

Church and Society



CHAIRMAN, Mrs. Wesley Trainham of Vera, Texas, left, District Vice-President of the Texas Home Demonstration Association which held a district training meeting here, Mon., Jan. 30. Seated at the right is Mrs. Clyde Beck, secretary for the day. Representatives from 13 of the 15 counties in the district attended (a total of 54 delegates). Mrs. Wilson Barton, Motley County THDA chairman extended greetings to the assembly, after which Mrs. Trainham presided.

Texas Home Demonstration Association Holds District Training Meeting Here

The district training meeting for Texas Home Demonstration Association, held here Monday, Jan. 30 in the District Court room was well attended, with 13 of the 15 counties represented by 54 delegates.

Women of the host county (Motley) served coffee and doughnuts to the guests upon arrival, after which the business session was conducted. Presiding was Mrs. Wesley Trainham of Vera, district vice president, with Mrs. Clyde Beck serving as secretary for the day.

Group singing was led by Mrs. Scott Robbins of Whiteflat, and greetings were extended by Mrs. Wilson Barton, Motley County THDA chairman.

Speakers appearing on the program other than Mrs. Trainham, included Mrs. Clarence Davis of Quanah, State Treasurer who spoke on the T.H.D.A. fund, who stated that three scholarships for 4-H girls are granted with part of this fund; Mrs. Noel Weaver, Hamlin, who explained how to present a resolution; and Mrs. Douglas Davis, Wilbarger County, who listed the duties of the county T.H.D.A. chairman.

Miss Fern Hodge of Vernon, District Agent brought the principal message for the day, on the subject, "Let's all grow together." Using a flannel board to illustrate her talk, she featured a train motif to demonstrate how all must work together to make a success of T.H.D.A. work through county home demonstration clubs by working with the extension service, the local council, local clubs and the individual club member.

Mrs. Travis Smith, Haskell

County reported on the Education committee recommendations. This committee is now known as Family Life Committee. Mrs. J. L. Graham, Wichita County reported on the Civil Defense committee, stressing its great importance and told where MPF could be obtained and where to obtain plastic water storage containers.

A report on Health and Safety was given by Mrs. W. E. Cook, Knox County, who pointed out how closely the two are connected. Mrs. Gant of Fisher County reported on Recreation and urged that some form of recreation be used at each meeting as well as being used in the home and in the community.

The importance of aiding youth, as the country's future citizens was stressed by Mrs. J. O. Strite, Hardeman County in her report on the 4-H committee recommendations of work.

Mrs. Trainham announced that the district T.H.D.A. meeting will be held in Vernon April 10 at the Memorial Auditorium; the State meeting in San Angelo August 9-10, and the National meeting the latter part of August in the state of Maine.

A delicious lunch was served at the noon hour by the Motley County club women and the meeting was adjourned at 2:30.

Attending the meeting from this county, other than those mentioned, were Mesdames Sam Ross, C. C. Jones, Doyle Calvert, Wilburn Martin, Joe Degan, Bob Martin, Fred Bourland, Tom Tilson, Sterling Price, O. D. Calvert, Ward Rattan and W. C. Pallmeyer.

PIED PINIONS

By Mrs. M.

In answer to numerous questions as to whether the Tribune force actually pied the Christmas issue, will say that it did not. However, such calamity has been visited on the Tribune on several occasions.

The first time it happened was one of the days Mr. M. went to Morton to promote the purchase of the Morton Tribune, to add to the woes and tribulations of an already harassed crew. What we needed less than anything else in the world was another newspaper.

He had made up the forms and had them on the press ready to print, and fortunately a proof had been made, before he left. When he returned at 3 a.m. lights were ablaze in the shop as enlisted friends attempted to aid the force in putting the puzzle of two pied pages together.

This all happened back in the spring of 1945. Helen (Mrs. Marvin) Patton was helping get the Tribune in the mail each week for benefit of boys in service, as her contribution to the war efforts, and Charles Ray Cox, her nephew and part-time employee was doing the press work.

In a manner of speaking, the fault was mine I thought a cut was too low and should be raised. After making the necessary adjustment, Charles forgot to lock the forms in, and with the first revolution of the motor, they were slung to the floor.

Another time it happened, there was a Mill Iron Ranch bull ad and news release which had to be unscrambled following the catastrophe.

And of course these things always happened on Thursday.

One way to make your aging friends feel real good: Send them a card which reads, "Birthdays are sure a sad state of affairs, when we're too YOUNG to be junked — and too OLD for repairs!"

Drama Festival Plans Are Made

(Special to The Tribune)

Plans for a Southwide Church Drama Festival to be held at the First Baptist Church, Plainview, on March 23-25, are being completed.

The festival marks the second of its kind to be held in the South Plains area, the first having been conducted in Plainview last February under the leadership of the Church Recreation Service of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Mr. Cecil McGee, drama consultant of the Church Recreation Service, will direct the

Festival and will bring with him an outstanding faculty. Although the list of conference leaders is not complete, it has been announced that the faculty will include Mrs. Agnes Pylant, head of the Church Recreation Service, Nashville, Tennessee; Mr. John Lee Welton of Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee; and Mrs. Sarah Miller, church drama authority of Houston, Texas. Conference subjects will include Creative Dramatics for Children, Fun Drama for Teeners, Play Direction, Lighting the Church Play, and Using Drama in the Unit Organization.

The festival will open Thursday night at 7 p.m. with two plays presented by church groups, followed by a reception. Friday morning and afternoon will be given over to conferences, and on Friday night two more plays will be given, to be followed by a fellowship featuring "Fun Drama."

GIRLS BANQUET PLANS PROGRESS

Plans are near completion and tickets went on sale this week for the 23rd annual Mother-Daughter Banquet, scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 14.

Announcement has been made that the banquet will feature a Western theme, and those who wish to do so may dress accordingly, although it is not required that they do.

It was stressed that the idea generally is for informal attire and that those who do not have western clothes will not be expected to obtain them just for this occasion. Fiesta dresses, or skirts and blouses are suggestions, with possibly a colorful neck scarf.

"We want to make the affair as informal as possible," said Mrs. J. P. Sturdivant, president of Matador Parent-Teacher Association, sponsors of the entertainment. "Almost every girl has a skirt and blouse that she can wear and be entirely in keeping with the occasion."

Mrs. D. L. Damron is in charge of ticket sales. The banquet will be held as formerly, in the basement of the First Baptist Church.

Baptist WMS Has Missions Program

Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church heard an interesting program on mission work with foreign speaking people living in the United States in general meeting Tuesday at the church.

Mrs. Edgar Lee, program leader distributed miniature planes fashioned of stick candy, life savers and chewing gum, and took the group on an imaginary plane trip over the country as they heard a discussion on mission work in Alabama and Florida, by Mrs. D. P. Keith and Mrs. Elbert Reeves.

Mrs. Gene Hawkins read from Proverbs 14, and spoke on the thought, "Are we blind to our opportunities?" She also announced that Paul Ebhomiem of Nigeria, who is attending Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, has been assigned as the foreign student sponsored by the local organization.

The program opened with prayer by Mrs. R. E. Campbell Sr., and Mrs. J. L. Woodruff gave the benediction. Others present were Mrs. J. R. Berryman, Mrs. Alfred Barton, and Mrs. Ben Keltz, president, who conducted the business session.

Club Program Is Corsage Making

With Marsha Seale as hostess, Tender Buds Junior Garden Club members were given a demonstration on making a corsage, in regular meeting Monday afternoon.

Teresa Sexton, leader, introduced the program given by Marsha on "How It's Done" and her mother, Mrs. Bill Seale, on "That Extra Touch."

First-hand information was included in the demonstrations, since the Seales own the Matador Floral Company.

Refreshments of cookies, hot chocolate and nuts were served to, Shariene Berryman, Susan Hunt, Carol King, Judy Pitts, Helen Taylor and Teresa Sexton, members, and Mrs. W. W. Clements, club sponsor.

Methodist Pastor Reviews New Book

CHICAGO — (Special) The Rev. Melvin R. Mathis, pastor of Methodist churches in McAdoo and Afton, Texas, reviews Franklin M. Segler's new book, *A Theology of Church and Ministry*, in the current issue of the *CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE*, professional journal for Methodist pastors and church leaders.

This book is thoughtful, challenging, and broadening, Mr. Mathis writes. "It will aid the minister in utilizing both compre-

hensive reading and modern methods with discrimination in the light of permanent standards that have warmth and power."

There is a minimum of heavy plodding here in spite of the book's very strong documentation, points out Mr. Mathis.

TO OUR FRIENDS

We should like to tell you how deeply we appreciate your understanding sympathy, your

tender thoughtfulness, your many expressions of love that have lightened the burden of our grief, but words cannot half express what they have meant to us. Our sincerest wish for you is, that in your hour of need, there may be those who will be tender, kind, and faithful to you, as you have been to us. May God bless you all.

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