt, commanded by Sir Rodney Fowles Spears, was blown by a storm into waters unknown to the captain or any of his crew. Late in the night, a set of stars was at hand. Sir Rodney gave orders for the ship to head to the north. "By light of day the land was found to be a small island. The currents in the only visible landing place were strong and treacherous, and only a great need for fresh water prompted Sir Rodney to make an attempt to land. "Three boats loaded with coals, made the effort and two of them succeeded in reaching the beach from the east side of the island. The third was not so successful. It splashed near the entrance of the cove and the crew was seen no more. "Of the two crews who landed, one made their way up the steep cliffs to a natural spring of sweet water and began immediately the



MOVES UP—W. Walton Butterworth, 45, career diplomat and director of the Office of Far Eastern Affairs, was appointed Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs in a major reorganization of the State Department. His appointment is expected to be challenged by Senate critics of present U. S. policy in China.

TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

By United Press
AUSTIN, June 11 (UP)—William O. Harwell today took over as manager of the Austin Chamber of Commerce. Harwell succeeded Walter B. Long, recently retired after 24 years with the civic organization. The former manager of the Austin area economic foundation was elected to the chamber post yesterday.

BROWNWOOD, June 11 (UP)—More than 800 postmen were expected here tomorrow for the Texas Association of Tar Route Mail Carriers Convention. Frank Russell of Washington, D. C., president of the National Association, will be one of the feature speakers at the meeting.

TEMPLE, June 11 (UP)—A three-day state convention of Alcoholics Anonymous was in full swing here today. The meeting, which opened yesterday, was transferred from San Angelo because of the recent poliomyelitis outbreak.

AUSTIN, June 11 (UP)—Resolutions removing rent controls at Mission and Bryan were on their way to the office of the federal housing expediter at Washington today.

dering gasp of a distant leviathan in agony. "The wind does it," she said. She turned away. "The wind—or underground water." Her legs moved woodenly. She would not let herself look back as she hurried toward the house. It was better not to see.

BY nightfall all preparations possible had been made against the rising storm, and the Speare Islanders sat together in the main room in a blaze of light. Below in the storerooms quarried from solid stone, the dynamos thudded, unheard in the shriek of wind through the legs of the overhead water tower. As yet the hill to the north still protected the house, and as yet no rain had fallen. Harding himself had suggested the use of the electric lights. He had gone farther, brought out a supply of whisky, and fixed drinks himself for the four women. Bea Cosgrove left her second drink half finished, walked to the front windows and stared out into blackness. From the table she heard the scrape of Harding's chair and the sudden dam in the flow of Lilly Warren's chatter. "Still no rain?" he asked. "No. Just wind. More from the west now."

"Waiting! I hate it," Harding said. "It's useless, empty, unformed, unplaning." He swayed, put out a hand to steady himself and scowled at this evidence of the drinks he had taken. "You want another drink?"

"No, thanks." "Let's see. Maybe I have something to interest you. Trust you because you were with me when the water rained." Bea followed him to the locked door of the tower room. She knew the three other women watched intently. He unlocked the door, flung it open and snapped on a light switch.

The room seemed smaller. The desk, the chair, the white rug, were in place. There was a stairway leading up to a landing and another locked door which she had not seen before. Something was missing. She had it. The case of rifles was gone.

(To Be Continued)

swing back and forth. It makes the sound." "What makes the smell?" "The water? There's no smell but the sea." "It—it really smells to me like the hair of a wild animal." Harding chuckled. "Your imagination. Or it's possible a sheep might have wandered inside and fallen. That rock moves its top end enough to crush out a life. Now, I'd better fix drinks for the others. Read on if you like."

WHEN she was alone she skimmed quickly through the pages. She read carefully the par which told of Harding's acquisition of the island, his first landing with gangs of men and loads of materials to begin the constructor work. One paragraph dated only a few months previously called to special attention.

The first accident today. A premature blast caught four workmen, carried them with a mass of rubble down the slope and left them at the cliff foot half in and half out of the water. All quite dead. Stupid tools. How was I to know they did not understand when I told them to get out and set off the blast?

A few pages later she found the entry: "This day I have chosen from the applicants four who might prove worthy to share the life on Speare Island with me. Astonishingly few applied, which I cannot understand. But in a few short weeks now the new era of life on Speare Island will begin."

Bea looked up again, saw Harding watching her from the doorway. "How much of this is true? I mean of the old history of the island?"

"You're discerning," Harding said. "I was right to trust you to read. I am making history here. What is written is the way I want it to be. So it is true. The past and the present, I control and make them both."

"And the future?" "That too I shall control," Harding said firmly. Mabel Jones called, "There's something at the door." "Impossible," Harding snapped. "It's the wind." Lilly Warren screamed, "A face! A face! I tell you. A white face at the door." (To Be Continued)



BUTCH COMES THROUGH—Three-year-old Butch Kriebis wanted to do his part in the annual clean-up in Chicago, so he grabbed the family broom and took off. He was picked up several hours later and escorted to a police station to await the arrival of his parents.



ON A LIMB—Willys of Hollywood, president of the Hosiery Designers of America, measures the shapely legs of movie star Virginia Mayo in Hollywood. Virginia was picked by the hosiery designers to head their annual list of movietown's loveliest legs. Anyone disagree?

HAIR-BREADTH HARRY



The resolutions, adopted by the city councils, were signed yesterday by Governor Beauford Jester.

AUSTIN, June 11 (UP)—A constitutional reprieve for a 30-day stay of execution was granted General Kerzee, a Dallas negro, by Governor Beauford Jester yesterday.

The governor's action moved the scheduled execution date from July 11 to Aug. 10.



INVEST IN U.S. SAVINGS BONDS

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



VIC FLINT

BY MICHAEL O'MALLEY and RALPH LANE



ALLEY OOP

BY V. T. HAMLIN



MARY WORTH'S FAMILY

BY V. T. HAMLIN



KERRY DRAKE

BY V. T. HAMLIN



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Thief Gets Shock

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IN FOR A "LONG RUN"—Actress Daphne Anderson gives chase to her cartwheel hat, blown away by a gust of wind at the Theatrical Garden Party in London. The affair was held for the benefit of British stage and film charities.

BY MERRILL BLOSSER



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NOTICE
Rites For Houston Doctor Pending

Houston, Tex., June 11 (UP)—Funeral rites were pending today for Dr. Charles D. Mason, Jr., 44, whose body was found yesterday afternoon in a tourist court here.

A justice of the peace ruled that the chiropractor shot himself once through the heart with a .25 caliber automatic pistol found by the body.

Detectives said two notes were in the room. One, addressed to the doctor's estranged wife, bequeathed his property to her. The other gave the name of the owner of the pistol.

M. R. Sprague, operator of the tourist court, said Dr. Mason registered late Thursday, leaving instructions that he was not to be disturbed. Sprague entered the room with a pass key after he was unable to rouse the guest.

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MOST BEAUTIFUL BLONDE—Ruth Thomas, 22, of New York City, is the winner of a movie company's "Most Beautiful Blonde" contest over 4000 entrants from New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. Her prizes include an air trip to Havana and a complete wardrobe. She is now appearing in a Broadway musical.



GIT ALONG LITTLE DOGIE—Penny Karnofsky, a Phoenix, Ariz., model, proudly shows off the brief swimsuit designed especially for her. The hand-painted number has a strictly western motif of a cowboy chasing a calf.

raped and slain. He body was found in Coal Creek Canyon two days later.

Joe Sam Walker, 32, a Boulder metalworker, was convicted of second degree murder for her death.

But he contended that a "chubby blond youth" actually killed Miss Foster after knocking him out in a fight. Walker said he became panic-stricken and tossed the girl's beaten, half nude body

COLO. CAMPUS KILLER SOUGHT AFTER SLAYING

BOULDER, Colo., June 11 (UP)—A maniacal "campus killer" was on the loose today and authorities feared he might strike again at any time.

The unknown slayer bludgeoned Roy G. Spore, Jr., 19, to death Thursday night as his coed-companion, Doris Ann Weaver, 18, screamed and fled for help.

Spore, an honor sophomore engineering student, was unable to resist his assailant because of a plaster cast that covered his left leg to the hip.

Authorities said they had no motive and few clues in the murder which occurred beside a rain-choked brook less than 100 yards from a women's dormitory at the University of Colorado.

Miss Weaver told officials that she and Spore were sitting in a secluded nook when someone struck her three times on the head from behind.

She turned and saw a "tall, thin man wearing a plaid jacket."

"He was carrying an 18-inch length of pipe and had a terrible look on his face," she said. "Roy rose to his feet. I screamed and ran back toward the campus."

As she ran, she could hear Spore yell: "Don't hit me, don't hit me!"

Two watchmen found her as she ran toward the dormitory. They took her to a doctor, then searched the brook edge. They found a pool of blood and a trail leading to the stream.

A bloody billfold and a single footprint were the only clues.

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State Laws May Be Invoked To Close Pine Bluff

PINE BLUFF, Ark., June 11 (UP)—A modern-day Sunday is expected here tomorrow, but Pine Bluff is fearful that the state's pot of blue paint may be applied. The city's own Blue Laws were in large measure repealed at a special meeting of the council yesterday. Seventeen ordinances banning various kinds of activity were knocked out of the books in short order.

While the council was striking restrictions on Sunday work and play, however, it was learned that the state has similar laws which might be enforced.

A pair of lawyers representing a bakery—which stayed open on Sunday until the Baker's Association cracked down—started the to-do by hailing four newspaper vendors into court. They were fined under old laws.

And the warning went out that other businesses of the Sabbath would face the same sort of suits until the blue laws went off the books.

The old state law, which everyone had forgotten about, bans in the creek.

Dr. Angelo Lapi, who examined Spore's body said the attack on him was "as vicious as that upon Miss Foster. It was similar in many respects, especially in the nature of the wounds."

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Jurisdiction Of County Court Changed By Bill

AUSTIN, June 11 (UP)—A bill transferring the civil and criminal jurisdiction of the Ellis County Court to the 40th District Court was in effect today.

Gov. Beauford Jester signed the bill, sponsored by Sen. Crawford Martin of Hillsboro, yesterday.

Martin said misdemeanors, of minor domain, and law suits were transferred to the district court, which was given exclusive jurisdiction on suits involving \$200 to \$500 and concurrent

jurisdiction on those from \$500 to \$1,000.

Lesser lawsuits remain unaffected, Martin said, because they usually are third in justice courts.

Martin said he introduced the bill at the request of the Ellis County Bar Association, which sent a resolution to all Senators asking for the change.

Ellis County court will continue to handle cases involving lunacy, guardianship and probate matters.

Under requirements of the law, Martin said, the county court clerk has 30 days to transfer cases that are pending. Individuals who have cases filed in county court do not have to refile them, he said.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST
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Claud C. Smith, Minister

Sunday:
9:45 A. M. Bible School
10:50 A. M. Preaching
7:30 P. M. Preaching

Wednesday:
10:00 A. M. Ladies Bible Class
7:30 P. M. Prayer Meeting

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7:00 P. M. Children's Service
7:45 P. M. Evening Worship

Wednesday:
7:45 P. M. Prayer Service

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Corner of West Main and Connelley Streets
William C. Emberton, Pastor

Sunday:
9:45 A. M. Sunday Bible School
11:00 A. M. Morning Worship
7:30 P. M. NYPS and Junior Service

Wednesday:
8:15 P. M. Evening Evangelistic Service

7:45 P. M. Mid Week Prayer Service

Thursday:
3:00 P. M. W.F.M.S.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Corner of Plummer and Lamar Streets
Lloyd M. Chapman, Pastor

Sunday:
9:45 A. M. Sunday School
11:00 A. M. Morning Worship

7:00 P. M. Training Union
8:00 P. M. Evening Worship

Wednesday:
8:00 P. M. Prayer Meeting
Monthly Meetings:
First Friday night of each month—Sunday School Workers Meeting.

Wednesday night after first Sunday—Church Business Meeting.

Monday night after second Sunday—Brotherhood.

Monday night after last Sunday—Deacons Meeting.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Corner of Olive and Mulberry Streets
J. M. Bond, Pastor

Sunday:
9:45 A. M. Sunday School
10:50 A. M. Morning Services
6:30 P. M. Youth Fellowship
7:15 P. M. Intermediate Fellowship

7:30 P. M. Ladies Prayer Service

8:00 P. M. Worship Services

Monday:
8:00 P. M. Womans Society of Christian Service

Monthly:
Monday night before the first of each month—Board of Stewards Meeting.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Corner of Lamar and Olive Streets
J. B. Blunk, Pastor

Sunday:
9:45 A. M. Sunday School
11:00 A. M. Morning Worship
6:00 P. M. C.Y.F.
7:00 P. M. Evening Worship

Monday:
3:00 P. M. Missionary Council

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Corner of Valley and Walnut Streets
M. P. Elder, Pastor

Sunday:
10:00 A. M. Sunday School
Second and Fourth Sundays:
11:00 A. M. Preaching

Second and Fourth Monday:
9:30 A. M. Women's Auxiliary

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Services 11 A. M.
Wednesday Evening Services 8 P. M.

Reading room is open to the public from 2 to 5 P. M. on Tuesday and Friday afternoons.

Christian Science Services
"God the Preserver of Man" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, June 12.

The Golden Text is: "The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms" (Deuteronomy 33:27).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved" (Psalms 16:8).

Baptists To Meet In Gatesville With Free Barbecue To Be Featured

The Baptist men of Texas are celebrating the 40th anniversary of the organization in Texas of a men's meeting to work with the pastor and the church for the good of the church, community, stewardship, and missions. This first organization was in Gatesville, Texas, some forty years ago, and on June 23rd, men from all over the state will gather in Gatesville to celebrate this occasion.

Starting off at 6:30 P. M. with a big free barbecue accompanied by a hand concert, the meeting will adjourn to the air conditioned church auditorium—the coolest in the state. Special music will be led by the men's chorus of the Gatesville church and will be led by Mr. Tump Martin of McGregor and Mr. Branford Corrigan of Hamilton. Address of welcome and introduction of visitors will be by Mr. H. K. Jackson, Sr., with the response by Dr. R. E.

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Truth and Love come nearer in the hour of woe, when strong faith or spiritual strength wrestles and prevails through the understanding of God" page 567.

Dudley of Dallas, executive editor of the Baptist Standard. Dr. R. E. Bell of Decatur who was the pastor when the organization came into being will give a tribute to the founding fathers: Bro. A. D. Honeycutt—now deceased, Hon. H. E. Bell of Houston, and Mr. Dan E. Graves of Gatesville. Addresses will be given by Judge Thomas J. Pitts of Odessa, State Brotherhood President, and Dr. L. H. Tapscott of Dallas, State Secretary.

Many prominent laymen have announced their intention of being present and these include college presidents, former presidents of the State Brotherhood, and many other noted laymen from all over the state. The invitation is to all who will to come—the only requirement is that the church at Gatesville be notified by mail or phone by June 19th as to the number coming. Free entertainment will be provided for those who wish to spend the night.

The event is to be recorded and still and motion pictures will be taken and shown at the State Brotherhood Convention in El Paso this fall. It is to be covered by the secular and religious press.

Come for the free barbecue at 6:30 June 23rd at Gatesville, Texas.

No Preaching Service Sunday At 1st Methodist

As the pastor is attending conference in Fort Worth, there will be no preaching service Sunday, June 12, at either hour at the First Methodist Church.

Sunday school will be held at the regular morning hour, 9:45 o'clock.

A new air conditioning unit is expected to be installed and in working order by Sunday, June 19.

Jaguar Reigns Aboard Ship After Escape

LAS PALMAS, Canary Islands, June 11 (UP) — A jaguar which terrorized the Belgian steamer Christian Sheld for almost two days after he broke out of his cage was killed today by sailors with sub-machine guns.

The sharpshooter boarded the ship and stalked the animal up and down the passageways for half an hour before closing in for the kill.

meat the vessel when it reached Las Palmas and kill the beast. It was one of a group of wild animals being taken from Brazil to the Brussels Zoo.

The death of the Jaguar enabled the passengers and crewmen to emerge from their quarters for the first time since the escape of the animal early yesterday.

The jaguar smashed the cages of other animals, ate several monkeys and killed a number of rare wild birds.

Sailors from the Las Palmas Naval Base boarded the ship outside the harbor when it arrived in port, the decks deserted except for the maddened jaguar.

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ship, the couple was married in a ceremony at Ranger by the Rev. Rhodes Duncan, deceased Baptist minister. They started married life in a plank house located on a farm near the Meriman Schoolhouse. A total of six children — five girls and one boy — born during the ensuing years. The son is Don Brashears, now of Pampa. Daughters are: Mrs. Mattie Doyle, Eastland; Miss Goldie Mae Brashears, Dallas; Mrs. Gussie Dawson, Tulsa; Mrs. Valentine Niver, Pampa; and Mrs. B. Levie, Odessa.

For about 60 years, J. L. hauled produce raised on his farm into Eastland for marketing. During the earlier years, the wagon was pulled by steers, and later by a team of horses. The road was rough and there was always the danger of lurking Comanche Indians. A shotgun was carried on the trips into town, "just in case," but J. L. is thankful that it was never necessary to use it. Eastland was just a small town in those days, with about a dozen business houses. J. L. recalls that Aught Connellee, deceased, operated a flower mill on the

northwest corner of the square, where the modern five-story brick Exchange Building now stands.

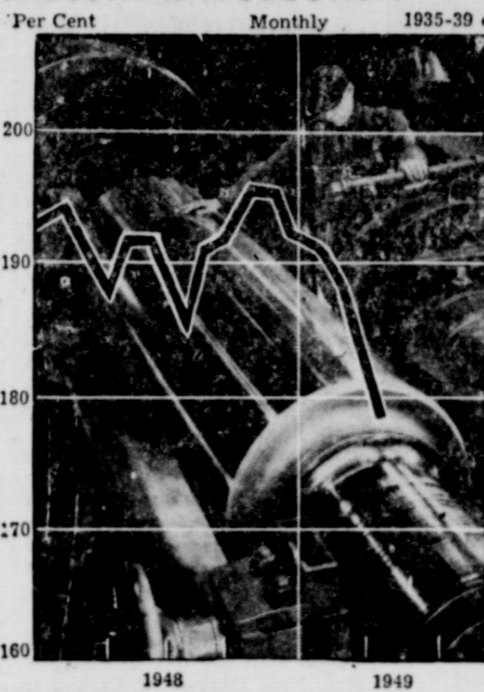
Up until the boom in the 1920's, about the most exciting thing that had ever happened in Eastland County was the building of the T. & P. Railroad and the passing of the first train in 1881. Construction of the road was a slow, tedious process compared with modern methods as the plows and scrapers were pulled by teams. J. L. laughingly remembers how the Indians came loping out of the hills and tried to lasso the engine of the first train to go through Eastland County. "They must have thought it was a big buffalo or something."

The Brashears moved to their present 140-acre farm, 2 1/2 miles east of Eastland, 25 years ago.

During the fall of the year in 1911, the peace and calm of Eastland County was really broken when word spread throughout the countryside that oil had been discovered on the John McCuskey place, located near Ranger. J. L. as nearly everyone in Eastland County did that day, went to the scene to watch the black, liquid gold spout over the derrick. John Williams was watching the gate to see that no one came in with matches, but that didn't bother J. L., who didn't smoke at that time. Since he has taken up the cigarette habit.

While his neighbors became rich overnight with the discovery

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PRICES AND PRODUCTION ON DOWNGRADE—These new charts show how industrial production and prices declined in the first quarter of 1949, according to current economic reports issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Production is down from 195 per cent last November to an estimated 179 for April. The decline has been general, since activity has decreased in 13 of 19 industry groups. In prices, basic commodities dropped the most, while consumer prices show only slight reduction. Most significant decline this year has been in metal markets, with steel scrap and non-ferrous metals scrap down 40 to 50 per cent. The price support program for many farm products has prevented more marked declines in that field.

SAN ANGELO POLIO EPIDEMIC BELIEVED LEVELING OFF

SAN ANGELO, Tex., June 11 (UP)—The nation's first serious polio epidemic of 1949 showed signs of abating today after killing seven of 133 persons stricken here since January.

Most of the patients cared for at two Tom Green County hospitals were children of Latin descent.

Parents in this community of 25,000 persons remained calm, however. Their refusal to become panicky won the praise of County health officials and of spokesmen for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

The first infantile paralysis case struck in January. But the epidemic's full impact was not felt until last week.

By midnight Friday, the number of cases diagnosed in San Angelo and the surrounding territory had climbed to 133.

Seven victims were returned to their homes Thursday but five new cases were admitted. The number of victims in the county's hospitals stood at 56.

Dr. R. E. Elizans, Tom Green County Health Officer, said he thought the epidemic was "leveling off."

"Less than five per cent of those afflicted will show any after effects from the disease," he said. He attributed this to the prompt treatment given the stricken during early stages of the attacks.

Eight stricken infants were flown to the Polio Foundation at Gonzales, Tex., for physical therapy. Planes from the Air Force Base at Goodfellow Field transported them.

John Loughlin, representing the national foundation in 62 southwest Texas counties, set up field headquarters here yesterday.

He said "all necessary help in the form of money, medical supplies and trained personnel" will be coming to San Angelo from the national foundation.

The foundation made \$40,000 available and shipped in iron lungs, hot pack machines and other therapy instruments.

No shortage of hospital space was reported, but Loughlin promised the foundation would furnish facilities if necessary.

The Red Cross flew in 11 nurses to help in the fight and promised more if needed.

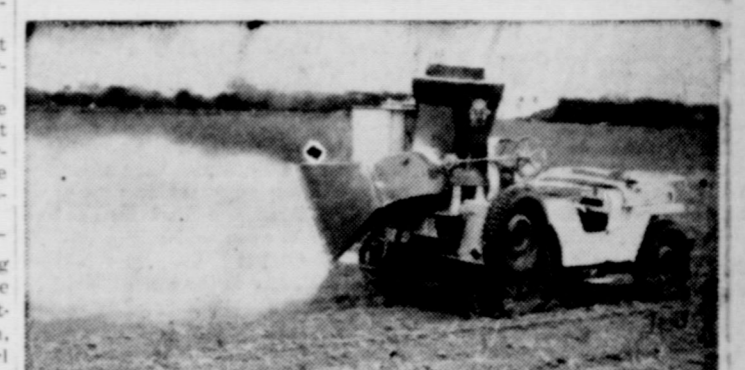
A great meteorite swarm fell in Siberia in 1908. The sound was heard nearly 1,000 miles away.

Loves No Longer Loves
WORCESTER, Mass. (UP)—Love versus Love read the probable court divorce petition. Mrs. Ruth V. Love was seeking a divorce from Harold J. Love on grounds of intoxication and cruelty.

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of wells on their place, J. L. and the Missus went about their work of raising farm products. A test was made on his farm, but nothing developed from it. As for the "wild living" in the Eastland County boom towns that oil caused, J. L. doesn't know much about that as he stayed on his place working, with the exception of going to town one a week to get supplies.

More or less retiring from farm work because of age, he has let the place grow up in Johnson grass. Still spry enough to walk to town and back, J. L. after talking with this writer, went over to the east side of the square and walked up a flight of stairs to have his picture taken

Students Pay
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Preachers, preachers' wives, and even preachers' mothers were represented by the gathering of Hankins exes. Henry Littleton has been district missionary for the Baptist denomination for District 17 for years and years, and now he is located permanently on the Lueders Encampment ground which the Baptist denomination maintains for their youth rallies, brotherhood meetings, W.M.S. meetings, etc., each summer, and which Mr. Littleton has been largely instrumental in seeing established.

For the first time in his life. Recently, Bob Gilchrist, Wichita Falls operator, became interested in the possibilities of oil on the Brashears' farm and drilled a well. It took like a gusher when it first came in, but the oil began to play out in a few days. Gilchrist was encouraged enough by the well that he plans to drill another test, J. L. said.

If-off is found in big quantities on his place, J. L. plans to move into town and take life easy, but he's not taking any bets on it.

Taylor Henley is the son of Mrs. Henley, long since gone on to her reward, who used to be a Miss Peninger when she attended the Hankins Institution. Taylor Henley is the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Gorman. Mrs. Bertha Eppler Gates of Abilene, is a Hankins student whose husband, Phillip Gates, is dean of McMurray College, and he has been a preacher for 35 years. Mrs. Gates is typical of the success which Hankins women have made of being a good wife and mother.

Dan Powers was the speaker, and his speech really struck the keynote of the gathering. Mr. Powers is assistant director of Motor Transportation Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas, and he teaches a Men's Bible Class which has for some of its members lawyers, statesmen, and leaders of our state, at Austin.

The 1949 reunion closed with the Memorial Service for those of their number who have answered the last roll call since the 1948 meeting, and several extemporaneous and impromptu speeches by members of the Alumnae. Stories by Clariborne Eldridge, Cyrus Frost, Robert Palmer, Allen Garret, Eldo Jefferies, Allen Heathington — Mr. Heathington told of having placed in the name of J. H. and J. F. Hankins in the archives of one of the oldest universities of Western Europe while he was there during the First World War — and others.

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Miss Wilcox To Present Musical Program Over Breckenridge Station

Miss Betty Rowe Wilcox, talented young musician, will be presented at 1:45 P. M. Sunday over station KSTB, Breckenridge. She will play the difficult "Rhapsody in Blue" and will be accompanied on the Hammond by Charles Kiker of Breckenridge. She is a student of Mr. Kiker. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wilcox of Cisco, formerly of Eastland, and is the granddaughter of Mrs. R. L. Rowe and the niece of Mrs. Harry Wood of Eastland.

Betty, who has been an honor roll student through her school days, graduated with honors this spring from Cisco High School, was awarded a four year scholarship in music from T. C. U. in Fort Worth, where she will enter in September to study for a degree in Music Education, with voice minor. She has won awards in competitive meets in Abilene, San Angelo, and San Antonio. She began her study of music at the age of eight, plays all of the percussion instruments. She has studied with Mrs. Bennie Butler, the late Miss Wilda Dragoo and Mr. Kiker. She won the T. C. U. scholarship on her performance with the bass fiddle, and has won honors on her work with the snare drums.

She was presented in recital by the Twentieth Century Club, at their club house in Cisco last Sunday, where she was assisted in several numbers by Pat Grist, who played a flute.

Miss Wilcox presented the following program, Vittoria (Victorinus My Heart) by Carissimi and "Leave Me in Sorrow" by Handel, "Glad Prayer" by Stenson, and "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked" by O'Hara. "When I Have Sung My Songs" by Charles and "Clouds" also by Charles.

Mrs. Fred D. Baumgardner accompanied Miss Wilcox.



... MISS BETTY WILCOX

Miss Warren To Wed Mr. McDuffy June 17 In Home Ceremony

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Warren, 300 East Valley Street have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Nelda Warren to Mr. Samuel N. McDuffy.

Mr. McDuffy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McDuffy of Midland. He is a graduate of Texas Tech of Lubbock, and is employed by the Texas Electric Service Company. He is being transferred to Colorado City, where the couple will make their home.

The wedding will be June 17 in the home of the bride's parents. Miss Warren was reared here, is a graduate of Eastland High school and is employed at the Eastland National Bank.

Dallas Guest Party Honoree

Honoring her guest, Miss Ruby King of Dallas, Mrs. Earl Stephens entertained members of the Circle 10 Club, Thursday afternoon at her home 417 South Lamar Street.

Each guest brought a small household gift to the hostess, at the custom of the club. The afternoon was spent sewing and visiting. Refreshments of lime sherbert and pink home made cake was served. With miniature salt and peppers made of plastic in the shape of peanuts used on each plant for favors.

Other guests were Mesdames L. N. Aldridge, Jack Pittman, and H. E. Basham.

The club planned to skip the summer months and meet again in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Maynard are on a two weeks vacation and have been visiting with their daughter, Mrs. John Davis and family in Abilene.

Party Date Changed Again

The Home Makers Class Party date has been set for Monday evening at 7 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Artie Liles. The Tuesday evening date previously named conflicts with the Taylor Studio recital, which is to be at the High School auditorium.

Mrs. Jack Frost was a member of the house party and presided over the coffee service the latter hour of the morning coffee in Abilene hosted by Mesdames Juanita Sloan Frost, and daughter Mrs. A. C. Hudson, and Mrs. Jesse F. Winters and daughter, Mrs. Sidney Alexander.

The coffee was given at the Country Club, Thursday morning and 165 guests called.

Mrs. C. E. Cwea and Mrs. W. C. Drienhoffer of Agua Dulce were Fort Worth visitors, Friday.

W. E. Cooper is in Dallas this week attending to business.

Mrs. W. C. Drienhoffer and daughters, Dana and Susan, of Agua Dulce are the guests here in the home of Mrs. Drienhoffer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Owen.



... MRS. EDWARD DUGGAN

English Woman Plans Visit To Liverpool Home

Mrs. Edward Duggan 401 South Madera Street Eastland, is making plans again to go to Liverpool, England for a three month visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Leadsome, and her only brother, Ronald.

14th of May.

Mrs. Leadsome visited her daughter and husband in Gorman when young Micheal was born. She stayed three months.

Mrs. Duggan plans to take her baby and go by train to Boston to take the boat for Liverpool. "I wish I could take my husband too" she said.

She has made many friends here and likes Eastland. She told of a friend, Mrs. Edwin Ferguson of Brownwood, whom she was expecting to visit her, with her husband, Mr. Ferguson, Sunday.

Mrs. Ferguson is a special friend, for she too is from Liverpool, England. The two women did not know each other before coming to Texas, but Mr. and Mrs. Leadsome knew Mrs. Ferguson's parents, and wrote their daughter about Mrs. Ferguson living in Brownwood, not knowing that Brownwood was very near to Gorman and that the two girls would become fast friends, as have their parents, being drawn by the same bond.

Duggan, who is an oil field worker and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Duggan of Carbon is going to miss that smiling little

brunette wife, that held chubby little blue eyed, blond, Micheal so close as she wiped away his tears and looked him over for bruises, and think that three months can be a long time.

Personals

Mrs. E. A. Wesson has as a guest this weekend her son, Dick Wesson, of Las Cruces, N. M. Telegram Personals

Miss June Morehart, Eastland High School teacher, registered at Texas Tech at Lubbock this week for the summer semester, where she will work toward a Master degree. Miss Morehart has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

She is the organist for the First Methodist Church, and is the daughter of Mrs. B. E. Morehart of Cisco.

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