

EASTLAND BOY SCOUTS OBSERVING ORDER'S 33RD. ANNIVERSARY FEB. 6-12

Local Boy Scouts, joined by the entire citizenship of Eastland will observe Boy Scout Week February 6-12.

The 11 o'clock service Sunday at the First Methodist church will be devoted to the Scouts, and on next Tuesday night the Scouts will have a party commemorating the 33rd anniversary of the organization. This will be at the Eastland City Park.

"Toughen up! - Buckle down! And Carry on to Victory" is the theme chosen for Boy Scout Week throughout America the importance of preparing themselves mentally and morally and stepping up their efficiency in performing tasks which help to win the war. The 33rd birthday of the Boy Scouts of America provides the rallying point for a drive to make every Scout a stronger, healthier, better citizen and, potentially, a better soldier, should the war last long enough for him to serve.

Many of the boys now Scouts will be in the armed forces before the conflict ends. The theme of Boy Scout Week emphasizes Scout activities, such as hiking, camping and cruising, which develop stamina and self-reliance. Emphasis is given such aspects as stalking, tracking, observation, signaling, compass and map work and others which teach the Scout to take care of himself in the wilderness or under primitive conditions. Interwoven with these are strenuous outdoor games and contests, night "commando" stunts. Message-to-Garcia hikes and others which develop resourcefulness and initiative. A personal health routine is also an integral part of the program.

Toughening moral fibre is as important to Scouting as developing healthier bodies and alert minds. Provision is made for this through special dedication to the task of developing character strong enough to meet the severe tests of war days. A more effective use of the Scout Oath and Law is aimed for, along with strengthened religious convictions. Scouting is non-sectarian, but it teaches through precept and example that "The recognition of God as the ruling power in the universe and the grateful acknowledgement of His favors and blessings are necessary to the best type of citizenship."

The "Buckle down! part of the wartime theme initiated during Boy Scout Week is directed toward all-out participation in community service activities which contribute to Victory, such as salvage projects, Civilian Defense and Emergency Service, selling war bonds and stamps, dispatch bearer service, food production and conservation - which includes fire prevention, tree planting and preventing soil erosion.

This year's Boy Scout Week will also provide a contrast between Scouting during this World War and the first, when the movement in America was only thirty years old. Scouting has grown in (See BOY SCOUTS Page 3)

Sqyres Appeals Two Year Murder Sentence

N. B. (Punk) Sqyres of Ranger, charged with murder in connection with the fatal shooting of Tom Dodd in Ranger on August 22, last, and tried last week before Judge B. W. Patterson of the 88th district court, was found guilty by a jury which fixed his punishment at two year confinement in the State penitentiary.

Frank Sparks, attorney for Sqyres, appealed direct from the sentence imposed by the court, to the Court of Criminal Appeals at Austin. Sqyres furnished a recognizance bond in the sum of 2,000 with Charles H. Compton and Henry Compton as sureties.

INFANT DIES

Gill Lucile Harbin, 15 day old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harbin, of Morton Valley, died Sunday morning. Funeral rites were conducted by Rev. Homer Starnes of the Eastland Baptist church. Interment, with Hamner's of Eastland in charge, was in the Eastland cemetery. Gill was one of twins. Mr. and Mrs. Harbin have 8 other children.

D. A. HULCY



D. A. Hulcy, president of the Lone Star Gas Company since 1940, announces the reorganization of the system. The five operating companies and the holding company formerly composing the system has been reorganized into two companies.

44 MEN FROM COUNTY ENTER U. S. ARMY

The following Eastland county selectees, who had passed the army examination at Abilene and had been transferred to the enlisted reserve corps, left Eastland Thursday for military camps to enter service:

Jesse Thomas Bethany, Rt. 1, Eastland; Glenn Robert Nunnally, Rt. 2 Rising Star; William Robert Anderson, Cisco; Vernon Taylor Duke, Desdemona; Oliver Park Cate, Gorman; Owen R. Irie, Rt. 1, Cisco; Andrew J. Elliott, Olden; James L. Hughes, Desdemona; William H. Limbocker, Rt. 3 Ranger; Jose R. Camacho, Ranger; Willie C. Harris, Jr., Ranger; Finis G. Wheat, Rt. 2 Ranger; Geo. H. Johnson, Rt. 2 Cisco; Cody E. Thompson, Rt. 1 Rising Star; Jessie T. Womack, Rt. 3 Ranger; J. W. Burns Olden; William L. Gustafson, Eastland; Jesse C. Hathcock, Rt. 2 Ranger; William H. Kirk, Rt. 3 Gorman; G. D. Underwood, Rt. 2 Gorman; Ronald L. Taylor, Rising Star; Wallace E. Harrall, Eastland; Juan Munos Gusman, Eastland; David John Underwood, Gorman; Jerrill Dean Burleson, Rt. 3 Gorman; Claybourne H. Ball, Ranger; Fred Napier, Olden; James R. Simmons, Eastland; Elbert W. Morton, Rt. 4 Cisco; Elward E. Taylor, Cisco; Johnny D. Rayland, Rt. 3 Gorman; Jack B. Crawley, Rt. 2 Eastland; Peresilino Parramo, Eastland; Thomas B. Cook, Ranger; Willie L. Rose, Ranger; D. L. Simpson, Ranger; Herman Neil Maltby, Desdemona; Carl L. Butler, Jr., Olden; Kenneth E. Wittle, Desdemona; Jackson H. Fidler, Olden; Elsie E. Patterson, Olden; Mirko W. Krajer, Ranger; J. B. Robinson, Ranger; Martin M. Gusman, Eastland.

Mr. Hulcy explained that the reorganization does not change the basic policies of the personnel but does simplify operations and creates a tightly knit organization which is even more sensitive and responsive to the customers fuel service needs and to war time demands.

Mrs. Whitby Is Buried In The Acker Community

Mrs. Laura Jane Langford Whitby, 88, who died at her home in the Acker community, Wednesday morning, was buried Thursday afternoon at the Acker cemetery. Funeral services were held at the community church at 3 o'clock with the Morris Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The deceased was born in La., June 16, 1855 and had made her home at Acker for the past 57 years.

B. M. CALLOWAY DIES

B. M. Calloway, a resident of Ranger, for the past 20 years, and a retired Methodist minister, died Saturday afternoon at a Ranger Hospital. Funeral services were conducted from the Ranger Methodist church at 4:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Interment was in the Ranger cemetery.

FIRST OF FIVE UNITS RAISED AT L. S. PLANT

The first of five units to be constructed for the manufacture of 100 octane aviation fuel at the Lone Star Producing Company's plant No. 101, was raised last night and set on the concrete base. Construction men were working this morning to complete the base and setting up of the tower.

The unit which was raised last night stands 112 feet and is four feet in diameter. Before it is completed about four layers of insulation will be bound around the tower.

Construction officials stated that the tower was raised by a truck winch and pulleys and stated that the men handling the job were experts in this work, with every precaution for safety being taken.

Four more towers of varying heights and diameters will be constructed before the stabilizer will be put into operation.

Lone Star Gas Reorganization Is Announced

Reorganization of the Lone Star Gas System has been announced by D. A. Hulcy, president. The five operating companies and the holding company which formerly composed the system has been reorganized into two companies, and the holding corporation is to be discontinued.

Since 1940 Mr. Hulcy has been president of the Lone Star Gas Company which, until the reorganization, operated as the pipe line, wholesale division of the business. With the reorganization he became president of the entire system. He is a native of Texas and has been with the company for 23 years.

The names of the Dallas Gas Co., Community Natural Gas Company, Texas Cities Gas Company and Lone Star Gasoline Company have been dropped and all the transportation and distribution operations of these companies have been taken over by the Lone Star Gas Company.

The gas field producing operations have been placed in the Lone Star Producing Co. Both of these companies are Texas corporations.

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Poll Taxes Paid In Year 1942 Than In Year 1941

Based on the number of poll taxes paid and number of exemptions issued in 1941 and 1942, there will be 1,358 fewer qualified voters in Eastland county this year than last.

According to figures compiled by County Tax Assessor-Collector Clyde Karkalis, there were 5,478 polls and 61 exemptions issued in 1941, making a total of 5,538, as compared with 4,172 polls and 9 exemptions issued for 1942, a difference of 1,358 in favor of 1941.

Karkalis, in announcing the figures, explained that the 1942 figures were based to some extent on estimates, but could not be far from correct.

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Rationing At A Glance

WAR RATION NO. 1—Used for sugar and coffee, will be required to obtain Book No. 2.

WAR RATION BOOK NO. 2—To be issued soon, will provide for rationing on a "point system".

MILEAGE RATION BOOKS—Books A, B, and C, used for passenger car gasoline; E and R books for non-highway uses; D, for motorcycles; T for trucks and commercial vehicles.

Rationed Food Commodities
SUGAR—Stamp No. 11 in Book No. 1 good for 3 pounds until midnight March 15, 1943.

COFFEE—Stamp No. 28 in Book No. 1 (for those 15 or older on the date the book was issued) good for 1 pound until midnight Feb. 7, 1943.

MEAT—Voluntary share-the-meat program sets limit at 2½ pounds per person per week. Meat will be rationed under the "point system" after Book No. 2 is distributed.

Mileage Rationing
GASOLINE—Value of each coupon in A, B, and C books is 4 gallons. Second 8 coupons in A book are good until midnight March 21, 1943. Those who think they are eligible for supplemental rations should see their local ration board.

TIRE INSPECTION—All "A" book holders must have first official tire inspections by March 31, 1943. Subsequent inspections for A book holders will be once every six months. "B" and "C" book holders and owners of bulk coupons for fleets must have first official tire inspection by February 28, 1943.

Subsequent inspections for B book holders will be once every four months. Subsequent inspections for C book holders will be once in every three months. "T" ration book holders must have first official tire inspections by Feb. 28, 1943.

Subsequent inspections for T book holders will be once every 60 days or every 5,000 miles, whichever comes first.

FIRES—If official tire inspector recommends a tire replacement or recap, apply to local ration board for tire or recap ration certificate. Tires and recaps will be rationed to all on the basis of tire inspections and county quotas available, with most essential mileage to come first.

Other Rationing
Eligible purchasers needing new automobiles, bicycles, typewriters, rubber footwear, and other commodities on which sales might be restricted should see their local ration board.

Address of the local board for this county is Eastland, Texas. Jack Frost, Chairman.

Home Made Lamp Brooders Prove To Be Practical

The home-made lamp brooder is planned and designed to fill the need found on many farms and town uses for simple, economical, practical and easily constructed brooder to accommodate from 60 to 70 chicks.

The home-made lamp brooder is planned for use in farm or town flocks where the owner wishes to put out from 150 to 200 chicks during the season. After chicks are kept in this brooder for four weeks they can be easily moved to other quarters where they do not need heat. In this way the brooder may be used from two to three times during the season. Through the use of adequate brooding facilities one is able to off chicks early in the spring which will produce better growth and lower mortality and the pullets will come into production in the early fall months with the increase in egg prices.

The home-made brooder is made of rough lumber built in sections so that it can be easily cleaned and disinfected.

Eastland Attorney Taken In Custody At St. Louis, Mo.

Milton Lawrence, former Eastland attorney, who left here almost two years ago, was taken into custody by St. Louis police Monday who stated that they were holding him on suspicion in connection with a Texas forgery charge. Lawrence, according to St. Louis authorities, was arrested while at work as a Civilian Inspector for the Navy in a St. Louis war project.

Lawrence, police said, denied the charges, claiming it was a political frame up. Friends in Eastland said Lawrence would waive extradition and would return to Eastland to face any charges against him.

Stewart Funeral Held At Olden

Funeral services for L. M. Stewart who died at his home in Olden, Monday, were conducted at the residence in Olden Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock with Wesley Mickey, minister of the Church of Christ at Ranger in charge of the services. Arrangements were by the Morris Funeral Home, and burial was in the Eastland cemetery.

Born in Burnet, June 8, 1867, the deceased had made his home in Olden for a number of years.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Pearl Stewart, two daughters, Mrs. R. L. Banta of Compton, Calif., and Mrs. E. C. Meroney of Olden, four sons, A. C. of Houston, R. F. of Breckenridge, and W. P. Stewart somewhere in South Africa, and one brother, D. L. Stewart of Junction.

County Is Over Quota On 1942 War Bond Sales

According to Cyrus B. Frost, Eastland county chairman for bond sales, citizens of the County over-subscribed their quota for 1942. That quota was \$1,005,564, while the total sales were \$1,019,357.95, making an over subscription of 13,793.95.

The quota for Eastland county for this January is \$50,400.00.

Deputy Revenue Collector To Be Here Feb. 11th

A deputy collector from the Internal Revenue Collector's office in Dallas will be at the post office in Eastland Thursday, February 11th to assist people with their income tax returns.

FUNERAL FOR R. D. GREGORY TO BE FRIDAY

RANGER TEXAS — Feb. 4 — Funeral services for Richard Daniel Gregory, 79, who died here this morning will be conducted Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Baptist church with Rev. David M. Phillips and Rev. G. C. Massagee in charge of the service with arrangements by Morris Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Evergreen cemetery.

The deceased who was born June 11, 1864, was a retired Baptist minister and had made his home in Ranger for the past 20 years.

Survivors include the widow, and four daughters, Mrs. L. H. Talliaferro and Mrs. Roland Ingram of Ranger, Mrs. D. P. Holiday and Mrs. J. C. Donaldson of Gorman; four sons, H. E. of Odessa, Rev. E. D. Gregory of Santa Anna, Calif., Wt. of Eastland, and E. S. of Ranger. Surviving also are 35 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be L. L.

Veteran Peace Officer Heads Police Dept.

Ed Sparr, veteran Eastland peace officer, and for the past 10 years or more a member of the Eastland police force, has been promoted to chief of the City police department. Action appointing Sparr was taken at a meeting of the City Commission Tuesday.

Sparr, who has a 24 year record as a peace officer, succeeds Elton Reeves, who resigned some few weeks ago to accept a position as County jailer under Sheriff John Hart.

Other members of the three-man police force are "Dee" Carroll and W. E. Stalter. Carroll, who has been working temporarily, served as a deputy sheriff under former sheriff Loss Wood.

Sparr, who has a splendid reputation as an officer who does his duty and sets along with the public, began his work as a peace officer when only 18 years old guarding convicts under former sheriff E. P. (Pack) Kilborn. He also served as deputy under former sheriff H. E. (Elmer) Lawrence and for two years was deputy sheriff in Young county.

In 1911 Sparr was elected City Marshall for Eastland. This was before the city manager form of government was adopted by Eastland. He has worked as a peace officer under six Eastland City managers.

Gorman Business Men Are Host To Alameda Farmers

The business men of Gorman were hosts recently to the farmers of the Alameda Community when a get-together meeting was held at the Alameda School building from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m. The banquet was sponsored by the Alameda Home Demonstration club and 4-H Girls Club.

T. C. Wylie acted as master of ceremonies, introducing among others, Dr. Edward Blackwell and Dick Weckes of Gorman, and Bill Parr of the U. S. Navy.

Proceeds from the sale of tickets to the banquet are being expended on Alameda's school building, which is modern and complete in most every detail including a water system. It is being rock vander.

G. Kimbrough, 60, Died Saturday; Buried Monday

Greely Kimbrough, 60, of Desdemona, died Saturday at a Gorman hospital. Funeral services were conducted from the Eastland Baptist church at Eastland, at 4 p. m. Monday, with the pastor, Rev. Homer Starnes, officiating. Interment was in the Eastland cemetery with Hamner's of Eastland in charge. Six of his nephews acted as pallbearers.

The deceased, who was never married, is survived by his father G. M. Kimbrough of near Eastland, and nine brothers and sisters.

RUSSIANS THREATEN TO FORCE A "GERMAN DUNKIRK" ON THE SHORES OF THE SEA OF AZOV

Southern Italy and Tunisia Hit by Allied Planes as American Bombers Flown by Americans Attack the Reich

The Soviet Army closed in today on Rostov, focal point of Axis operations in the South of Russia and threatened to bring about a "German Dunkirk" on the shores of the Sea of Azov.

The Red Army pressed toward Batsk, 10 miles south of Rostov, with apparent intention of cutting off German retreat from the Caucasus in that direction.

A British broadcast said that German troops were attempting to flee across the Kerch Straits into Crimea and were under heavy Russian air bombardment.

Rostov was threatened by the Russians from the south, southeast and northeast, one Red column was reported within 20 miles of Batsk.

Allied planes blasted Axis supply lines from southwestern Italy to southern Tunisia and peppered German troops in central Tunisia.

British troops fought doggedly to hold strategically important hill known as Djebel Mansour, seven miles south of Bou Arada, which they captured from the Germans yesterday.

Eastland Man Is Named To Board Of Credit Group

At the Annual Shareholders meeting Saturday and Monday of the Stephenville Production Credit Association held in Ft. Worth and Stephenville, T. E. Castleberry of Eastland was elected director to serve on the five member board.

I. S. Echols of Gorman, whose time has expired, was nominated for reelection but asked to be relieved because of business reasons. Mr. Castleberry, a stockman, is a long time resident of the Eastland area, and is well known in the county.

In the organization meeting Monday following the regular session, Less Armstrong of Crowley, Tarrant County, was named president of the Association and R. Cal McCurdy of Deatur, vice-president. Garland Eubank was re-elected secretary treasurer with T. C. Grandbury and M. Autry assistants.

A resolution was approved making available the facilities of the Association for handling the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation loans recently authorized by the President's Executive order leading to increased production of food for military and civilian needs.

Eastland county is one of the ten counties served by the Association. The Eastland office is in charge of Walter Hill, manager, and Julia Lawson, secretary.

Victory Garden Campaign Is On In Eastland

A Victory Garden campaign was launched at a meeting held Tuesday night at the Eastland Chamber of Commerce. The purpose of the campaign is to encourage each and every family to plant a garden of some kind and size.

The city officials have granted permission for the use of vacant lots belonging to the city as Victory Gardens. One requirement made by the City is that users of the City's vacant lots agree not to break up the ground beyond the property line as to do so would cause damage to sidewalks and otherwise cause inconveniences.

Due to inclement weather attendance at Tuesday night's meeting was not large, but much interest was shown. It was stressed at the meeting that now is the time for preparing beds for planting where the plants are to be transplanted later.

GOES TO DES MOINES
Mrs. Marene Johnson who recently enlisted in the WAACS has been ordered to report at Dallas on Feb. 8 after which she will go to Des Moines, Iowa, for five weeks basic training.

If you are short on gas, just remember that it is a lot safer to skid on foot.

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Joe Don Meroney, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Meroney of Ranger is now stationed at Springfield, Mass. with the ground school of the Air Corps, administrative branch.

In letters to his parents he says that he is highly pleased with the work and the experience that he is gaining. Joe Don is a graduate of Ranger schools and Ranger Junior College where he was a popular and successful member of the debating team.

Pless Moore, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Pless Moore of Ranger has been graduated from the airplane mechanics school at Sheppard field and has been sent somewhere to a factory school. Pless is taking work which he planned to get at the University of Texas and reports that he is thoroughly happy in the work.

Cpl. Roland (Doc) Downtain writes his father, Gene Downtain of Eastland, that he is enjoying his work with the U. S. Air Corps at Harlingen. Cpl. Downtain's wife, who is with the FBI is located in Washington, D. C.

Col. Sam L. Ellis, Commandant, Army Air Forces Bombardier School, Big Spring, Texas, announces that Edwin Baker, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Baker Sr., North Oklawaha, Eastland, has just begun his training as a bombardier cadet. He graduated in 1931 from El Campo High School El Campo, Texas, and attended Texas A&M College. He is a brother of Ensign Gus B. Baker of the U. S. Navy and his previous occupation was credit manager for a tire company in Austin, Texas.

SHEPPARD FIELD, Texas — Feb. 3 — Robert L. Stevens son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Stevens, of Route 3 Ranger, has graduated from an intensive course in glider mechanics and now is prepared to blast the Axis as one of America's "commandos in coveralls". Sheppard Field, near Wichita Falls, Texas is one of the many schools of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command which trains the specialist technicians to maintain our mighty air armada. He is now eligible to win a rating as a corporal or sergeant to play a vital role in a new, pioneering branch of the service — gliders.

SHEPPARD FIELD, Tex., Feb. 3 — Pvt. Doris H. Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Alexander of Ranger, has graduated from an intensive course in aviation mechanics and now is prepared to blast the Axis. Sheppard Field, near Wichita Falls, Tex., is one of the many schools in the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command which trains the specialist technicians who maintain our bombers and fighter planes in perfect combat condition. He now is eligible to become crew chief on a bomber and to win a rating as a corporal or sergeant.

Mrs. D. N. Nantz has just received her first letter from her son, Pvt. Albert Nantz, of the infantry who sailed for foreign service in early October. Pvt. Nantz is somewhere in Africa.

Mrs. R. C. Wilson and Mrs. J. E. Bryan have received word that their nephew, A/C Harvard B. Murphy has completed his preliminary aviation course with the Army Air Corps at Tulsa, Oklahoma and has been transferred to Enid, Oklahoma for the basic training.

Bob, as he was called by his Ranger friends, is a graduate of the Ranger High School. The following letter was received by the Times, Monday and the date on the letter was, January 28, 1943. Ranger Times

Ranger, Texas I know you will be surprised to hear from me and you probably don't know me, but just the same I am S/Sgt. John H. Roper the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Roper, Rt. 3 of Ranger, Texas. I came to Ranger, Texas the 7th of January 1937 and then on Jan. 7th 1941, I enlisted with the U. S. Air Corp.

I have been stationed at almost every Air Corps, Army Post in the east and now I am serving the good old U. S. A. some, where across the pond, and telling you for sure that this is a wide old pond.

There is a lot of people in the U. S. that don't realize that we are at war, but let me tell you this war won't last long.

Tell everybody in the town of Ranger hello, and especially to Mr. Adams of the Adams Grocery Store and I guess he still owns it.

Your friend S/Sgt. John H. Roper 89th Bomb. Sqdn. (M) Air Echelon A. P. O. 68A Post Master New York City, N. Y. P. S. I would enjoy letters from everybody in Eastland county, because you get very lonesome over here, I wish I could tell you something about the county here but we are not allowed to say a word.

AMARILLO ARMY AIR FIELD — Charles R. Bond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bond, Rt. 2, Ranger, Texas has begun an intensive course of study in aviation at this Army Air Field, one of the newest schools in the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command.

He will spend several months at this great mechanics' school, and upon graduation will be sent to one of Uncle Sam's air bases, there to do his part in keeping America's "Flying Fortresses" harassing the Axis. In addition to mechanical training, his course here will include army discipline and courtesy, military drill and physical exercise to put him in the peak of condition.

ATHENS, Ga., Feb. 1 — Naval Aviation Cadet Richard Hodges, Ranger, Texas, has recently enrolled in the 2nd Battalion at the U. S. Navy Pre-Flight School here for 12 weeks physical conditioning and pre-flight training.

Hodges, son of Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Hodges, 608 Young Street, is a former student of Ranger Junior College. He completed CAA Secondary Training at TCU.

Segt. Floyd Shipman writes his father, R. B. Shipman from San Luis Obispo, California, that he is coasting along OK, and really likes California. Located within two miles of the Pacific Ocean, Floyd says he is in a real war zone. He states that he has just picked his first oranges and lemons. Young Shipman, who is with the Ordnance department, was recently transferred from Gainesville, Texas to California.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Herring of Ranger have been advised by the War Department that their son, Robert Ray Herring, who is somewhere in the South Pacific, has been made a first lieutenant.

L. R. Herring has been in the South Pacific area for the past nine months.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Miller have received a letter from their son Lloyd who is a prisoner of the Germans somewhere in Germany. The contents of the letter tell an unwritten story of German cruelty and hint at possible hardships.

Following is the letter: Nov. 3, 1942. Dearest Mother Dad and all: Will try to write a few lines to let you know I am still able to go. I don't know what there is to write about, but will try to fill in this envelope somehow. Maybe after I begin to receive letters I will know a little more to say. Is Dad still driving the school bus, I suppose he is. How are the boys doing in school. Suppose Melvin Ray is just about old enough for school by now. How are they getting along? Hope they are all well. Have written to Dalton, Draper, Lucille, and several others, but haven't heard anything yet, maybe they will write soon. How are grandma and

Grandpa getting on. Give them my love and keep them well. I must close for now, so write real often and tell me about everybody. Tell all the neighbors to write, I can stand to read a lot. So Bye Bye for now, Love to all, BUD.

Virgil Hennessee, nephew of Mrs. Richard Jones of Eastland, wrote them last week that he is stationed on an island about 1000 miles from Panama Canal, Sgt. Hennessee, who is an aerial gunner has seen the service two years. He formerly lived at Abilene and was an Eastland visitor a short time ago.

E. J. Pryor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pryor of Eastland and who has been home on a furlough, returned last week to Camp ... Tampa, Florida.

MAJORS FIELD, Feb. 4 (Special)—Harry G. Justice, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Justice, RFD, Eastland, this week was promoted to the rank of Corporal at Major's Field, Greenville.

Employed by North American Aviation, Dallas, as a civilian and is a member of the 83rd basic flying training squadron.

Mrs. L. C. Hall, who is in receipt of a letter from her son, Jack who is serving with the United States navy and has been in action at Guadalcanal where he received an injury to his right hand. He is now in a hospital at Treasurer Island, San Francisco, for treatment.

Lock W. Mitchell, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Mitchell came in Thursday from Florida where he was recently transferred from a navy Diesel school at Cleveland, Ohio.

Pvt. Winston Castleberry, with the Transport Division, Fifth Ferrying Command, Dallas, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Castleberry, in Eastland recently.

William T. Self, Seaman Second Class, talked to relatives in Eastland recently over long distance telephone from Portsmouth, Mass., he was on a three day leave and said he hoped to be able to come home for a visit in the near future. He stated that he was not fighting fire and having a good time.

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This Week At The County Courthouse

CHattel MORTGAGES A. C. Wolf to 1st St. Bank, R. Star-\$400.00-Crops-Ford, Horses-Cattle-Hogs.

BE&E B Patterson to Commercial, St. Bank, Ranger-\$1000.00 Farm. Equipmt. Livestock.

W. B. Richards to Commercial, St. Bank, Ranger-\$52.50. Cattle, Arlin Birt to First Natl. Bank, Cisco, \$55.00, farming equipmt.

S. H. Montgomery to The Natl. Cash Register Co. -\$62.40 1-B M Register.

O. O. Adams to 1st St. Bank, R. Star-\$111.00-Cattle.

T. R. Cox, to 1st St. Bank, R. Star-\$60.00-Cattle.

to 1st St. Bank, R. Star \$510.00 Crops-Cattle-Farm-Ing Equipmt.

Sam Enkin et ux to Higginbotham Bros. & Co. R. Star, \$107.60 Furniture - 1 Spudder, complete.

B. M. Townsend to Gov. Farm Cr. Adms. \$200.00-Crops.

Walter W. Shirley to Gov. Farm Cr. Adms. \$100.00-Cattle.

Henry R. Warren to Gov. Farm Cr. Adms. \$300.00-Crops.

David P. Brown to Gov. Farm Cr. Adms. \$200.00 Crops.

Paul Caslew to Gov. Farm Cr. Adms. \$400.00 Crops.

Alv. L. Bible to Gov. Farm Cr. Adms. \$300.00 Crops.

R. W. Cade, to Gov. Farm Cr. \$100.00 Crops.

J. T. Pickering to Gov. Farm Cr. Adms. \$250.00 Crops.

Jessie O. Warren to Gov. Farm Cr. Adms. \$400.00 Crops.

J. A. Clark to First Natl. Bank, Gorman, \$62.50, Cattle.

H. E. Lucas to First Natl. Bank, Gorman, \$163.50, Cattle, Hogs.

Leroy McCullough et ux to Farm Security Adms. \$837.00, Crops Livestock, January, 26, 1943.

J. W. Donohoe to Commercial, St. Bank, Ranger, \$300.00, Livestock.

Sig Faircloth to Commercial, St. Bank, Ranger, \$400.00, Cattle.

S. D. Crider to 1st St. Bank, R. Star, \$92.50, Chevrolet, Cattle.

Jay Hutchins to 1st St. Bank, R. Star, \$37.00, Farming Equipmt.

J. W. Barnes, Sr. & Jr. to Citiz. Natl. Bank, Weatherford, Cattle, \$192.25.

J. A. Trigg to J. T. Klinger, \$900.00, Eastland Co. Livestk. Coams. & Improvmts, Cattle.

R. S. Cary to Eastland Natl. Bank, \$28.00 4 shoes.

District Court Suits Filed Tom Harrell vs. Mrs. Tiff Harrell, et vir, injunction and restrai-

ning order. Mary Arnold vs R. F. Arnold divorce. Grace Taylor vs Willis Taylor, divorce. R. C. Brown, guardian for H. P. Keith, cancellation of deed and restoration of land.

Marriage Licenses Issued John H. Dillard, Pioneer, and Miss Emma Marie Trail, Pioneer.

E. L. Pryor, Eastland, and Mrs. Minnie Elkins, Eastland.

Jack Wesley Cox and Miss Alice Joy Dodd, Ranger.

Ovella N. Whitehead and Miss Rosie Lee Richter, Nimrod.

Country Court Suits Filed F. R. Halle vs Ardell Kirk, suit on debt.

J. F. Sharp et al vs Cisco Independent School district, damages.

A. J. Hazel vs Rainbow Coachs, Inc., damages.

Aviation Credit Corporation vs G. W. Casey, et al, suit on note.

Aviation Credit Corporation vs Jack White et al, suit on note.

Eastland National Bank vs M. L. ... suit on note.

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Carbon Cotton Improvement Assn. Has Meet

The Carbon Cotton Improvement Association met at Carbon, J. Q. Eakins presided, 223 bushels of Tcala Cotton seed were ordered by twenty three Class A growers. A Class A grower is one who is qualified under the State Cotton Improvement program for a refund of 72c per bushel subsidy on the planting seed. The seed which this grower produces another year will be classed as B seed and cooperative members purchasing seed from A growers will receive 37c per bushel subsidy. This program is in connection with the state-wide cotton improvement program which is for the purpose of producing longer staple cotton with better spinning qualities to furnish the kind of material that our armed forces are in need of.

Fruit Growers Of Gorman Have Organized Co-op

A group of interested fruit growers of Gorman have organized the Gorman Fruit Growers' Cooperative Association and have applied for a charter through the State Department. This local organization will affiliate with the West Cross Timbers Fruit Growers' Association which is the parent organization. The purpose of the organization will be to get on a type of spraying and pruning program which will lead to the marketing of better fruit. Plans are being made to secure spraying material. Officers elected were: L. F. Cunningham, president; T. C. Ray, vice president; J. E. Smith, secretary treasurer; and J. E. Walker, L. F. Miska, and S. I. Miska, directors. If we could just get rid of that "other fellow" there'd be no more auto accidents.

TALKS AT CARBON Dr. W. D. McGraw delivered a lecture on Prophecy at Carbon last Saturday night. He was accompanied to Carbon by Rev. Fred G. Stockton, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene at Eastland.

GOES TO FT. WORTH Pete Clements, until a few weeks ago engineer at the Eastland county courthouse, has moved with his family to Fort Worth where he will be connected with the Consolidated Aircraft corporation, with the radio installation department.

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10:00 A. M.—Bible Study. 11:00 A. M.—Singing. 7:30 A. M.—Singing. 9:00 P. M.—Ladies' Bible Study. 7:30 P. M.—Bible Study.

The Church of God At Lamar and West Valley Streets

Program for the week: Sunday School—10:00 A. M. Preaching—11:00 A. M. Young People's Meeting at 7:15 P. M. Evening Services at 8:00 P. M. Midweek prayer services at 7:45 P. M.

Church of The Nazarene

700 South Lamar Street Fred G. Stockton, Pastor

The work is going forward and we wish to thank each of our friends and members of our church who made pledges and gave donations on the building fund. God bless you. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Preaching, 11:00 a. m. NYPS, 7:00 p. m. Praying, 8:00 p. m. W. F. M. S., each Thursday, 2:00 p. m. Dr. McGraw's lectures on Prophecy each Friday, 7:45 p. m.

Christian Science Services

"Spirit" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, February 7. The Golden Text is "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts" (Zechariah 4:6). Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Who hath directed the Spirit of the Lord, or being his counsellor hath taught him?" (Isaiah 40:13). The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "Spirit being God, there is but one Spirit, for there can be but one infinite and therefore one God" (page 384).

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH Rev. J. B. Blunk, Pastor Church school, 9:45 a. m. Men's Bible class, Judge Clyde Grissom, teacher, 10:00 a. m. Morning worship and communion service, 11:00 a. m. Young People's Choir, Sunday's 6:30 p. m. Evening worship, 7:30 p. m. Missionary Society on Mondays at 3:00 p. m. Board meetings—second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p. m. Covered dish luncheon for board members and their wives.

BAPTIST CHURCH Homer S. Les, Pastor Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11:00 a. m. Training Union, 6:30 p. m.—D. L. Miller, director. Evening worship, 7:30 p. m. W. M. S. Monday 3:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

GOES TO CALIFORNIA Rev. A. J. Poole, organizer and pastor for seven years of the Nazarene church at Ranger, left with his family Monday for California where they will make their home. MEET ON FEBRUARY 9 The Morton Valley PTA will meet at 4:30 p. m. February 9 at the school auditorium. The program will be by Miss Druggan's pupils. Mrs. Cecil Eubanks will have charge of the "Founder's Day" program.

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BOY SCOUTS

The Boy Scouts of Eastland, Bill Jessup and Aubrey Van Hoy scoutmasters, will be our guests Sunday morning. Attendance in a body upon a worship service each year is a feature of the scout program. We are happy to have this group with us this year. "Marks of a Real Man" will be the pastor's sermon topic. The junior choir is scheduled to sing. This is your invitation to share with us in it.

SOUND PICTURE

The evening service, changed from five to seven, will feature a sound-talking picture of one hour and ten minutes duration. Its title is "A Certain Nobleman" a story of intense human interest. This is a part of our regular Sunday evening worship service. You will not want to miss this great treat and inspiration.

VEPHER HOUR CHANGED

In order to have sufficient darkness for the sound picture to be shown Sunday evening in connection with our church service, it is necessary to set the hour at seven instead of the usual five.

BOOSTER CLASS REVIVING

The Booster Class which has been dormant for several months is now stirring to life! Nine members "crawled" out Sunday morning and it looks like twice that many will be in there next Sunday morning. This class has had a distinguished history of service in the church and its golden age is in the future as well as in the past. Homer Smith will teach the class Sunday. The pastor taught it last Sunday and stands ready to do so again and again till this problem is solved. If you should be in this group, march up and take a seat.

YOUNG ADULTS TOO

Like most churches, our church has no organization for young adults, adults between the ages of 20 and 35. At this time, of course, most people of this age are not in the city. However, there is a sufficient number to justify the organization of this group. We have a vacant and adequate room for it. We shall back it to the limit. It is needed not only for the present but it needs to be ready for the boys and girls when the war is ended. You of this age range would do well to get together and help put this work in operation.

WEEK OF DEDICATION

Eight Sundays—from January 3 to February 21, inclusive—have been set aside by The Methodist Church as a period of preparation for the Week of Dedication, February 28 to March 7. The purpose of the Week of Dedication is to stir the whole Church to a season of prayer and self-examination and to lay upon its heart the world's need for the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. The call of the Week of Dedication is a challenge to eight million Methodists for a re-dedication of self, service, and substance to help the world in need in today's tragic hour. Every Methodist will be offered an opportunity to have a part in the making of a new world order.

Scrap On Farm May Be Essential For Farm Repairs

AUSTIN, Feb. 1 — "Selling scrap from the farm may be un-patriotic thing to do," M. F. Thurmond of the State Department of Education, stated at a recent meeting of agricultural workers. Thurmond, who is State Supervisor of the Rural War Production Training Program, pointed out that suitable scrap material could be used in many cases to repair worn or broken implements, and thus avoid the necessity for replacement with new equipment. He emphasized the fact that Farm Machinery Repair Courses offered by his department were not meant to compete with repair shops or equipment dealers, but to help farmers who could not get equipment or repairs, with special emphasis on repair training.

"At Moulton, Texas, a farmer converted two one-row horse drawn stalk cutters into a two-row tractor drawn stalk cutter, when he found he could not buy the equipment needed. In this way he helped solve, to a certain extent, the farm labor shortage while saving considerable on the cost of his new equipment. He did this work while learning the principles of repair work in the Farm Machinery Repair Course, sponsored by the vocational agriculture teacher.

"At New Braunfels, Texas, a farmer used some of his junked horse-drawn equipment to make a two-row tractor drawn middle-buster at an expense of less than \$1, while receiving training in the Rural War Production Shop.

"At Timpson, Texas, a Peanut Thrasher was reconditioned at small cost and with very little scrap metal after having been discarded ten years ago. It played no small part in saving the peanut grower of that community eliminating need of a new one that would require hundreds of pounds of metal to build.

"At Lufkin, Texas, students of vocational agriculture salvaged and reconditioned five cultivators at a cost of \$15. These cultivators will produce tons of food for our soldiers, and will not need replacement for the duration.

"In a survey made in the State of New York it was found that 100 pounds of scrap metal used in the repair of farm machinery will liberate a ton of metal for use in production of war materials. For this reason, it is a mistake to continually clean the farm of scrap without sifting out and keeping useable parts and pieces of metal," Thurmond concluded.

Jesus Taught Allegiance to Himself Only as a Minister of Word of God

Text: John 8:12, 25-36, 56-59

BY WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D. Editor of Advance

THE Gospel of John, as I have indicated in former comment on the lesson, consists of the evidence of various witnesses and incidents concerning the divine character and mission of Jesus.

A part of this evidence is the witness of Jesus concerning Himself, and it is the most important part for its complications are imperative. When Jesus says, as in this lesson, "I am the light of the world," He is either actually the light of the world or He is making claims for Himself that are extravagant and meaningless. If we found any man making such claims for himself today, we should immediately inquire into the nature of his teaching and his character. If these did not accord with honesty, grandeur and beauty, we should immediately conclude that the man making such claims was either a deliberate impostor or a self-deluded creature.

As a matter of fact, we are not conscious of any purpose on the part of Jesus to magnify Himself or to assume any earthly grandeur. We call Him "the meek and lowly Jesus," and in truth He was. He spoke of Himself as among men and as one who served. He had come, He said, not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many.

This lesson must be read in the light of all the sayings of Jesus concerning Himself, and in the light of all that He revealed of His humility and His purpose to serve and save. When He speaks of Himself as the light

of the world, and says that they who follow Him shall not walk in darkness but shall have the light of life, He is speaking confidently because of the spiritual truth that He knows He has to reveal and because of His consciousness that above all things He is in this world to do the Father's will.

He never sought or claimed the allegiance of men to Himself as an individual, but only as that allegiance meant complete surrender to God, the Father, and to His will. He taught the disciples to pray not to Him but to the Father in heaven, and that they might know and do the Father's will and that His will might be done in earth as it was done in heaven.

We realize the mystical sense in which Jesus spoke of His eternal nature in His reference to Abraham and to His pre-existence. This is in entire harmony with the mystical word of the Gospel of John which: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

It would be amazing if the very brief span of the earthly ministry of Jesus represented the fullness of that life. Inevitably we think of Him and all that He represented as existing from the beginning and as continuing forever. He is Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and for ever. But the glory of the light that He has shed upon the world is that He brought the divine into the human, the eternal into the time, and the unchanging an abiding life and truth of God in to man's ever-changing life and world.

PAUL E. MARTIN COMING

We regret we still are not able to give the date of our meeting in which Dr. Paul E. Martin of Wichita Falls will bring the messages. We are preparing for the event, though, as though we did have the exact date. As soon as it is made known you will want to clear that period of all things but this one thing. We believe the occasion will be of the highest importance to us all.

LOCAL EXPENSES PAID

Continuing your remarkable record, your weekly and monthly contributions keep all the expenses of the church paid in full and on time. This is an example of what can be accomplished when everyone (or nearly so) cooperates. Very few of our people fail to do what they feel is their part. You have solved your financial problem in this church. Now we ought to give ourselves to improving our other spiritual interests.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY MEETS

The Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet Monday afternoon at three. The program will present our publications in this field. The Methodist Woman and The World Outlook. Mrs. Joe Stephens will be the leader.

JOINT ADULT MEETING

One recommendation of the Board of Education in its meeting Monday evening was that the Martha Dorcas, the Booster, and the Susan Steele, classes meet together in the Booster room for the evening service dealing with some phase of our world-wide work. We trust this recommendation will meet with the approval of all the classes and have their hearty cooperation.

WORLD SERVICE OFFERING

You will remember the Board of Missions this year has as one of its goals monthly remittance in full of the church's world service budget. Mr. Willman, the treasurer, reports that we are short on the first two months. It will be just as easy to solve this phase of our financial ministry as it has been to solve our former tangled budget affairs. Monthly contributions will enable us to do this. Your full assistance is solicited.

LAYMAN'S DAY

Our annual Layman's Day will be observed on February 21. John W. Jackson, chairman of the Board of Stewards, will be responsible for this service.

CISCO THIS EVENING

A District Youth Rally will be held this Friday evening and Saturday at Cisco. Martha June Morehart will lead a group of our youth to this meeting. We have sufficient transportation for all who want to go. Those who care to are invited to spend the night in Cisco, guests of the congregation there.

WORLD SERVICE BUDGET

Herewith is our World Service Budget for the current year of 1942-1943: General Conferece Work, \$305 for these items: Missions and Church Extension \$211.39; Christian Education, \$44.40; Tteological Schools, \$12.23;

Airdale Moves Away Leaving An Air-base Minus A Fire Hydrant

GREAT FALLS, Mont. (UP)—If any of the army engineers back in Washington are wondering about that disappearing fire hydrant on the maps of the Great Falls airbase, they might as well know:

The hydrant is the property of a dog named "Sugar," who used to live where the airbase is now—and he took it with him when he left.

Sugar, an airdale, is owned by Earl Gray, who was manager of the city airport before the army took over. He was a city dog, used to the trees, fire hydrants and lamp posts which line Great Falls streets.

When Gray took Sugar to live with him at the airport, he found himself in a barren, windswept no-dog's land entirely devoid of such conveniences. There wasn't a tree hydrant or lamp post within miles.

Gray came to realize how much Sugar missed the luxury of city life when he put up a Christmas tree in the lobby of the airport administration building. The dog paid entirely too much attention to the tree, so Gray got him a Christmas tree of his own and parked it near the manager's house.

But the tree soon wilted away and Sugar was unhappy again. Finally Gray went to the fire department and asked if he could have a damaged and discarded fire hydrant shell. When Sugar's dis-

lemma was explained, the request was granted.

The hydrant became a familiar sight in the manager's yard and no one paid any attention to it until the army engineers arrived. They drew map after map, all containing a fire hydrant near the manager's house completely overlooking the fact that no water main led to it.

Then the Grays and Sugar moved away, taking the fire hydrant with them. More maps were drawn, but without the hydrant. So—if any of the army draftsmen start to check up—they can find the hydrant at the Gray's summer cabin in the mountains near here. There are plenty of trees around Sugar's new home, but he still likes the hydrant better.

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BOY SCOUTS

scope as well as membership, for is now embraces Cubbing — for boys aged nine to twelve — and Senior Scouting for those who are fifteen or over. The newest addition is Air Scouting, which meets the tremendous interest of youth today in aeronautics with a program which combines Scouting and aviation.

The value of Scouting to the Armed forces was summed up recently in a statement by Col. B. W. Venable of the General Staff



"Bad news, Hap. Those medics who gave you the once over, your eyesight's gone, Hap. No use beating around the bush. You're grounded."

FLYING TIGERS

CAST OF CHARACTERS Jim Gordon... JOHN WAYNE Woody Jaxon... JOHN CARROLL Brooke Elliott... ANNA LEE Verna Boles... MAE CLARKE Col. Lindsay... ADDISON RICHARDS Mackie Boles... EDMUND McDONALD Dale... BILL SHIRLEY Leonard... TOM NEAL McCurdy... MALCOLM 'BUD' MCGAGY Lorton... DAVID BRUCE Mike... CHESTER GAN Vicintosh... JAMES DODD fax... GREGG BARTON Jelfy... JOHN JAMES

is Fictionalized by Will Owsler from the Republic Picture in Photoplay Movie-Mirror SYNOPSIS Jim Gordon (John Wayne), squadron leader of the Flying Tigers, is in love with Brooke Elliott (Anna Lee), beautiful Red Cross nurse stationed at the base. Woody Jaxon (John Carroll) is a wise-cracking, know-it-all guy who is courtly disliked by the rest of the pilots, meets Brooke one night at the hospital. He tells her that Jim can't keep his dinner appointment with her but that he will take her out himself. Brooke goes with Woody and finds that she is having a very enjoyable time, for he is gay and witty, and being with him reminds her of the good times she had back in the States.

CHAPTER FIVE They drove back to the air field after in the station wagon. Joining over the ancient, swaying road. A early full moon against the silver on the agged, darkened hills, before them. Deliberately he pulled back the rake, brought the car to a stop. They sat in silence. After a moment he said, pointing skyward, "I like to watch it better here—than up here."

Brooke said, "Marco Polo came through this route—hundreds of years ago." "Must have been a long gap between gas stations," He held out a cigarette. "He held the match for her, studied her face in its flickering light. "I'll try you on something, Brooke. Jim doesn't know I'm with you tonight." Brooke drew back. "Doesn't know?" "I thought it'd be a good gag to see him show up at the restaurant and find me with his best girl." "You should have told me." "Then you would have walked out, see?" "I should be. Only—I did enjoy it." "Swell!" But his smile was gone. Funny. You steal a moment out of time. A moment to laugh. Except that the only time in my life I ever really fell—it happens to be my best friend's girl. What does that make me?"

"You shouldn't talk like that. You're kidding." But she could hear her own heart pounding. Woody said, "I'm not." He looked at her an instant. He reached out, drew her to him, his lips pressing against hers. Quickly, she pulled away. "Woody—" He sat motionless a moment. Then he said, "Sorry, Brooke. Sorry I—just kidding." Abruptly he turned on the ignition, his foot pressing against the starter.

Hap Davis was called to Jim's office the following afternoon. Jim's face was grim. "Bad news, Hap. Those medics who gave you the once over, your eyesight's gone, Hap. No use beating around the bush. You're grounded." Hap took it with a wry grin. "Okay, Skipper—if that's the way it is, only I'd—kind of like to go out there." Jim didn't answer. Hap turned to leave. Then, at the door, he stopped. "Say, Jim, I don't like to carry tales. But your pal Woody—he's been beating for some time about how crazy Brooke is about him. He took her out last night." Jim's lips tightened. "It—it may be

Continued Next Week Buy War Bonds

Take Care of What You Have. We aren't limited to the fighting fronts. Here on the home front there are many ways every individual can help the war effort, by conserving food, by volunteer civilian war activities and by careful use of hard-to-replace metal equipment. Your electric appliances are more valuable today because production of most appliances has been stopped to conserve metals for the machines of war. Take care of those you have because they must serve you well for the duration. These Suggestions Are Worth Remembering: 1. Use Appliances and Cords Carefully Careful handling of appliances and cords will pay dividends in a longer and more useful life for these labor-and-time savers. Keep the cords from becoming twisted and kinked. Place appliances where they won't be knocked off of tables or shelves. 2. Make Minor Adjustments, Tighten Screws Watch out for loose screws or other conditions that need prompt attention. A screwdriver and a pair of pliers are handy articles to have around so you can make simple adjustments and repairs on many of your appliances. 3. Call a Competent Repairman When real trouble develops in your appliances or lamps, the best thing to do is to take them to an electric repair shop, where they can get expert attention. Most electricians are extra busy these days, so allow plenty of time for the necessary repairs. TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY J. E. LEWIS, Manager

Society

WCS Begins Year's Study

The WCS of the First Methodist church met in regular session at the church Monday afternoon at 3 p. m. Mrs. Ed Willman, vice-president, presided over the business session. Mrs. Frank Rowell had charge of the study in the Year Book, the subject—"A New Earth, Where In Dwelleth Righteous." Monday's study section or chapter was, "Peace-Just and Ending." Mrs. W. P. Leslie was the leader. Those present: Mmes. Frank Crowell, Iola Mitchell, Routh Kinard, W. H. Mulling, J. D. Barron, Robert Vaughn, W. P. Leslie, M. H. Kelley, F. L. Dragoo, T. M. Johnson and Joe Stephen.

CIVIC LEAGUE AND GARDEN CLUB TO MEET FEBRUARY 10TH

The Civic League and Garden club meets February 10th at the clubhouse. Mrs. Earl Conner, Jr. will be hostess and Miss Gladys Martin and Miss Helen Childress will talk on "War Gardens." Mrs. Victor Gims will lead a sing-song of patriotic hymns.

An exhibition of great fruit and vegetables in kitchen utensils will be given.

WMS OF BAPTIST CHURCH TO MEET MONDAY AT CHURCH

The Baptist W. M. S. will meet Monday at the church at 3:30 p. m. A Royal Service program will be given by the Letha Saunders Circle. All members are urged to attend. Mrs. A. M. Hearn is president.

The WMS had a good attendance at the reception given the pastor, Rev. Homer Starnes and family recently.

MARTHA DORCAS CLASS MEETS IN REGULAR SESSION

The Martha Dorcas class of the Methodist church of which Mrs. Geo. Cross is president, and Mrs. W. P. Leslie is the teacher, met in regular session at the church Sunday morning. The lesson was read by Mrs. W. H. Mulling and Mrs. E. R. Townsend led the devotional.

Miss Wilda Drago To Present Pupils In Recital

Miss Wilda Drago will present her music pupils in a recital at the Methodist church at 7:30 p. m. Thursday and Friday, February 11 and 12, the Harmony Girls being on program Thursday night and the Octet Friday night.

Mrs. Dave J. Fiensy Hostess to WMS of Christian Church

The WMS of the First Christian church met at the home of Mrs. Dave J. Fiensy Monday at 3 p. m. Mrs. N. L. Smitham, president, presided over the business session. Mrs. T. L. Cooper led the program on "Old Mexico." Mrs. T. A. Bendy led in prayer. Mrs. C. A. Peterson gave the devotional. Mmes. Eugene Dav, D. J. Fiensy, T. A. Beard, and J. A. Beard, discussed parts on program.

After a social hour refreshments were served to: Mmes. L. E. Huckaby, Dav, H. B. Meek, Bendy, Peterson, T. L. Cooper, Martha Fleming, Smitham, E. E. Wood, N. T. Johnson, I. L. Hattis, J. P. Haynie, Kenneth Wingate, J. A. Beard, J. H. Caton, K. F. Page, and co-hostess, Mrs. R. F. Wynne.

JOINT INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS HELD

Royal Neighbor lodges of Eastland and Ranger held a joint installation of officers at Ranger Monday night. This was a formal affair. Eastland ladies wore black evening gowns and Ranger ladies wore white.

Eastland officers installed were: Oracle—Mrs. B. Lovelace; Vice-Oracle—Josephine Strickland; Recorder—Cora Hooper; Receiver—Myrtle Aaron; Inner-sentinel—Sora Gilkey; Flag Bearer—Sora Gilkey; Marshal—Mabel Turner.

Ranger officers installed were: Oracle—Mary Johnson; Vice-Oracle—Zelma Williams; Recorder—Frances Butcher; Receiver—Lora Todd; Chancellor—Dessie Harper; Past Oracle—Ozetta Smith; Marshal—Mabel Souther; Assistant Marshal—Velma Sporer; Inner Sentinel—Ellen Jones; Courage—Ethel K. Butcher; Faith—Jimmie Beth Todd.

Mrs. Myrtle Carter of Abilene was installing officer. Mrs. Carrie Henry of Ranger acted as Marshal and Mrs. Myrtle Aaron of Eastland acted as assistant marshal and Mrs. Josephine Strickland was musician for the evening.

MARRIED IN CALIFORNIA

Miss Hazel Stockton, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Fred G. Stockton of Eastland, and Bruce Pardue of Carlsbad, New Mexico, were married Thursday night at the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Widmeyer at Pasadena, Calif. Both the groom and bride are juniors at the Pasadena Nazarene College.

Local Music Club Observes Family Day

The Music Club met Wednesday at the clubhouse. Musical memories were given on roll call. The club voted to meet at 8:30 instead of at 8 p. m. due to Red Cross work.

The resignation of Mrs. Lewis Crossley as a member was regretfully accepted.

Mrs. T. E. Richardson gave a report of the Red Cross Benefit and Game tournament which was described as an outstanding success. An exhibit of scrapbooks, covering the history of the Music Club was presented along with Mrs. Mareno Johnson's scrapbook on WAAC work.

Wednesday's meeting featured a "Family Day" program. A piano duet was given by Billy Brasher and Donald Kinnaird, Jr. A vocal solo was given by Mrs. Johnson, Bobby K. Garrison of Morton Valley, gave an accordion solo. Piano solos were given by the following: Tommie Patterson, Barbara Ann Patterson, Betty Gay, Allen, Mary Jane Wilson, and Betty Pickens.

Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins gave a wide-net prize winning story of 1942. The program closed with ensemble singing.

The next meeting of the club will be on Tuesday, February 16, at the clubhouse. It will be guest day. Mrs. John J. Perry of Sweetwater, Sixth District president, will be the speaker. Friends of the club are invited.

Guests were Mrs. J. Garrison of Morton Valley, and Mrs. Astleek of Childress, who was a guest of Mrs. R. N. Wilson.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Carroll, Englewood, California, announce the birth of a daughter, Sherry Brooks, weighing 7 pounds and 9 ounces, on January 17. Mrs. Carroll was the former Miss May Hudson of Ranger. Mr. Carroll is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Carroll of Eastland.

Mrs. S. C. Elliott and zone to Dalhart to join her husband who is a ground mechanic for an aviation school there.

Miss Mary Jo McAlpine of Breckenridge, was a week end guest of Miss Wynell Carroll.

Mesdames T. E. Payne, T. L. Cooper, I. L. Gattis, and Ralph Rydshaw attended the funeral Saturday afternoon of Mrs. J. H. D. Fleming at Scranton. Rev. G. W. Parks, former Eastland Baptist pastor officiated. The deceased was a long time friend of the above women and was a neighbor of Mr. Payne when Mrs. Payne was newly married.

Mrs. John (Levy) Van Geem is teaching in the public schools at DeSdemona. She began last Monday.

Mrs. A. E. Ashley and Mrs. E. L. Tabor were Gorman visitors Tuesday.

Montie Rowe, stationed at Big Spring, and Mrs. Rowe were recent guests of his sister, Mrs. Harry E. Wood and family. Mr. Rowe's mother, Mrs. R. L. Rowe of Cisco, was also a guest in the Wood home.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Jobe of Brownwood were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Gibson of Rising Star were guests of Mrs. Gibson's sister, Mrs. R. B. Braly, recently.

Mrs. Ida B. Foster visited her son, Lester Foster and wife, in Fort Worth recently.

Mrs. Frank Pettit Castleberry and little daughter, Karen, of Shreveport, are with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Castleberry for an indefinite stay, while Ensign Frank Pettit, is training at Miami, Fla.

Miss Lorraine Sanders of Dallas was the guest recently of Mrs. J. L. Johnson and Mrs. Frank Castleberry.

Mrs. Albert E. Lindquist of New York City is visiting her parents, Judge and Mrs. Geo. L. Davenport.

Misses Virginia Garrett, Ivy Nell Dixon, Francelle McBride, attending Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene, were guests recently of Miss Melba Wood and Amy P. Poole.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stevens of Coleman were recent guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wood. Mrs. Stephens remained for a longer visit while Mr. Stephens returned to Coleman where he is an instructor at the air field.

Gustav Otterman of San Diego, California, was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Johnson recently. Mr. Otterman is a musician as well as an inventor of Bluhwhite Diamond precision instruments for dentists.

John Sawyer of Leon Plant is reported improving following a few days illness.

Henry Taylor, wife and baby of Brownwood have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sawyer of Leon Plant, and also her sister, Mrs. Jack Ammer, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hartman announce the arrival of twin daughters, Monday, January 25th, at Bergley, California. Mrs. Hartman will be remembered as the former Miss Elizabeth Oglesby, sister of Miss Ruby Lee Oglesby of Eastland.

Rev. J. R. Slaughter has just returned from a visit to his son, Millard, and family at Longview, White in East Texas. Rev. Slaughter met a cousin of his, Rev. W. W. Slaughter, who is 84 years old and whom he had not seen in 50 years.

AT FIRST SIGN OF A COLD USE 666 TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS

Mrs. Claude Strickland and Mrs. Artie Liles were San Antonio visitors last week. Mrs. Strickland was the guest of her son, Claude Dresser and wife, and Mrs. Liles visited her husband who is a military policeman at Randolph field.

Lt. and Mrs. J. E. Bicknell, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Killough, departed Sunday. Mrs. Bicknell returning to TSCW, Denton, and Lt. Bicknell to Trinidad Island.

Dick Rust and wife of San Bernardino, Calif., were here this week on a visit to relatives and friends.

Sgt. Reese and Sgt. Hester of Camp Bowie were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Johnson over the week-end.

Cpl. Charles Earnest and Cpl. Joe Gullo of Camp Barkley were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cross of States Oil over the week-end. Earnest's home is in Quincy, Illinois, and Gullo's home is in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Tudor left last week for Las Cruces, New Mexico. Tudor has been Boy Scout field executive here.

Mrs. Mareno Johnson was a visitor to Camp Barkley, Monday.

J. M. Donaldson, who underwent major surgery at the City-County hospital in Ranger a few months ago, has recently been confined to his home, but is slowly improving and hopes to be out again soon. He is past 80.

Constable Hugh Carleton was a business visitor in Big Spring and other towns in that section Wednesday.

Mrs. H. A. Cogburn and baby of Weatherford arrived this week for a visit with her father, Claude Strickland, and Mrs. Strickland.

Mrs. J. A. Hearn of Carbon is visiting in the home of her son, A. M. (Ott) Hearn on Ranger highway.

Pete Pegues, son of Mrs. Bob Shoemaker, and who has been attending TWC at Fort Worth has returned home, preparatory to entering the United States' army. Mr. Shoemaker is in training at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri.

Miss Jessie Bingham of the State Public Welfare office and who has been residing at 909 S. Halbryan, has purchased a home at 123, E. Sadosa, and removed to same.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Freyschlag had as their guests over the past week-end, Capt. Mundt, Lt. Beecham and Cpl. Lash, of Camp Barkley, and Pvt. Mason of Camp Bowie.

Frank Castleberry, who has been ill for several weeks, is improving and thinks he will be able to be out in two or three weeks.

V. O. Hatcher, who has been confined to his bed since his return a few weeks ago from a Chicago hospital, states that his condition is about the same. He always appreciates his friends calling to see him.

Truck Owners Are Urged to Conserve Vehicles and Tires

WACO, Tex., Feb. 3 — "ODT officials believe it is possible, if the maximum conservation can be accomplished, for all truck operations to continue and render to the public the essential service they now are providing. Without such conservation and in view of the shortages of tires, vehicles, parts and manpower, the time will inevitably come when certain less essential operations will be forced to discontinue."

"Ray Martin, Waco district manager for the ODT division of motor transport, today quoted this excerpt from an address made this week by Joseph B. Eastman, Director of the Office of Defense Transportation, as he urged commercial vehicle operators to bend every effort toward this conservation of equipment and tires.

"No form of transportation is beset with graver dangers than transportation by motor truck," Martin added. "Industries which depend either wholly or in part on trucks for distribution of their products should realize that no new trucks are being manufactured for civilian use. Commercial vehicles will have to get along in 1943 on less than half as much rubber as they used in 1941. The only answer is to cut out waste in operations and there are plenty of opportunities to do this. Even farmers, to whom a truck is particularly essential, can find some waste mileage to cut out if they give wholehearted effort in this direction."

Martin emphasized that the first step in conservation of equipment is to get a tire inspection and start negotiations for sharing truck operations with other firms or persons operating over the same area.

All idle trucks and buses must be reported to the Office of Defense Transportation in order that ODT may determine what proportion are available for essential war or civilian transportation work.

This warning was issued last week by officials of the ODT, and owners were advised that this information should be furnished on ODT form CWN-3, a simple, single sheet which may be obtained from the owner's nearest District Office of Defense Transportation.

Owners are required to list all commercial motor vehicles which have remained idle during the last 14 days of the month. The report should be filed within five days after the last day of the month covered by the form.

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L. M. Stewart Dies Monday At Olden

L. M. Stewart, 76, died Monday morning at his home in Olden and arrangements for funeral.

Funeral arrangements were pending arrival of relatives. Morris Funeral home is in charge of arrangements.

The deceased was born in Burnett, June 8, 1867, and had made his home in Olden for a number of years.

Survivors include the widow

Mrs. Pearl Stewart, two daughters, Mrs. R. L. Banta of Compton, California, and Mrs. E. C. Meroney of Olden, four sons, C. of Paul's Valley, Oklahoma, V. A. of Houston, R. F. of Breckenridge and W. P. Stewart somewhere in South Africa, and one brother, D. L. Stewart of Junction.

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