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THE FAMILY THAT SURVIVED

There once lived a family named Smith. There were a father and mother and nine children. They had a good farm and two of the three older Smith boys had finished high school and were helping their father farm.

A year came when the cotton fields on the rich Smith acres wilted under some strange blight. The crop was a dismal failure. A soil expert was called in. After a long series of tests it was discovered that a rare kind of bacteria had invaded the soil.

The Smiths had \$1,200 in the bank but also an unpaid \$1,000 crop loan note. John Smith called his older children and his wife together and they discussed the situation. The farm might stand as collateral for a \$10,000 loan, but if, after getting back into production, a crop should fail or other adversity should strike, bankruptcy and loss of the farm would stare them in the face.

The daughter Mary withdrew from college and took a stenographic job in a law office; and by scrimping she could send mon-

ey home each month. The son who already worked in town sold his jalopy and began walking the three miles or hitching rides. One son remained on the farm full time to assist his dad with application of the chemical bacteria killer and other chores. The other son took a job in a nearby industry. The five young Smith children continued their schooling, but the family went on a frugal budget and spent money only for dire necessities.

At the end of two years the farm land came back into production, the daughter went back to college, and not one of the family seemed the least bit injured by the experience. In fact, John Smith knew that all had gained strength because of it. He and his wife remarked that the family ties had never been so well cemented. The Smith family had tightened its belt for two years and its muscles and heart had been immeasurably strengthened.

This story has an application. A disaster like the one that overtook the Smith family has now overtaken the American family of which we're all members. The bacteria that threatens us is Communism. It has built up a powerful military force and has outmaneuvered our government in every development so far. The expenditure of a great amount of money is necessary to make our nation safe and ultimately free again to produce and progress normally. But wisdom, too, is needed; it is indispensable.

We're in debt far beyond a safe margin as a result of huge expenditures for World War II and because of nonessential spending and years of gross waste and graft in government. The same common sense budget rules which govern the family unit should, of course apply to the government. If the waste were stopped, and every government department were forced to tighten its belt as John Smith's family did, \$15 or \$25 billion could be trimmed off the Fed-

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eral tax bill annually and we could safely ride out the danger of fiscal bankruptcy. The big spenders, however, are insisting that big spending go on as usual in most departments of the Federal government. They are demanding passage of an \$85.4 billion budget for the fiscal year beginning in June. The plan is to assess \$71 billion in taxes on the people and issue IOU's for \$14.4. This would push the national debt close to \$280 billion—and would demonstrate a refusal on the part of our government to follow a common sense solution to our gravest problems. Just as the family of John Smith had to readjust its entire living scale, to ride safely through troubled times, so too must our Federal government. As members of the American family the future of each of us depends upon our insistence that the wasters and grafters and big spenders be restrained and that economy of the very strictest kind be applied throughout our government.

PERSONALS . . .

Mrs. H. A. Thorn returned home last week from San Antonio where she had spent two weeks with her mother who had major surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Stewart have gone to Eagle Pass to reside on the Fred Turner ranch.

Robert P. Stewart, minister of the Church of Christ, returned home last week from North Texas where he had preached in several towns during the three weeks that he was away.

Miss Elizabeth Brown of Midland spent the week end here with her mother, Mrs. A. D. Brown, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Martin have moved to the house which they recently bought from Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Courtney.

Mrs. Mary Mitchell has returned to Sanderson after spending several months in San Antonio.

Mrs. W. H. Dishman and daughter, Patricia, of Bryan arrived Sunday to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Harris, and other relatives. They will return home Thursday night.

Assistant superintendent Bob Gibbs, and family, of the Big Bend National Park passed through Sanderson Saturday en route to Mississippi and other points on a vacation trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Leatherwood of Fort Worth visited here Sunday with her mother, Mrs. B. N. Weatherby, and other relatives.

Mrs. Eddie Robbins and Mrs. Ira

Moses were Fort Stockton visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Downie and daughters went to San Antonio Sunday to visit with relatives for several days.

Mrs. Richard Drake returned to San Angelo Sunday taking her two sons who had visited here for two weeks with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stumberg.

Mrs. W. R. Stumberg went to San Antonio Wednesday to visit with her daughter, Mrs. Marshall Miller, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Garner returned home last week from a visit with relatives in San Angelo, Water Valley and Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Garner went to Big Lake Sunday to meet his nieces, Georgia Lee, Barbara Ann

and Sherry Lou Garner of Water Valley who will visit with them.

Miss Betty Cooke of Texas Tech College, Lubbock, spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Greene Cooke.

Mrs. Herman Couch and children returned home Friday from Comanche where they had visited with her parents for ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Harkins will leave Monday for San Marcos to attend the graduation exercises Tuesday at the Baptist Academy where their daughter, Sidney Louise, will graduate from the eighth grade.

Needing some cup towels? There are about five dozen of the large feed sacks left at 10 cents each at the Sanderson Times.

Mrs. Ida Cates of Rochelle is visiting here with her son, H. G.

Cates, and family. Mrs. Marvin

Kelly of El Paso who has been visiting in Rochelle with her mother, brought her to Sanderson Monday.

R. E. Freeman and Mrs. Al

Ross spent Tuesday in Midland visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry H

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Annual Pledge Service Monday For Methodist WSCS

The Methodist Woman's Society Christian Service met Monday afternoon in Fellowship Hall with Mrs. Chester Boyd and Mrs. W. W. Sudduth as hostesses.

Two large arrangements of pink and blue larkspur, a yellow pottery bowl of calendulas, and a crystal bowl of mixed flowers on the speaker's table decorated the room. Mrs. M. W. Duncan was leader of the program on, "What Is That Thine Hand?" Following the singing of the hymn, "Help Somebody Today," by the group, Mrs. Duncan led the opening prayer. Mrs. Chester Boyd gave the devotional. Mrs. W. F. Frazier, Mrs. E. Ezelle and Mrs. Olaf Hoggard assisted in the program presentation.

During the business meeting, Mrs. L. E. Arledge, retiring president, gave a resume of the year's work. The group presented her with two brass flower holders in appreciation for her leadership.

A table in the center of the room held a cross and a world globe to form an altar for the annual pledge service.

The hostesses served lemon chicken pie with iced tea during the special hour. The linen-covered refreshment table was centered with an arrangement of Spring flowers and the pastel tones were repeated in the napkins and mints.

Those present included Mesdames John Neal, C. H. White, Harry Newton, H. C. Goldwire, Ed Robbins, Wayne Watkins, L. H. Silbreath, M. W. Duncan, L. E. Arledge, W. T. Attaway, H. E. Ezelle, Olaf Hoggard, and W. F. Frazier.

Royal Service Program, Social for Baptist W.M.S.

A short business meeting with Mrs. O. D. Gray presiding preceded the Royal Service program Monday afternoon when the Baptist W.M.S. met at the church. A nominating committee to select a slate of new officers was named and included Mesdames T. O. Moore, L. W. Welch and Hal Tyler.

Following singing of the hymn, "Bringing in the Sheaves" by the group, Mrs. A. D. Brown gave the devotional on "The Heavenly Pattern" with Mrs. S. D. Thompson reading appropriate Bible verses. Mrs. Roy Bogusch led the prayer and the group sang, "Let the Lowly Lights Be Burning."

Mrs. H. G. Cates was the program leader and the home mission fields were discussed by Mrs. Roy Bogusch, Mrs. Hal Tyler and Mrs. W. Welch. Other mission fields were discussed by Mesdames B. E. Barr, T. O. Moore, Ray Thompson, and J. A. Mansfield. "Rural Negroes" was the topic discussed by Mrs. L. M. Stanley and Mrs. V. Keyes discussed, "Making Our Home Missions Conscious." Mrs. Barr gave the dismissal prayer following a summary of the home mission work by Mrs. Brown.

The hostesses, Mrs. Maude Sullivan and Mrs. E. P. Halley, served sandwiches, olives, cookies and tea to sixteen members and the guest, Mrs. Ida Cates of Rolla.

SOCIAL TUESDAY IN WELCH HOME FOR S.S. CLASS

The Homemakers Bible Class met Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. L. W. Welch with Mrs. Buster Maples and Mrs. J. A. Mansfield as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Roy Bogusch led the group in singing hymns and Mrs. J. G. Meridith recited the poem, "Nature's Own." The story, "First Leave," was read by Mrs. Rodney Cathey, and Mrs. Claude Bridges gave the dismissal prayer. The husbands of the class members will be invited to a covered dish supper for the June social meeting.

Those present included Mesdames L. M. Stanley, L. V. Rosenquist, M. G. Northcut, Jr., Ross Stavley, Jim Turner, Roy Bogusch, Rodney Cathey, Stanley Hill, J. G. Meridith, O. D. Gray, Frank Turner, Gene Thompson, Walter Krein, B. L. McCue, James Blackwelder, Ray Thompson, and the teacher, Mrs. Claude Bridges.

Mrs. Herbert Brown Honored Wednesday At Bridge-Luncheon

Mesdames J. W. Pate, W. W. Sudduth and J. T. Williams entertained with a bridge-luncheon at the Pate home Wednesday to honor Mrs. Herbert Brown and her new daughter, Barbara.

Arrangements of snapdragons, daisies, and day lilies formed the floral decoration on the mantle. The centerpiece on the dining table was of red and pink roses.

Following the luncheon, served at one o'clock, four tables were arranged for the series of card games with high score prize going to Mrs. H. A. Finger, second high to Mrs. S. L. Stumberg, low to Mrs. Bustin Canon. Slam prizes were held by Mesdames W. W. Sudduth and Joe Kerr, Jr.

Mrs. Brown was presented with a large assortment of gifts for her baby late in the afternoon.

Mrs. A. B. Gates returned home last week from Houston where she had spent two weeks with her mother who had received a broken rib in a fall and later developed pneumonia. Mrs. Gates' son, Bland Gates and wife of Waco visited in Houston with her one week end.

Sanderson Culture Club Meet In W. G. Downie Home

The Sanderson Culture Club held the last meeting of the year in the home of Mrs. W. G. Downie Thursday afternoon. Mrs. J. W. Byrd was co-hostess.

A harmonious blending of yellows and reds was noted in the floral arrangements of calendulas, ochitillas and pomegranate blossoms in brass containers.

Mrs. W. T. Attaway was leader of the program on "The American Home" and Mrs. A. D. Brown discussed "The Primacy of the Home."

The guests were invited to the sunporch for refreshments, served from a table which was centered with an arrangement of fruit and flowers.

Mrs. Brown laded frosted punch and Mrs. J. W. McKee served the coconut cake. Party sandwiches, nuts and iced tea were also served.

Members present included Mesdames James Caroline, W. T. Attaway, H. C. Goldwire, R. A. Gattlin, H. E. Ezelle, A. D. Brown, J. W. McKee, L. E. Arledge, T. R. Arrington, Wes Kirby, M. W. Duncan, J. W. Byrd, W. H. Savage, W. G. Downie and guests, Mesdames Joe Kerr, Jr., J. W. Pate, R. M. Turner, Joe Kerr, Sr., and W. T. Bondurant of San Antonio.

Jimmie Harrison, S.H.S. Graduate, Honored At Dance

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rose and their daughter, Mary Landon, entertained with a formal dance Friday evening in the Legion Hall to honor Jimmie Harrison, a Spring graduate of the Sanderson High School.

The hall was decorated in streamers of blue and white crepe paper.

Music was furnished by a record player. During the evening cold drinks, cookies and fritos were served.

Approximately 40 of the high school set attended the dance.

**Dr. S. N. Williams
Dentist
Sanderson, Texas**



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Attention Ladies!

Cakes lined up—each with a number. Judges looking, breaking off pieces, tasting. The winner? Number 4—a cake with a wonderful, glossy chocolate frosting.

This was at the Women's Club last night. Then Duke Thomas stepped up—his cake was Number 4! Seems his missus was laid up, so Duke took over—and won!

Here's Duke's prize-winning frosting recipe:

Melt 3 squares unsweetened chocolate in double boiler. Remove from heat, add 1 1/2 cups sifted confectioner's sugar and 2 1/2 tbs. hot water and blend. Add 3 egg yolks, one at a time, beating well after each. Add

4 tbs. butter, beating thoroughly after each. Fill and frost 8-inch, 2-layer cake.

From where I sit, we all have different abilities and tastes... and these differences are sometimes surprising. Duke bakes prize-winning cakes. My wife, for example, can beat most any man at checkers. Same when it comes to beverages—you may like coffee or tea while I prefer a refreshing glass of beer. But let's not have any "half-baked" ideas that people are all the same—or should be.

Joe Marsh

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MRS. A. J. HAHN TO HEAD NEW ATHLETIC ASSN.

The Football Mothers had the last meeting of the current school term Thursday afternoon in the high school auditorium with eleven mothers present.

Mrs. A. J. Hahn, Jr., was re-elected chairman of the group and Mrs. Francis Mansfield, vice-chairman.

Two concessions are planned at the football field for next term, one at the north side and one at the south side.

The name of the organization will be changed to Athletic Association and the mother of any student participating in any school sports will be eligible for membership.

Bob Wilkinson, S.H.S. Graduate Honored Wednesday

Mrs. R. S. Wilkinson, senior room mother, entertained with a luncheon, serving Mexican food, at her home Wednesday at noon to honor her son, Bob, a graduate of the Sanderson High School.

Cornflowers in a silver bowl decorated the living room where the luncheon was served buffet-style with the guests seated at quartet tables.

Those present included Mary and Willie Wolff, Mac Benge, Jimmie Harrison, Louis James, Barbara Rose, Shirley Thompson, Jack Talbot, Mrs. Anna Bell, and the class sponsor, Mrs. W. H. Savage.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilkinson and baby of San Angelo arrived Saturday to visit with his parents, Judge and Mrs. R. S. Wilkinson. Mr. Wilkinson returned to San Angelo Sunday, leaving his family for a longer visit.

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Breakfast Honors Barbara Lou Rose, High School Senior

Mrs. Roger Rose and Mrs. W. H. Grigsby entertained with a breakfast in the Rose home Sunday morning to honor Miss Barbara Rose, a high school senior. Their daughters, Joy Rose and Sarah Pat Grigsby, assisted in hostess duties.

An arrangement of cornflowers on the mantle in the living room and a bouquet of sweetheart roses on the table where Miss Rose's graduation gifts were displayed.

The senior colors and flowers were employed in the decorations on the dining table where the seniors were seated with their sponsor, Mrs. W. H. Savage, and their class mother, Mrs. R. S. Wilkinson.

Cornflowers were on the place cards and formed the centerpiece flanked by a doll dressed as a graduate. Favors were clever and original replicas of the guests, using natural replicas of the guests, using

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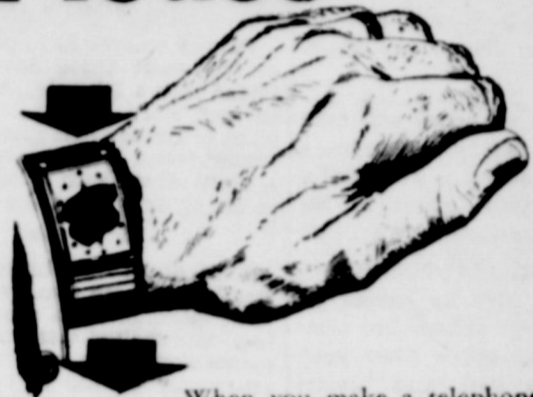
The menu consisted of orange juice, scrambled eggs and bacon, hot biscuits, butter, jam, preserves and coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chandler and Glynn are moving back to the ranch after residing in town for the past two years while the boys were in school.

Mrs. W. T. Bondurant left Friday for her home in San Antonio after spending several days here with her son, W. G. Downie, and family.



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