

Worry about the Russian situation, the H-Bomb, taxes and the national debt may affect the younger generation at times. Talk with some of the teen-agers and you will find that they put some thought into such things, but think objectively and have definite ideas on something to do about it.

But days like Tuesday of this week, they worry over things closer to them. Like Valentine's Day. If you were around the post office, in the stores, or out on the streets that beautiful day, you must have been impressed with the fact that things in the romance line haven't changed so much. The spirit of the occasion seemed also to be caught up by the middle-aged and even some of the elderly.

Maybe it's a good thing to scatter our attention at intervals and consider the old-fashioned customs that have continued all through the ages.

Yes, Tuesday was a beautiful day.

A picture and news story in this issue concern an insurance organization in which local people feel a special interest.

It was back during the early days of the depression that the Rio Grande National Life Insurance Company was first heard of here. S. J. Cheek accepted a proposition to do some special work about the time the company was moving from Harlingen to Dallas, and he did the job up in his customary efficient way. He sold many policies back in the early thirties which are still in force, many of them being nearly paid up by now.

During the constant growth of the company which is now reflected in the open house for the elaborate new building in Dallas, others have been added to the local list of policyholders, and there are several stockholders in and around Hico. Information received this week from L. B. Bowman, Rio Grande district manager at Brownwood, shows the unusual situation that the company enjoys an extraordinary ratio of policies to the population of the town. Currently, he says, there are 1660 policyholders served out of Hico, and about 1400 in Hamilton.

Jacques Nonce is local representative, J. H. Spears is district superintendent at Stephenville, and Bowman as district manager at Brownwood has supervision over 26 agents in 20 counties, after the flying start he made eleven years ago as local representative. Hats off to those who have made such a showing in the local field, as well as to R. W. Baxter, president, and his associates who have built up such a creditable organization.

The First National Bank in Hico is a busy place these days. Perhaps most folks, like the editor, hesitate to loiter around like custom and times have permitted in the past. Not that a customer is ever made to feel that he is not welcome. But the fast pace of the times reveals a stepped-up schedule that does not permit enough time on either side of the partition for much more than a hasty howdy-do. That is, on most occasions.

Waiting on the completion of a routine detail the other morning, the editor took time to look around and admire the modern improvements and changes that have been made during the past few years. He even accepted an invitation from one of the personnel to sit down and tie his shoe—provided it was the right one. After getting that chore done up, he glanced around the sanctum sanctorum of the affable president of the institution, Odus Petsick, who has his accessible office in apple-pie order at all times.

The wall is graced by a plaque, which many may have seen but which had so far escaped the notice of this day's visitor. The wording on an elaborately inscribed instrument, neatly framed, reads as follows:

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Which further demonstrates the fact that bankers are like other business men. They show a human interest in their associates, are considerate of their customers, and have time to stop occasionally for the little niceties of living that keep everyday life from becoming drudgery.

This situation exists in no uncertain manner at The First National Bank in Hico. President Petsick and his associates show a spirit of civic intent that not only makes dealing with the institution more pleasant, but also pays off in a business way. The local bank statements, published periodically in this paper, reflect constantly growing deposits and expansion of loans. And this means better service, a wider field, and a better town made possible through adequate local banking facilities and friendly services in all legitimate requirements.



DISTRICT SCOUT HEADS TO MEET HERE NEXT WEEK

District committee members of the Heart of Texas Council of the Boy Scouts of America will meet in Hico Monday evening at 7:30 at the Fireman's Hall in regular meeting to discuss important plans for the Hamilton District for 1950, according to an announcement from E. R. Lawrence, District Chairman of Hamilton.

Truman E. Roberts was named vice chairman of the District at an earlier meeting this year in Hamilton. Grady Hooper was named to the committee on organization and extension; S. E. Blair Jr. to the committee of camping and activities; and Max Hoffman to the finance committee.

Hico committeemen will be hosts to other officers of the district and the following committee members: Dr. C. C. Baker, chairman of the committee on organization and extension, and A. M. White of Hamilton; Frank Holmes, chairman of committee on camping and activities and Seth Moore, Hamilton; Lee A. Colwick, chairman of the committee on leadership and training, and Oran Knudson of Hamilton; L. F. Parsons, chairman of the committee on advancement and Rev. Patrick Murphy and Eldon Jones, chairman of the finance committee.

Simultaneous with the meeting of the district committee, a District Scouters Roundtable and a District Cubber's Roundtable will be held in the Fireman's Hall Monday evening for Scoutmasters, assistants and troop committeemen, and a District Cubber's Roundtable for Cubmasters, Assistants and pack committeemen.

The Scouters' Roundtable, formulated at the last committee meeting, will follow the theme "The Patrol Method," according to Oran Knudson, district commissioner. The Cubber's Roundtable will discuss the theme of program planning. These meetings are planned to aid leaders in all phases of Scouting activities.

Representing the Hico Troop 99 will be scoutmaster Ralph Boone, and assistant scoutmasters, M. I. Knudson and W. B. Coats. Cubmaster James Hampton will represent the newly organized local cub pack.

ATTEND TARLETON PLAY Mrs. Louise Angell, accompanied by Misses Ellen and Lois Grey and Dick Smith, were in Stephenville Saturday to attend the play "Julius Caesar" presented by the Margaret Webster Company of New York. Mrs. Angell was guest at a dinner given for the east and for English teachers in nearby high schools by the English Faculty of Tarleton State College.

OPENING NEW BUILDING—The new Home Office Building of the Rio Grande National Life Insurance Company in Dallas will be dedicated and opened to the public on February 24. Inset shows R. W. Baxter who in 1928 organized the company in Harlingen. He is serving his 21st year as president of the company. The company moved to Dallas in 1930.

The company in its 21 years has shown steady progress. It has more than \$65,000,000 life insurance in force in addition to a large hospitalization and accident insurance premium income. The company has district offices in 12 Texas towns—Dallas, Fort Worth, Harlingen, Brownwood, Big Spring, Houston, Weslaco, McAllen, Abilene, Midland, Lubbock and Amarillo. The Rio Grande National Life has 40 assistant district managers and agencies operating in 97 Texas towns.

PLAYERS ASKED TO SIGN UP FOR CITY BASEBALL CLUB

Officials for a city baseball club, to be called the Hico Owls, were named at a preliminary organizational meeting Wednesday night at Mackey's Recreation Hall. Myrt Suttitt was elected manager; Buster Duncan, assistant manager; R. E. Laminack, captain, and J. B. Ratliff, coach.

A second meeting, at which players will be signed and organizational plans completed, has been scheduled for 7 o'clock Wednesday night, March 1, at the recreation hall.

Ratliff and Suttitt have asked the News Review to urge that all local prospects for players contact them or some of the other officials and familiarize themselves with the rules, regulations and contract requirements, and be ready to sign up at the March 1 meeting.

Deputy Collector to Aid On Income Tax Filing Here March 1

C. E. Elkins, Deputy Collector for the Internal Revenue Service of the Treasury Department, out of the Waco office, has been assigned to assist the local taxpayers in the Hico community in the preparation of their income tax returns for the year 1949. "I am scheduled to be in Hico, at the City Hall, on Wednesday, March 1, 1950, between the hours of 8 a. m. and 5 p. m." Mr. Elkins wrote, "at which time I will be glad to discuss with the taxpayers of your community any income tax problems and advise with them with reference to the preparation of their returns."

ANOTHER CREDIT ON FIRE INSURANCE EARNED BY CITY

Local property owners can again thank their stars and members of the Hico Volunteer Fire Department for a considerable saving that will be in effect on all fire insurance policies written during the twelve-month period beginning March 1.

Local agents have received notification that normal premiums on policies will still be reduced through application of a credit on all premiums. Preliminary advice is that the credit will be 20 per cent.

This saving is not quite as large as the current saving which is 25 per cent and which will apply until March 1. But it is still considerable, as pointed out by Mrs. Odus Petsick of the Petsick Insurance Agency, who submitted the information to this paper. It will be remembered that until 12 months ago Hico for several years had been charged a 15 per cent penalty. Mrs. Petsick also stated that Hico's credit was especially commendable when compared with the situation in neighboring towns, where unfortunate fire losses must be paid for by the public.

In addition to the credit on premiums, Hico enjoys a low fire rate, which is due in large part to efficient work and constant alertness of the fire department and cooperation of city officials.

Local IH Dealer Has Farmall Painted White For Demonstration Use

A Farmall tractor, painted white with gold stars, is making news as it travels up and down the country roads of this community.

This tractor, with a colorful "teardrop" sign above the hood, is one which Neel Tractor & Tractor Store, local International Harvester dealer, is using to demonstrate the many features and all-around farm performance of the Farmall "C" on the nearby farms.

It has created considerable attention because all other standard production-line Farmall tractors are painted red.

The gold stars on the tractor indicate sales features: fingertip Farmall Touch-Control for lifting, lowering and adjusting mounted McCormick implements; the universal quick-change implement mounting frame; and quick-attachable drawbar.

J. P. Neel announces that the Farmall "C", painted white, will be available at any time for those who wish to see them and operate them on their own farms.

Ernie Jacobs and Red McCoy have been appointed by the local dealer as "Farmall Men", and will have charge of the demonstration. Those interested are asked to call for an on-the-farm demonstration date.

Texaco Consignee Attends Organization Meeting At Houston

S. B. Starnes, consignee at Hico for The Texas Company, was in Houston Monday to attend an organization meeting for consignees and salaried employees of the company. Meetings were held in the Rice Hotel in the morning and in the afternoon, with a luncheon served at noon in the South American Room.

Representatives came from throughout the Houston Division of the company, and attendance was estimated by Mr. Starnes at over 400. Both the morning and afternoon programs were entertaining and instructive, he said.

Leaving Hico last Saturday, Mr. Starnes was accompanied by his wife. They spent a night and a day with their daughter, Miss Mary Jo Starnes, who is working in the office of the big new aluminum plant at Port Lavaca. They returned home Tuesday.

Cpl. Randolph Assigned To Duty In Bermuda As Radio Operator

Kindley AFB, Bermuda, Jan. 27, 1950.—Corporal Lelas Randolph, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Randolph, Box 95, Hico, Texas, recently arrived at Kindley Air Force Base, where he is assigned to duty with the 6th Weather Detachment, as a Radio Operator. His job will be to fly, taking weather data from a transmitter dropped from the plane, which will send all pertinent information over the radio to the Corporal. He is a graduate of Hico High School.

Mrs. R. A. Roberts was in Dallas last Thursday buying new merchandise for the Roberts Jewelry Store.

Hico to Be Site Next Week for Girls' District Basketball Meet

The following weather report is submitted by L. L. Hudson, local observer: Feb. 8 — 82 55 0.35 Feb. 9 — 64 42 0.00 Feb. 10 — 62 30 0.20 Feb. 11 — 65 51 0.50 Feb. 12 — 71 56 0.00 Feb. 13 — 71 37 0.00 Feb. 14 — 52 33 0.00 Total precipitation so far this year, 5.26 inches.

RIVERSIDE LOCATION FOR BALL DIAMOND DECIDED BY LIONS

After discussion of two prospective locations for a lighted baseball field, the lot near the river adjacent to the Scout Hut was unanimously selected by vote of Hico Lions in regular session at Firemen's Hall Wednesday noon.

A report from Lion Chairman M. S. Norton revealed that the engineering department of Community Public Service Company had agreed to make a survey and submit estimates at an early date. Only other location suggested was on the school grounds, and this was ruled out after consideration of pertinent disadvantages.

Mrs. Jackie McCook, who has been superintending serving of the noon luncheon preceding the meetings, submitted notice that she would have to terminate this arrangement after next week's meeting since she plans to move to Florida about the first of March. A committee composed of Lions Morgan Moon, W. R. Hampton and P. W. Hamilton was instructed to make proper arrangements for serving of future meals.

Lion W. D. Bradley, school band director, called attention to a band concert to be staged at the school auditorium next Thursday, Feb. 23.

Need of glasses by a second grade student was referred to the welfare committee, headed by Lion W. B. Coats.

A letter from Lion District Deputy Governor Ira Moore of Hamilton was read, urging attendance of as many as possible at ladies' night at Stephenville Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 7:15 p. m.

Lion L. H. Davis, pastor of the Hico Baptist Church, announced religious services to be held on the streets of the business section Saturday afternoon from 2:30 to 3:15. He asked the cooperation of the club and the citizenship in furthering this information which will tell the story of Jesus.

Lion Willie Sirman called attention to the girls' district basketball tournament to be held here next week, and also noted the fact that local boys would engage in the regional meet at Brownwood. He said Hico was the only school within his knowledge that could boast of getting both boys' and girls' teams beyond county competition. Hico was selected for the district meet in the open bidding before a meeting of the four-county district's officials held Monday night, and the local bid was \$240 plus fees for officials and trophies. He stated that if the local's luck held out, some of this money would be returned, but urged the public to back and encourage the participants in every way possible. The club voted to donate \$500 toward paying for a new clock and scoreboard being installed, total cost of which will be around \$180.00.

Twenty members and one guest, J. M. Dunn of Fort Worth, attended Wednesday's meeting.

Dear Hearts and Gentle People — JUDGE COMPLIMENTS CITIZENSHIP ON MAKING GRAND JURORS' WORK LIGHT

Only one felony indictment was returned by the Hamilton grand jury which remained in session only a day and a half. Eighteen witnesses were examined and the single indictment for non-support of a minor child issued.

In its report, the grand jury recommended the repainting of the inside of the jail and voiced a resolution deploring speeding and racing in automobiles by teenage boys and girls.

In his charge to the jury, Judge R. B. Cross said that probably 99 per cent of the people in Hamilton were lawabiding and that so far as he knew, the remaining 1 per cent were not guilty of any major crimes. Impanelled for the term were Herbert Wolfe, foreman; Everett Blackwell, assistant foreman; M. N. Schrank, secretary; L. H. Coston, Albert Hopper Jr., Herman Kunkel, Vernon E. Mason, James Billingsley, J. R. Woodard, Winford Gardner, Billy Boyar and R. E. Mearns.



SAVED FROM STARVATION... Vincenza Schielzo, 4, was saved from starvation by New York S.P.C.C. investigators. Her 10th brother starved to death. A third child of Mary and Guy Schielzo was well-fed.

\$267 TURNED OVER TO CHAIRMAN IN MARCH OF DIMES

Hico raised \$267.86 for the 1950 March of Dimes, according to a report submitted by Miss Louise Blair and Mrs. Odus Petsick in turning local funds over to H. H. Stroud, county chairman at Hamilton.

Of this amount, about half came from the Hico Theatre. J. T. Hitt took donations at the show, at basketball games, and elsewhere. Mrs. J. W. Hamilton and Mrs. J. W. Richbourg were responsible for solicitation in the business district. Girl Scouts worked the residential section and conducted booths in town on Saturday.

No information on the exact quota was obtainable, but from reports submitted by other towns it is judged that Hico did a good job in this worthy cause.

Girl Scouts Hold Social Gathering At Pierce Home Monday

The Girl Scouts met for a social gathering Monday night at the home of Mrs. Weldon Pierce and daughter, Bonnie. They were entertained with music, cookie making, and corn popping.

Those present were: Frances Latham, Mary Helen Phillips, Julia Ann Hedges, Maxie Ruth Tidwell, Shirley Mae Ruebush, Mary Paula Boone, Peggy Ables, Nellie Jo Ruebush, and Scout leader Louise Blair.

SCOUT SCRIBE.

New Director Named At Recent Meeting of Hico Hospital Board

Odus Petsick was named a new member of the board of directors of the Hico Hospital and Clinic at the annual meeting of stockholders held recently.

Other directors were re-elected as follows: J. W. Richbourg, J. H. Golightly, T. A. Randals and Dr. H. V. Hedges. The new director fills the vacancy created by the death of the late Grady Barrow. The meeting was scheduled for February 7 in the City Hall for the annual election of directors.

Plans Shaping Up for Organization of Cub Scout Pack Here

Completion of plans for the organization of a Cub Scout Pack and application for a charter will be made at a meeting at 7:30 o'clock Monday night at Fireman's Hall. Harvey Price of Waco, district executive of the Heart of Texas Scout Council, discussed plans at the hall last Friday night. James Hampton will serve as Cub Master. Hampton moved here recently from Dublin, where he was Cub Master. Boys, aged 8, 9, 10, are being registered in three groups. Den 1 will have Mrs. Grady Hooper as its Den Mother and Arthur Burden as its Den Dad and will hold its first meeting at 10 o'clock Saturday morning at Mrs. Hooper's home. Mrs. J. T. Eubank will be Den Mother and Weldon Pierce Den Dad for Den 2, which will meet at 7 o'clock Friday night. Mr. and Mrs. Victor Grey will serve as Den Mother and Dad for Den 3, and will hold an initial meeting at 10:30 Saturday morning. A Boy Scout Chief will be appointed to each group.

All boys in this age group who are interested in becoming Cub Scouts and their parents are invited to attend the Monday night meeting. Hampton said a fifty cent membership will be charged. The prospective membership is about 35. Parents present at the meeting Friday night were: Mrs. Richmond Herrington, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burden, Mrs. A. B. Roberson, Mrs. J. D. Partain, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Grey, Mr. and Mrs. Seldon Grey, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Eubank, Max Hoffman, Ralph Boone, Mrs. Irene Ables, R. E. Collins, H. A. Warren, H. W. Sherrard, Mrs. Robert Ogle, Mrs. Asa Bullard, Mrs. Irene Chapman, Mrs. W. M. Horcier, Mrs. J. B. Howerton, Mrs. Ralph Morland, and Mrs. Rufus Phillips.



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Mid-Century Exposition To Be Feature of 1950 State Fair of Texas

The 1950 State Fair of Texas will be a gigantic Mid-Century Exposition, a hats-off salute to the first half century and an eye-popping preview of the second, State Fair President R. L. Thornton has announced. Dates of the 1950 fair will be Oct. 7-22.

"Since the 1950 fair takes place at very nearly the end of the first half century, this will be a good time to pause and take a refreshing look at what has been accomplished and appraise the challenge of what lies ahead," Thornton said.

"We have arrived at a fascinating moment in history and the 1950 fair will provide an unsurpassed view of the achievements of the Twentieth Century, as much of it as we can see at this time."

To support the mid-century theme, the grounds will be given an extensive job of face-lifting, plans reveal. The front entrance will be rebuilt as a "pylon of time" and a "court of the decades" extending into the Esplanade.

Decorations on the Esplanade will include dramatic theme stanchions suggested by various types of time instruments used down the centuries.

Already announced for the 1950 fair are South Pacific as the Auditorium attraction, and the All-American Jersey Show, America's largest cattle show.

Museums of the civic center will have special displays. One museum already has its mid-century show in advanced stages in preparation.

"Every facility on the grounds is being pressed into service for the 1950 fair, which is destined to be the largest, most mass-appealing ever produced in Texas," the fair official said. "All special events, including a music festival, pageants and daily parades, will be keyed to the mid-century idea."

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By Mrs. Henry Mayfield

A big rain fell here Saturday night.

Mrs. Wayne Garner and baby of Seiden spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Roberson.

The Busy Bee Club met last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Blanche Johnson.

W. J. Stewart of Colorado City visited Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bishop recently.

Bill Thompson of Odessa and son-in-law visited Mr. and Mrs. John Burks a while Friday. They came to attend the funeral of Mrs. M. E. Burnett of Hico.

John and Emmett Burks were both on the sick list last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Mayfield and baby of Fort Worth spent the week end in the Earl Mayfield home.

T. B. Roberson of Haskell came Friday and visited a short while in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Roberson and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mayfield. Mr. Roberson, Mrs. Henry Mayfield, Buster Roberson, Mrs. Dorothy Erick and Mrs. Wayne Garner of Seiden attended the funeral services of their aunt, Mrs. Marion Burnett in Hico Friday afternoon, who passed away Wednesday at 4:15 p. m. at her home in Hico after a long illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Fry, who have been employed in Fort Worth the past few years have just finished a new home in Riverside addition in Fort Worth and moved to it last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Mayfield and son, Mr. Arch Mayfield and Mrs. R. W. Kuenke of Stephenville visited relatives here Sunday evening.

Mrs. Lewis Onatatt of Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Clark visited Mr. and Mrs. Babe Head and family of Fort Worth recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Vol Billingsly and family and his parents of Dublin and J. W. Stewart of Colorado City visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Loden of Waco passed the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dowdy.

We are sorry to report Mrs. Ara Denman came home from the Hico Hospital, after being there several days and had to go back to the Hospital. We hope she will soon be able to go home again soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Alexander have a new granddaughter born recently to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Alexander Jr. of Kerrville. Mrs. Alexander is taking care of mother and baby. Mr. Alexander spent the week end with them.

Homer Lee and son, Bruce went to Borger this past week end to visit Mr. and Mrs. Olin Johnson and daughter, Mrs. Lee returned home with them after spending several days with the Johnsons.

Pat and Owen Christian are ill with the mumps.

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By Homer Glenecko

Wet and cold weather has hampered farm operations and it is still cold and rainy this morning (Monday).

Stephenville won the basket ball tournament here Saturday night and the girls lost by a margin of one point after going strong all through the school tournament at Alexander.

C. B. Burgan informs us that plans have been completed for a 60 by 30 feet tile building to be erected soon, two miles from Stephenville on the Glen Rose highway. It will be a blacksmith shop, garage and welding shop and will be operated jointly by C. B. and his son, Oscar, who is moving up from Corpus Christi.

Geo. Bowie was able to go to Hico last Saturday.

W. D. Elkins is in the Hico Hospital. Mr. Elkins is our oldest citizen and one of the best. We wish for him the best of luck.

Mrs. G. E. Bowie has been released from the Hico Hospital and is convalescing at home.

Lellan Dale Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson, has also returned home.

Clarence Madden and wife and family visited Mrs. Madden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Scales.

Doris Herring of Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Herring.

Imogene Lindsey and Reba Bowie spent the week end with their parents.

Our efficient and estimable County Superintendent, Mr. Doxy Tate was down from the county capital Saturday night to attend the finals of the ball tournament. He was accompanied by his wife.

We have a lively story from a Mr. Jack Brewer, who lives near O'Donnell, and was visiting Earl Shaffer and family over the week end. Mrs. Earl Shaffer is a niece of Mr. Brewer. Jack, 36 years of age, and his family, who were with him here, sold \$36,000 worth of cotton from his 600 acres. It cost him \$24,000 to make the crop. \$13,050 of this was for gathering the cotton. The government has the cotton acreage of Mr. Brewer over 300 acres for 1950. He also stated that the town of O'Donnell ginned 55,000 bales last season. After all, \$12,000 net profit for a cotton farmer is not hay.

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Statistical Report Shows Efficiency In Operation of Schools

Austin, Texas, Feb. 15.—Texas' rapidly growing public school system is costing only one-twelfth more of every tax penny than the total expended ten years ago.

The surprisingly small increase in apportionment of the total tax dollar in the decade starting with the 1939-40 school year is due to several factors, Charles H. Tennyson, Director of Public Relations of the Texas State Teachers Association, pointed out here today.

The total government cost for all purposes has increased tremendously in the decade, Tennyson noted, but said that the percentage of total government cost for public schools jumped only from 30-31 per cent in 1939-40 to 36-43 per cent for the present school year.

Public schools this year will cost an estimated total of \$155,213,582 in revenue derived from state and federal funds. The total cost of all governmental services including education is estimated at \$510,000,000.

During 1939-40, which was the last normal year prior to World War II, Texas had 1,973,847 children attending school. This year there are preliminary reports show 1,181,103, an increase of 107,256 pupils.

That huge added enrollment, plus better school facilities and more capable teachers, account for a great part of the added cost of operating our schools," Tennyson said. "In addition the dollar of today has a 1939 purchasing value of 59 cents.

Tennyson indicated their desire for better schools when they approved the Gilmer-Aikin bills which re-organized our school system and set higher standards, but I am pleased that the increased cost takes so little more of the total tax dollar than it did ten years ago.

The most important factors in this seem to be, our statistical reports disclose, first, that the number of pupils attending school and the number of teachers declined from 1939-40 to 1947-48. As a result, the total cost of public schools did not increase as rapidly as other government services.

Secondly, the state has expanded services of other kinds to its citizens more rapidly than the public school program has been expanded.

By 1948-49 the pupil attendance and the number of teachers had passed the pre-war level of 1939-40, yet the proportionate part of total government expense was not going to the schools. In fact, the position of the schools on the tax dollar scale declined from 30-31 per cent to 27-49 per cent.

But to sum it up, Texas now has a vastly improved school system, which makes for better citizens and a more prosperous state at a total increase in cost of only a little more than one mill, a twelfth part of every tax penny. That amounts to a twelfth part of the cost of the average cigarette.

Drilling of 'Wildcat' Oil Wells Cost Huge Sum During 1949

Last year, the American Petroleum Institute announces, the oil industry drilled about 7,290 "wildcat" wells—the greater number in any one year since the discovery of oil in 1859.

"Wildcat" wells are test wells which the oil men drill in the course of exploring new or unproved territories. Through them new pools are discovered and new field brought into production. Our proved oil reserves have now reached the enormous figure of nearly 27,000,000,000 barrels—and the "wildcats" are largely responsible for that.

A "wildcat" however, is not a safe, sure and conservative piece of business. It involves great financial risks since four out of five of them turn out to be dry holes. The science of geology has made great progress, but it isn't foolproof by a long shot. The only sure way to prove that there is oil in any given place is to go down and look.

Last year's "wildcats" cost the oil industry more than \$350,000,000 in drilling expense. Since only one out of five was a producer, the average cost of finding a worthwhile well was about \$250,000. And that doesn't include the huge sums paid to landowners for leases, the cost of geological and geophysical exploration, and other heavy and necessary costs. In 1949 the total costs of exploring for oil and gas with in this country was over \$1,000,000,000.



INTERNATIONAL CHAMP... Thorbjorn Falkanger of Norway won the international ski jumping tournament at Nerscom's Hill, Salisbury Mills, N.Y. In the absence of snow, crushed ice was substituted on the slope.

Above the HULLABALOO by LITTLE HULL

WARM UP, most writers say, before beginning to write for publication. Spend 10 or 15 minutes picking out something on the typewriter for the wastebasket. (Whaddya think I'm doing?) Don't pick up your subject until words begin springing from your subconscious. (Okay, but some of the words that spring from my subconscious my wife won't let me say before the baby.)

Toss your subconscious and subject together, stir well and smear the mixture on paper. There's your column—written without your drawing a conscious breath.

Most writers use this lapse-of-consciousness method very effectively. Some use a perversion of it, described and exemplified by this column.

SUPPOSE I'm warming up to write on the teleological aspects of canasta. No one could kick that around in his right mind. So I throw myself into a frenzy as soon as possible. I let this warm-up stuff fade and my subconscious vibrate—meld, jester, wild card, discard pile, red threes, redheads, blondes.

(Can I help it if my subconscious mind wanders?) I'm ready to toss this practice essay into the wastebasket and begin a masterpiece. I'm wringing my brain for the last drop of inspiration. The neon lights glow before the inner eye. Let's see what they're flashing... rent... milk bill... light bill... grocery bill... Gosh, my subconscious just blew a fuse!

ANYWAY, you get the picture. This psychic continues sometimes for as long as two or three seconds. Hopefully, the writer reviews what the muse has dictated, checking punctuation and spelling. Then he folds the page carefully and tears it neatly in two. He begins to rummage through the wastebasket for the wadded warm-up copy.

Well, what are you kicking about? This method at least spared you a treatise on canasta.

BROADWAY AND MAIN STREET Real Roses in the Cheeks—You Call That a Handicap?

When Eleanor and I first moved up to Mt. Kisco, some of our neighbors dropped by to pay their respects, but I didn't encourage these visits. The landed gentry of Westchester are nice enough folk, but they don't talk my lingo. Besides, I see no point in cultivating people who think it's smart to chase a fox.

But a little down the road from us live a couple I cultivate as often as they'll have me. Their names are Fred and Jane Newell. I met them through Eleanor two years ago, and I'll never forget the first night we had dinner at their house.

Jane answered the doorbell. She was pretty all over, and I liked her right away. "Excuse the peasant skirt," she said. "I have a baby penciled in for the fall."

Fred was in the living room listening to the radio. He had the tweedy look of the good guy in the women's magazine stories. We talked for a couple of minutes before I realized he was a writer, and answered my unspoken question by explaining he dictated his stuff to his wife.



FAGING MAMA... Clifford Medeiros calls for his mom after arrival at La Guardia Field from Munich. They are en route to Havana to join Dad, ex-G.I., who returned to Munich to marry fraulein met during the war.

TRY NEWS REVIEW WANT ADS FOR RESULTS!

Cuckoo Quiz

What does a lot to circulate money?



AN ARMoured TRUCK

HOUSE AND HOME By MARY E. DAGUE

FRAGILE CHIFFON, lace and other such fabrics when made into collars and cuffs are easily washed if they're placed on a Turkish towel and scrubbed gently with a soft brush. Rinse in the same fashion and spread on a towel to dry.

When pressing an article which has sequins sewed on it, turn the sequins all in one direction and place garment side down on the board. Pad with a soft cloth and cover with tissue paper. Press with a warm iron.

Sweaters can be dried quickly and blocking eliminated if they are laid on a bath towel, then covered with a similar towel. Roll the moisture out with a rolling pin. Towels will keep their fresh air

RECIPE OF THE WEEK Graham Cracker Roll (Serves 6)

1/2 pound graham crackers, 1/2 pound marshmallows, cut fine, 1 cup walnuts, chopped, 1 cup dates, cut fine, 1 cup thin cream.

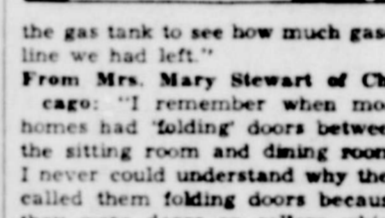
Roll crackers to crumbs, reserving 1/4 cup. Mix remaining crumbs with marshmallows, nuts and dates. Add cream slowly until mixture is moist enough to hold together. Shape into a roll about 2 1/2 inches in diameter and roll in reserved crumbs. Wrap in waxed paper and let stand in a cold place for at least 12 hours. Cut in 1/2 inch slices and serve with whipped cream.

odor if they are removed from the line just a trifle before they're completely dried. Run them through the wringer. Paint spots on fabrics usually held to treatment with equal parts of ammonia and turpentine. Saturate the material until the spot loosens. Wash with warm soap suds. When a tablespoon of glycerine, such as is used on the hands, is added to the last rinse water for blankets, these will have their softness restored. Many spots on garments can be removed by rubbing gently on the spot with the same material as the spot is on. This is especially effective if done when the stain is fresh.

I REMEMBER... By THE OLD-TIMERS

From Mrs. James C. Gaffney of Herington, Kan.: "I remember when the older generation used to put fresh straw under their Ingrain carpets, which were tacked close up to the mop boards. The new velvets of today have nothing on them for comfort as you walked across the room."

From John Jarvis of Geneva, Ill.: "I remember the days before automobiles had gasoline gauges, when we would poke a ruler into



the gas tank to see how much gasoline we had left." From Mrs. Mary Stewart of Chicago: "I remember when most homes had 'folding' doors between the sitting room and dining room. I never could understand why they called them folding doors because they were doors on rollers which slid in between the walls. The parlor usually was shut off and used only for holidays, a visit from the preacher or to lay out the dead."

From Gardner Campbell of Wakefield, Mass.: "I remember when fast bicycling riding on the sidewalk was called 'scorching' and the subject of attention by the 'constables'—i. e., if any were around."

From Robert H. Sedgwick of Chicago: "I remember the days of 'century riders'—cyclists who would round out 100 miles on a Sunday. Some broke down and returned with water in their tires; some got 'cricks' in their knees and, unable to pedal anymore, wobbled back any old way."

(How about your memories of days gone by, old-timers? Why not contribute your nostalgia into a contribution to this column? Send yours today to Mr. Fulmer, Box 996, Frankfort, Ky.)

HIS OWN FEET

(A Short Story) by RICHARD HILL WILKINSON

BIT BY BIT, Myles came to know something of Irma's past life. Not through voluntary and direct mention of it on her part. The opposite was, in fact, more the case. She spoke little of what had happened during the years before she met Myles. But occasionally, a remark was dropped, there were responses and reactions which enabled him to build in his own mind a fairly accurate picture.

There had been tragedy in the girl's life. Difficulties, struggle, sadness. She was quite alone in the world, a little afraid, craving security. Myles sensed that in her love for him she had satisfied that craving. It was this that aroused in him the first suggestion of a doubt. She needed, wanted protection and



"She'll love it!" Palmer grinned.

a sympathetic and helpful friend. Without him, or somebody, she would always be afraid, always a trifle self-conscious.

At the time of their first meeting his feeling had been one of exuberance, of glamour and romance, of love at first sight and success at having found at last the one girl in the world that he wanted and needed. Even now, without her, he realized he would be unhappy; and yet his happiness was not complete. Unconsciously he found himself patronizing, humoring her weaknesses, arranging matters so there would be no chance of causing her humiliation.

This was wrong, Myles knew it was wrong. But the problem still remained, and its solution seemed remote. He cast about for an answer and found none. At length he decided to talk the matter over with Palmer Oakes, Palmer and Myles's young wife, Kay, were his best friends. They lived in Fairbluffs, on the north shore, and he called them up and asked if he and Irma might spend the week-end with them. They were, of course, delighted.

And so Irma and Myles drove down to Fairbluffs the following Saturday afternoon, and after dinner the two men strolled along the beach together, leaving the girls with the dishes. Presently they sat down on a boulder and Myles, with misery in his eyes, poured out his story.

"... And so you see," he finished a half hour later, "it's something of a problem. I shudder at the thought of investing myself with that responsibility, with always feeling apologetic for her, always trying to spare her embarrassments. And yet I love the girl."

Palmer was silent for a long while. "It's difficult for me to advise you, Myles. I'm a married man and those things aren't quite as important to me any more. My viewpoint is bound to be ferret. Besides that, you are best friend, and I hesitate to judge that friendship by trying to tell you something you could possibly understand. I hope you my meaning."

Myles did not answer at once. They had turned back toward house, had started up the walk from beach to veranda, stopped behind a clump of sherry near the porch's end. For time they stood there in silence. Presently they heard voices knew that the girls had come onto the veranda. It was impossible to close their ears to what Irma was saying without betraying their own presence, and Myles was a denly anxious not to accomplish this feat.

"—that's why," Irma was saying. "I'm glad of this opportunity to talk to you alone, Kay. You and I—Palmer is Myles' best friend and—I've been wanting to talk to you about him for ever so long. Nothing, I suppose, only I do him, would be completely bad with him except that—well, does it strike you that he's too self-conscious, too afraid of hurting someone else's feelings? He seems ways afraid of asserting himself of standing on his two feet. Why actually find myself being careful to spare him embarrassments you know what I mean?"

In the dim light Myles turned to face his friend. There were glints of anger in his eyes. "Cause me," he said tensely. "I'm going up there and tell that girl a few things. Can't stand on my two feet, eh? Haven't opinion of my own! Well, the lord Harry, I'll show her."

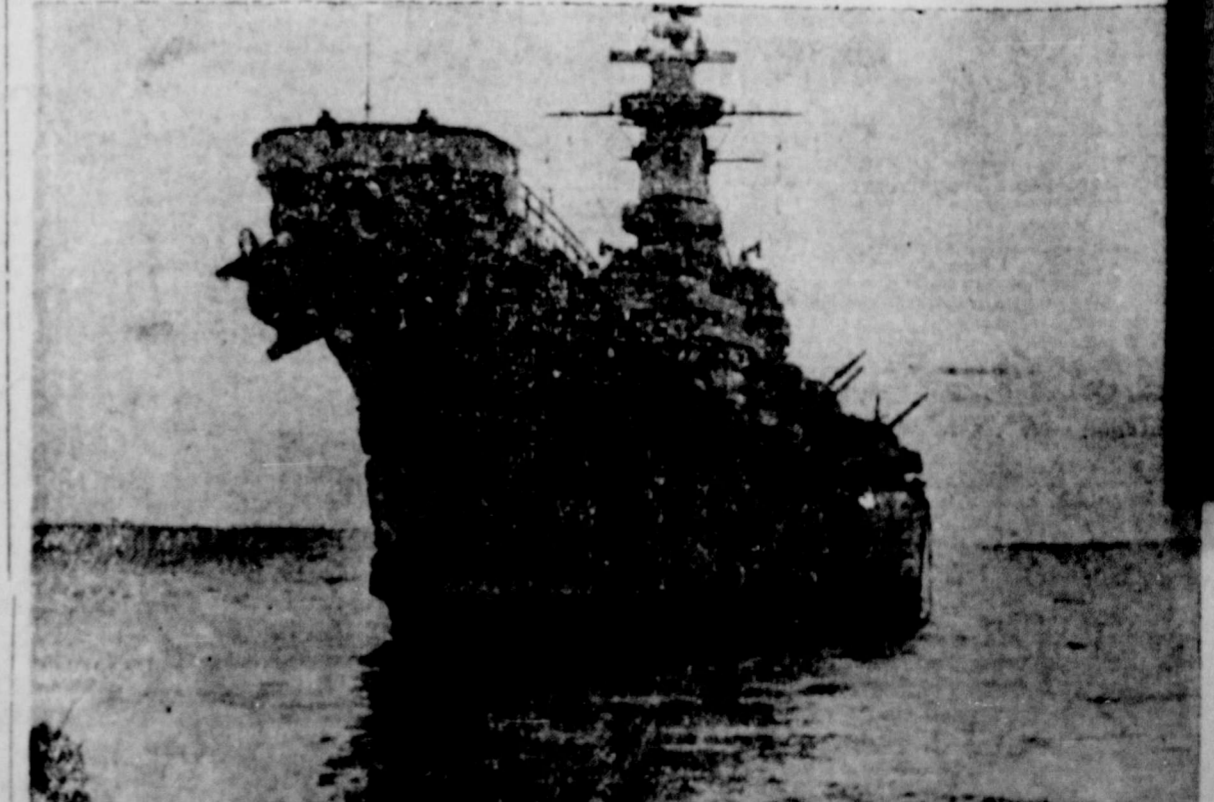
"She'll love it!" Palmer grinned. Myles started away and Palmer caught his arm. "Keep your best friend. The thing that I was to tell you and couldn't, was you're about the most conceited ass on record. Luckily Irma be me out. Take a tip and from on pay attention to doing only part—it'll work out better way."

Myles turned back, hesitated. "Palmer, thanks. You're right. Absolutely right. Will you my best man?" "You bet!" "Good," Myles swung away went up the steps two at a time. Through the living room door he saw him coming, saw him realized that miraculously her business was suddenly complete.

Your brain budget

- 1. The "gunpowder plot" was a conspiracy to blow up (a) the capitol at Washington, (b) the Reichstag, (c) the British Parliament, (d) Grant's Tomb. 2. Whole wheat bread is richer in (a) proteins, (b) fat, (c) carbohydrates. 3. The capital of Washington is (a) Madison, (b) Olympia, (c) Pierre, (d) Salem. 4. Article I of the original 10 amendments to the Constitution concerned (a) freedom of speech, (b) right of trial by jury, (c) right to speedy trial, (d) rights of the states. 5. The tuberculosis germ was discovered by (a) Wasmersman, (b) Koch, (c) Pasteur, (d) Harvey.

- ANSWERS: 1.—(c) The British Parliament. 2.—(a) Proteins. 3.—(b) Olympia. 4.—(c) Right to speedy trial. 5.—(b) Koch, (c) Pasteur, (d) Harvey, 1928.



BIG MO BULLS AGROUND... The only United States battleship now in commission was out of commission temporarily in this pose. The vessel went aground in Hampton Roads, near Norfolk, Va., and jettisoned that the large expense of refloating the ship might influence Uncle Sam to abandon her in her plight, before she finally was dislodged and floated into deep water.

Personals

Mrs. Earl E. Martin of Stephenville visited here last Friday with her mother, Mrs. Elba M. Rellihan and friends.

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Mrs. J. H. McNeill of Waco spent the week end visiting her father, J. Smith, and sister, Mrs. L. W. Weeks.

Miss Patsy Roberts of Fort Worth was a week end guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lowe and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McKenzie Jr. and son Allan of Fort Worth were week end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McKenzie Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. L. New, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. New Sr. and son, M. L. New Jr. of Whitney visited Monday with Mr. and Mrs. F. D. New and Mrs. Zula Autrey.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hampton recently moved from Dublin to make their home here with Mrs. Grady Barrow. He is employed at Hoffman's Department store.

Joe Ida of Magnolia, Ark. was a week end visitor from Friday until Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Ramage and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Ramage in Black Stamp Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wayne Hutton of Fort Worth visited from Friday until Sunday in Hico with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hurdell Williamson and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hutton.

Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Willis of Spearman spent several days last week with his brother, E. A. Willis and family. On Saturday they all visited in Junction with their sister, Miss Mary Willis.

C. A. Giesecke, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Giesecke, Hico, is now employed as instructor at the G. I. Vocational school at Indian Gap, according to his father. Chester received his B. S. degree in agricultural education from Texas A&M at mid term, and he and his wife and two sons, Marion and Jerry Don, are making their home in Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. McDowell of Fort Worth came down last week end for a visit at Iredell with her father, L. J. Everett, and family, and at Chalk Mountain with his father, W. P. McDowell, and sister, Mrs. John Howell, and family. Eber has been working at Convoir for the past two years. They have recently moved to a house near Lake Worth.

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WISEMAN STUDIO

HICO, TEXAS

Mrs. J. P. Hardin of Fort Worth came in Tuesday for a visit with Mrs. Clarice Parrish and W. T. Rodgers and daughter, Ruby.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Meador and daughter, Denna, spent the week end in Lawton with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dodd.

Leon Ladyman visited her Wednesday with Miss Mildred Bobo and they both went to Brownwood Thursday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ladyman.

Mrs. Henry Davis, who is ill in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Grady Wilson in Fort Worth, is reported to be still in a serious condition.

Cpl. Wm. R. Churchill, who is stationed at Chatham Field, Savannah, Ga., has recently been promoted to the rank of sergeant. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Churchill, Hico Route 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brown and daughters, Betty and Judy, of Abilene spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown. They are moving to Big Spring, where Albert has been transferred.

Among the new subscribers to the News Review is W. A. Metcalf Route 7. He and his family are farming on the old McIntyre farm in the Salem community, where they moved from Wichita Falls.

Wednesday Bridge Club Entertained by Mrs. M. I. Knudson

The Wednesday Bridge Club was entertained this week by Mrs. M. I. Knudson. High score was won by Mrs. R. B. Goodloe and second high went to Mrs. R. B. Armstrong.

Others present were: Mrs. May Bates, Mrs. Harry Hudson, Mrs. H. V. Hodges, Mrs. Truman E. Roberts, Mrs. W. F. Hafer, Mrs. H. E. McCullough, Mrs. Odie Patsick, Mrs. Fred B. Jones, and Mrs. S. E. Blair Jr. Refreshments consisted of cheese sandwiches, fritos, cake, and cold drinks.

Couple Honored Sunday At Birthday Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. New were honored with a surprise birthday dinner in their home Sunday. Both have birthdays in February, and the occasion was given between their birthdays.

A decorated birthday cake was placed in the center of the dining table, and visitors brought in food for a delicious meal served to the honored guests and the following present:

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Peterman, Carroll and Jamie of Walnut Springs; Emery W. New, Linda Kay and Don of O'Donnell; Mrs. Zula Autrey, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McKenzie Sr., Ronald and Carey Lynn, Hico; Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Day, Sharon Dunn, Truett New, Miss Billie Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McKenzie Jr. and Allan, Dwain Peterman, all of Fort Worth; Mrs. Dorothy Fuller, Sherry, Bobby and Dickie, Kilgore; and Mr. and Mrs. Lesley New, Leon and Anita of Fairy.

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CAMP JOY

Garden Club Has Regular Meeting In Weldon Pierce Home

The Hico Garden Club met in the home of Mrs. Weldon Pierce on Friday at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. E. H. Randalis Jr., Mrs. L. J. Simpson and Mrs. Pierce as hostesses.

A poem was given by Mrs. Simpson, followed by a short talk on vines and their uses in the landscape. Members exchanged plants and bulbs and valentines.

During the business meeting a finance committee was appointed. The flower show judging committee was also named and will be announced at a later date.

The club favors the planting of pecan trees and redbud trees in Hico. The pecan is the state tree; Bluebonnet, the state flower; and the mockingbird is the state bird. Table decorations carried out a color scheme of red, white and blue, bearing Washington's and Lincoln's birthdates. Refreshments of heart-shaped cakes, fruit punch and candy hearts were served to the following:

Mmes. Guy Aycock, Claude Beck, C. H. Boyd, S. J. Cheek, Archie Corbett, J. W. Fairley, John G. Lightly, W. M. Horsley, Harry Hudson, Paul Newell, S. Norton, D. H. Proffitt, E. F. Porter, Ray Cheek, John Cooper, Alvin Casey, Mrs. McEee and the hostesses.

REPORTER.

Miss Bobo, Bride-Elect, Honored At Shower In Brownwood Saturday

Miss Mildred Bobo, bride-elect of Leon Ladyman, was complimented with a twilight tea from 5 to 7 o'clock Saturday at the home of Mrs. W. L. Ladyman, 2000 Vincent Brownwood. Mrs. Ladyman and her daughter, Mrs. S. B. Reagan, were hostesses.

Miss Bobo and Mr. Ladyman will be married early in March in Hico. Guests were received at the tea by Mrs. Ladyman, Miss Bobo and her mother, Mrs. J. R. Bobo.

Mmes. C. B. Nickels, C. Y. Paschall and Bill Ladyman presided in the dining room and Miss Evelyn Templeton had charge of the guest register. Mrs. J. R. Henry said goodbyes to the 30 guests attending.

The honoree's colors of pink and white were reflected in the decorative scheme. The dining table, overlaid with a handmade lace cloth, was centered with an arrangement of pink and white gladioli and carnations, flanked by pink candles. Crystals and silver appointments completed the decor. —Brownwood Bulletin.

Duffau H. D. Club Meets In Home of Mrs. L. W. Weeks

The Duffau Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the home of Mrs. L. W. Weeks.

The president, Mrs. Glenn Caraway, presided over the business session. Mrs. Stanley Roach was elected at Council as a delegate to the district convention to be held in Cleburne on April 18 and 19.

Mrs. Elsie Short, home demonstration agent, gave a demonstration on the use of the Master Mix. She made biscuits and muffins from the mix, which will keep six weeks without refrigeration.

Mrs. Weeks served refreshments to the following: Mmes. Frank Stipe, Nathan Robinette, Glenn Caraway, Stanley Roach, Elsie Short, and one visitor Mrs. Jack Henderson.

The next meeting will be held February 28 in the home of Mrs. Stanley Roach. At that time the hostess will be given a demonstration on quick loaf bread.

REPORTER.

Mrs. Grady Hooper Is Luncheon Hostess To Baptist Ladies

The Homemakers Class of the First Baptist Church was entertained recently with a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Grady Hooper. After lunch the class met in a short business session and then the group honored Mrs. Martha Burch with a shower.

There were 15 members present, including the teacher, Mrs. L. H. Davis. Other were Mmes. Glen Higginbotham, J. D. Partain, M. H. Martin, Weldon Pierce, Martha Burch, Louis Chaney, Curtis Wright, E. H. Randalis Jr., Arthur Burden, Aubrey Duzan, C. C. Parr, Ray Stipe, Mrs. Mitchell and the hostess, Mrs. Hooper.

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AT THE CHURCHES

Clorette Baptist Church

Sunday school every Sunday at 10:00 a. m. Worship services are conducted the second and fourth Sundays of each month.

Morning worship, 11:00 a. m. Evening service, 7:00 p. m. You have a cordial invitation to attend any of our services.

ALAN NEELY, Pastor.

St. Olaf Lutheran

Cranfills Gap, Texas SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 10:00 a. m. Sunday School and Bible Classes.

11:00 a. m. Morning worship. MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 7:00 p. m. Male chorus and Ladies' chorus.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 7:00 p. m. Youth Group. SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 9:30 a. m. Junior and Senior Confirmation Classes.

3:00 p. m. Junior Choir. A sincere and cordial welcome to all of our services.

Benjamin R. Maakestad, Pastor.

Duffau Baptist Church

Sunday school every Sunday morning, 10:00. Morning and evening worship services are conducted by the pastor the first and third Sundays of each month.

Morning worship, 11:00. Evening service, 7:00. We extend an invitation to everyone to attend one or all of our regular services.

ALAN NEELY, Pastor.

First Baptist Church

Regular services: Sunday school, 10:00 a. m. Preaching 11:00 a. m. Training Union 6:30 p. m. Preaching 7:30 p. m.

L. H. DAVIS, Pastor.

Church of Christ

This is an invitation for you to attend any of the services scheduled here. Sunday morning: Bible classes for all, 10:00. Preaching, 11:00.

Lord's Supper, 11:45. Sunday Night: Young People's Class, 6:30. Preaching, 7:00.

Tuesday afternoon: Ladies' Bible Class, 2:30. Wednesday night: Mid-week service, 7:00. MERLE KING, Minister.

Methodist Church

Church school, 10:00 a. m. Preaching service, 11:00 a. m. M. Y. F. at 6:00 p. m. Preaching service, 7:00 p. m. You are cordially invited to be present.

J. L. RAY, Pastor.

Primitive Baptist Church

Regular meeting, second Sunday in each month; Saturday morning and Saturday night before in each month.

ELDER J. W. WEST, Pastor.

First Christian Church

We invite you to hear Brother William Le May of Dallas preach every first Sunday in the month at 11 a. m.

Sunday school every Sunday, beginning at 10 o'clock. Everyone is welcome, and especially do we invite each person who has no church home.

Iredell Methodist Church school, 10:00 a. m. Morning worship, 11:00 a. m. M. Y. F. at 6:15 p. m. Evening service, 7:00 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all to worship with us.

R. T. WALLACE, Minister.

Pentecostal Church

Sunday school begins at 10:00 a. m. Sunday. Sunday preaching hour, 11:00. Sunday eve evangelistic service at 7:00 o'clock.

Ladies' prayer meeting Tuesday at 9:00 o'clock. Prayer meeting, Bible study and song practice Wednesday evening at 7:00 o'clock. Come be with us.

DOLLY LYNCH.

Olin Baptist Church

Sunday school each Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock. Church Service, 11:00 a. m. Training Union, 6:45 p. m. Church services, 7:30 p. m. Come to all our services!

REV. JACK HULL, Pastor.

Unity Baptist Church

Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Church services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. every first and third Sundays in each month. We welcome everyone to come and worship with us.

R. C. HALLMAN, Pastor.

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Mmes. Wright, King Are Hostesses to M. E. Class Tuesday

Mrs. Tyrus King and Mrs. Jim D. Wright were hostesses to the Helping Hand class of the Methodist Sunday School Tuesday night at 7 o'clock, meeting at the church.

Eighteen members were present and one visitor, Mrs. A. D. Horton, who brought Mrs. J. W. Autrey, a charter member of the class. She hasn't been able to attend church or Sunday school for so long on account of ill health. Members of the class were delighted to have Mrs. Autrey and hope she can come again soon.

Delicious refreshments of pecan pie and coffee were served by the hostesses. Plate favors were small valentines to reach member.

After refreshments, Mrs. Annie Waggoner, class president, called the class together for a business meeting. One song, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" was sung by the class. Mrs. J. P. Owen read the scripture lesson from the tenth chapter of Matthew. Mrs. Waggoner led the group in prayer.

Mrs. J. L. Ray called the roll. Business coming up for discussion was flowers and cards for the sick. It was decided to send flowers in place of a gift to those sick or in the hospital.

Following the business meeting, Mrs. Ray, Mrs. King, and Mrs. Wright led in playing several games. Members present were Mmes. Lusk Randalis, Ettie R. Hampton, W. H. Greenlett, George Stringer Sr., Ethel Lackey, Mollie Weisenhant, Bud Robinson, Roy Stephens, Andy Hutton, Watt Ross, Roy French, J. C. Barrow, and Horton, Wright, Autrey, Ray, Owen and Waggoner, and Miss Sallie Cunningham.

REPORTER.

Fairy P-TA Met Feb. 13, Will Sponsor Basketball Tournament Next Week

The Fairy Parent-Teacher Association met in regular session Monday before a small group, on account of bad weather.

Jacques Nonce gave a lecture on "Teamwork for Citizenship", pointing out clearly that we all would be better citizens if we would just take a little more time to stop and think over the questions our children ask us; so would our children be better citizens in the future.

Mrs. Harper's English class gave a few sketches on the Founder of the P-TA, then they sang a number of songs which the members all enjoyed.

The Fairy Grammar School will have a basketball tournament on February 23, 24, 25. Some fine games are being planned, and everyone has a special invitation to come and enjoy them. The proceeds will go to the Fairy P-TA.

REPORTER.

Spring Flowers Form Setting for Thursday Bridge Club Meeting

Mrs. J. W. Fairley was high score winner when Mrs. L. N. Lane entertained the Thursday Bridge Club and other guests at her home last week.

Azaleas, begonias, and other spring flowers were used as living room decorations.

A tuna salad plate, sandwiches, coffee, and cake were served to the following: Mrs. Hord Randalis, Mrs. Lusk Randalis, Mrs. S. E. Blair Sr., Mrs. Odie Patsick, Mrs. Harry Hudson, Mrs. Fred B. Jones, Mrs. C. H. Boyd, and Mrs. Fairley.

REPORTER.

Altman By Mrs. J. H. McAnelly

George Williams and children, Martha and Lyndon of Carlton visited Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and daughter, Janice a while Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Land and Howard Wright were Stephenville visitors Wednesday morning.

John Moore was in Stephenville Thursday.

W. R. Eingham and O. W. McPherson were Hamilton visitors Monday morning.

Several from this community were Hico visitors Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and daughter Janice, were in Dublin Saturday and visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Graves.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McAnelly visited Mrs. Garland Latham and baby son, Gary Don in the Hico Hospital Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Glover of Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hines and Annie King Sunday.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this opportunity to thank each and everyone whose thoughtfulness of us meant so much at the time of the passing of our loved one, C. A. Crouch. We sincerely appreciate the floral offerings, the food prepared, and the many kind words of sympathy which were spoken; also the comforting words of Bro. Giesecke and Bro. King. May God bless each of you.

THE CROUCH FAMILY.

Ultimatum On Erath County Court House Job Given Architect

The regular session of the Erath County Commissioners' Court was conducted at the court house Monday when it was revealed that an ultimatum had been delivered the architect concerning the completion of the current remodeling job. County Judge Dale Harbin presided at the meeting.

Correspondence between the judge and architect was disclosed at the meeting. Judge Harbin advised the architect on February 8 that after March 15 the contract penalty of \$75 per day would be levied against the contractors for each day's additional time necessary to complete the turn-key contract.

December 31, 1949, was the original contract date for completion of the remodeling but the nationwide steel strike late last fall and winter delayed much of the structural work in modernization plans.

A reply from the architect on February 9 acknowledged the deadline of March 15 and advised the commissioners that every effort would be made to complete the work on the March 15 date.

Wyatt C. Hedrick of Fort Worth is the architectural engineer supervising the remodeling work at the court house.—Daily Empire.

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Band — Dorothy Randolph
Homemaking — Shirley Prater
Worm's Eye View — ???
The Spotlight — ???
Zingara — ???

SENIOR NEWS

Well there isn't much happening in the senior room, and hasn't been for some time.

We are very proud of the basketball boys and girls. The trophies are very pretty.

Mrs. Angell selected the parts in the play last week. They are: Pamela Gordon—Patsy Tooley Mrs. Abby Simpkins—Lois Randolph

Emogene Ryndon—Frances McCullough
Malvina Barclay—Jo Matthews Hortense Hostetter — Wanda Johnson

Betty Gordon—Myrna Sparks
Winston Pickrel—Benny Collins
Brian Barclay—Bobby Ratliff
Dilworth Pickrel—Dereel Fillin-gim

Clint Purdy—Darrell Dickey
Ross Waldron—Wendell Burden.
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JUNIOR NEWS

The junior class is having a very hard time deciding what play they want. We have three plays to decide from.

We are very proud of the basketball boys, who won the district tournament Saturday night. We hope they will keep on winning.

Time is certainly flying, it won't be long before six weeks test are here.

FRESHMAN NEWS

The basket ball girls and boys have been doing real good in their ball games. The girls won first place in the county tournament and the boys won first place in the district tournament.

The girls played their first game, Tuesday the 7th and won by a wide margin. Wednesday night the girls played Hamilton and won by eight points. They received a very pretty trophy.

The boys tournament started Thursday night and won over Volley Mills. They played again Friday night and won. Saturday afternoon they played Meridian and won. Saturday night the boys played Morgan and won first place in the tournament. The girls game was only a matched game.

BAND NEWS

The band will have a concert at the High School Auditorium Tuesday, February 21. It will be on the donation basis. You pay what ever you wish to.

We played at the basket ball games Saturday night.

HOMEMAKING NEWS

Just think! Only two more weeks and we'll be taking tests again, but at least the more six weeks tests we take, the closer the end of school draws near, which all of us like.

Miss Mosely seems to like Hico pretty good and I'm certain everyone in Hico likes her, especially her homemaking girls.

CHOIR NEWS

The choir and band are going to put on a minstrel. If you have been looking to us practicing you probably knew it already. We are also planning to have a party before long.

SPOTLIGHT

As you noticed, I fooled around and let you all down last week, but I just couldn't find time to write a spotlight for you.

Monday night we find Betty Lou exercising her brain by helping James work Algebra. College that is. It must be nice to have a brain. I wouldn't know myself.

Tuesday night I noticed a tall blonde, who answers to the name of Maidee, going to town, and deciding to follow. I noticed she was heading toward the bus station.

I just can't imagine why she would be going down there.

At assembly Wednesday, a very cute little baby was making a terrible mistake. It kept insisting on calling Dereel "Daddy." Dereel, of course, was sitting there grinning from ear to ear.

Billie Jean, I don't think Jim's going to leave right away, so next time he goes by third base how about letting him pass without hanging onto his shirt tail. Hub!

The physics class is the most interesting place these days. Here you're fixing to go into the room very calm and collected, when all of a sudden Barbara comes running out like a ghost was after her. Poor kid. Later you find it was only a two-legged rat, Donald Davis, otherwise known as the king of the Idiots in and around these here parts, chasing her with a four legged rat in a root beer bottle. Donald said he thought the rat was a little drunk.

In the laboratory Mr. Lincoln was trying his best to set up an experiment and the dignified seniors should have been paying attention.

but they were doing everything but that. Bobby "Einstein" Ratliff and Benny were fighting over a pair of tweezers. I think they were trying to pluck each others eye brows. Chester got up out of his chair, and then accidentally sat down in Maidee's lap. Donald and Kenneth were standing on top of a table, and it seemed that Kenneth pulled one of Donald's teeth. At least Kenneth was holding one in his hand, and Donald was holding his jaw as if the pain was killing him. A group of girls were talking about bleaching hair. Raymond and Dereel were just wandering around going no place in particular, but I notice that on their little tour they stopped by the cabinet and looked at the animal specimen in jars. Bud was off in the store room, that is until Mr. Lincoln called him out. Dub and Barbara were fighting a duel with a glass tube and a metal bar. I don't know who was the winner. There just got to be, so much blood shed they had to quit for the sake of the rest of us. It's a wonder Mr. Lincoln has as much sense as he does. Well, anyway the experiment didn't turn out as it should. Wonder why?

Wednesday night, who should I see but Maidee gain, heading for the bus station. No luck—she came back alone. What I can't figure out is why she's so interested in the particular place.

Thursday night I see Louise and Earl at the show, also Charlotte and Buck.

Friday night the couples included Jo and Ralph, Roline and Myrna, and Patsy and Buck.

Guess what? There went Maidee. Saturday was a big day for Hico. The basket ball boys are really on the ball these days.

They won district Saturday night and were they happy! I never saw so much hugging going on in one place in all my life. Boys, we're tickled to death for you.

Saturday afternoon Lois R. was cruising over the town with an old flame, Leroy. Bertha and Milton were also together.

The other couples at the ball game and elsewhere consisted of James and Betty, Roline and Myrna, Patsy and Buck, Billie Jean and Jim, and Bertha and Milton.

Harold Prater was sporting an Iredell girl. How did you make out with one arm tied up? Shirley and Franklin and Dorothy R. with her date were all together.

Mary Nell and Bobby M., Frances and Paul, Louise and Earl, Fred and Betty Jane, Mary and Wendell, and Patsy and Glen, made up the rest of the throng Saturday night.

Oops! I almost forgot Charlotte and Buck and Mary Jo and Royce. Since there was no Spotlight last week, I looked back on that week and on Saturday night a new couple stepped forward—Carol G. and Buck T. More of those courtin' freshmen.

Sunday afternoon Raymond, Bobby, and one or two other boys seemed to be awfully interested in Bertha Jean and her friends.

Right on schedule as they do almost every Sunday afternoon, Jo Ralph were seen entering the show. Lois and Donald were out strolling and with them was Louise. Where was Earl?

Two men were going home from a party very late one night and—

First man: "Your wife will probably hit the ceiling because you're so late."

Second man: "Probably, she's a rotten shot."

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WORM'S EYE VIEW

The last week with all the pretty weather everyone seems to be out playing baseball. It is mostly boys and until Friday I thought that the girls were too dainty to play.

Some of the girls that played complained Saturday about being awful sore. Better luck next time. About the muscles I mean.

On my journey through the halls, I have been noticing lately a boy with a very good personality. He seems to be quite a lady's man. But what could you expect from a freshman named Roy McWilliams. These freshmen seem to be really going to town on the dating system. Roy, not only a good sport and a lady's man, has quite a good

voice, with which he uses quite freely in choir. What's this I hear about him placing a ring, similar to a wedding ring, on the third finger of the left hand of a certain senior girl. Could this be serious?

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The Fight for Christian Freedom
Lesson for February 19: Acts 15: 1-6, 22-29; Galatians 2: 16

Memory Selection: Galatians 5: 1

AFTER PAUL and Barnabas had returned from the first missionary journey, certain men from Judea stirred up quite a controversy in the Antioch church, claiming Gentile converts should be circumcised. Paul and Barnabas were sent to Jerusalem to ask for a decision on the matter.

Quite an important church council was gathered. Some, who had been Pharisees, contended that Gentiles should be circumcised. The council decided that circumcised should not be required, but took action to require Gentile converts to abstain from the use of the meat of animals offered to idols and from blood. They should also keep themselves from fornication. Thus they should bear witness against idolatry and against the wide-spread view of the time.

In its wise decision the church council did two things—it allayed contention in the church and freed Christianity from the burdens of Judaism and freed the church for world conquest.

Paul was the first to see Christianity as a world religion. We find his great deliverance concerning Christian liberty in the case of our lesson text. We are to be justified by faith in Christ alone. This doctrine Paul set forth and Martin Luther, John Wesley, and others re-discovered it for the world. The plain meaning of justification is pardon. May our faith be true and our pardon assured. And may the church magnify this doctrine of salvation through faith in Christ.

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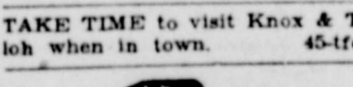
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Fairy

By Mrs. Eunice Massengale

We have received several inches of rainfall since our last writing. Old mother earth is now water soaked and all farm work has been retarded due to so much rain and cloudy weather. We would surely like to see some fair weather.

There is still much illness in the community due to colds, which seem to be the virus type which are so hard to overcome.

Mrs. Walter Abel has been a frequent visitor at the Hico Hospital, at the bed side of her mother, Mrs. Frank Thomas of Spring Creek community, who has been a patient there since last Sunday week of virus pneumonia. She was slightly improved at last report.

Your old scribe, Mrs. Eunice Massengale, spent from Tuesday until Saturday of last week in the Hico Hospital with virus pneumonia. After almost three weeks illness, we decided we were unable to handle our case and reported at the hospital Tuesday morning for a check up, which landed us in the hospital that afternoon. And we must say thanks a million for what they did for us in so short a period of time with the wonderful new drug they now have to combat these new, but serious types of pneumonia. We returned home Saturday afternoon with orders to remain in the bed ten days to two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stringer and Cathy Ann of Hico visited Sunday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Allison and Texie.

The former Miss Louise Heyroth and husband and children were visiting Sunday in the home of her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Heyroth. She is a daughter of Louis Heyroth of near Lanham.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers, Carolyn and Jimmie Don visited Sunday in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Sellers and Joy Marie of Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hoover visited Sunday afternoon in Dublin in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hoover and to be with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hoover of Dallas, who were also visiting in his parents home.

Mrs. W. E. Goynne and daughters, Wilma Grace and Lynda of Purves, spent the week end here with Mr. Goynne. Mrs. Goynne is teaching in the Purves school.

Mrs. Charles Price of Austin had the misfortune of losing a nice yearling with black leg last week. Her father, P. L. Cox was feeding the calf out for her, since she has a few head of cattle here in her father's care.

Mrs. Gladys Cox visited recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Blount near Cranfills Gap and to see their new grandson, Thomas Howell, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Howell (Buster) Blount. The Blounts are former residents of Fairy. The baby made its arrival on Feb. 3 at the Hico Hospital.

We were very sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. M. E. Burnett of Hico, on Wednesday of last week and so sorry to have been

ill and unable to attend funeral services. We had visited with her many times during the past few years and it was always a pleasure to talk with her, since she seemed to appreciate so much her many friends and loved ones and spoke words of praise and adoration for all we extend deepest sympathy to all those bereaved in her passing. The Burnett family formerly resided at Long Point near Fairy, moving from here some forty five or more years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Allison, Ruby Jean and Darrel of Dublin visited here Sunday in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Allison and Texie and her mother, Mrs. Eunice Massengale.

Carl Ray Sellers received word Saturday that his niece, Miss Jesse Norma Payne of Lanham had undergone an emergency appendix operation at the Hico Hospital Friday night of last week. She was reported to be recovering nicely.

Standard of Health Being Raised to A High Plane in Texas

Austin, Texas, Feb. 13.—Public Health in Texas has received another boost with the February 1 information of the Fort Bend County Health Unit.

State Health Officer Geo. W. Cox, in announcing the commission of the Fort Bend Unit said Dr. John R. Turner, a public health man of long experience in Texas and elsewhere had been named as director. The budget is set up to include a director, a sanitarian, a public health nurse, and a clerk. Their operations will cover Fort Bend in its entirety.

Texas now has forty-nine units, some of them serving more than one county. Altogether, fifty-seven counties within the State have protection of full-time health units.

"We've come a long way toward the goal of raising the standard of public health in Texas to a high plane," Cox asserted. He cautioned: "But we still have a long road ahead of us."

Ideally, a local health unit is designed, according to Cox, to promote better health among Texans by performing these functions:

1. By investigating cases of communicable diseases, and tracking down, if possible, the source of the germ.

2. By teaching people, through meetings and personal visits, how smallpox, diphtheria, whooping cough, and other diseases are spread, and how immunization and sanitation will prevent their spread.

3. By making studies of general diseases (mainly syphilis and gonorrhoea) tuberculosis, poliomyelitis, etc., and providing for patient education concerning the illness affecting them.

4. By making home visits to expectant mothers referred by private physicians, and by holding well-child conferences which are designed to keep children in tip-top health.

5. By making periodic inspections of food-handling businesses like dairies, slaughterhouses, grocery stores, and cafes to make sure the operators are sticking close to sanitation laws.

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For County Clerk: IRA MOORE (Re-Election)

For Tax Assessor-Collector: BILLY G. WOOD

For District Clerk: C. E. EDMISTON (Re-Election)

For County Superintendent: FOREST O. HARPER (Re-Election)

For County Treasurer: MISS PAT SECREST

For Commissioner, Precinct 3: FERN JORDAN (Re-Election) L. A. (ALVIN) HICKS

Erath County

For County Clerk: ELMO WHITE (Re-Election)

For Tax Assessor-Collector: ALBERT CRAGWALL JR.

For Commissioner, Precinct 2: W. W. (SON) LA BAUME (Re-Election)

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Higgins Banker Closes Contract for White Ranch Near Johnsville

One of the largest real estate transactions of the year was under contract Saturday when T. H. Black, banker of Higgins, Texas, agreed to pay \$56,400 for the Cliff White Ranch on the Johnsville road. The contract called for a cash consideration and possession will be given within 30 days from the time of the sale.

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Pioneer Banker of Hamilton County Dies At Age of 84

Ed Perry, 84, died at his home in Hamilton Friday of last week after suffering the infirmities of old age for some time. He had been president of the Perry National Bank since he organized it in 1920 but prior to that time was the administrative head of the Hamilton National Bank. He was known throughout Texas as a successful business man and civic leader.

His acquaintance in Stephenville dated back more than 40 years when he helped to interest the Cagle and Crow Bank to build the first railroad to the town of Hamilton. In company with the late John L. Spurlin, pioneer Hamilton merchant, he helped to lead the first locomotive into that town.

Perry came to Hamilton from Missouri in 1881. He worked for a brother, George F. Perry, in a drug store until 1890 when he became cashier of the Hamilton National Bank. He remained with that institution until 1920 when he entered business of his own as head of the Perry National Bank. He was the first mayor of Hamilton, the first fire chief of the town, school board secretary, Presbyterian church elder and organized the Perry Country Club 25 years ago. He was a Mason and a Shriner.

Funeral Services Held Monday For C. A. Crouch, 73

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock for Charles Addison Crouch in the Church of Christ with Elders Stanley Giessecke and Merle King officiating. Mr. Crouch suffered a heart attack Friday night and passed away quietly at home Sunday morning, February 12, at 11:15 o'clock.

Born August 31, 1877, in Dallas county, he moved to Hico in 1937 with his wife, the former Mrs. Lula Brown. The couple were married in 1934 in Dallas where he was a carpenter. He had retired from this trade upon moving to Hico, but later practiced the work at Camp Bowie in Brownwood in 1940. He was a lifetime member of the Church of Christ, having professed his Christian faith at the age of 12.

Surviving besides his wife who lives here, are two sons, Auba W. Crouch, Hico; and Joe Crouch, Dallas; three daughters, Mrs. Opal Pierce, Dallas; Mrs. Hazel Burrow and Mrs. Jewel Howard, both of Irving. Also two sisters, Mrs. Lula Seal of Dallas and Mrs. Algie Rusk of McKinney; two brothers, Frank and Jim Crouch of Grand Prairie; ten grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Barrow-Rutledge funeral directors were in charge of arrangements. Burial was in Hico cemetery. The following friends and relatives were named as pallbearers: Ernie Lester, A. B. Robertson, V. E. Pedigo, L. E. Jordan, Stanley Houston and L. A. Hicks. Those attending funeral services from out-of-town were Mrs. Henry Wilms and children, Mrs. Burl Kelley and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mathis and children all of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lusk and Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Foster of McKinney; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Crouch of Grand Prairie; Mrs. Walter Butler, Mrs. Baumgartner, Mrs. Millie Hurst, A. L. McAnally, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McAnally Jr., Mrs. Katherine Davis, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Hunt, Joe McAnally, J. O. Crouch, and Mr. and Mrs. Jess R. Black and son, all of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Burrow and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Jordan and Mrs. Jewel Howard, all of Irving.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Roy K. Pierce of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Pedigo of Dublin, Mr. and Mrs. Thorp and family of the Irving Church of Christ, and seven step-children, Finis Brown, Mrs. Irving Jackson, Mrs. Johnnie Lucile Snow, Mrs. Louis Everton, Miss Ida Brown, Miss Sophie Brown and Miss Golda Brown, all of Dallas. Another stepson, Abe E. Brown of Flemming, California was unable to attend.

Solution of Nation's Dental Problems Lies In Proper Care

Austin, Tex., Feb. 13.—Selection of the nation's dental problems lies in making dental health education and dental care available to every child, said Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

He said it is possible to prevent loss of teeth from decay if a person starts early in life to follow these simple rules:

- 1. Early and frequent examinations of the mouth by a dentist. 2. Early treatment of small cavities and other dental defects. 3. Proper diet with refined sugars held at a minimum. 4. Proper brushing of teeth after eating.

A child should be taken to the dentist shortly after the last of his first upper teeth appear at about the age of two, he declared. Frequent examinations and treatment of dental defects by dentists should follow, he added.

Experiments are under way in research laboratories to find the answer to dental decay and other diseases, he said, adding:

"It has been learned that the very active element, fluorine, can be used to curb dental decay to a large degree. Dentists are now applying a solution of sodium fluoride to the teeth of their child patients as a routine dental treatment."

"To improve the dental health of the children of this country, each community, through coordinated group activity, should assume its responsibility in putting an adequate dental health program into operation to meet adequately the needs of our children."

In the painting of Washington Crossing the Delaware, a soldier is shown holding the American flag, though it had not been designed at that time.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and gratitude to each person who was so thoughtful, for the food prepared, the beautiful floral offerings and other kindnesses shown during the illness and at the death of our beloved mother and grandmother. Especially do we want to thank the doctors for their faithful attention.

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NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON APRIL 4, 1956.

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Hico, Texas, I hereby order an election to be held in said City of Hico on the first Tuesday in April, said date being the 4th day of April, 1956. The election herein ordered is for the purpose of electing the following City Officers, to-wit:

A Mayor to succeed H. V. Hedges; an Alderman to succeed Ollie L. Davis; an Alderman to succeed Wallace Ratliff; an Alderman to succeed M. S. Norton; and a City Attorney.

That said election shall be held on the above date in said City at the City Hall. A Presiding Officer over said election will be named at the proper time.

All prospective candidates are notified to file their names with the City Secretary at her office in City Hall, Hico, at least 30 days preceding opening of polls on said day of election.

In evidence of the above order I have hereto affixed my Official Seal of the City of Hico, Texas.

H. V. HEDGES, Mayor of City of Hico, Texas. (Copy)

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