

# The Friona Star

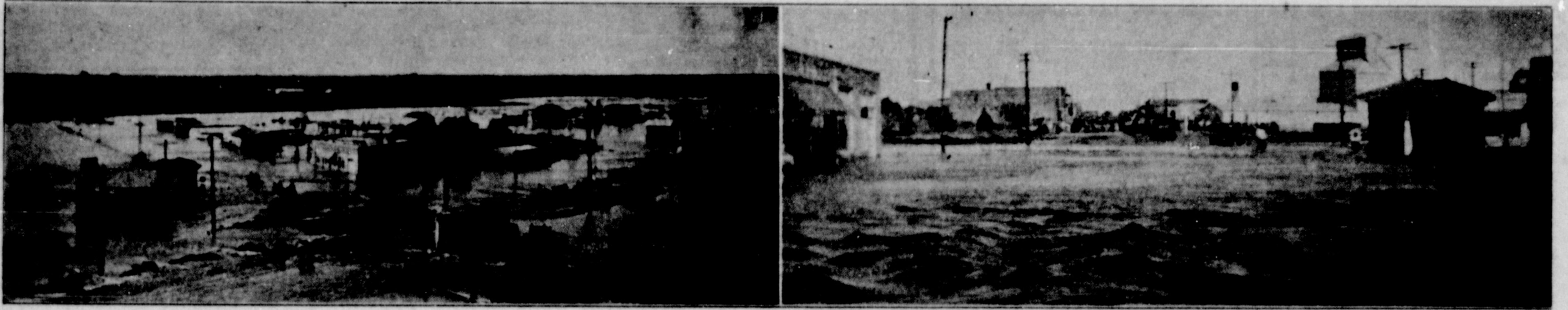
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PICTURES OF FRIONA SCENES OF TWO YEARS AGO ARE REMINISCENT OF MONDAY'S FLOOD



## FRIONA MOTHER AND DAUGHTERS LOSE THEIR LIVES IN FLOOD

### 17-INCH RAIN FALLS WEST OF THIS CITY

The heaviest fall of rain that has visited this locality for many years fell here between 3:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon and daylight Monday morning.

The rain began with light showers at intervals, which increased in frequency and volume as the afternoon waned, and the evening advanced to midnight, with perhaps the climax in volume at about three o'clock Monday morning.

Just how far west the rain extended the Star has not learned, but the heaviest fall seemed to be from three to ten miles west, in

#### LOCAL BOY THE HERO!

In another paragraph of the flood story it is stated that a young man dressed only in a bathing suit rescued a lady and her baby from the flood here Sunday night. It is also stated there that this young man was a stranger in Friona, which statement appears to be in error, as the brave rescuer was none other than our own James Bragg, who has for a long time been operating the county road grader in this part of the county.

which territory a conservative estimate placed the amount at not less than 15 inches.

Dee Farris, who lives about five miles west, is sure that there was no less than 15 inches at his place, while Sloane and Claude Osborn, each living about the same distance west, but a little farther north, corroborate his estimate. Other farmers in that locality believe the amount received was nearer 17 than 15 inches.

Many lakes that have been dry most of the past six years were filled, many of them almost to the verge of running over, which bids fair for good duck shooting this hunting season.

The deluge of water coming down Frio draw, which passes just at the south limits of Friona, caused it to overflow its banks and spread out to the state highway, which it covered at this place for a distance of about four miles, being in many places to a depth of four feet or more. The flood continued spreading and rising until it had completely covered the Santa Fe railroad tracks here in town, coming within a few inches of the floor of the depot and moving some of the side tracks sufficiently to make them unsafe for trains to pass. The gravel platform in front

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### Saturday's Election Surprised Many

In the run-off primary election held here last Saturday, unofficial returns give Judge Aldridge a majority of 510 votes, carrying every precinct in the county.

Earl Booth overpowered County Assessor J. W. Magness by a majority of 196 votes, carrying every precinct in the county.

Miriam A. Ferguson beat Governor Ross Sterling in the gubernatorial campaign by a majority in Parmer county of 196 votes. Carrying every box in the county with the exception of Friona and Farwell.

With no returns in for two precincts, it appears that M. R. Avery of Dimmitt has beaten A. B. Tarwater of Hale county in the race for the legislature by a majority in this county of 530 votes.

Jack Carr, present commissioner from Bovina, was re-elected by a majority of 32 votes, and Joe Paul, in Lazbuddy precinct, has beaten the present commissioner, W. S. Menefee, by a majority of 28 votes.

The Star had hoped to have a tabulated report of the election returns for this issue, but now hopes instead to be able to tabulate the official report next week, giving the vote for each candidate by precincts.

#### Attended Family Reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Jasper and all their sons except Virgil, Jack and Walter, departed Wednesday of last week for Flomont where they attended the annual family reunion of the Jasper family, which was held at the home of one of the sisters, Mrs. Kitty Washington. They returned home Saturday in time to vote in the election.

They report there were 125 who ate dinner on the reunion day, 99 of whom were relatives of the various members of the family. There were originally 15 brothers and sisters of the Jasper family, 13 of whom are still living and it has been their custom for the past several years to hold this reunion at the home of one or the other of the members. At this reunion there were six of the brothers and five of the sisters, making 11 of the 13 present.

Last year the meeting was held at Mr. Jasper's home here in Friona, when there were more than 100 relatives present, and this number was augmented by the attendance of a large number of his Friona neighbors.

Judge John H. Aldridge, jr., of Farwell, was a business visitor in Friona Thursday morning, while on his way to Canyon to attend the regional Teachers' Institute.

### Lazbuddy Organizes Demonstration Club

Forty women of the Lazbuddy community met last Friday afternoon at 3:30 in the high school building for the purpose of organizing a home demonstration club.

Miss Rozelle McKenney, county home demonstration agent, and sponsor of the club, was present, and after being introduced by Mrs. E. R. Haskins, outlined her program of work that is to be given in the first six months.

Each woman present was assisted in planning a food budget that would be adequate for her family needs for one year. Pointers were given in the correct food combinations and the well balanced meal. We expect to learn more about this and food preservation under Miss McKenney's leadership as she has already demonstrated her ability to do such work.

As there will not be room in the high school building, we have planned to meet in the homes of club members each second and fourth Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. until some permanent place is provided. Our next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. E. R. Haskins.

A lesson in vegetables, canning, causes of food spoilage, uses of equipment and different methods of canning will be given. These are some things all women should know and as there are no fees we are expecting a large membership. "It will help us to help ourselves," will be a fitting motto for such a club. Visitors are cordially invited to attend.

During a short business session the following officers were elected; President, Mrs. Ray Daniels; vice president, Mrs. Roy White; secretary, Mrs. B. Whitt; club representative, Mrs. C. D. Julian; reporter, Mrs. Opal Jennings.

Twenty-seven signed as members—Mmes. C. E. and Ray Daniels, W. S. Menefee, Aubert, E. H., Wilson and Ora Bradshaw, C. C. Matthews, W. H. Gamons, G. L. Kimbraugh, G. L. Carter, T. F. and W. C. Williams, A. G. Thorne, Earl Richards, B. Y. Burton, F. G. Roberts, T. D. Reed, L. Last, G. R. Treider, Joe Paul, Roy White, Claude Heath, R. L. Bledsoe and Opal Jennings.

MRS. OPAL JENNINGS, Reporter.

How did you happen to propose to your wife?

I didn't propose to her. I was just an innocent bystander.

He (driving): I always keep both hands on the steering wheel. She (sourly): Well, I'm right here in case you need a handkerchief.

### C. S. Waddell Sees Wife and Girls Swept Away from Stalled Car As He Tries to Take Them to Safety

#### BOVINA YOUTH ALSO DROWNS.

*Richard Caldwell Carried Away from His Swimming Horse While Attempting to Locate Other Victims' Bodies.*

#### Three Cows Drown Sunday Night's Rain

Roy T. Slagle, living about six miles west of town, had the misfortune to lose three good milk cows Sunday evening or night as the effect of the heavy rain which fell there during the afternoon and night.

These cows were found in the edge of the water in a lake in Mr. Slagle's pasture, two of them being dead at the time they were found and the other so nearly dead that it died soon after.

The cows showed evidence of having been overcome entirely by the force and volume of the rain.

#### Local Teachers Off to Work.

This week witnessed the departure of most of our teachers who have secured appointments to teach in schools in other parts of the state and the United States.

Miss Lucy Goodwine, who has been spending the past two months at home here, will depart Saturday for term work in the schools of one of the cities on Long Island, New York, where she has been teaching for the past several years.

Miss Mary Reeve is attending the teachers' institute in Canyon this week, and will depart at the end of the week for her work in the Berger schools, where she has taught the past two terms.

Misses Nelda and Floy Goodwine who attended C. I. A. at Denton during the summer vacation, will also leave for their winter's work this week, Miss Nelda going to Tulla where she has been given the position as head of the department of physical education, and Miss Floy is attending teacher's institute at Lubbock this week and will go from there at the end of the week to the Y-L community where she will teach during the current term.

One of the saddest accidents that has ever visited the Friona community was the loss of the lives of Mrs. C. S. Waddell and her two small daughters, which occurred one mile east of Bovina Sunday night as a result of the deluge of waters that visited this locality and that of Bovina on that date.

Mr. Waddell, his wife and three small daughters had been visiting in Eastern New Mexico over the week end, in the vicinity of Fort Sumner, and were on their way home, when they were overtaken by the rain storm which was perhaps the heaviest that has ever visited this locality.

On reaching Bovina they found that the water had destroyed the bridge crossing the arroyo, a small tributary to Running Water Draw, less than a mile east of Bovina on highway 33, which had been carried away by the flood. He then thought to continue his journey homeward by taking the Ozark Trails highway leading due east from Bovina and arrive at Friona by way of Homeland, but on coming to the place on this highway where this same arroyo is crossed, he found the water already beginning to flow across it also and apparently rising so rapidly that he stopped his car and attempted to back it away from the water, but the car left the road and began slipping into the barpit. He then stopped the car again and Mrs. Waddell and the two older children, Virginia, 6, and Vivian, 4, were placed on the top of the car while he carried the baby, Billie Mae, back away from the water. On returning to the car for Mrs. Waddell and the two little girls he found that the rush of water had carried it and the mother and children to the road and buried them in a rush of water which appeared to him must have been at least four feet in height as it crossed the highway, and he gave left alone in the darkness with his baby daughter. This is reported to

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## Church of Christ.

The revival meeting being conducted at the Church of Christ just east of the high school building, was started Saturday night by Brother Van Bonneau, and is attracting a good attendance.

Although the meeting was broken into Sunday night by the rain, and Monday night by bad roads, the preacher and congregation are hopeful for the success of the meeting and well pleased with its progress at this writing.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public generally to attend all these meetings, including the membership of all sister churches.

## Plenty Wet Now.

J. W. Ford was in from his home seven miles west of town Tuesday afternoon and expressed the opinion that they had plenty of rain at their farm to suffice for several days. He reported at least 12 inches of rainfall there.

Mr. Ford's farm has seemed to be so located that no heavy rains have visited it for the past two or three years, getting only enough showers to afford surface moisture and some seasons not enough to make average crops.

However, his land is well soaked at this time, although he says most of his crops were too far advanced to be benefitted very much by this rain, but his later crops will receive some benefit and will make good feed but little grain.

Mr. Ford stated that many jack rabbits, ground squirrels and birds were drowned. He found four rabbits nesting close to a soap weed, all being drowned but one, and it was so near dead that he killed it. Dozens of sparrows were found dead in their yard.

A chap came out of the theatre only to find a policeman standing by his car where he had thoughtlessly parked it beside a fire hydrant. Instead of claiming it and making certain of a summons, he went to a nearby phone and reported his car stolen. In a few minutes the police gave the information that his car had been recovered—and where he could find it—by the fire plug. He went there, claimed it, gave the cop a cigar and drove home.

A private was shaving himself in the open air when his sergeant came along.

Sergeant: Do you always shave outside?

Of course, replied the private. Did you think I was fur-lined?

And when was the baby born?

Between the second payment on the radio and the tenth payment on the car.

A policeman brought in a negro woman. The desk sergeant scowled and roared at her: "Liza, you've been brought in for intoxication."

"Dat's fine," beamed Liza. "Boy, you can start right now."

# International Sunday School

## Lesson

BY DR. J. E. NUNN

September 4.

### Quarterly Temperance Lesson

### EVILS OF INTERPERANCE

Isaiah 5:11-16, 22, 23

11. Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink; that tarry late into the night, till wine inflame them!

12. And the harp and the lute, the tabret and the pipe, and wine, are in their feasts; but they regard not the work of Jehovah, neither have they considered the operation of his hands.

13. Therefore my people are gone into captivity for lack of knowledge; and their honorable men are famished, and their multitude are parched with thirst.

14. Therefore Sheol hath enlarged its desire, and opened its mouth without measure; and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth among them, descend into it.

15. And the mean man is bowed down, and the great man is humbled; and the eyes of the lofty are humbled:

16. But Jehovah of hosts is exalted in justice, and God the Holy One is sanctified in righteousness.

22. Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink;

23. That justify the wicked for a bribe, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him!

**Golden Text: Drink no wine nor strong drink.—Lev. 10:9.**

Time: Isaiah's early prophecies (Beecher) were about B. C. 766. He died about B. C. 679. Place: Isaiah's home was Jerusalem.

## Introduction.

We turn aside from our studies of the experiences of Israel in the wilderness to hear the message of Isaiah as he faces frankly and boldly the moral corruption of the Israel of a later day, and points out the inevitable consequences. It is a message of mingled tenderness and severity; one feels, indeed, that if Isaiah had loved Israel less and had been less conscious of God's love for it, he would have been less severe.

Isaiah was a patriot who prized character, justice, righteousness in times of peace, and gave himself to the noble task of banishing those social evils—monopoly, greed, drunkenness, political and judicial corruptions, luxury—that must lead to national disaster. And that is the kind of patriot sorely needed in America today, men and women who do not believe that a corrupt, greedy, unprincipled and lawless citizenship can maintain a strong and secure nation.

## Isaiah and His Book.

Isaiah is quite generally regarded as the greatest of the Old Testament prophets. He was the son of Amoz (not Amos the prophet), was influential in the court, and was the intimate friend and counsellor of kings, especially of the great King Hezekiah. He was the most Messianic of the prophets, seeing more clearly than any others the coming of the Son of God, and the nature of his person and work. His prose was as noble and elevated as has ever been written, rising to the most sublime heights, and combining all elements of literary skill. The verses chosen for our lesson are from the earliest group of his prophecies, and are mainly descriptive of the vices and sins of the upper classes in which Isaiah moved, the leaders of state in his day.

## A Favored Nation.

The first seven verses of our chapter (Isaiah 5) contain a skill-

fully drawn picture of Israel as the vineyard of Jehovah. There is the story of one who with great anticipation planted a vineyard on a fertile hill; he built a fence about it, took all hindering stones out of it, planted the choicest of vines, and built a protective tower in the midst, and also a winepress. Such was the preparation, but alas! when harvest time came the vineyard brought forth wild or ill-smelling grapes, and there was nothing to be done but to destroy it! That, said Isaiah, is Israel and the men of Judah, God had blessed them beyond measure, and yet "he looked for justice, but beheld oppression; for righteousness, but beheld a cry". Such a failure to rise to the responsibilities of such blessing could be followed only by a strong arraignment and severest judgment.

## Wild Grapes.

The rest of this great chapter (verses 8-30) describes a number of the sins of the nation and their consequences in national calamity. Among these wild grapes were (1) greed expressing itself in the monopolization of land which was a great source of wealth; (2) drunkenness with its accompanying revelry and waste. Commenting upon these evils, George Adam Smith says: "It is with remarkable persistence that in every civilization the two main passions of the human heart, love of wealth and love of pleasure, the instinct to gather and the instinct to squander, have sought precisely these two forms denounced by Isaiah in which to work their social havoc—appropriation of the soil and indulgence in strong drink. Every civilized community develops sooner or later its land question and its liquor question." We are concerned particularly in this lesson with the liquor evil and its fruits.

## The Evil of Drunkenness.

The prophet viewed with greatest alarm the wide-spread evil of drunkenness with its waste and debauchery. How it led men in fetters he set forth vividly in the picture of men rising up early in the morning to follow strong drink, and tarrying late at night until they are inflamed by wine-drinking, drinking, drinking, enlivening their revelry with ribald music. It was a scene of conscienceless self-indulgence, of waste of time, money and manhood, of indulgence and pleasures that stirred the baser passions, and undermined the very foundations of the nation. "The crusade against drink is not the novel thing that many imagine who have seen its late revival among ourselves. In ancient times there was scarcely a state in which prohibitive legislation of the most stringent kind was not attempted, and generally carried out with a thoroughness more possible under despots than where, as with us, the slow consent of public opinion is necessary."—George Adam Smith.

## Sheol.

"Therefore Sheol hath enlarged its desire, and opened its mouth without measure." Sheol is Hebrew and is the same as the Greek Hades, the unseen world, the place of the dead. Isaiah pictures it as a ravening monster, its maw open, eager to swallow up the infatuated, godless people. In God's way is life, but the wages of sin is always and everywhere death. If the drunkard could only realize the black emptiness in which all his orgies are sure to end! If he would only learn from the many experiences of others! If he only would be warned in time! "But Jehovah of hosts," v. 16. Jehovah Sabaoth, the God of the armies of heaven, forever undefeated. "Is exalted in justice." His unworthy people will be debased because of their disobedience, but that very punishment will exalt his right-

eous judgments, of which they had been warned, and which would have saved them if they had given heed.

## A Picture of Divine Wrath.

"The remainder of this powerful chapter is a terrifying picture of the wrath of God against the ungodly. Isaiah compares that anger, to a devouring fire, to a decay at the root, to a blasting of the blossoms, to a blow from a mighty fist, to an earthquake shaking the mountains, to an awful force filling the streets with dead bodies. Then there is an awe-inspiring picture of the coming of the Assyrians to drag the people off to exile, their swift rush from the ends of the earth, their vigor and violence, their sharp arrows, their bent bows, their dashing horses, their whirling chariot wheels, their roaring like the roarings of lions or like the fierce waves of the sea, and the darkening of the sky as they approach like a tempest."

"If the enemies of good government were making and selling a concoction that would poison our pigs and colts and calves and chickens for money, the militant manhood and womanhood of America would stop it. And when we begin to love our boys and girls as well as we love our domestic animals and our selfish appetites, then we will consecrate ourselves anew to their protection and set for them a safe example in refraining from the illicit use of intoxicants anywhere and everywhere."—Hon. William D. Upshaw.

## National Prohibition.

"The Eighteenth Amendment to our National Constitution was not the first experiment with the liquor problem in America. Free manufacture and sale; regulation by license; local option; state prohibition, were in turn expressions of the growing conviction of the corrupting influences of the liquor traffic in national life. The 18th Amendment came after a century of agitation; after 33 states had adopted statewide prohibition; after 85 per cent of the counties, 90 per cent of the townships, 75 per cent of the villages were "dry". Of the population, 68.3 per cent, and of the land area of the United States, 95.4 per cent were already under prohibition." "It was adopted after full and free public discussion, in the face of determined and powerful opposition by larger majorities and greater unanimity in Congress and in the 46 states which ratified it than any other amendment" (Encycl. Brit., 14th edition). It was not "put over."

# Summerfield

MISS GLENN CURRY

About four to five inches of rain fell here Sunday night. All lakes are almost full and the draw was higher than it was two years ago.

Mrs. Berth Kirk of Ruidoso, N. M., was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Roberson the past week end. Rev. Coe, who is conducting a meeting at Friona, visited here one day last week.

Clyde Trodd of New Mexico visited Woodrow Welty last week.

Miss Lena Johnson of Black spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Lookingbill.

L. A. Rickett Jr. of Dimmitt spent Thursday and Friday in the Lee Curry home.

Roger McAuley of Dimmitt was a guest of B. A. Atchley Thursday. Cleo Meharg Jr. of Amarillo spent the week end here with relatives and friends.

Miss Dorothy Fullwood of Hereford visited her sister, Mrs. D. C. Walser and Maude Noland during the week end.

Mrs. Oscar Jay who has been ill is reported to be improving.

Mrs. McMahon and Miss Ellen who have been visiting their daughter and sister, Mrs. Obe Roberson, have gone to Los Angeles to spend the winter with relatives.

Miss Jessie Cross of Friona and Wilson Vines were guests in the J. R. Oglesby home Sunday.

Mrs. W. C. Meharg and Mrs. Sam Ratcliff of Amarillo were guests of relatives here last week. Mary Louise Meharg returned home with Mrs. Sam Ratcliff while

# CLASSIFIED

LOST: Blaze faced chestnut sorrel saddle pony with 3 white stocking feet; disappeared from S. F. Warren farm, northwest of Friona, July 31. Please notify Pitman & McLean, Friona. 3-2c

FOR RENT: Furnished or unfurnished rooms, two blocks east of high school. Mrs. Loveless, Friona. 6-2

FOR SALE: New Perfection oil stove, in good condition. See Mrs. Carl Maurer, Friona. 6-1fc

Mrs. Meharg remained to be with Mrs. Bob Lance who is serious ill. B. A. Atchley and family were guests in the Walter Hawkins home in Hereford Thursday.

Miss Mary Lee Curry and D. J. Neill and Guy Walser motored to Clarendon Sunday. Glenn Curry returned with them after a visit with relatives there.

Henry Kendall and family spent the week end in Clovis with relatives and friends.

Section men were called to Friona Monday morning to look for the railway line where it had been washed out.

Mrs. Willburn Eddlemon and Van are visiting her sister, Mrs. Pass, at Hale Center.

Mrs. W. C. Dealgh of Ft. Worth and Mrs. Carl Donovan and Nan of Amarillo visited Mrs. Walter Huntley, who was an old school mate, Friday.

B. A. Atchley and family and Miss Hazel Oglesby were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Knox in Hereford Saturday evening.

Mrs. Alton Lookingbill and daughter, Phyllis, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jackson, at Bovina.

George Gandy of Plainview spent the week end with his sister, Mrs. J. R. Oglesby and family.

Lloyd Lookingbill and family spent Sunday in the L. B. Lookingbill home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Roberson and son, Wendell, are visiting her parents in Merkel this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Smith of Ruidoso, N. M., and Mr. and Mrs. LaHon of Hereford were guests in the Joe Kendall home Sunday.

Miss Beatrice Lawrence is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Walker at Hartley.

Mrs. W. C. Meharg returned to her home in Amarillo Thursday after a visit with Mrs. Bob Lance.

Mmes. Ray Johnson and Clayburn Carr and J. H. Murdock attended the funeral of the baby of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stanley at Friona Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Pass and Mrs. Officer of Hale Center spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Willburn Eddlemon.

Miss Geraldine Huntley is visiting her cousin, Miss Dorothy Allen, in Amarillo this week.

Messrs. and Mmes. Ben Davis, Ray Johnson, D. C. Walser, L. L. Cannon; Mmes. Clayburn Carr, C. R. Walser, Walter Huntley, Lee Curry; Misses Mabel Cannon, Leatrice Walser and Jim Clark attended the club encampment east of Hereford last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kendall and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lance of Hereford returned home last Thursday after a visit at Ruidoso.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Still and daughter are visiting at Ropesville.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Strickland visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gallaway, at Black Thursday.

Miss Edna Strivin returned home last week after a visit with Miss Bell Long at Texico.

Mrs. G. W. Wells and daughters returned to their home in Amarillo Saturday after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Blakemore.

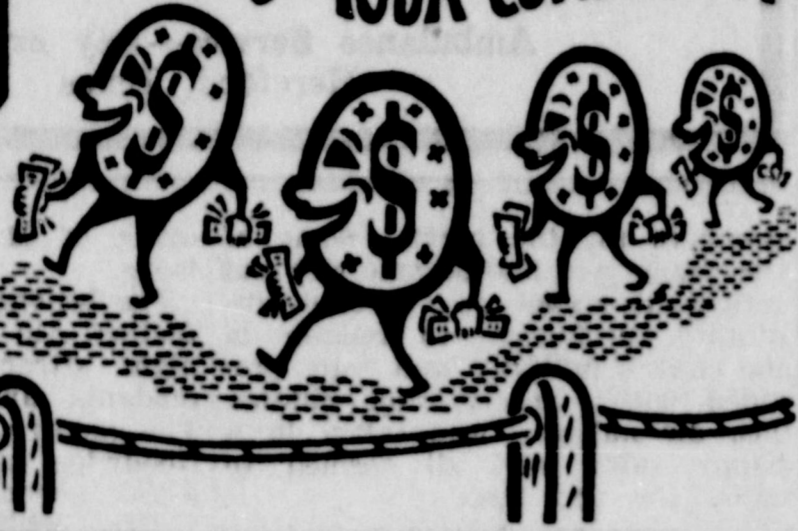
A light shower of rain fell here Tuesday morning.

Customer: To what do you owe your extraordinary success as a house-to-house salesman?

Salesman: To the first five words I utter when a woman opens the door: "Miss, is your mother in?"



THE DOLLARS YOU SPEND  
WITH YOUR HOME FOLKS  
Become Smiling 'SERVANTS'  
of YOUR COMMUNITY



## FOUR DROWN

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have occurred at about 2:00 o'clock Monday morning.

It was some time, perhaps an hour before news of the disaster was made known and the people of Bovina were aroused to engage in a search for the bodies of the mother and two children. As the word spread further more people arrived to lend their assistance by engaging in the search for the bodies.

As soon as the word reached Friona several men living on the south side of the Frio Draw at this place, which was then spread far out of its banks and was a raging torrent, departed to join in the search, which continued throughout the day and night Monday, and until noon Tuesday before all three of the bodies were recovered. As soon as it was possible to cross the draw at Friona Monday afternoon, a group of five men in a car with Mayor Reeve went to the Running Water Draw south of Friona and engaged in the search until nightfall. Later in the evening another group of 20 men from here went there and searched all night long and until well into Tuesday morning. At a little after daybreak Tuesday morning, 60 or more men left Friona and reached the draw south of the Syndicate Hotel and searched the stream eastward until met by a like number of men from Dimmitt, who were moving westward. During this time other companies of about the same size from Bovina and Farwell were searching the stream and overflowed land from Bovina eastward, and this search continued until all the bodies, including that of the young man, Richard Caldwell, of Bovina, who was drowned Monday morning while engaged in the search at the place where the car was swept into the water were recovered.

The body of Mrs. Waddell was found Monday afternoon on the Robert Bledsoe ranch about 12 miles east of the scene of the disaster. The body of the older girl, Virginia, was found about 8:00 o'clock Tuesday morning at the bridge, which was built across the stream last winter, due south of a point two miles east of Friona, about 11 miles from where it was thrown into the water. The body of the other child was found about six miles east of Bovina.

The body of the young man, who was the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Caldwell, was the last to be found and was found Tuesday afternoon about three o'clock in a bend in the bank of the arroyo, where it is supposed the eddying water hindered it from being carried further down the stream. The place where he was found was about 200 yards from where he was last seen.

The bodies of Mrs. Waddell and the little girls were taken at once to the undertaking rooms of E. B. Black & Company in Hereford where they were prepared for burial and returned to Friona Wednesday morning, all three contained in one casket.

The funeral, which was estimated to have had the largest attend-

ance ever seen in Friona, was held from the Baptist church at 2:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, and the funeral services were conducted by Rev. E. Ray Lansdown, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. O. B. Annis, pastor of the local Methodist church. Every bit of available room within the church was occupied and scores of people were forced to remain outside.

Other than the singing, the services consisted of a prayer and the reading of a sketch of the lives of the deceased by Rev. Annis, followed by a short but earnest sermon by Rev. Lansdown.

Evidence of the high esteem in which Mr. Waddell and his family are held by the people of Friona was manifest by the richness, beauty and number of floral offerings with which the casket was covered.

Pall bearers were J. C. Wilkison, A. A. Crow, J. A. Blackwell, D. W. Hanson, J. R. Roden and Ester Noble Honorary pall bearers: M. A. Crum, R. H. Kinsley, C. M. Jones, T. J. Crawford, F. S. Truitt and E. V. Rushing.

The deepest sympathy of the entire community goes out to Mr. Waddell, and to you, dear "Dock", we of the Star, the writer of these lines, extend to you our heartfelt sympathy, so sincere and deed that our words utterly fall in expressing it.

Richard Caldwell, 20-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Caldwell, of Bovina, lost his life early Monday morning in the flood a mile east of Bovina, in an attempt to rescue the bodies of Mrs. C. S. Waddell and her two small daughters from the flood waters in an arroyo leading into Running Water Draw.

The young man had gone with a large number of Bovina men to the scene of the disaster mentioned in another column of this issue of the Star and had mounted a horse for the purpose of riding across the stream in an effort to carry the end of a rope across the stream with which to form a drag for dragging the bed of the stream.

It is reported that he was not an expert horseman and that the horse was unaccustomed to such work and became frightened when it reached deeper water, and the young man slipped from its back and was carried under by the swift current and was lost from sight of the other members of the party.

His body was sought all day Monday and until Tuesday afternoon, when it was found in a cove in the bank of the arroyo not a great distance from where it was last seen. It was the last body to be found of the four people whose lives were lost in that fateful flood.

The funeral services were held at Bovina at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, attended by an immense crowd of sorrowing friends, and the body of this splendid young hero was then laid to its long rest in the Bovina cemetery.

The bereaved parents of this noble young man have the sincere sympathy of their many Friona friends.

## Eleven-Mile

Miss Eunita Williams, Reporter.

Rev. Lansdown of Friona preached at Messenger August 21.

Mrs. G. L. Living of Friona called at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. C. Messenger, Sunday.

Those calling at the Z. T. Stein home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Jones and daughter, Elmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim A. Williams and daughter, Katherine Faye, of Wheatland, New Mexico, who had spent two weeks in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Williams, returned home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lea and children motored to Panhandle first of the week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mackie and son called on his mother at Pampa Tuesday.

Bill Nofzger was here Thursday and Saturday.

Mrs. L. M. Turner and children visited the W. A. Whitson home Thursday.

There was a good crowd at Sunday school Sunday.

Rev. O. B. Annis of Friona will fill his regular attendance at Messenger September 4. Come and enjoy the preaching and help in the Sunday school.

The Sunday school party given in the R. Fannens home Saturday night was well attended. At a late hour cake and ice cream were served to all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Myers and sons went to Oklahoma last week.

Bippus played ball here Sunday, losing 5 to 8.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wells and Miss Eunita Williams spent Monday and Tuesday in Amarillo.

The party given at the M. Reeve home Saturday night was well attended.

R. Shipp of Petrolia called at the G. W. Wells home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mackie of Summerfield spent the week end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wells.

Charley Hoover and Marion Morrison were in Hereford the first of the week.

Mr. Stokes called at the W. A. Whitson home one day last week.

Mrs. Grace Stodder of Amarillo called at the G. W. Wells home Tuesday and Wednesday, and in the Fortenberry home Thursday, returning home Friday.

Mrs. L. M. Williams, daughter and son, Estelle and Hobby, were in Hereford Tuesday.

Bert Doyle left last week for Oklahoma where he will spend a few weeks.

G. W. Wells was in Hereford on business Monday.

C. T. Guseman called at the L. M. Turner home one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wells and daughter, who spent the past few days in Oklahoma with her mother, Mrs. Stuer, returned home last Thursday.

The ice cream supper given at the W. A. Whitson home Thursday night was enjoyed by all.

## Westway Items

BY WILMA NELL SIKES

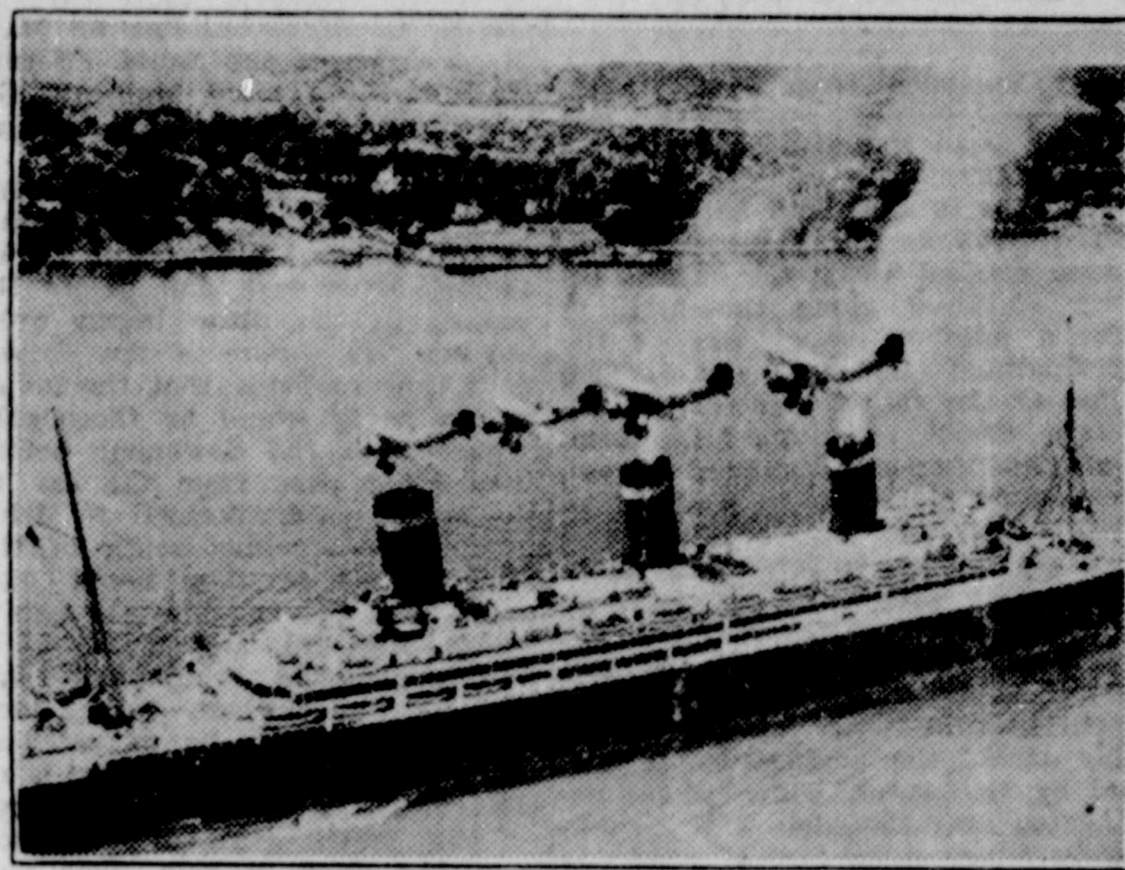
Mrs. L. N. Lipscomb and son, Lloyd, of Amarillo spent Wednesday in Westway visiting her sister, Mrs. O. Wilder and family.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Grimes and family took supper in Hereford Saturday night with Mr. Grimes' brother and family.

Pat Roe and Pauline Wilson surprised their many friends last Saturday by going to Clovis and being married. Guy Lawrence and Bessie Guin accompanied them. We wish this young couple much success and happiness.

Mrs. O. Wilder and Mildred spent Monday with Mrs. Will Carroll in Hereford.

Westway farmers are in much better spirits because of the 3 1/4 inch rain that fell here Sunday night. Much of the row crop will be benefitted, but some of it was too far gone to be helped. The wheat land is now in much better shape to be plowed and planted.



## A SKY-HIGH SEAT FOR RECEPTION TO RETURNING FLIERS

New York City, N. Y.—Here's one of the best pictures ever made from an airplane. Cameramen, flying high above New York Harbor, give you a sky-high seat for the reception of James Mattern and

Bennett Griffin, world fliers who crashed in a bog near Minsk, Russia. Four planes roaring over the Leviathan are Naval Reserve's "Hell Divers".

Wilma Nell Sikes accompanied relatives to Clovis Tuesday of last week to spend a few weeks with them.

The ladies club had their last meeting with Mrs. Pink Gilliland. Late in the afternoon sandwiches, punch and cake were served to the members. The ladies that entered the home beautification contest all were awarded some prize. Mrs. R. M. Gunn and Mrs. Joe Landers won first, Mrs. John P. Slaton second; Mrs. G. C. Hartman, third; Mrs. Bob Denney, fourth.

The club will meet from now on with Mrs. Pink Gilliland.

Irene Grimes spent the week end in Hereford with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Art Grimes.

In Hereford Saturday for the pur-

Most of the Westway people were pose of voting.

School begins Monday morning at Westway.

O. Wilder did jury service in Hereford last week.

A keen-eyed mountaineer led his over-grown son into a country school house. "This here boy's arter be learnin'," he announced. "What's yer bill o' fare?"

"We teach arithmetic, algebra, geometry, trigonometry—"

"That'll do," interrupted the old man, "load him up with trigonometry. He's the only poor shot in the family."

Mother: What kind of a show did daddy take you to, Bobby?

Bobby: It was a dandy, mother. They had ladies dressed in stockings up to their necks.

## NOT YOUR LIGHT BILL

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If we itemized your Electric bill you would then see that lighting is really only a small part. So accustomed have we become to the other electric services that we sometimes forget how many times a day electricity serves us. It makes our toast in the morning. It sweeps the rugs. It washes the dishes. It washes the clothes. Then it irons them. It preserves our foods in electric refrigerators.

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Once it was a "light bill".

Now it is a laundry, cleaning, cooking, refrigeration, amusement (radio), and general service bill.

## Texas Utilities Company

# 17-INCH RAIN

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of the depot was also badly damaged by the flood.

All the tubsters and barrels used by the Texas Oil Company depot were washed away, the barrels being scattered along the highway for a mile or more. One of the red-painted tubsters was lodged just at the railroad culvert at the Main Street crossing, thus forming an excellent danger signal, which many people supposed it to be.

Many tourists traversing the highway were caught in the flood on the eastern outskirts of town and were marooned there for several hours in the flood waters and the pouring rain, some cars were simply stuck, the engines being killed by the water, while others going too near the edge of the grade were dangerously careening on the verge of the bartrips, and a few were completely overturned into the rushing water, not, however, until their occupants had escaped from them, but were forced to remain in the water, some of them standing in water up to their waists. One lady stood for two or three hours holding her baby in her arms above the water until she was finally rescued by a volunteer rescue party that was hastily formed by Frona citizens.

The first information our people had of the danger these people were in was given by some man from a marooned car finding his way into town and going up and down Main Street shouting for help. This alarm came about midnight and the people thus aroused gathered as quickly as possible at the scene of the danger.

About 100 feet of strong rope was secured and one man, a stranger, dressed only in a bathing suit, and who proved to be a good swimmer, tied the rope about his body and hurled himself into the swirling water in an effort to reach the woman with the baby, but the current was so swift that several attempts were made before he finally succeeded in crossing to where the lady was standing, when he carried her safely across to land.

Homer Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Johnson, living at the west edge of town, took his horse to the rescue and succeeded in carrying several persons to safety, but when making the crossing with one large man the horse went under and was drowned, and it was with strenuous effort and courage on the part of the people on the land that Homer and his charge were rescued from the water, both being almost completely exhausted when finally brought to land.

Judging from reports of those who were at the scene of the danger it is almost miraculous that in the darkness and pouring rain there were no lives lost, but all were safely rescued from the flood.

A small adobe building standing just south of the home of Mrs. John Gischler and belonging to R. L. Hicks, had its walls so softened by the water that they crumbled, allowing the roof to fall just after the occupants had emerged from it in an effort to find more secure quarters. A widow lady, Mrs. Kemp, and her children, and her brother-in-law, Henry Terrell and family, were occupying the house at the time. Mr. Terrell had their twin babies in his arms and an was leading an older child by the hand, when Mrs. Terrell fainted just after leaving the house. He thus had to carry her as well as the children to a place of safety, which was all his physical endurance and strength could bear. During the afternoon Monday these people were taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Walker, just south of the draw, where they were cared for.

The flood entirely filled the grain pits of the two elevators of the Oklahoma Pool Elevator Corporation, as it also did that of the Gischler Grain Company elevator on the north side of the railroad track, and it was necessary to install pumps after the decline of the flood in order to remove the water.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Taylor were forced to abandon their cafe in the R. L. Hicks building on Main Street between the Santa Fe railroad and the state highway, the water having risen to considerable depth within the building.

A Mr. Gritz, of Enid, Oklahoma, who with his family were enroute to California, drove into town shortly after dark and before the waters in the draw began overflowing. He drove to the Frona hotel, but realizing that the ladies of his party would be thoroughly drenched in the downpour before they could pass from the car to the hotel porch, decided to drive to the camp cabins south of the highway where they could step right from the car into the cabin, which they did, and for a while felt secure and comfortable, but only for a short time. Before they retired the water began creeping into their cabin, covering the floor, then reaching to the lower rungs on the chairs, then to the next, requiring them to hold their feet upon the chairs to keep them dry, and as the water continued to rise, they left the cabin for their car and drove under the awning of the Frona Consumers Co. filling station and entered the waiting room, and it was soon that they were obliged to keep their feet on the rungs of their chairs again to keep them out of the water. By this time, however, it was unsafe to attempt to leave in their car, so they spent the night in that position and were later hauled out by a wagon and team.

L. F. Lillard, who was returning from Amarillo, was caught in the flood east of town, but by careful and patient driving was able to get across the railroad at the crossing east of town and made his way into town. Tommy Moffat, who accompanied him, being uneasy about his home which is on low ground just north of the railroad, he drove the car over there and as close to Mr. Moffat's house as he could get, while Tommy shed his coat and shoes and waded to the house and secured his trunk. When they attempted to back the car out again they struck a high center and were forced to remain in the car until morning.

In and near Frona the fall of rain is estimated at not less than 11 inches, some contending that there was as much as 13 inches. This caused several cellars in the higher parts of town to be filled with water. Among them were those of Fred White, A. J. Mincher, R. H. Kinsley, D. H. Meade and Mrs. Grace Hart, some of them though were not entirely filled.

S. F. Warren, living three miles west of town, reports that he knows there was 12 inches of rain fell at his place, but how much more he does not know. At one time before dark, he says, there was at least six inches of water standing on the higher points unable to drain off as rapidly as it fell.

A large lake laying just west of the T. H. Hughes farm, which was never known to be filled to the knowledge of the oldest settler here, was filled to the extent that it overflowed at the northeast portion of the rim and the water flowed in a broad stream northeast a mile and a half or more into the

large lake on the Grover C. Gregg farm, better known as the Wentworth place.

In spite of all this rain, little or no crop damage has been reported at this writing, but on the contrary so far as farmers are concerned, the rain seems to have been welcomed, and it is hoped no great damage will be found.

## Horse Sank Into the Ground.

J. W. Ford had a rather unpleasant experience Tuesday morning while riding one of his horses over his farm viewing the effects of the heavy rain.

When crossing a strip of fresh wet soil his horse sank into the ground until his belly touched the surface. Mr. Ford at once freed himself from the saddle and the soft earth and the horse made an effort to free himself, but was not successful. After resting a few minutes the horse tried again and this time freed one fore foot, another rest and another struggle and he succeeded in freeing himself from the soft earth, but Mr. Ford decided he was safer on the ground and led the horse until he reached home.

It appears that the rain had washed in a large quantity of loose soil from a freshly plowed field adjoining that of Mr. Ford and this soil had settled on Mr. Ford's farm, and while appearing firm on top it was still quite soft and unable to bear the weight of the horse.

## Prof. E. R. Haskins Here.

Prof. E. R. Haskins, superintendent of the Lazbuddy schools, was a visitor in Frona Thursday morning and made the Star office a social visit of a few minutes.

Prof. Haskins is beginning his fourth term as superintendent of the Lazbuddy schools, where he has done wonderful work in the development of the school and the entire community by raising the school to its present standard of a state affiliated school.

He is being seconded in this good work by a faculty of energetic and progressive teachers. He hopes to be able to furnish the Star with news items throughout the term, giving information of the work and progress of high school.

## C. E. Social Union Meeting.

The Christian Endeavor society was host Sunday evening to members of the Springlake society. It had been planned that they meet at the church at six o'clock and go from there to the Goodwine home south of town and partake of a lunch prepared by the host, this to be followed by a prayer meeting program of the society. The plan was changed by the showers that had fallen during the afternoon and became heavy at dusk.

When luncheon was finished and the program rendered it was found that rain was falling so heavily it was not advisable to go out into it. However, the rain continued to fall and the visitors attempted to return home but found Frio draw had overflowed and it was dangerous to attempt a crossing, so they returned to the church.

There were about 20 visitors and all were taken to homes of local

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members for the night. Some of the young men had become wet and refused to accept the tendered hospitality, preferring to remain in the church building, and were provided with comforts and pillows. The discomfiture was taken in a happy spirit and all seemed to enjoy the occasion.

## Congregational Church Notes.

Supt. Reeve's plan of beginning on time should meet the approval of all members of the school and have a noticeable effect on many of them in the way of a more punctual arrival.

Perhaps a few more than the ordinary number were present at Sunday school and interest was shown in the lesson in the more advanced classes. The young people's class joined the adults for the lesson. The special feature was a story for the primary members by Mr. Millford.

Practically the entire attendance at Sunday school remained for church service and listened to an-

other of Mr. Millford's good sermons.

The lemonade social given by the Ladies' Aid at the church Friday night attracted a number of attendants and was well enjoyed. The games were led by Miss Neida Goodwine and all ate cake and drank lemonade.

Mr. Millford, our pastor, expects his father, Rev. Millford, of Peoria, Illinois, to drive here soon, with whom he will return home at the close of his term of service as pastor here.

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10:05	7:05	1.65	Hereford	1:45
10:20	7:20	2.10	Summerfield	1:30
10:30	7:30	2.35	Black	1:20
10:45	7:45	2.45	Frona	1:05
11:05	8:05	2.90	Bovina	12:45
a. m.	p. m.		p. m.	a. m.
11:30	8:30	3.30	Farwell	12:20
11:00	8:30	3.60	Clovis	11:00
11:35	9:05	4.25	Portales	10:30
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2:30	11:45	7.15	Roswell	7:45
5:00	2:10	9.45	Ruidoso	5:00
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