



WNU Service.

TWENTY-TWO YEARS AGO, on Flanders' shell-torn fields, a bugle's silver tone brought golden silence to still the cacophony of War . . . a silence, however, epitomized by the grim quiet of the burial grounds with endless crosses, row on row.

Today our nation labors with feverish haste that we may erect a man-made barrier against the thunderous wrath now sweeping a continent in the wake of human hatred. The torch of America is being carried to light forever the path of peace for this hemisphere.

For twenty-two years we have shed no blood in war . . . yet American motherhood trembles as children kneel in evening prayer for fear that this precious peace may not be maintained . . . that the overseas lightning may yet flash across the ocean with its blighting destruction.

Well today may we add to our pleas before the Almighty's throne our prayer for a continuation of the golden silence that came on this day in 1918 . . . and from the merest child to the tottering patriarch, add these words to our supplication . . .

"And grant us Peace . . . Amen!"

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SOOTHY

SEARS-GRAY. Two prominent families were united Wednesday evening when Miss Lou Dale Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Gray, became the bride of Clyde Sears, son of Mrs. Clyde Sears, in a simple home ceremony just at the twilight hour.

Rev. John H. Crow, pastor of the Methodist church, officiated, in the presence of only the immediate members of both families. Attendants to the couple were Miss Rachel Patterson, student in Texas Tech at Lubbock, and Doyle Gray of Abilene, only brother of the bride.

The bride's brunette beauty was enhanced by a red fox fur jacket over a frock in soldier blue. She will best be remembered as the vivacious little drum major who led our band for three years, and her popularity was evidenced when she was elected "most popular girl" in Merkel High school last year.

Clyde (Bubba) Sears is a son of a generation of cattle people and they will live on the Sears ranch southeast of Merkel. He was also a popular graduate of Merkel High school, after which he attended Texas Tech for a time. Immediately following the ceremony, a lovely wedding cake was cut and served with hot chocolate after which the couple left for an automobile trip to San Antonio and other points of interest.

QUEEN THEATRE "Showing the Pick of Pictures for Less" FRIDAY-SATURDAY THE THREE MESQUITEERS in "ROCKY MOUNTAIN RANGERS" Added: 2-Reel Comedy, "Just a Cute Kid," Red Ryder No. 2, Serial and Cartoon (ALL OVER SIXTY ADMITTED FREE) Saturday Preview. 11:15, Sunday-Monday The Story of a Great American, a Great Guy, a Great Coach— "KNUTE ROCKNE—ALL AMERICAN" —ON THE STAGE — MONDAY ONLY— Merkel High School Band Presenting a 30-Minute Armistice Day Program TUESDAY ONLY—Bargain Nite—10c-15c "CALLING PHILO VANCE" JAMES STEPHENSON — HENRY O'NEILL \$\$\$ WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY \$\$\$ Tyrone Power — Linda Darnell — Dean Jagger In "BRIGHAM YOUNG" Added: Latest March of Time, "MEXICO"

RURAL SOCIETY UNION RIDGE CLUB.

Mrs. Weldon McAninch was hostess on Friday afternoon to members of the Union Ridge Home Demonstration club. With the president in charge, roll call was answered by "Things I Am Thankful For." A singsong was followed by a Thanksgiving program consisting of songs by Mrs. Don Riney and Corky Cox, and a play by Jackie McAninch and Nan Shelton.

At the refreshment hour delicious nut pie and coffee was served to the following visitors and members: Mesdames Jack Canon, J. W. Blanton, Velma Shelton, Don Riney, Houston Clark, W. C. Lee, Pierce Horton, Kenneth Pee, Chester Bond, Lee Tipton, O. E. Harwell, Denzel Cox, Burly Bond, Clarence Church, O. R. Douglas, Woodrow Patton, Lige Harris, M. L. Douglas, S. G. Russell, Jr., and Miss Mabel McRee and the hostess.

BRIDAL SHOWER. (Omitted last week.) Mrs. J. B. Harris, the former Mildred Browning, was honored with a bridal shower on last Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Ira Stanley of Stith, with Muriel and Winona Kelso as co-hostesses.

Everyone enjoyed an afternoon of lively games after which a beautiful array of useful gifts was presented to the bride. At the conclusion of the social hour a dainty refreshment plate of cookies and punch was served to Mesdames D. W. Ashby, C. S. Sherrill, Clovis Stanley, M. E. West, Norman Winter, T. O. Butler, John Browning, Irvin Burton, W. H. Kelso, Henry Miller, Clement Carey, Britt Baker, C. R. Rogers, Jr., E. H. Thompson, Don Riney, Paul Bradley, J. S. Varner, Earnest Owens, Henry Berry, J. B. Harris; Misses Pauline Bradley, Louise Hudson, Bernsha Mae Thompson, Muriel and Winona Kelso.

Those sending gifts were Mesdames Fletcher Jones, Clyde Rushing and Truitt Jones and Mrs. O. B. Tatum, grandmother of the bride. Completes Fifth Year With Merkel Church The Business Men's class will have the opening exercise program at the Methodist church Sunday morning.

"A large attendance is urged," said Johnny Cox, superintendent of the Sunday School, "at both the Sunday School and church, as next Sunday is the last service for Rev. John H. Crow before conference. He is now completing his fifth year at the Merkel church, being the only preacher serving more than three years." All stewards and members are invited to be present and help in the opening program promptly at 9:45. Just say you saw it in The Mail.

MRS. WAYNE BOYD COMPLETED WITH SHOWER. On Thursday afternoon a prettily planned party, honoring Mrs. Wayne Boyd, the former Eloise Perry, was given in the home of Mrs. Claude Perry, with Mrs. Ollie Fox as co-hostess.

After several games were played a dainty refreshment plate was passed and gifts were presented to the bride by the following: Mrs. C. J. Reed and Mrs. Pierson Morgan of Forsan; Mesdames Fenton Boyd, Sammy Roberts, Ed Burks, Oscar S. Bishop, Chock Hutcheson, Charlie Keys, John Boyd, Trent; Mesdames Watt Blair, R. H. Mathews, Sr., R. H. Mathews, Jr., S. G. Russell, Jr., Pierce Horton, Harry Barnett, M. B. Bell, Joe Renuau, Stacy Bird, Homer Patterson, F. T. Hogan, Jr., Joe Cypert, Mae Seago, Ed Turner, W. W. Campbell, Andy Shouse, Pete Rutledge, and Mr. Dee Perry and family.

Misses Luna White, Robbie Walker, Euvalda Fox, Mickey and Dutchy Diltz, Thelma and Pearl Mathews, Margaret Turner, Ounita Douglas, Faye Boyd and Betty and Bonnie Reed of Forsan. BUFFET SUPPER. Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Palmer entertained a group of friends with a buffet supper on Hallowe'en night.

Open House Sunday at New Ferguson Home The handsome new home of R. M. Ferguson on Austin street has been completed and the family moved into it Wednesday. The structure, which is a story and a half, is of semi-English design. For the benefit of the general public, who may be interested, open house hours will be observed Sunday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock.

In The Churches

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE. There were 580 present at the six reporting Sunday Schools here last Sunday, as compared with 599 the previous week. On the same Sunday a year ago the attendance was 640.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning sermon at 11. Training Union 6:15. Evening sermon at 7:15. Teachers' and officers' meeting and prayer meeting 7:15 Wednesday evening. Cooper Waters, Pastor.

BAPTIST W. M. U. The Baptist W. M. U. will meet in Circles on Monday, Nov. 11, at 2:30 p. m., as follows: Blanche Rose Walker, with Mrs. A. D. Fulton; Maybelle Taylor, with Mrs. M. E. Campbell; Elkin Lockett, with Mrs. J. R. Reece in the S. J. Criswell home.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Sunday School at 10 a. m. is the only service at our church. Everyone is urged to attend regularly. W. M. Elliott, Clerk of Session.

METHODIST CHURCH. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Morning sermon at 11 a. m. Young people's meeting at 6:30 p. m. Evening worship at 7:15. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:15. John H. Crow, Pastor.

NAZARENE CHURCH. Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. NYPS at 6:30 Sunday evening. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

CHURCH OF CHRIST. Sunday services: Bible classes 9:45; preaching at 10:45; young people's meeting at 6:30. Preaching at 7:30 p. m.

FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH. Preaching Saturday night at 7 o'clock. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7. M. C. Miller, Pastor.

HOSPITAL NOTES. Mrs. M. Townsend, Route 3, entered Sadler Clinic Saturday with a fractured hip. E. Barnes, Route 4, who had minor surgery Sunday, was dismissed the following day. Carbon paper, 8 1/2x11, two sheets for 5 cents; 25 cents per dozen. At Merkel Mail office.

2 PER CENT DISCOUNT THIS MONTH ONLY On 1940 CITY AND SCHOOL TAXES 1% In December — January Net Dec. 1st Is Last Day for Split-Tax Payments on 1940 Taxes

Record of... Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Criswell, Route 1, Wednesday, November 6, 1940. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Seagraves, Route 4, Wednesday, November 6, 1940.

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Fancy Bulk APPLES Peck Bus. Colorado Hard Head Cabbage

YAMS Colorado W. SPUDS

Rutabaga Turnips Onions

Tamales Lb.-can Salmon Tall can 15c Sardines Lb.-can 10

Pure Cane — Kraft Bag Sugar 10 lbs.

Maxwell House Coffee New Crop Syet SYRU

Full 2 Lb. Qu.-g Peanut Butter Small Saltine Crackers.. 2

Palmolive Toilet Soap.. Bar Matches Ctn. 15c

Oleo Lb. 10c Kraft's Dinner Pkg. 10c

Brisket Beef Roast .. Lb, 15c Chuck Steak lb. 20c Sliced BACON Lb. 22c

Pure Pork Sausage Lb. 19c No. 1 Grade Salt Pork Lb. 12 1/2c Sliced Bologna Lb. 10c FRESH CATER HOT BAP