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PRICE FIVE CENTS No. 174

## Truman Asks 17-Billion For Recovery

Well... I Dunno, But...

The town generally is rejoicing over the announcement that the old ghost of a building that has been an eye sore to Ranger's front door so long, will be torn down and a brand new building put up there.

Say what you please but ghost buildings hurt a town and there's certainly plenty of cause for rejoicing over the announcement. Just heard this morning of people that were turned away from investing in Ranger because of an impression gained from just such a sight as that building.

Yes sir, Leveille Motor Company deserves the thanks of the town.

The gang at the Times got its first Christmas present Thursday. And you should have seen 'em dive in when in walked Mrs. Blanche Murray with a plate piled high with her special brand of fudge candy.

No sir, it didn't take long for that candy to disappear.

When J. E. Meroney and L. I. Bruce staged a fake cuss fight and Meroney shot Bruce with a toy pistol at the Lions Club meeting Thursday at noon, they did the act so well that one man sought shelter under the table and another headed for the door. And there are plenty of others that admit they thought it real and were scared stiff.

They Sims says that the world definitely looked better to him from under the table and that after being shot at before he's allowed to seek shelter. He's thinking of wearing his Purple Heart to the next meeting.

The act was so real that Brann Garner tried to hold Bruce and was yelling at others for help. And from a distance you'd have thought a bunch of real lions had been turned loose when the club realized that it was a joke and up went the roar.

Here's the latest in chain letters. Jimmie Latimer received this one but he didn't commit himself on whether or not he kept the chain unbroken.

December 16, 1947

Gentlemen: This chain letter started in Reno in hopes of bringing relief and happiness to tired business men. Unlike most chain letters, this does not cost anything; simply send a copy to five equally tired male friends, then bundle up your wife and send her to the fellow at the top of the list. When your name reaches the top of the list, you will receive 16, 178 women.

Have faith, do not break the chain; one man broke it and got his own wife back.

Sincerely, Brigham Young, Tommy Manville, Errol Flynn, Charlie Chaplin, Fala.

Almanac Cracks Joke DUGLIN, N. H. (UP) — The Old Farmers Almanac, which has been published annually since 1793, now offers a life subscription for \$5.

In announcing the offer, the Almanac added: "No discount for youngsters of 80 or over, as it is well known that Almanac readers live forever and we have no desire to get stuck."

SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS 4 BUS STOP

"I'm going to my Christmas shop, Christmas Belle announces. Only four days left to shop. And off to dance the blues."

### Seven Killed In Navy Crash



Seven persons were killed and another miraculously escaped serious injury when two Navy planes a Corsair and a PBY, collide 100 feet in the air and plunged into a mud-flat while trying to land near Norfolk, Virginia. Firemen are here extinguishing the flames on the Corsair. (NEA Telephoto).

### RANGER, WAYLAND WIN FIRST TOURNAMENT GAME

The Ranger Junior College annual invitation basketball tournament got off to a big start Thursday night when Ranger Junior College and Wayland College of Plainview came out winners in two games.

Wayland played Cisco Junior College and won by a score of 56 to 47. Leading scorers for Wayland were Burch with 17 points and Criswell with 12 points. Harrelson was high for Cisco with 15 points.

Ranger played Weatherford and defeated the latter by a score of 45 to 37. Boney of Ranger scored 13 points and Crawley scored 10 to come out high point men and Hallmark of Weatherford scored 11 points.

Officials for the games were Browning, and Clifton McNeely. Beginning at 1 o'clock today the schedule called for a game between Clifton and Lon Morris and at 2:15 o'clock Big Spring and Navarro of Corsicana.

At 3:30 Cisco was to play Weatherford for the second round in consolation. The next game will be between the winner of the Clifton-Lon Morris game and the winner of the Big Spring-Navarro game. Losers in these two games will meet at 7:30 o'clock in the second round consolation.

Saturday Ranger will play Plainview at 2 p.m. and finals in championship and consolation will be at 7:30 and 8:45 o'clock Saturday night.

Coaches will select the all-tournament team and trophies will be awarded the champions, runner-up and consolation winner.

### Methodists Seek \$1000 For Home

Members of the Methodist church have set \$1,000 as the goal for the contribution that they will make to the Methodist home for orphaned children and a special committee is now at work on soliciting the funds.

The committee is composed of A. J. Ratliff, W. F. Creager, David Pickrell, James Matthews, Price Crawley, Aubra Knox, Floyd Killingsworth, and G. C. Boswell.

### Italian Food Workers Strike Due Tomorrow

ROME—A nationwide strike of 300 thousand food industry employees appeared certain today to begin on schedule tomorrow.

While negotiations in the food strike dragged hopelessly, Sicilian labor agitation ended in back to work movements in Catania and Palermo, but spread around riot-torn Caltanissetta, Agrigento, Messina and Trapani.

The Sicilian situation exploded yesterday in gunfire and grenades, with at least 26 persons injured among both police and strikers.

Temporary offices have been set up and H. G. Breckenridge, field office manager, and Miss Anne Lowe, payroll clerk, have taken up their duties there.

The crew will be in Ranger about 30 days.

### SLAUGHTER CONTINUES IN HOLY LAND

JERUSALEM—Palestine officials announced today that 10 persons—five adults and five children—were killed last night in an attack by bomb-throwing Jews on a group of Arabs at the village of Khisias, near Safad.

Five persons were wounded in addition to the 10 killed by the explosives, an official statement said.

The flareup broke the longest lull in Palestine violence since the United Nations voted for partitioning three weeks ago tomorrow.

Officials said two automobile loads of Jews sped through the center of the village, sweeping it with gunfire and throwing bombs and grenades into houses.

A police patrol entered Khisias this morning. It found seven bodies in one house and three in another.

Jewish sources said the Hagna defense force was preparing to resist anticipated attacks soon against Jerusalem, Jaffa and Haifa.

The mangled bodies of five children ranging in age from 2 to 10 years were found in one house blasted by bombs.

### Construction Crew Here For Thirty Days

Sixty-five employees of the Smith Construction Corporation of Fort Worth are making their headquarters in Ranger while laying a 10 mile section of pipeline for the Gulf Pipeline company.

They were assisted in finding living quarters by R. V. Galloway, manager of the Chamber of Commerce.

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### Latimer Made Director Of Highway Ass'n

J. L. Latimer has been named Ranger's director to the Central division of the Highway 89 Association and Roscoe Hopper has been made alternate.

The appointments were made by the Chamber of Commerce and the \$12 assessment for work of the organization has been paid.

A meeting of the division directors will be held in Eastland on January 11 and 12.

### Report Of The Eleventh Court Civil Appeals

The following proceedings were had in the Court of Civil Appeals Eleventh Supreme Judicial District:

Motions Submitted: The Travelers Ins. Co. vs. S. W. McCown, appellant's motion for rehearing. The Travelers Ins. Co. vs. S. W. McCown, appellee's motion for rehearing.

Robert Pierce, et ux, vs. City of Stephenville, appellee's motion to correct Court's opinion.

Donna M. Nichols vs. Texas Electric Service Co., appellant's motion for rehearing.

J. T. Haney vs. O. Y. Carey, appellant's motion to reinstate appeal.

W. H. Harrison, et al, vs. Southwest Coaches, Inc., appellee's motion for rehearing.

William Winter vs. James E. Hamilton, et al, joint motion to consolidate.

Motion Granted: Robert Pierce et ux, vs. City of Stephenville, appellee's motion to correct Court's opinion.

Motions Overruled: The Travelers Ins. Co. vs. S. W. McCown, appellant's motion for rehearing.

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### High School Cagers Win At DeLeon Thursday

Coach Sam Aills took his high school cagers to De Leon Thursday night and came back with a 17 to 9 victory.

Coach Aills stated today that the boys did all right and the only fault that he could find was the need for better team work.

Jerry Gray was high point man with eight points to his credit and O. G. Lanier, J. G. Wright, Kenneth Mayhall, E. P. Robinson and Jerry Carter were praised for their work during the game.

This is the team's first game of the season and district play will start on January 6.

### Leveille Motor Company Buys Downtown Site

Leveille Motor Company has announced the purchase of the old stone building at the corner of Main Street and Commerce Street and plans to build a new home for the company on the site.

Building of the new home will begin as soon as necessary materials can be secured and it was stated today that plans are to build a very modern, attractive building.

### BRECKENRIDGE CHOIRS WILL SING HERE

Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock the choirs of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches and the Junior Choir of Breckenridge will give a program of Christmas music at the First Methodist church in Ranger.

Charles Kiker who conducts the choirs, for ten years was organist at the First Presbyterian church in Wichita Falls. He studied at S.M.U. and Chicago Musical College. He also directs the Men's Chorus in Breckenridge.

Soloists for the choir are Guy Ewing, Jr., Mrs. C. W. Walford, Jr., and Mrs. Lester Clark Muri Hancock, formerly Muri Deah Murrell of Ranger, will be the violinist. She was a student of Wilda Drago. Mrs. Marjorie Duncan is the accompanist at the piano and Mr. Kiker will accompany at the organ.

The music will go out from the church over a public address system. The Junior Choir will be seated in the balcony of the church and will open the program with Christmas carols and will sing as the people leave the church after the program. Familiar Christmas hymns, Christmas folk songs and carols will be heard on the program which will be climaxed with the singing of the Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's Messiah.

The combined choirs will have a total of 78 voices.

Dr. Claud P. Jones, pastor of the church, in making the announcement today, stated that this is the outstanding program of the season and he with the members of the church have extended an invitation to the people of Ranger to attend.

### Britain Makes Wheat Contract With Australia

LONDON—Great Britain has signed a new wheat contract with Australia which will make it unnecessary to purchase United States wheat with scarce dollars in the current crop year, food minister John Strachey announced in Commons today.

Strachey said the contract calls for Australia to deliver 80 million bushels of wheat during the year at a price of 17 Australian shillings—\$2.75—per bushel.

### Interior Of Wrecked Building



An interior view of the damage in the antiquated Empire Apartment building in Washington, D. C. when all of its seven floors collapsed. This photo shows the second, third, and fourth floors of the building which housed about 150 tenants. Latest reports list one dead and 13 injured with firemen still searching for possible victims in the debris. (NEA Telephoto).

### Dr. Watkins Of Eastland Coming Here to Practise

Dr. W. P. Watkins, who has been practicing medicine in Eastland for the past two years, with his family is moving to Ranger where they have purchased a home and where he will be connected with the Ranger Clinic after January 1. At the clinic Dr. Watkins will be associated with Drs. C. L. Jackson and Calvin Harris.

Dr. Watkins entered practice in Eastland following his release from service with the United States Armed Forces. Both he and Mrs. Watkins have been active in church, social and civic affairs of Eastland and the County. Dr. Watkins, during the past season has been team physician for the Eastland Mavericks where he did a wonderful work and is credited by both coaches and players as being largely responsible for the splendid physical condition of the individual players during the season.

### Dancer's Trial Ended In Cuba

HAVANA—The homicide trial of Patricia "Satira" Schmidt, charged with slaying John Lester Mee of Chicago, ended today.

A court announcement said the trial had been "concluded for sentencing."

Legal observers familiar with Cuban court procedure said the announcement meant that the exotic dark haired dancer had been convicted of killing her lover and that her sentence would be announced later.

She faces a maximum of 26 years in prison and a minimum of six. She was accused of slaying Mee last April aboard the yacht Satira, which he had named for her.

The announcement is made in order that those having business with the office might attend to same before these dates.

### Eastland VA Office To Close Dec. 24-25 For The Holidays

C. E. Allen, contact man at the Eastland Veteran's administration office announces that that office will be closed from noon, December 24 through December 25 and Jan. 1.

The announcement is made in order that those having business with the office might attend to same before these dates.

### WOULD GO TO NON-SOVIET COUNTRIES IN EUROPE

WASHINGTON — President Truman today asked Congress to authorize a 17 billion dollar recovery program to help 16 non-Communist European nations withstand Soviet "totalitarian aggression" and assure the security of the United States.

In a 9-thousand word message on the long-range Marshall plan, he told the House and Senate that the 51 month program was a vital step in United States efforts to prevent World War III. He requested an initial appropriation of 6-billion, 800-million dollars.

The President acknowledged that the program would mean some self sacrifice and possibly more inflationary pressure at home, but he warned that failure to approve it, or trimming it, would jeopardize world peace and "the maintenance of the civilization in which the American way of life is rooted."

While there is no guarantee that the plan will succeed, he said, its cost would be only five per cent of the war effort—"small indeed" as an investment in peace.

Mr. Truman did not mention the Soviet Union by name. But he made it completely clear throughout that the Communists were to blame for the present state of world affairs, and that the multi-billion dollar project was aimed to halt the spread of that brand of totalitarianism.

He asked for approval of a 6-billion dollar outlay for the first 15 months and said annual requests would be made for the succeeding three years.

"I recommend that our aid should be extended partly in the form of grants and partly in the form of loans," he said. "No grants should be made to countries able to pay cash for all imports to repay loans."

The President also proposed that the program be placed under a new agency—the economic cooperation administration—whose 20-thousand dollar a year director would be subject to the direction of the Secretary of State on decisions affecting foreign policy.

### House May Evade Senate Order

WASHINGTON—A top Republican hinted that the House in its closing session today might sidestep the Senate resolution ordering Secretary of Agriculture Anderson to give Congress and the public the names of big shot commodity speculators.

After prolonged wrangling between Anderson and the Senate appropriations committee over the sanctity of government secrets, the Senate last night approved a resolution ordering Anderson to turn over the names. But the resolution requires House approval.

And there were signs that the House may prefer to stand pat on its new investigating committee, set up to make an inquiry into commodity speculation.

### FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK

Cattle 900. Active and fully steady. Medium and good steers and yearlings 20-28. Common and medium cows 15-17. Canners and cutters 10.50-14.50. Bulls 13-17-50.

Calves 700. Steady. Good and choice slaughter calves scarce at 21-26. Stockers light supply. Hogs 800. Butcher hogs and sows steady, pigs steady. Top 27 paid for good and choice 190-325 pounders. Sows 24.50-25.50. Good feeder pigs 19-21. Common pigs 10-17.

### The Weather

Fair tonight and tomorrow.



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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NEA)—Defense Secretary James V. Forrestal has promised his next press conference an historic answer to the embarrassing question, "Are you a candidate for the Vice Presidency and would you run if nominated by the Democratic convention?"

There are two conclusions. Either (A), they did not care, or (B), each may have thought he was the man of destiny, but was afraid to admit it in writing.

WHY anybody wants to be Vice President—or President for that matter—will always be a billion-dollar mystery.

Here is General Eisenhower, with all the honors in the world that anyone could ask for. He can retire gracefully to the academic security of Columbia University campus and live on his laurels.

And why Secretary Forrestal, with his swell war record, should want to risk a defeat in 1948, or preside over the Senate for four years even if he won, is completely baffling.

But all people seem to succumb when bitten by the political bug. They all become like the famous blonde in "Oklahoma" who always says in when courted by the boys, "Cause I cawaan't saynaa, No!"

Maybe that would be too simple. What the Secretary obviously needs is a line like General Sherman's, "I will not run if nominated and will not serve if elected." Only better.

Henry Clay had a good line in "I'd rather be right than be President," which might be altered to, "I'd rather retire than be Vice President, there's no place like home."

If the Secretary thinks he has a full-time job where he is, and has no time for campaigning, he might do something with a famous crack from Rutherford B. Hayes. Hayes refused to ask for a Civil War furlough so he could run for Congress by saying, "An officer fit for duty, who at this crisis would abandon his post to electioneer for Congress, ought to be scalped." P. S.—Hayes got elected anyway, and later was elected President.

If the Secretary hasn't yet made up his own mind, what he wants is an answer that means all things to all people, like David Harum's, "Yes, an' no, an' mebbe, an' mebbe not."

Another out for the Secretary would be to leave it up to fate, with a quotation like Viscount Bolingbroke's, "God who placed me here will do what He pleases with me hereafter, and He knows best what to do."

William Jennings Bryan, who couldn't say no three times running and got licked every time, had a good line in his Cross of Gold speech which might be paraphrased into, "You shall not press down upon my brow this crown of thorns." A ringing phrase like that should leave no doubt that an available man wanted no part of the job.

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—It's cut-throat football they play in the Southwest Conference.

One has better not wager that the league leader will win from the denizens of the dark and dank basement, for the doormats are likely to rise up and kick the smarty-pants off the outfit in the calcium glare.

Witness, for example, Texas Christian's pulse-quickening 19-19 tie with Southern Methodist. The Methodists were unbroken and untied, ranked number three nationally, behind only Notre Dame and Michigan. The Christians had manufactured only two victories in five circuit engagements. SMU had figured to prevail by at least two touchdowns.

WHY are the underdogs always upsetting the favorites in the Southwest Conference?

"Because the seven teams—at least four or five of them—particularly so—are always at something approaching equal strength," explains Dutch Meyer.

"The average fan," continues Texas Christian's fine coach, "looks at the standings, sees that one team has won six and lost one, with the other having only two victories in six starts, and concludes, as would be proper in most leagues, that the second team is weakling."

"That's not necessarily true down our way. In football somebody usually loses, even when two good ones get together, but it doesn't prove that the loser is a weakling."

"There wasn't another conference in the nation this fall that had as strong a last-place team as Baylor. The Bears won all four

igned to furnish educational and residential facilities for 10,000 persons.

The project will cover 100 acres in the center of the south side of Chicago.

Fifty-five buildings are in the blueprint stage and among them will be three 10-story apartment buildings, three 8-story walk-up apartment buildings, 10 four-story student dormitories and 24 homes.

History Hangs On Her Fate



Francisco Nicoloso, a 16th century Italian artist, invented the tile-picture, painted continuously over a group of square ceramic tiles.

NEWS FROM RISING STAR PHONE 45
Eva Richardson, Cor.

RISING STAR, Dec. 18—Mr. and Mrs. Van Coursey of Weatherford, are here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Coursey.

Mr. and Mrs. Curley Loyd, of Brownwood, visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hubbard, Sunday.

Mr. Darby Pattille and baby of Beaumont, are here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Kirkland.

Miss Eva Richardson spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. A. N. McBeth in Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Swift visited relatives in Abilene, Wednesday of last week.

Floyd Maynard spent the weekend with his daughter, Mrs. Bean and family, at Clarksville.

Mrs. David Williams of San Diego, California, who was here for the funeral of her brother, Dean Harma, last week, left Monday for her home after spending a few days with her father and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Cox and son of Arizona, are here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George McCulloch.

Dr. H. V. Cony left last week for California to live through the winter months with her children.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Harris went to San Angelo, Wednesday, to spend the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Dallas Dill and family and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Nix of Cisco, were shopping here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Money of May, were shopping in Rising Star, last Saturday.

Mr. Milner, who underwent major surgery in a Brownwood hospital, Monday is doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Armon Sandifer of Cisco Plains spent Tuesday with her father and sister, Mr. Watson and Margaret.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Harrelson of Cisco were shopping in Rising Star Tuesday.

Mrs. Pearl Jaynes spent Sunday at May, with her father, J. D. Harms and other relatives.

J. H. Jenkins, who has been ill several months, passed away Tuesday morning at his home in the south part of town. Funeral services were held at the Church of Christ, Wednesday at 2:00 p. m. by W. E. Moore, of Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Laules and little daughter attended a convention in Dallas, last week.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

U. S. Statesman crossword puzzle grid with clues for horizontal and vertical words.

This Is Happy
By PEGGY DERN

HAPPY was like an excited child, proudly showing off the beauties of Sundown. And for a few days, Steve was treated to the island's pleasant, gracious hospitality. The fact that the Harrells had a house guest was accepted by the rest of the island as a signal that they, too, must help entertain him.

son you should be. Harrell's th man for you, Happy. You're very lucky girl. With that she turned and we swiftly back up the garden pat and into the house. She reached the drawing-room ahead of him and as she came in, George looked at her swiftly, and then almost accusingly at Steve, who came a few paces behind her.

"Of course," said Steve casually as he came into the room. "I don't believe any of it. The whole place is something out of a fairy story. You do it with mirrors or something. There isn't any such place as Sundown—it's a state of mind. But what a state of mind!"

Madeline called bedtime a little later, since George was drive Steve to Jacksonville, and they were leaving very early. "Since I shan't be seeing you in the morning," Steve addressed the three women. "I'd better say good by now. It's been wonderful being here and I can't begin to tell you how much I've enjoyed it."

FUNNY BUSINESS



The artist sent it in—he didn't get time to paint it before the exhibition!

OUT OUR WAY
By J. R. Williams



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



BY MERRILL BLOSSER



RED RYDER



BY FRED HARMON



ALLEY OOP



BY V. T. HAMLIN



Illinois Tech Plans Its Own City

CHICAGO (UP)—Henry T. Head, president of the Illinois Institute of Technology, announced the beginning of a \$15,000,000 construction program designed to make Illinois Tech a city within a city.

The program will take about five years to complete. It is designed to furnish educational and residential facilities for 10,000 persons.



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Minimum 70c  
8c per word first day, 2c per word every day thereafter.  
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PHONE 224

### • FOR SALE

**FOR SALE**—Eight piece dining room suit, large table top range, six deck, six hundred cubic electric brooder, all in good condition. Mrs. J. P. Trotter, Lone Star Gas Plant No. 1.

**FOR SALE**—Motor bike. Good as new. Price \$130. Phone 370-J.

**FOR SALE**—One 1942 Ford, one 1941 Chevrolet. Caraway Body Shop.

**PRIERS** for sale—1904 Haig Street. W. M. Caudle.

**FOR SALE**—White porcelain table top range stove. Like new. See it at Dixie Grill Cafe.

**FOR SALE**—Clean 1942 Chevrolet. 1934 Ford V8 Coupe. Small factory built trailer house. George Gaeze. Breckenridge Highway.

**FOR SALE**—American Moto-Scout. Delivery model 1945. Call 303 or come to 1400 Foch Street.

**FOR SALE**—Electrolysis Machine. (removes facial hair) \$195.00 cash. Respected, money making profession. Instruction free. Elsie Glenn, Eastland.

**FOR SALE**—Barbecued chicken every day. Beginning Saturday at 6. Southern Barbecue Pit.

### • NOTICE

"FOR long term farm and ranch loans, see Fred Brown, Eastland National Bank, Eastland, Texas."

**CARAWAY** Body and Paint Shop Complete line auto glass.

### • FOR RENT

House for rent. Furnished or unfurnished. Phone 525-R.

**FOR RENT**—Four room unfurnished apartment. Call 343-J.

**FOR RENT**—Two room apartment at Marston building. 198-J.

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**ANIMALS**  
Un-Skinned  
Removed  
FREE

CALL COLLECT  
EASTLAND 288  
OR  
BROWNWOOD 9494  
BROWNWOOD  
RENDERING CO.

**FOR RENT**—Three rooms apartment, Travelers Hotel 311 1/2 Walnut Street.

**FOR RENT**—Cafe. Highway 80 East call 276-W.

**FOR RENT**—3 rooms and bath. Furnished or unfurnished. Call 59.

**FOR RENT**—Plenty of storage space in a bonded warehouse. Crawley Motor Company.

**FOR RENT**—Three and four room apartments with private baths. Phone 225. Price Crawley.

**TWO and four room apartments** for rent. Furnished and unfurnished. Joseph's Apartments. Phone 621.

**FOUR room modern house**. 433 Hunt St. Call Mrs. Arrendale, 958-W.

### • WANTED

WE pay cash for late model cars, Cecil Stewart.

**WANTED**—Housekeeper, room, board and liberal wages. Call Mrs. W. C. Little at 569-W for further information.

**Usher Too Generous**  
MILWAUKEE (UP) — Peter U'bert, a church usher, was puzzled when the parishioners flocked back to the church, waving the collection envelopes he had just passed out. He discovered the envelopes all contained money contributed at previous collections.

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## OLDEN

NEWS FROM PHONE 28  
Mrs. W. E. Matlock, Cor.

**OLDEN, Dec. 18**—Mrs. J. O. Gray entertained the Junior girls Sunday school class with a Christmas party Tuesday evening. Each present received a lovely gift. The colors of red and green were carried out in all decorating, even to the individual cakes, with fruit cocktails, that was served to Betty Smith, Elnora Peterson, Joyce Fox, Christene Giverton, Wanda Steddman and Shirley Matlock.

Mrs. Simer and Mrs. Edwards were in Strawn, Sunday afternoon, for the funeral of a friend of Mrs. Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Butler were in Ft. Worth Wednesday of business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Burns are leaving this week-end to spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter and family in Phoenix, Arizona.

Strawn and Olden will play basketball at the Olden Gym, Friday afternoon.

The Carbon girls defeated the Olden girls in a basketball game, at the Olden Gym, Monday night. The score was 23-8.

The Olden boys' A team defeated Carbon boys. The score, 51-24. B Team Olden 22, Carbon 10.

WMU of the Olden Baptist church met Monday at the church for Bible study, 9 ladies present.

Brother Blair, of Cisco preached at the Baptist church, Sunday, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Clifford Nelson.

Cpl. Jerry Norton has arrived in Olden to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Norton. Jerry has been stationed in Italy's the past year.

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Vermillion, wife Johnny Mitchell, of Kermit Mrs. Vermillion's brother, and Dewey Mitchell of Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Garrett have moved into the home formerly occupied by Mrs. Jarrett has moved into her new home that has just been completed.

Mrs. Filie Bockman has been very ill at her home the past week.

Cpl. Tommy E. Matlock and Pfc. Jack Cochran are expected.

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spent Wednesday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burman.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud McBeth and children spent Tuesday night and Wednesday at Meridian with his brother and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Cecil McBeth.

Mrs. D. L. Allen, of Nimrod, transacted business in Cisco, Monday.

Lonnie Jordan, of Nimrod spent Tuesday here with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Huestis had as their Sunday guests their daughter, and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Fambro of Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey of Lubbock, visited in the Sutton Croft's home over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rice, visited her father, C. L. Guinn, Monday afternoon in a hospital at Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Hart and son, Charles, of Lamesa are visiting here his grandmother, Mrs. Dave Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Galeson of Sabano, were shopping in Cisco, Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Jaynes and Mrs. Wallon Jaynes and her two sons of Rising Star was in Cisco, Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Garum Pollard transacted business in Abilene, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Gentry and son, Keith of Breckenridge, spent Friday evening in the home of Mr. Gentry's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Wagley.

The Sam Hart well, five miles north of Cisco, which was brought in Friday, is causing considerable excitement.

Miss Eva Richardson, of Rising Star, spent Sunday in the home of sister and brother in law, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. McBeth.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Chapman have as their guest, Mrs. Guy Chapman, of Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

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# Society-Clubs

## Miss Ramsey Is Honored At Tea In Eastland Sat.

Miss Opal Cathryn Ramsey, bride-elect of Mr. Rudolph Little of Breckenridge, was complimented at a gift tea Saturday from 6 to 8 o'clock at the Woman's Club House in Eastland, by Mrs. McFarland, Mrs. H. S. Brock, Miss Maxine Smith and Miss Doris Harbin.

Receiving guests were Mrs. McFarland, Mrs. Brock, Mrs. H. C. Ramsey of Ranger, mother of the bride-elect, Mrs. C. L. Little, mother of the groom-elect, Mrs. Otis Anderson and Mrs. Charles Mahaffey of Ranger, sisters of the honoree, and Miss Jo Ann Little, of Abilene, cousin of the groom.

Miss Cathryn Canet was in charge of the bride's book, and Mrs. E. K. Morton and Mrs. T. E. Robertson furnished piano music during the calling hours.

The tea table, laid with an Irish linen and lace cloth, was centered with an arrangement of tall gladioluses and white and pink carnations intermingled with candytuft. Before this stood a miniature bride and groom in a mass of greenery. Mrs. W. A. Teatsworth presided at the silver tea service.

Other members of the house party were Meses. Homer Smith, J. W. Turner, R. E. Ragan, and Miss Peggy McFarland.

Gifts of silver, crystal, china, pottery, and linen were displayed on white linen covered tables along one side of the room.

About one hundred guests presented gifts.

## A. A. U. W. Is Entertained Mon.

The Ranger Branch of the American Association of University Women met Monday evening at 7:30 in the home of Mrs. Manie Ruth Hamrick for a Christmas dinner. Menu and decorations were Mexican style.

Final plans were made for the January program with Judge Sarah T. Hughes of Dallas as

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## Mrs. Jones Is Hostess To Lacasa Club

The Lacasa Home Demonstration club was entertained Wednesday, December 17, with an all day meeting and Christmas party by Mrs. V. L. Jones in the home of her mother, Mrs. A. G. Ketchersid.

After lunch a short business meeting was held, and gifts were exchanged from the Christmas tree.

Those attending were Meses. A. N. Bradford, W. C. Bradford, J. A. Caraway, H. L. Caraway, C. N. Dempsey, J. P. Herrington, Roy Herrington, D. Z. Herrington, A. E. Howton, Vallie Jones, V. L. Jones, A. G. Ketchersid, G. V. McGowen, R. E. Miller, D. B. Raney, A. O. Templeton, A. S. Whatley, G. A. Guess, Morris Underwood, and Miss Jean Bain, home demonstration agent.

The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Dorothy Underwood on January 21.

## First Christian Church Plans Sunday Program

At 7 o'clock Sunday evening the First Christian Church will present its annual Christmas program. Following this, each child will receive a gift from the Christmas tree, and a social hour will be held in the annex.

Word has been received that Frank Crow, pastor of the church, who has been absent for several Sundays because of the illness of his brother, will be here for both services Sunday.

Rev. Crow urges everyone to come Sunday and bring an offering for the Juliette Fowler Home. At the evening service a love offering of canned goods or staple groceries to be used to pack baskets for the needy for Christmas will be made.

All members are asked to meet at the church Saturday night at 7 o'clock to decorate the Christmas tree and practice carols for the program Sunday night.

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## Heartsease

by Elsie Glenn

Friendship's Symphony. Would that I might say something that my friend would truly understand, but my poor words are so inadequate to express any deep emotion.

Have you, too, felt this way? Dumb in the presence of the graneur of your friend?

For, from the recesses of friendship's garden, com the muted strains of a violin . . . the winged beauty of melody that beats upon the heartstrings of memory.

And our friend's face . . . brooding . . . dreamily floats out from time flown past . . . and his spirit hovers near . . . the one who stands quietly through the years . . . as we need him.

Because I know the valor of my friends . . . as you know yours . . . and understand so well his heartbreak and his joys throughout the years . . . I dream silently and drop my head into my hands . . . for the tears come . . . blinding . . . hot . . . and searing.

For without the steadfastness of my friend . . . the waters rushing under the bridges of time . . . the brown, muddy waters . . . might have drowned me.

I stand mute . . . and trembling . . . with a wild, turbulent grief. For I have so little to offer . . . except my belief . . . my understanding . . . my prayers . . . my devotion and my faith.

Think quickly: what have you to give your friend? And oh, my friend, I say to you:

The years are many and the years are long . . . But friendship never dies. I shall return . . . to stand once more upon the heights with you. When the moon is low . . . and the winds are soft.

Remember . . . and believe . . . and hope . . .

from Austin to visit the Matthews who will also have as their holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Morgan of Dallas.

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## PAT INVITES SANTA TO METHODIST HOME



With eyes sparkling in anticipation, four-year old Pat McKeever of the Methodist Home, Waco, Texas writes his Christmas needs, which include a cowboy suit and hat; and, incidentally, maintenance for another year. The Methodists of this area are Santa Claus to Pat and about 400 other children whose empty stockings are up for the annual Christmas offering that will take care of their food, shelter, clothing, health and training. Yes, the Methodist Home is "The Old Woman in the Shoe, who had so many children she didn't know what to do," but thousands of Santa Clauses will answer Pat and his hundreds of little pals before they enjoy Christmas with their own children.

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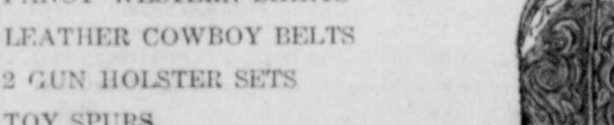
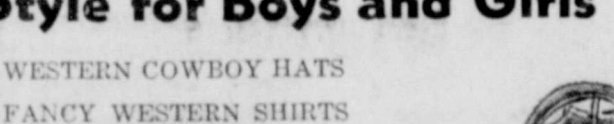
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