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RANGER, TEXAS, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1957

Bulldogs Leave Town 7-Pt. Underdogs

Winter's First Snow Blankets County Fri.



By NORMAN WRIGHT

As the first snowfall of the season is drifting down outside our office window on this drab and gray Friday morning to remind us of the approaching holidays, something else came to our desk through the United States Mail to remind us that Christmas is right now upon us. It was three letters addressed in childish hand to Santa Claus, care of the North Pole. And here they are:

Dear Santa: Darlene Boone wants a doll stroller. She also likes your toys. We all like your toys. Yours truly, Darlene Boone

Dear Santa: I want a Walt Disney Projector and a sparkling tractor. I like your toys and I like to play with them. Yours truly, Richard Boone

Dear Santa: Joel Boone wants a crazy car and driver. He said he liked your toys, too. We all like your toys. Joel wants a car and house trailer. Yours truly, Joel Boone

All the little Boones live on Route No. 3, Ranger, and we certainly hope they get everything they're asking for, and a little more, besides.

And we want to take this opportunity here and now to invite all little children from everywhere, to write their letters to Santa as soon as possible and send them to the Ranger Times. We will publish every last one of them, right on up to Christmas Eve, and we are sure Santa will see them. It has been our custom for many years to publish letters to Santa and we certainly welcome yours, just as quickly as you wish to send it in.

We also want to remind all the mamas and papas of this area that just about anything these kiddies can dream up to ask for in a Letter to Santa can be found right here in Ranger. You have no idea what marvelous dolls and toys are waiting for your selection right here. And if you are a wise shopper, you will make your selections now while you can get what you want, and have them put back on lay-away. It is the surest way not to be disappointed right at the last—to find what you wanted all sold out and gone.

We would also like to ask all buyers of Christmas Gifts, regardless of the kind of gift it might be, to give their home town merchant in Ranger the first crack at showing the gifts to them.

The town is bristling with Nationally Advertised merchandise, which is exactly the same here as it is in New York City, and the selections in Ranger are marvelous. All sorts of time and money are saved by trading with these merchants at home. Resolve to do this this Christmas season and you will come out way ahead.

Home town merchants are the ones who are called upon for the money and other things to help make your Christmas a (Continued On Page Six.)

Weather Reports
Partly cloudy and cold. High Saturday 40, low Saturday night 25 and high Sunday 50.

The first snow of the season began to fall in Eastland County and all the West Central Texas area before daylight Friday, and continued to fall most of the day Friday, giving the countryside a beautiful blanket of white, although the snow was melting in many places as fast as it was falling.

Carpools, rooftops, and some grassy lawns were managing to hold the snow, and all of the fields and pastures and woodlands stayed white most of the day Friday.

The weather served to remind everybody that sleighbells are just around the corner as the Christmas season is due to get under way with a full head of steam immediately following the Thanksgiving holiday next Thursday.

Coming at this time, the weather also threw a monkey wrench into the best laid plans of dozens of deer hunters because the weather wasn't fitting for a deer to get out in, much less a hunter.

The weather also set the stage for many an upset in dozens of football games that are to be played around the country, not the least of which is the Ranger Bulldogs vs. the Hamilton Bulldogs at Stephenville tonight. There is no way in the world of telling what might happen.

The weather might also effect the attendance at the ball game, even though a lot of tickets have been sold. If the elements are too threatening by nightfall Saturday, just a lot of folks might stay home and keep their tickets for souvenirs.

And, of course, there is the peanut crop—the great big vast majority of which is still underground and which needs to be got out quick. As far as the peanut crop is concerned, winter has come about two weeks too soon, unless there is a lot of sunshine and dry days within the immediate future.

Getting in the peanut crop is about the last big yet to be done in the county this year, and it has just got to be harvested, or else. There are still many hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of Eastland County peanut hills that must be rescued and saved one way or another.

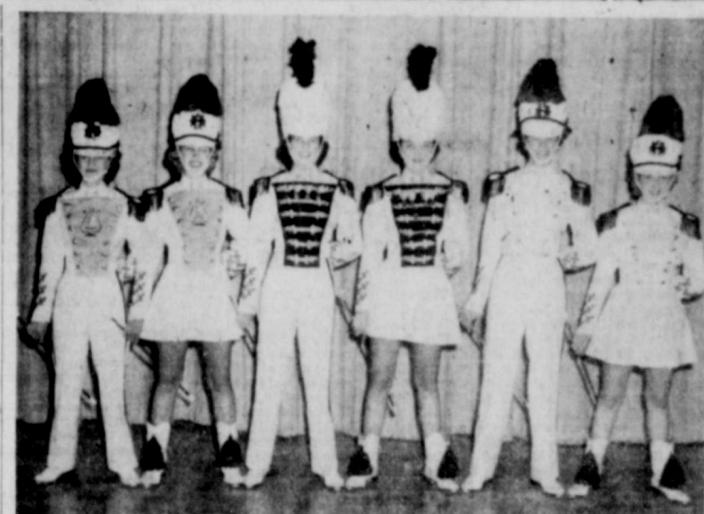
Scranton, Romney

Founded Late 1800's

(Editor's Note: This is the 45th in a series of articles taken from the book, "History of Eastland County, Texas," written by Mrs. George Langston in 1904.)

Dr. C. E. Frost, the oldest resident physician of Ranger, was born in Tennessee. His father, J. B. Frost, fell heir to sixty-two Negroes in 1859 and 1860, but set them free at once. As a result of this philanthropy the boy Cyrus had to work out his own destiny. He cut wood for two fireplaces and a stove, fed 10 hogs, took care of a drove of hogs and a flock of sheep for his board, and worked Saturdays for his clothes. He took his literary degree at the Northern Illinois Normal University. He attended the Nashville Medical College, where later at the Missouri Medical College, he graduated in 1878 with first honors. Mrs. Frost is a daughter of Dr. O. D. Tankersly of Arkansas. Dr. Frost located at Ranger in 1892 and has practiced his profession night and day continuously since that time with the most marked success, never having suffered from an accident of any kind. He had a diagnosis changed. He is a scholarly, scientific, up-to-date physician and surgeon, a content, Christian Methodist citizen, and is held in esteem by the profession and his patients.

Scranton, a town of about 150 inhabitants, is situated in a thickly settled, agricultural community which lies 12 miles south-west of Ranger, near the line of Callahan County.



THIS IS ALL ONE UNIFORM: The above photo shows how one of the new RHS majorette uniforms can be worn six different ways. At left, Sarah Johnson wears the uniform with trousers and grey shield with maroon and white music lyre on chest. Next to her is Patsy Halliday who wears the same outfit with skirt instead of trousers. Next is Molly Mitchell, drum major, who wears trousers with the shield turned over showing maroon shield with white braid and grey felt insets. Glenda Webb wears the same shield, with skirt instead of trousers. Carol Phillips and Mary Kay Rush, wear the basic uniform with no shield at all; Carol is wearing the trousers and Mary Kay the skirt. Drum Major Shakos (hats) are white fur with maroon plumes. Majorette's Shakos are white polar bear cloth with maroon ostrich plumes. Boots are white leather with maroon tassels. CAPPS PHOTO.

Joint Worship Service Set For Baptist Sunday Eve

The Rev. James Ellison, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Ranger, will direct the music for the joint services.

The Rev. Ed Scarborough, pastor of the Second Baptist Church and president of the alliance, will preside.

The Rev. Jack Barker, pastor of the First Christian Church, will have the call to worship.

The Rev. Ralph Perkins, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will lead the responsive reading.

The Rev. J. C. Atkins, pastor of the Church of God, will lead the Thanksgiving prayer.

The Rev. J. E. Lamb, pastor of the Pentecostal Church, will have the scripture reading.

The Anthem, "Thanks Be to God," will be sung by the combined choirs. The congregation will join in singing the "Thanksgiving Hymn."

The time will be 8 p.m., Nov. 24. This annual service is part of the community custom whereby all Ranger people may assemble together and be thankful to an Almighty and Loving God.

J. N. Sutton, minister of music and education at the First Baptist Church, will direct the music for the joint services.

Hendrickson, These, together with Messrs. Spravis, Ray Gattis, Clement, Rutherford and many others, have made a progressive and substantial community.

In 1880 Dr. Snoddy taught at school here. The interest in education has gradually increased until Scranton now boasts of an incorporated school district, and one of the best schools in the county. There is a commodious, two-story building, with a separate music room on the campus.

The Methodist and Baptist churches were organized here in 1893, the former by Rev. M. M. Smith, the latter by Rev. J. R. Kelly. Both churches have good buildings and are served at present by Rev. J. I. Mills, Methodist, and Rev. G. W. Parks, Baptist.

The Post Office was established in 1892, with Mr. Reynolds as Postmaster. Mr. Reynolds also put up the first gin in about 1880. The present fine gin is owned by a stock company of farmers. J. M. Williamson of Clow was the pioneer merchant. Among the present progressive business firms are E. S. Chubb, dry goods, groceries and hardware; L. E. Cook and Son, dry goods and W. L. Gattis & Son, druggists.

Romney This prosperous and enterprising community was first settled by A. F. Penning and Mr. Rollard. There were also followed by E. S. Arnold, Dr. E. N. White and Mr. Green all from West Virginia.

Because of the disastrous drought of 1886-1887 emigration stopped but (Continued on Page Four)

See The RCA WHIRLPOOL APPLIANCES at RANGER FROZEN FOOD CENTER

Familiar Role; Been Underdogs Before

By NORMAN WRIGHT
The Ranger High School Bulldogs pulled out of town this morning for their bi-district championship football game with Hamilton as 7-point underdogs, a role in which they were cast during most of the regular season, and one which they find quite to their liking.

As a matter-of-fact, every-time the Bulldogs have been picked to win this year, they've lost. They were picked to give Eastland a pretty fair county trimming and they got beat 14-13. They were also picked to romp over Winters and they dropped that one 14-6.

The Bulldogs were tremendous underdogs in the Ballinger and Coleman games, which they won quite handsily, and they were given the overall pick for cellar position in District T-AA as the season opened and here they are playing for the bi-district championship for some reason the experts haven't bothered to explain.

But with the Abilene Reporter-News picking the Bulldogs to lose 27-29, that's not a pick at all—that's the same as saying the game is a toss-up and victory will be determined on whichever way the ball bounces.

That is 100 per cent true, and now another ugly element has come to raise its head in the picture and that is weather. No matter what the weather might be at kick-off time, enough has already happened to assure a wet field. And the weatherman has already assured one and all that it will be as cold as blue blazes Saturday night.

A slick field is not going to help a runner like Wharton. At the same time, Hamilton has a 195-pound fullback who is their bread-and-butter man, a ground gainer like Wharton, and it is not going to help him either.

As far as passing goes, the weather isn't going to help. Cold hands and slick balls don't help the passer and they don't help the receiver. Both teams will be playing at a disadvantage. There is no sure-fire way to point to one or the other and my positive bet is this one, or that one, will be the winner.

NOON SATURDAY TICKET DEADLINE

Final sales on tickets to the Ranger-Hamilton game will be from 9 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday at the school office. Adult tickets are \$1.50 for reserved seats on the Ranger side between the 30-yard lines. Get one before you leave.

From a training standpoint the Bulldogs are as ready as they have ever been for a ball game. They know their own assignments perfectly, and they are full of confidence in themselves. They are also pretty well acquainted with Hamilton's style of play as they had good scout reports on the enemy Bulldogs.

It is to be hoped the Ranger lads can hold their nerve. It will be pretty much like going into a World Series game, and everything on earth that can produce excitement and nervousness will be on hand to do it. If the Bulldogs can survive the first quarter with no damaging effects, we look for them to come through with flying colors. If they can survive the first effects of the jitters, and conquer their fumbleitis, and settle down to smart, steady football, they should become the first team in the history of Ranger High School to win a class AA bi-district championship.

Ranger Hunters Get 10 Deer In Mason County

A party of eight deer hunters, six from Ranger and two from out of town, returned to Ranger Friday night with 10 deer after a week's hunt on the Ekert lease near Mason, in Mason County.

All 10 deer were placed in Morris Newham's Laker Plant, D. C. Those in the hunt from Ranger were Spud Summers, Tommie Buehling, Joe Daskevich, Jack Sedge, Royce Phillips and C. R. Neely. Also members of the party were S. O. Montgomery of Fort Worth and Dr. C. L. Jackson of Irving.

The Hunters left Ranger on Friday, Nov. 15 and returned on Friday, Nov. 22.



REV. JAMES ELLISON Thanksgiving Speaker

91-Yr. Old Patient Has Ap'ndectomy

Mrs. Eva Underwood, age 91, had her appendix removed at Ranger General Hospital Wednesday and is said to be doing fine. It is said to be an unusual case for a person of such advanced age.

Big Run Made On Anti-Freeze Friday

With the weatherman predicting a low in the 20's for Friday night, service stations in Ranger were given the bump for Anti-Freeze all day Friday as motorists hurried to prepare for the worse. Home owners were also busy covering up shrubs and moving in potted plants.

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Beta Sigma Phi Gives T'n Town New Hi-Fi Set

The Beta Phi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, Ranger, gave the youngsters of Teen Town a beautiful Hi-Fi Phonograph Set Thursday night.

The presentation was made by Miss Inez Harrell, and Don Deffenbach, president of Teen Town, accepted on behalf of all the Teen Towners.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Perry, supervisors at Teen Town, said the kids were "absolutely thrilled to death." The Perry's said the Teen Towners were so proud of the set they were building a special case for it where it could be kept under lock and key, and would be used only on extra special occasions under special supervision.

The phonograph is a 4-speed Hi-Fi set and one of the best obtainable. Sorority members raised the money with which to buy the set by selling dolls for Christmas gifts.

After the presentation, some eight or ten members of the sorority who were present were shown over Teen Town's new and enlarged facilities and were very much impressed with what they saw.

Mrs. Dorothy Arterburn is president of the Sorority.

More Entries For Pecan Show Rec'd; Yours Solicited

A total of 12 entries have been received at the Ranger Chamber of Commerce to be entered in the Eastland County Pecan Show which is to be held in Clow on Dec. 6 and 7th.

Newest entries include George Beck, Route 3, Ranger, two varieties; Mrs. Emma Dyer, 1161 Young St., Ranger; E. W. Bell, West Patterson St., Eastland; Nora E. Stiles, 1063 Sadosa St., Eastland. These have been received since the last published list, according to R. V. Galloway, manager of the Chamber of Commerce.

Dec. 1 is the deadline for entries to be brought to the Chamber office and Galloway states that he expects from 30 to 50 entries by the closing date.

All those wishing to enter an exhibit are asked to put the pecans in a quart fruit jar, with their name and address on a label on the outside, and the variety if known—if not the judges will classify them.

B. B. Freeman will pick the exhibits up and enter them at Clow and they will be returned to the Ranger Chamber of Commerce office after the show where they can be picked up. In case any of the entries win prizes at the county show they will be entered in the State Pecan show to be held at College Station some time in January.

Ranger would like to show a quart of pecans from every good tree in town, and all entries will be gladly welcomed.

Former Eastland Sheriff Recalls Oil Boom Days

(Editor's Note: The following article recently appeared in the Odessa American. It was written by Tracy Byers.)

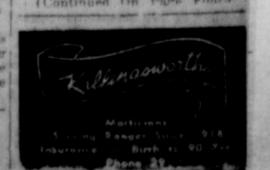
Ranking in the West Texas sunshine here, with memories of investigating more murders than most people dream of in eight months, H. E. (Homer) Lawrence, 31, former sheriff of Eastland County during the wild oil boom days, says, "It's hard to describe the boom—unless one could say people are getting more civilized."

Eastland, as he remembers it, was a last frontier of wild, hell-raising days and nights. People were coming in in tents, sleeping anywhere to beat off the muddy ground.

After he served as sheriff from 1916 to 1920, Lawrence several years later was chief of police of Eastland, serving until about 1929.

Lawrence that period the famous Santa Claus bank robbery occurred in Clow, when Marshall Radtiff and three other men robbed the Clow bank, with Radtiff, well known in the town, wearing a Santa Claus suit and mask as disguise.

It was a wild and murderous robbery followed by the teaching of Radtiff some-how eluding the law for all boom era, Lawrence feels.



H. E. LAWRENCE Former Sheriff of Eastland County

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WSCS Meets At Church for Fourth Study on Japan

The WSCS of the First Methodist Church met at the church Monday, Nov. 18, for the fourth session of a mission study on Japan. Mrs. T. D. Stewart led the opening prayer. A song, "Rise Up O Men of God," was sung. Mrs. O. B. Poyner presented the devotional taken from Philimon. The main theme of the program was "Cooperating Churches at Work in Society."

Mrs. A. W. Branda presented several articles from Japan that had been given to her. Mrs. H. C. Croson talked on "The Artistic Fact of the Japanese People" and showed articles of interest.

Mrs. J. A. Johnson discussed the workmanship of a plaque on display, which has been presented to her by her mother. It was entitled "A Japanese Tea Party."

A short skit entitled "An Interview of Some Students of St. Paul's University in Tokyo," was presented, with Mrs. A. J. Ratliff as moderator and Meses. James Ellison, Johnson, and W. M. Brown as students. Mrs. W. F. Creager talked on the life of Kagawa, the greatest Christian in Japan.

A quiz that gave insight to their social needs was conducted. Meses. L. E. Wolfe and G. O. Strong led the closing prayer.

The next meeting will be Monday, November 25.

Willing Workers Class Meets Thurs.

The Willing Workers Sunday School class of the Second Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. George Beighley Nov. 21 at 2:30 p.m.

Mrs. Levi Dempsey presided. The meeting was opened with a prayer led by the teacher, Mrs. Walter Mitchell. A Bible Study of the 18th chapter of Genesis was taught by Mrs. Marcus Matthews. A discussion of a Christmas party was held, and members decided to meet December 19 at 2:30 in Mrs. Dempsey's home.

Refreshments were served to the following: Meses. Mitchell, Chick Ross, Dempsey, Matthews, and the hostess, Mrs. Beighley.

Extension Dept. Of Second Baptist Meets Thursday

The Extension Department of the Second Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Willie Joyner Thursday morning, Nov. 21, at 9:30 for their monthly business meeting.

Mrs. J. B. Baker, superintendent, presided. Mrs. Alice Crabtree led the opening prayer. The devotional, "Dedicated Hands," was given by Mrs. Joyner. A discussion on enlisting new members and new workers followed. There were 100 percent of the workers in attendance.

Refreshments were served to the following: Meses. Mary Helen Goodwin, Crabtree, Baker, Dora Dempsey, Lora Beck, Flora Perrin, Dutch Mitchell, Fanny Matthews, and the hostess, Mrs. Joyner.

The next meeting will be held December 19 in the home of Mrs. Perrin.

S. S. Class Has Party Wednesday

The Friendship Sunday School Class of the First Methodist Church met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Rushton Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

Games were played, and refreshments were served to the following members present: Mr. and Mrs. Pat Collins, Mr. and Mrs. David Allison, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. James Ratliff, Mr. and Mrs. George Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. June Graham, Mrs. James Ellison, and Mr. and Mrs. Rushton.

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Class Meets In Dempsey Home Mon. Afternoon

The King Stars Sunday School Class of the Second Baptist Church met Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Levi Dempsey, teacher.

Linda Noth presided over the business meeting. Mrs. Dempsey led the opening prayer. A class name, motto, color, and song were selected.

The next meeting will be in Mrs. Dempsey's home November 27, at which time a Thanksgiving basket will be prepared and taken to a shut-in.

Refreshments were served to the following: Linda Noth, Sonnie Pittman, Sandra Gentry, Sandra Tibbels, Betty Fonville, Carolyn Dempsey, Mrs. Dempsey, and four visitors, Eileen Noth, Mrs. Marcus Matthews, Billy Matthews, and Gerald Dempsey.

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AROUND RANGER COLLEGE CAMPUS

By Ranger College Journalism Class



Classes of the Ranger Evening Division of Ranger College have completed organization and are making plans for a Christmas social for evening students and their guests.

The officers of the sophomore group of the campus evening division are as follows: President: Bill Herrington, of Ranger; Vice-President: Wayne Loper, of Ranger; Secretary: Dickie Fletcher of Ranger; Reporter: Bill Calvert of Ranger; and Student Council Representative: Betty Fletcher of Ranger.

Refreshment officers of the evening group are the following: President: Jerry Sharp of Ranger; Vice-President: Johnny Roberson of Ranger; Secretary - Treasurer: Jean Coleman of Eastland; Reporter: Joe Anderson of Eastland; and Student Council Representative: Bob Tyrone of Olden.

Rehearsal For All-School Play Now In Progress

Rehearsal is now in progress for the annual all-school play, which will be produced by a group of High School Students in the high school auditorium December 13 at 7:30 p.m. Proceeds will go to the publication of the annual.

The play, "Grandad Steps Out," develops around the central character, Grandad. A semi-invalid, he is pitted by his daughter, Mrs. Laura Morton who feeds him soup and crackers while he dreams of thick juicy steaks.

Other characters that play important roles are Tilly, the maid; the Norwegian triplets and their brother; "Big Jim" Mahoney, Grandad's long forgotten friend; Betty and Kip Shaddock, Grandad's grandchildren; Mrs. Jole Feney; and Miss Abby Higgins, a coy old maid who is man-crazy.

The climax of the play comes when Grandad disappears and a "modern Sherlock Holmes" appears on the scene. The hilarious and surprising outcome of this three act play makes it one that will be enjoyed and remembered.

The Ranger Ministerial Alliance Invites

All of our community to participate in the Thanksgiving Program to be presented in the

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday Evening, November 24 8 p.m.

The Reverend James Ellison, Pastor of the First Methodist Church will preach the Thanksgiving Sermon.

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by W. H. McAnally, Manager



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Merriman Baptist Announcements

The following is the weekly announcements for the Merriman Baptist Church. Sunday school, 10

a.m., church services, 11 a.m., evening service 7:30 p.m., Wednesday night prayer meeting at 8. Rev. Jack Waiker will do the preaching. Everyone is welcome to attend these services.

Pastor Makes Church of Christ Announcements

The Mesquite and Rusk Church of Christ urges all to take advantage of the religious opportunities God has bestowed upon us in America. He has set apart the first day of the week to His own honor and glory, that men might have the time to study and learn of

Him. Bible study begins at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship service at 10:45 a.m., and the evening worship is at 7:00 p.m. The mid-week service is at 7 o'clock p.m. Wednesday. The public is invited to visit in any or all services.

Lonnie Branam, minister, gives the following thought for the day: "There are many dangers that face us as members of the kingdom of God. There is a danger of 'Spectatoritis.' Too many Christians think that they are only

spectators in the game of the Christian life. They want to sit in the stands and cheer when the elders or preachers make a 'touchdown.' They remind me of a high school boy of unusual talent who never made the first team in football because he had 'spectatoritis.' He always thought of himself as being on the bench.

"One day the coach considered putting him into the game because a crisis had arisen. He asked him: 'What would you do if our team was on the one yard line with only one minute to play and needing only one touchdown to win?'"

"He replied readily, 'I would move down to the end of the bench so I could see better.'"

"How many Christians have that attitude toward the victory we are trying to win over Satan and his team? How many think of Christianity as just being a 'church member', belonging to a certain congregation, attending once or twice a week and tipping the Lord on Sunday about as much as they would tip a good waitress in a cafe. Christianity is a personal matter. God calls each one of us by the gospel to play on the team and cooperate with the other players in achieving victory for truth and righteousness."

READ THE CLASSIFIEDS

First Baptist Pastor Makes Announcements

"This Lord's day will find the membership in full support of 'Loyalty Day Program,'" said Rev. Ralph Perkins, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Each family and individual will be expected to pledge their love, loyalty, and support to the cause of Jesus, and show Him their supreme allegiance to His kingdom."

Sunday school teachers will have the pledge cards for their classes and each one present will be given his card to sign. All teachers will be expected to make a report of cards signed by 6 p.m. and a final report by 7 p.m. Wednesday evening, Nov. 27th.

Members who are not enrolled in Sunday school have already been mailed their pledge cards. The budget committee is expecting 100 percent pledge by Victory Day, Dec. 1.

The pastor will bring the morning message using the theme, "Supreme Loyalty to Christ." The Bible lesson for the message is found in the Epistle to the Hebrews, chapter one. Special music is by the Sanctuary choir.

Pastor Makes Second Baptist Announcements

The Rev. Ed Scarborough, pastor of the Second Baptist Church makes the following announcement:

Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. The lesson this Sunday deals with Christian giving. Paul admonishes the Christians to give to those in need, not only to fulfill their needs, but to develop affectionate relationships among a 11 workers in the kingdom of God. The main theme of the lesson, which should be the motive for all Christian acts, is "Let all that ye do be done in Love."

The morning worship hour will follow the Sunday School promptly at 11 o'clock with Bro. Eddie Gallagher in charge of the music and the pastor bringing the message.

Training Union, under the direction of J. D. Nichols, starts at 6:15 p.m. There are departments and classes for each age group with well qualified and prepared leaders.

Following Training Union, each member and visitor will be privileged to join in the city-wide Thanksgiving service, which will begin at 8 o'clock p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

Monday, the WMU meets at 5:00 for a monthly mission study, with Mrs. F. E. Caraway teaching the



Miss Marjorie Anne Pearson

Miss Marjorie Anne Pearson, Jerry Simmans to Marry Jan. 26

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Pearson of Hutto announce the engagement of their daughter, Marjorie Anne, to Jerry Franklin Simmans, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Simmans of Ranger.

Miss Pearson, a graduate of Hutto High School, is a senior music education major at the University of Texas. She is a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority.

Mr. Simmans is a graduate of Ranger High School and is a senior business administration major at the University of Texas. He is a member of Sigma Chi fraternity.

The couple will be married January 26 in the Hutto Lutheran Church in Hutto.

Eastside Baptist Announcements

The attendance at the Eastside Baptist Church continues to increase. Joe Harper, Sunday school superintendent, urges all young people from the age of 17 years up to be in the newly organized Young People's Sunday school class, with the Rev. K. C. Edmonds teaching.

There is also a new Young People's Training Union Department, under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harper. "This department is proving to be a big success," says Fred Matthews, Training Union Director.

Visitors are always welcome at the Eastside Baptist Church. There will be the regular Sunday school and morning worship service this Sunday. Training Union will be at 6:30 p.m., and following Training Union, all will go to the First Baptist Church for the Thanksgiving service.

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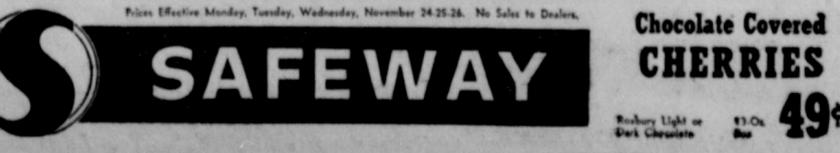
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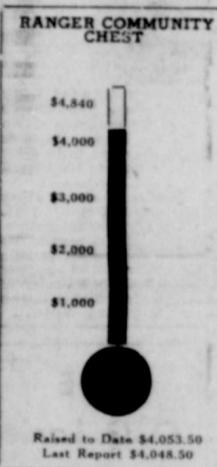
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What's Cooking-

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 cherry one, and all throughout the year they are called upon to help in every undertaking that is put on in the city. They deserve your support and patronage at Christmas, and you should give it to them gladly, when they can do so much more for you in the matter of shopping conveniences, selections, service and money-saving prices.

Heartiest congratulations to the new Ranger Laundromat. Not only has it brought a wonderful convenience to the housewives of Ranger, but it has occupied an empty building on Main Street! With home town enterprise beginning to stir, it may not be too long until a lot more buildings are filled up on Main Street.

Sometimes it is hard for us to tell whether Col. Gene Baker, editor of the Gorman Progress, is poking fun at us, or not, for calling him the Peanut Authority of Eastland County. Believe you us, we certainly were not poking fun at him when we so stated. Col. Baker lives in the Peanut County, far more than we do, and he keeps up with peanuts far more than we ever attempted. During the darkest days of this summer, when it looked like dry weather had got us for sure, and during the darkest days of this fall when it looked like wet weather had got us for sure, it was always a pleasure for us to fall back on Col. Baker's optimism about the peanut crop. And we have always taken his word as authoritative because he knows so many peanut growers. He is still saying that Eastland County will make a pretty good peanut crop, perhaps 15 to 20 bushels per acre, and we hope to high Heaven he is STILL right!



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 car key and the handits ran off. The other three handits, including Marshal Ratliff, jumped into another car, leaving the injured man and the \$6,000, Lawrence said.

They all were captured within a few days and Ratliff was later sentenced to the penitentiary. He was brought back for a hearing on his sanity.

He was in the county jail at Eastland, where Lawrence said he acted insane and helpless. Then one day he jumped the jailer, shot and killed the man with the jailer's own gun.

After Ratliff was settled back in the jail, a group of angry townspeople marched to the jail, pulled Ratliff out, and hanged him on a telephone pole beside the jail. It was about 1928 or 1930 then. (Dec. 23, 1927)

Lawrence was born in Lee County, moved to Burnet County, to Coleman County and then to Eastland County where he first was deputy sheriff for several years at Rising Star, before going to Eastland to be a deputy there before he was elected sheriff.

He lives here with his son, H. E. Lawrence and Mrs. Lawrence, at their home at 1300 Redbud, where he talked of old times in Eastland, as he sat in a sun-flooded window of the brick and wood-paneled family room. The younger Lawrence moved about four and a half years ago from El Paso and own and operate Dairyland on the Andrews Highway.

"We had problems at Eastland, but Ranger had the worst boom and Desdemona was the wildest place," the former officer said.

"In those days there was no pavement to speak of, and one night two gangs began fighting in Desdemona and totally wrecked two cafes and a clothing store. There wasn't \$50 worth of stuff that could have been salvaged."

He continued, "I left Eastland for Desdemona in an old pick-up truck and we skidded along muddy roads and across fields, but when we got there the wreckage was complete."

"What really launched the most vicious day of killings and stealing was national prohibition, when it started in 1919, Lawrence declared.

"Everyone began bootlegging, and there were more killings, more drunkenness and more fights than ever. The way liquor sales are handled here in Odessa is one of the reasons this town is quiet. This is the only way, because prohibition just doesn't prohibit, but increases lawlessness," he sighed in a matter-of-fact tone.

"We would move into a gambling house around the operators and peddle the place," Lawrence smiled. "Two days later someone else would have broken open the doors and gambling would be in full swing again."

"Several Texas Rangers were moved into Eastland County to try to get some kind of order out of the place, but we couldn't see where it made any difference," Lawrence said.

He spoke quietly, with the detachment of living many years and having seen everything. "There were so many wild people then, and no one knew anyone, and there were crowds everywhere at night.

It was all part of a long ago life, as he added without bitterness or emotion, "Everyone was on the go, moving in and moving out, going from one town to another, and no one seemed to care."

The former lawman sat quietly looking around the handsomely furnished family room, where a two-way fireplace serves both kitchen and sitting room, and where peace and contentment were a far cry from the ramshackled boom towns

Scranton-

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 the natural advantages of the locality held the first settlers, and even in the most trying period brought Mr. R. N. B. Ghornerly.

The Freeman and Bashan brothers, J. C. McCoy, T. D. Freeman, E. J. Arnold, T. J. Finn, W. R. and C. C. Bashan and Dr. J. W. White organized the school community and a school house was put up at once. T. D. Freeman was the first teacher, and A. J. Tyson, editor of the X-Ray, published at Rising Star, followed him.

The Romney Postoffice was established August 15, 1890, T. D. Freeman, postmaster. The county has developed rapidly. All agricultural products, fruits and vegetables grow well, making this one of the most progressive communities in the county.

W. P. Brubbs of Arkansas established the first store, then sold to H. D. Holbrook. At present T. D. Freeman, who has charge of the long distance telephone and is postmaster, has the only store in the village, which also contains a blacksmith shop, a gin and a good school.

The Baptist, Disciples of Christ and Methodists have organizations and worship at the school house. The citizenship of this locality represent a moral and progressive people, who welcome all who come among them.

(Next: "Desdemona")

Hospital News

New patients in the Ranger General Hospital are: Mrs. H. V. Davenport, Ranger, medical; Mrs. L. S. Fagg, Caddo, medical; Mrs. W. P. Brown, Strauss, medical; W. C. Ferguson, Ranger, medical; David Webb, Ranger, medical; Verne W. Peterson, Ranger, medical; Gay Nell Loper, Ranger, medical; and Mrs. E. L. Scarborough, Ranger.

Christian Science

Man's God-given ability to resist sin, disease, and all discord will be emphasized at Christian Science services Sunday in the Lesson - Sermon, entitled "Soul and Body."

Matthew's account of Christ Jesus' healing of the centurion's servant who was "sick of the palsy" (8: 5-10, 13) will be included in the Scriptural readings from the King James Version of the Bible.

Selections to be read from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy include the following (298:12): "Rise in the strength of Spirit to resist all that is unlike good. God has made man capable of this, and nothing can vitiate the ability and power divinely bestowed on man."

The Golden Text is from Psalm (86:4): "Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul."

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The following is the weekly schedule for St. Rita's Catholic Church:

Holy Mass every Sunday morning at 8 o'clock.

Evening devotions on Sundays at 7 p.m.

Study club for the high school students Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.

Choir practice Wednesday evening at 7:45 p.m.

Study club for the Junior College students Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Religion class for the grade school students at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays.

Rev. Fr. Bookmans, pastor of St. Rita's Catholic Church, is always available to give information and to explain the Catholic faith to those who want to know more about it. This information is given without any obligation whatsoever and without prejudice against any other religion.

Weekly Schedule Nazarene Church

The weekly schedule for the Church of the Nazarene, as announced by the pastor, Rev. Bill Vaughn, is as follows: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; NYPS, 7 p.m.; a n d Evening Worship, 7:30 p.m.

Prayer meeting is held at 7:30 each Wednesday evening. Everyone is invited to attend these meetings.

Church of God Services Set

The following is the weekly schedule of services for the Church of God, Strawn Road and First St. as announced by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Atkins.

Sunday School 10 a.m.; Morning Services, 11 a.m.; Evening Evangelistic, 7 p.m.; Y.P.E., 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday; and Bible Study, 7:30 p.m. Friday.

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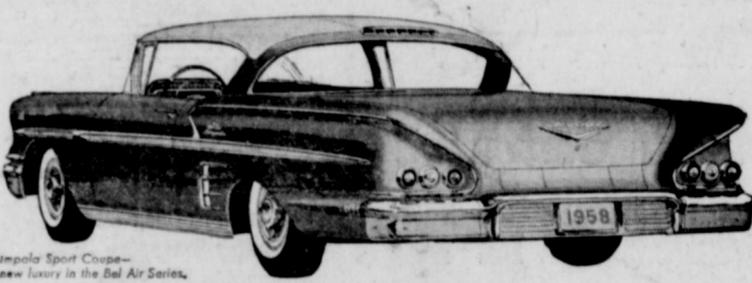
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