



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

"Terrible, Terrible, Terrible!"

Ben Ryder is back! After twenty years in Capital City, Ben has retired and come to enjoy life in the family house on Maple Street.

First thing Ben does is write us complaining how Our Town has changed. "Why, there's no mud in the streets to sink up to your ankles in!" he says. "No pistol feuding in the town square! No moonshine liquor or Saturday night brawls! Nothing to do but settle for a temperate glass of beer in a law-abiding tavern!"

"Terrible, terrible, terrible," Ben

says, "how a town can get run down in twenty years!" And then Ben takes his tongue out of his cheek and tells us how proud he is of the orderly, law-abiding atmosphere he finds here.

And from where I sit, you can point to that growing preference for a moderate, wholesome glass of beer as one reason folks in Our Town are so temperate, and neighborly and well-behaved.

Joe Marsh

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Carlton

By Mrs. Fred Geye

Guests Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Thetford were Dr. and Mrs. Alsop Hill and District Attorney and Mrs. Henry Taylor of Temple; Mr. and Mrs. Joe F. Alsop of Little River, Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Edwards and Mr. and Mrs. Buster Morris of McGregor; Mr. and Mrs. Tapley and daughter of Killen, Mr. and Mrs. Marian Thetford and Oranez of Dublin, Mrs. Bob Myers and children, Dorothy Sue and Jean, and Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Chambers and children, Dolivia and Royce of Purlmea; Mr. and Mrs. George Thetford and Theron Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Fay Thetford and daughter, Inez, and Dr. F. P. Kennedy, all of Carlton.

Mrs. Dow Self returned home Saturday afternoon with her baby, Jack Henry, who had been a patient in the Hico Hospital since Monday night, very ill. He is recovering rapidly.

Mrs. J. H. Bird returned home Saturday from Paris, Texas, where she had visited with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Bacon, and son.

Mrs. J. D. Upham returned last Thursday after a visit in West Columbia with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Upham.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Proffitt and daughter Connie of Comanche spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Proffitt and daughter Melba Jean.

Mrs. Jessie Pinley has been a patient in the Hico Hospital since last Thursday. She is reported to be improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Whitehead and children of Dublin and Mr. and Mrs. Loys Landes and son of Shiloh were visitors Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Whitehead and daughter, Margaret and Helen.

J. C. Wilson of Stamford visited Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. Norma Wilson.

Grady Littleton attended the funeral in Clarette Monday afternoon of his grandfather, Charlie Littleton, who passed away in the Hico Hospital Sunday.

H. K. Self and sons, Melvin, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Self of Stephenville, visited Sunday with their son and brother, Dow Self, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sharp Jr. and daughter of Dallas spent the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sharp Sr.

John Lee Dove and Miss Dorothy Fuller of Fort Worth were weekend visitors with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dove.

Ernest Salmon is recovering in the Gorman Hospital following an appendix operation.

Otis Grant of Hamilton was a visitor in town Monday.

Matt Pruett and daughter, Mrs. Woody Wilson; Sharon Pruett and Mrs. Norma Wilson were business visitors in Dallas Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Moore were honored with a bridal shower Saturday night, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Dyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lowery and D. W. Upham were in Hico Monday on business.

Mrs. J. O. Pollard is visiting in Lubbock with her son, Dee Pollard, and family, and with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wright of Sulphur.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. McDaniel are visiting relatives in Oklahoma.

Diphtheria Serum Should Be Given At An Early Age

Austin, Dec. 9. — All children should be immunized against diphtheria at a very early age, according to a statement on the subject, released this week by the State Department of Health, explaining that toxoid, which can be administered easily and without danger, can safeguard youngsters against this serious and killing disease of childhood.

Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, urges all Texas parents to have their children who are not already protected, immunized at once.

"The administration of toxoid can save a child from serious illness or even death and those who have not been safeguarded against this danger should be inoculated immediately," Dr. Cox said.

"Babies should be immunized at the age of eight or nine months," Dr. Cox advised. Authorities on the care of infants recommend a first dose by the age of eight or nine months, and sometimes as early as six months. A second dose is usually given later."

To maintain complete immunity, Dr. Cox said that a reinforcing dose of toxoid is advised when a child is old enough to enter school if a Schick test reveals the need of one. Children who enter school or kindergarten this year without this additional safeguard or without ever having been immunized certainly should be protected without any further delay, the State Health Officer declared.

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VA Representative Asks Help to Keep Records Straight

Veterans Administration is asking veteran students and job-trainees, as well as school and job training establishments where veterans are enrolled, for assistance in preventing subsistence allowance overpayments, Contact Representative W. G. Payne of Stephenville has disclosed.

Both veterans and training establishments are asked to notify VA immediately when trainee-veterans end their training programs. Mr. Payne said when the veterans know in advance the definite date on which they will complete or discontinue their training, they should advise VA at that time instead of waiting until they actually stop their training.

Failure to notify VA of training discontinuances usually results in overpayments of subsistence allowances. Such overpayments must be refunded to the government.

In many cases, immediate or advance notice of training stoppages will eliminate overpayments and the necessity for refunds to veterans.

Veterans who receive unearned subsistence checks after interrupting or discontinuing their training must return all overpayments to the government or make arrangements for repayment of the indebtedness.

Veterans who fail to make arrangements to repay subsistence allowance overpayments may be prevented from re-entering job-training courses or schools under the GI Bill, Mr. Payne pointed out.

Emphasizing that veterans are not being forced to turn back full amounts immediately, he explained that overpaid veterans need only make arrangements for monthly repayments that cause no financial hardship and thus become eligible to resume training.

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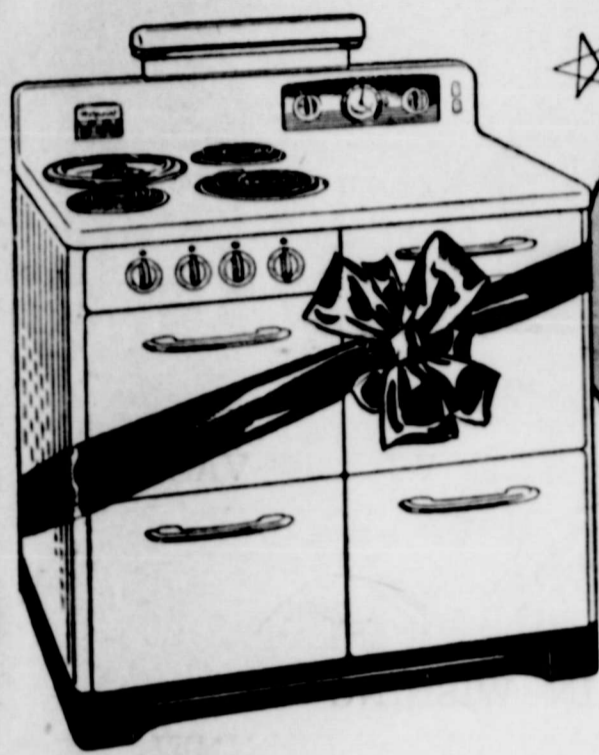
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Duffau

By
Elmer Giesecke

The heaviest rain of the year fell here Saturday night and Sunday. Duffau Creek was higher than we have seen it in several months.

Bill Parker and wife of Fort Worth spent the week end with Mrs. Parker's parents, E. Borgan and wife and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Parmer of Fort Worth visited Mrs. Parmer's daughter, Mrs. Dink Anderson, and husband and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Price and family visited Mrs. W. D. Nelms of the Salem community. Mrs. Nelms received a broken leg several weeks ago, and will return to the hospital this week.

The Home Demonstration Club will have their annual Christmas tree at the gym Friday night, December 12. All members and their families are urged to attend.

The Duffau school girls defeated Fairy girls by a score of 15 to 9, and the Fairy boys defeated our boys 16 to 6.

The girls and boys of Duffau made a good showing against the Morgan Mill high school team Friday night. Our girls held the Morgan Mill girls to a 10 to 17 decision and the boys held them 16 to 27. We are very proud of our school, especially when they can hold a high school as reputable as Morgan Mill.

School will dismiss December 19, until the 29th.

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**Review Club Meets
With Mrs. Lincoln
On December 4th**

On December 4, the Hico Review Club met in the home of Mrs. J. E. Lincoln, who served as hostess.

Mrs. E. H. Randals, as secretary, acted in the capacity of president due to the absence of Mrs. Jackson.

Different reports from the committees were made, and the Christmas party was discussed.

After the business meeting, Mrs. Angell gave a delightful, amusing and instructive book review on "The Life of General George C. Marshall." The book was written by his wife, mostly from newspaper clippings. Mrs. Marshall is the daughter of a minister; a gifted story teller; a graduate of a dramatic school, and spent some time on the stage. Mrs. Angell amusingly told about the meeting and brief courtship of the General and Mrs. King, giving laughable incidents of their faux-pas in public life. Excerpts from the review follow:

Marshall's rise to power begins in the Infantry School where he was appointed a Colonel.

Assisted in the christening of Camp Lafayette.

Appointed National Guard instructor at Chicago.

Appointed as Brigadier General.

Greeted Russian Flyers.

Appointed to General Staff in Washington.

Made Deputy Chief of Staff.

Appointed as Chief of Staff.

(A congratulatory message sent to Mrs. Marshall at her husband's appointment read as follows:

"Dear Mrs. Marshall, aren't you ashamed of yourself? Your husband is covered with glory and you are covered with poison ivy."

—Mrs. Marshall had a severe case of ivy poisoning at the time).

Marshall goes to Brazil on a good-will tour.

Marshall attends a party at the British Embassy for the King and Queen.

Marshall goes to Yalta.

At the present, General Marshall is at London, and as Secretary of State his latest job is to assist with the Austrian Peace Treaty.

The hostess served a nut roll, whipped cream, and coffee.

REPORTER.

**WAY IS CLEARED FOR
ARMY CHRISTMAS LEAVES**

Washington, D. C. — In order to permit the maximum number of Army personnel, who so desire, to take Christmas leaves, the Department of the Army has authorized the suspension of training from December 20 to January 4 at all Army installations in the United States.

Classes scheduled to begin on or after December 20 will be delayed two weeks.

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ANOTHER STEP FORWARD . . .

Each addition to Hico is a step forward. With the completion and initial smooth operation of the Hico Hospital & Clinic a definite step forward has been taken by its founders, and with it our little town is improved and moves forward. The Chamber of Commerce is proud of this splendid hospital with its modern equipment and efficient staff, and congratulates the ones whose vision inspired it.

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Such a step is of vital importance to the health and welfare of the people of the Hico area; but it is also one that will draw many other people to our city. Any number of small towns have become famous because of the excellence of their medical facilities. With a hospital like we have, and with doctors like Dr. Hedges and Dr. Hafer, Hico bids fair to enter these ranks. We extend best wishes to them.

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Personals.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Wieser of Hamilton visited friends in Hico Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Rounsaville and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Armstrong were visitors in Fort Worth Wednesday.

Mrs. J. A. Garth returned home recently after spending nearly three months in Crowell with her daughter, Mrs. Ray Duckworth and family.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. McCullough and daughter, Frances, spent the week end in Roosevelt with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Stanton Bundy Jr., and Mr. Bundy.

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Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Segrest are in Dalas this week where she is under medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Gamble returned home Monday from Houston after a visit of several days with her son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Swor and children, Don and Paula.

Miss Tennie Elder of Amarillo came in last Friday for a week's visit here with her brother, Sam O. Elder and her sister, Mrs. J. D. Jones of Hico and with another sister, Mrs. Roy Blakley at Fairly and their families.

FLOWER FLATTERY
Why not place an order for a holiday corsage. Always say it with flowers. **THE HICO FLORIST** 30-1tc.

Mrs. Curtis Keeney and son, Hatch, left Tuesday for Odessa to join their husband and father, who is employed there. They were accompanied by G. C. Keeney Sr., who will transact business at Midland.

Miss Bobbie Wilson, accompanied by Misses Floyce Thigpen and Catherine Smith of Shreveport, La., all students of Baylor University, Waco, spent the week end here with Miss Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bramlett and baby of Gorman were in Hico last Saturday closing a deal on their homelace on the school house hill. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Warren Sr., have purchased the place and moved into town.

Mrs. G. E. PettJean of Hollywood, Calif., who has been here several days visiting her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Webb McEver, left Wednesday for Hillsboro for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryce McEver.

FLOWERS SPEAK A UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE!
They say "Merry Christmas" "I Love You" "Sorry You Are Ill" and "Congratulations." See the pot plants and cut flowers at **THE HICO FLORIST** 30-1tc.

Word received this week from S/Sgt. and Mrs. Harold A. Leeth states that at last they have located a place to live. They are now happily located at 1425 Raeford Road, Fayetteville, N. C. Sonny is with the personnel section of the 10th Rec. Wing at Pope Field.

Mr. and Mrs. Odie Petsick visited in Fort Worth Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Roddy and son Leighton, of Tahoka, returned to their home last Friday after a week's visit here.

Mrs. Julius Jones returned home last week end after a two-weeks' visit in Austin with her husband and son, Bobby Jones, and with her daughter, Mrs. Guy Wille. She was accompanied home for a week-end visit by Mr. Jones and Bobby.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam O. Elder and daughters, Imogene and Genelle and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jones and children, Christine, Virginia, and Alva Lee of Hico, accompanied by Miss Tennie Elder of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Blakley of Fairly spent Sunday in Waco with their brother, Joe Elder and family.

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MRS. JOHN RUSK
Avon Representative 30-1tc.

Little Miss Rosemary Norton who was one year old on December 11, celebrated her first birthday last Sunday, December 7, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Norton. Others present for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Y. C. Paschall, Mrs. C. A. Musgraves and Mrs. Flo Jordan of Brownwood and Mr. and Mrs. Oran Williford and daughter, Doran Gulun of Fairly.

FLOWERS FOR THE HOSPITAL OPENING

Why not express our appreciation of the Hospital and Staff with a bouquet of Cut Flowers or a Pot Plant next Sunday.

Miss Virginia Ramage, registered nurse employed at Veterans Hospital in Dallas, spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Ramage, who had just returned from an extended visit in Arizona, New Mexico, and El Paso.

SINGING AT CARLTON
J. W. Jordan requests announcement of the regular second Sunday singing at Carlton Dec. 14.

Many good singers will be present, he said, and the class members are anxious to have the attendance of all who are interested. The singing will start at 2 p. m. at the Baptist Church.

Too Late to Classify—

Strayed or stolen: one white-face Stocker cow. Reward for information regarding same, R. B. Armstrong, Hico, Route 7. 30-1tp.

HATS OFF TO THE HICO HOSPITAL & CLINIC

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LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY SHOW BEING PLANNED FOR HICO AND TRADE TERRITORY

There will be a meeting held Wednesday night, December 17, 1947, at 7:00 o'clock at the Agriculture Room in the Hico Gym to discuss and perfect plans for a Livestock and Poultry Show for Hico and its trade territory. Everyone interested in the improvement of livestock and poultry is urged to be present.

Signed: **WALLACE RATLIFF**
JACK NONCE
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SENIOR NEWS

Everybody is looking forward to the Christmas Holidays. The Seniors are planning a Christmas party.

We are getting anxious to get started on our annual. The Senior football boys enjoyed the banquet Friday night.

JUNIOR NEWS

Everyone who went to the football banquet enjoyed it very much. The speeches were very nice, and the girls did a swell job of preparing everything.

I think we're all looking forward to going to the tournament at Iredell Thursday night.

SOPHOMORE NEWS

The football banquet was a great success. Everyone really had a nice time at the dance, too. We were surprised at some of the boys—they actually danced!

We will all be glad when Christmas holidays come.

FRESHMAN NEWS

I am sure that the football boys had a good time at the banquet given for them last Friday night.

We are all anxious for the nineteenth of December to get here, because that's when we get out of school for Christmas holidays.

If you see a boy buzzing up and down the street on a blue motor scooter, it is probably Harold Prater. He is a one hundred and fifteen pound freshman with green eyes and brown hair. Harold is thirteen. His favorite actress is Dorothy Lamour and his favorite actor is Alan Ladd. His favorite food is anything he can get his hands on, especially chicken. Harold's favorite sport is riding his scooter.

HOMEMAKING I NEWS

Since the football banquet is over we can go back to our studies and cooking. Our banquet was a big success and surely everyone enjoyed it, even though we did have to help clean the dishes afterwards. We want to thank the mothers who helped us.

We shall make Christmas candy this week. If the doctors stay busy this week everyone will know why.

Lots of us are bringing our home projects for Miss Rohne to check.

WOMEN'S EYE VIEW

Nilly knows who he is going to tell about this week. Nilly picked her out the night of the football banquet and dance. Now this girl of all the girls at the banquet captured Nilly's fancy. Patsy Tooley—that's the one!

Sure, you all know that she is the pretty blonde-headed girl in the Sophomore class, but Nilly is going to tell you more than that. Patsy rates high in the esteem of all her friends and besides that, they all know that she is one person they can depend upon to be the same friendly girl all the time. Now don't get the idea that Patsy is always mild and meek. She has spirit which sometimes shows up, but what person can you show me that doesn't have a lot of it? Then again, what sort of people would you all (count me out) be if you didn't have some get-up-and-go?

CRYSTAL BALL

Well! Well! What do we have here? A football banquet! Everyone seems to be having fun. Some

of them were: Mary Sherrard and Joe McGlothlin, Jeanne Gilbert and Walter Latham, Ralph Turner and LaVerne Parker, Patsy Meador and Dub French, Patsy Ann Tooley and Bulldog Hill, Logan Evans and Pat Duzan, Shirley Seago and Wendell Burden, Joan Malone and Glen Ross, Betty Golightly and Paul Allen, Nell Dunn and Jasper Proffitt, Bobby Ratliff and Charlotte Turner, Mary Moore and Odell Terry.

Although it was raining, I took my station on the stop-light as usual last Saturday and I saw Jo Nell Caughey and Max Hurgan, Marlene Adams and Garland Latham, Jeanne Gilbert and Walter Latham, Jean Caughey and Marshall Rogers, Betty Hefner and Bobby Ogie, Joan Golightly and Ray Keller, Jeanette Dowdy and Truman Loden, Janelle Dowdy and Ralph Loden, Mary Nell Battershell and Harold Norrod, Charles Golightly and Mildred Ellis, LaVerne Parker and Raph Turner, Mary Moore and Odell Terry, Patsy Roberts and Bennie Wood, Charice McLendon and Doyle Nix, Wanica McLendon and Red Hodnett, and also Billy McLendon was seen with that girl again.

Kenneth Graves seems to be having fun on the bus, Friday when the band went to Iredell. It couldn't have been because of a certain girl who sat beside him, could it?

Margie Grimes, I didn't know that you could drive.

Patsy Jo Salmon and Roline Chaney were seen at the show Monday night.

POEM OF THE WEEK

A bunch of germs were whooping it up
Down in the Bronchial Saloon,
Two bugs on the edge of the larynx
Were jazzing a ragtime tune,
While back of the teeth in a solo
Sat Dangerous Dan Kerchoo,
And watching his pulse was his lady love,
The lady that's known as Flu!

WHAT IF

Walter Latham were Walter Setham,
Joan Golightly were Joan Stop-heavy,
Nell Dunn were Nell Undone,
Patsy Price were Patsy Cost,
Patsy Meador were Patsy Pasture,
Catherine Walker were Catherine Runner,
La Verne Parker were La Verne Starter,
Bobby Ratliff were Bobby Monselfiff,
Billy Churchill were Billy Housemountain,
Kenneth Graves were Kenneth Tombstones,
Mary Nell Keller were Mary Nell Liver,
Billy Ray Ables were Billy Ray Unable.

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**Hamilton-Coryell
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District News**

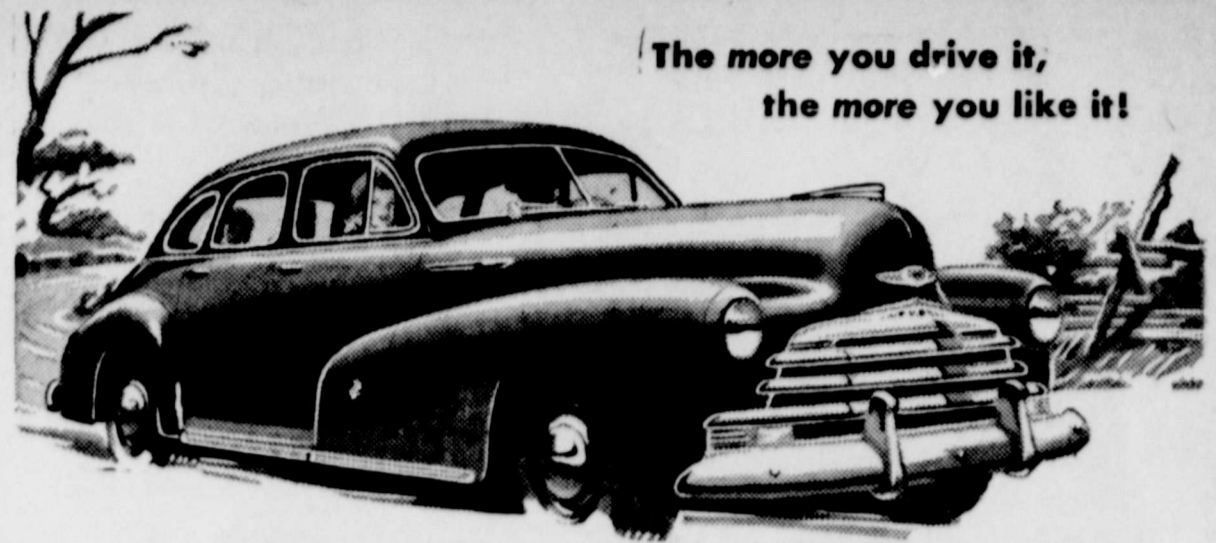
Carl Ray Sellers, whose farm is one mile southeast of Fairy, has according to his coordinated Soil Conservation plan seeded a two-acre waterway 1200 feet long to permanent grass before constructing his terraces. By stabilizing his outlet system first, he purposes with proper maintenance to make safe his farm water disposal system for all time to come.

Grady Williams, whose farm is 7 miles north of Hamilton in the Elza Conservation group, planted 60 acres of rye and vetch earlier in the fall and secured a fair stand of vetch but a very poor stand of rye. So it became necessary to replant the rye, and in order to make sure of a good stand of vetch he also is sowing an additional 4 to 5 pounds of vetch per acre.

Finis Hutton of the Cranfills Gap Conservation group planted 41 acres of vetch and rye with 200 pounds of superphosphate per acre. This germinated to a good stand and the recent rains are encouraging a rapid vigorous growth. This crop is to be utilized as a soil improving pasture and seed crop.

The Liberty Conservation group of ten farmers who are cooperating with the Hamilton-Coryell District and nine visitors met in an application of practices meeting Wednesday evening to discuss ways and means of a more complete Conservation farming program on their lands. They discussed how to maintain a high level of crop productivity on cultivated land, and then started a discussion of pasture grass improvement. But so many questions arose that they decided to spend a whole day, as a group, out in their pastures with technical personnel from the Soil Conservation Service. On this tour of local farms by local interested farmers, they hope to become better acquainted with the more desirable original grasses and to decide on methods of management which will permit the growth of a large amount of forage for livestock as well as serve as a means for erosion prevention and storage of rainfall in the soil. Willie Spitzberger of the Shive Conservation group is calling an application of practices meeting at the Soil Conservation office in Hamilton, Tuesday, December 2nd, 9:30 o'clock a. m.

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Big Fishing Contest Winners Announced By Western Auto

Prize-winners in the annual nation-wide Western Auto Big Bass Fishing Contest have just been announced by the Western Auto Supply Company. The contest was conducted in the 35-state territory in which Western Auto Stores and Western Auto Associate Stores are located.

Awards are being made to five winning fishermen in each state. R. D. Boone, owner of the Western Auto Associate Store here, said today, Boone added that there were fifty or sixty entrants locally.

Winners in Texas were announced as follows: First prize, E. W. Bledsoe, San Antonio; second, Richard E. Grayson, Dallas; third, M. G. White, Athens; fourth, A. J. Haby, Mico; and fifth, W. J. Brown, Waco. First prize is a six-horse-power Western Auto Wizard outboard motor. Other awards consist of fishing tackle. Total value of prizes for the 35-state competition was placed at \$10,557.

The bass for which Mr. Bledsoe was awarded first prize weighed 13 pounds, 7 1/2 ounces and was caught in Medina Lake. Largest bass reported for any state was 14 pounds, 4 ounces, caught in the state of Florida.

The annual contest is sponsored by Western Auto to stimulate public interest in the sport of fishing. The competition started May 15 and closed September 30. It is restricted to fresh water large-mouth and small-mouth black bass caught in waters that are open to the general public for fishing.

A total of 40,000 contestants registered in this year's Big Bass Contest. Western Auto officials have announced their intention of conducting the contest again next year. Invitation will be extended to all fishermen to register next spring for the 1948 competition.



CUTE ARRIVALS . . . Posing placidly are Edward and Evelyn Mitchell, twin children of Lt. Edward Mitchell, U. S. Army, in miniature army uniforms as they arrived in New York after a year spent in Germany.

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Hico's medical center is a credit and an asset, not only to our town, but to numbers of people throughout the area who are finding it a haven of relief and comfort.

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A PEEK at the STARS

By LYNN CONNELLY

NWNS Radio-Screen Editor

THE Henry Fondas recently celebrated their 11th wedding anniversary . . . It's always a pleasure to point out some of the successful

marrriages in Hollywood because it shows that it can be done if there's a mutual interest in a happy home life rather than a gay night life . . . Bette Davis is back following the birth of her daughter six months ago . . . Her first picture is "Winter Meeting," and her leading man is Jim Davis, a new star and no relation.

A happy radio couple is CBS Harriet Hilliard and Ozzie Nelson, who celebrated their 12th anniversary early this month . . . Lina Romay, featured vocalist on CBS' Dick Haynes show, has announced her engagement to John Wilson, a restaurateur . . . They will be married on January 1, wedding anniversary date of Lina's parents.

Adolph The Author

MARGARET LINDSAY has been assigned an important role in "B. F.'s Daughter," BARBARA STANWYCK'S first picture at MGM . . . Now it's ADOLPH MENJOU who is turning author . . . He's writing a book on Hollywood entitled "It Took Nine Tailors" . . . AL CAPP, creator of the "L. B. Abner" comic strip, plans to name MARJORIE MAIN as this year's honorary "Sadie Hawkins" . . . That's because in "The Whistful Widow of Wagon Gap," Marjorie plays a character much on the Sadie Hawkins type . . . romantically, that is.

Edgar Bergen is planning to put Charlie McCarthy into the "funnies" . . . He is currently preparing for publication a comic book starring the wooden imp . . . Minerva Pious, who portrays "Mrs. Nussbaum" on NBC's Fred Allen show, will begin her 15th year with Allen next month . . . Abe Burrows, CBS' versatile comedian, is doing the writing for the new Jean Davis show.



OFF TO PALESTINE . . . Former Vice President, Henry Wallace is shown as he boarded plane enroute to Palestine where he plans to interview both Arab and Jewish leaders, in regard to present conflict in the Holy Land.

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Veterans' News

Nearly half of the veterans financing the purchase of homes with the aid of GI loans are buying newly built houses at an average selling price of \$8,200 each, the Veterans Administration reports.

Analysis of GI home loan figures for the nation over a four-month period (May through August of this year) shows that over 45 per cent of the loans made were on new construction, and that the remainder were on homes previously occupied, for which the sales price averaged \$6,675.

With a current average of 48,000 veterans monthly using their loan guarantee rights for home purchases, this means that about 22,000 new homes per month are being sold to veterans under the program.

Since the first GI loan was made late in 1944, over 971,000 veterans had received VA-guaranteed home loans as of the end of October. The total value of their home purchases exceeds \$5,619,000,000.

Only a month remains in which most National Service Life Insurance policies that have lapsed may be reinstated without necessity of taking a physical examination, the Veterans Administration said.

After the deadline of December 31, 1947, policies that have lapsed more than three months cannot be reinstated without the veteran proving his insurability by a complete physical examination.

At the present time, and until the end of the year, a veteran may reinstate term insurance in most cases by simply signing a statement to the effect that his health is as good as it was at the time of lapse. Then, by payment of two monthly premiums, his insurance can be reinstated.

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Honor Roll For Hico Ward School, Second Six Weeks

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Grade 8—Carl Wayne Barnett, Royce Knight, Billy Loden, Bobby Gene Watkins, Bonnie Bruner, Billie Jean Fulcher, Margaret Lee Hampton, Joyce Howerton, and Helen Louise Leeth.

Grade 7—Bruce Slaughter.

Grade 6—Edna Walker and Peggy Goodloe.

Grade 5—Karon Higginbotham, Peggy Warren, and Ronald McKenzie.

Grade 4—Betty Booth, Margo Partain, and Joyce Rae Lowe.

Grade 3—Marguerite Watkins, Tommy Leeth, Bud Teague, Rachel Ogle, Jerry Hamrick, Carey McKenzie, and Julia Ann Hodges.

Grade 2—Marletha Churchill, Regina Ellis, Virginia Jones, Joe Knight, and Verne Horsley.

Grade 1—Buddy Ables, Archie Allison, Gary Duncan, Sanford Grey, Kendall Hamrick, Sue Parker, and Joan Nachtigall.

Weekly SURPLUS NEWS

Veterans will be allowed to compete in their bidding on approximately 100 house-type trailers at the Fort Bliss trailer village at El Paso December 15 and 16. Inspections may be made before the sale. The bid opening, at which awards will be made to the highest bidders present, will be held at Fort Bliss Warehouse 22 at 9 a. m. Tuesday, December 16. On the same sales dates a sale of various types of military clothing will be held at both Fort Bliss and Biggs Field. Included will be trousers, shirts, jackets, coats, underclothing and shoes as well as a smaller number of bicycles, hundreds of folding chairs, some used tires, lockers, netting and pillows. Bids on this sale will be opened one day later than the trailer bids. They will be opened on December 17—Wednesday at noon. The sales will be conducted by WAA.

Plans for farm and home construction over the northern half of Texas are likely to be given impetus when the public is afforded an opportunity to buy 500 government surplus buildings at Camp Maxey at Paris, Texas, December 30 and 31. There will be no priorities, WAA has announced. The structures may be inspected beginning December 15 through 29 between the hours of 8:00 a. m. and 4:00 p. m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays excepted. This is to be one of those inspect-it-bid-it-pay-and-move-it immediately or within 60 days sales.

Surplus war goods that cost \$3,500,000 will be sold at the General Depot of Fort Sam Houston at San Antonio, Texas, December 17, 18, and 19. War Assets Administration has announced. Inspection dates have been set as December 12, 15, and 16. Offered in this sale are textiles, hardware, medical supplies, paper products, furniture, electrical fixtures, building materials and construction tools. These items will be sold on a competitive bid basis.

Lone Star Gas Company of Dallas, as the only bidder, has purchased the gas distribution system at Camp Bowie, near Brownwood, for \$18,027.50. It was disclosed at the Office of Real Property Disposal of the Grand Prairie headquarters for WAA. Texas Power & Light Company bid \$24,311 for the electrical system in the same area of Camp Bowie. The systems will remain in place to serve expected industrial expansion there.

Approximately 350 buildings at Camp Swift, near Bastrop, Texas, were purchased at a recent priority sale by priority claimants, most of them schools. The disposition was handled by War Assets Administration. The buyers qualified for public benefit allowances.

Approximately 800 tons of structural steel and glass for industrial lighting purposes will be offered to commercial channels and the priority group at fixed prices until December 19 through the Customer Service Center of the Grand Prairie office of War Assets Administration. All of this surplus property is located at Camden, Arkansas, and may be inspected at the property location.



LEADS GIRL SCOUTS . . . Mrs. G. Vaughan Ferguson, Schenectady, N. Y., who was re-elected national president of the Girl Scouts of America at their annual convention held at Long Beach, Calif.

Six Inch Sermon

BY REV. ROBERT H. HARPER

Christian Fellowship
Lesson for December 7: III
John.

Memory Selection: Philippians
1:3, 6.

The lesson may remind us of some modern churches in the types of men found in them, "Galus the beloved," of whom we know nothing but surmise that he was a leader and a blessed influence among the Christians of Asia Minor, is fortunately found in type in almost every church.

Diotrephes is also found, wanting to have his own way about everything. Sometimes he wants to dictate because of the money he gives to the church. But he is not concerned to live the kind of life that should entitle a man to preeminence among Christians.

It is not strange that the original Diotrephes did not welcome John and did not offer hospitality to Christian strangers. He wanted no interference with his own rule. So he was entirely lacking in the hospitality John stressed in his letter. Hospitality toward strangers was needed where inns were few and poor. Many Christians vied with one another in caring for their transient fellows. John urged this—a fellowship that was more than the giving of the "glad hand." And as ancient Christians ministered to their fellows, the bonds of love were strengthened. The dire need of hospitality is not present now, but there are still many ways in which friendship and fellowship can be cultivated among those of like faith.

In John's closing words he wrote that there were yet other things that he would not give them with pen and ink. He hoped to see his Christian friends soon.

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QUEEN	Olives	No. 5 Jar	22c
	Preserves	16-Oz. Jar	29c
WHITE SWAN PURE	Gelatin	2 Pkgs.	15c
	Sunshine Candies	14-Oz. Cello	29c
	Eagle Brand Milk	15-Oz. Can	25c
	Snowdrift	3 Lbs.	\$1.24

Sunshine—A Family's Favorite		
Krispy Crackers	Small	13c
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Cheez-It Crackers	6-Oz. Pkg.	15c
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Apple Sauce	No. 2 Can	18c
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By
Mrs. J. O. Richardson

All except a pretty day Monday following several days of misty bad weather and a heavy rain early Sunday morning, but today (Tuesday) seems we're back in the same rut again with those dark, misty days.

We have been informed that the gravelling of the farm to market highway between Fairy and Latham was to begin on December 15 which we hope is right, but since the roadbed construction has been retarded so, due to bad weather, they may be delayed in gravelling.

The basketball tournament last week end drew large crowds, and some of the most interesting games of the season were participated in, each fighting to the finish with a small margin of scores between in most games. On Saturday night following the conclusion of games, trophies were awarded the winners of first and second places, which were as follows: Jonesboro girls, first place; Star girls, second place; Fairy boys, first place; with Carlton boys winning second place. Small gold basketballs were also awarded to the outstanding players of the teams.

We are very sorry to learn that Clair Brunson is very ill again. Mr. Brunson has been in the Hico Hospital for several months where he can receive special care. He was able to spend last Sunday week in his home near Fairy but became quite ill during last week. We hope to soon hear of his condition being much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Jackson and family of Grand Prairie spent the week end here and attended the basketball tournament, visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Jackson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Allison and children of Dublin were also here for the week end to attend the tournament and visiting in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Allison and Mrs. J. O. Richardson and other relatives.

Misses Otha May and Ola Frances Grimes of Borger are visiting here with relatives.

Mrs. Gerald Licett and Mrs. Edison McCoy of Fort Worth came in

Saturday for a visit with their parents and parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McCoy, and other relatives.

On last Friday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Jackson, Mrs. H. R. Brummitt and Misses Ovie and Elsie Lee Parks were joint hostesses to a gift shower honoring Miss Mary Alice Jackson, bride elect of Louis Abel. Mrs. Brummitt presided at the bride's book, as each guest registered. Mrs. Ovie Clark pinned on favors, a pink and white rolling pin, bearing the names, Mary and Louis, as each were served hot chocolate and pink and white angel food cake. More than eighty guests registered, and many who were unable to attend sent gifts, making a total of more than 150 gifts, which consisted of one nice floor lamp given by a group of friends, two electric clocks, an electric toaster, coffee maker, two sets of dinnerware, bedspreads, quilt, sheets, pillow cases, luncheon cloths, enamel and aluminum ware, and many other nice gifts such as towels, dishes, scarfs, and centerpieces. Two games were played, one of "writing a recipe." Miss Dorothy Abel won first place on cornbread. Then the following ladies, Mrs. Dalton Akin, Mrs. Sammie Harper, Mrs. Bill Lackey, Mrs. Audie Clark, Mrs. Coyt Clark, and Mrs. Roy Blakley, were each given a paper plate and glass, needles, thimbles and scissors, and a box of ribbons and flowers and were told to make a hat for the bride to wear on a journey. Mrs. Audie Clark won first place and her hat was placed on the bride as she followed a pink ribbon to the many nice and useful gifts.

The groom-to-be served three years in a Japanese prison camp in World War II, and his many friends didn't forget his sacrifice for them, when given an opportunity to assist in a shower of gifts for him and his bride's home.

Another year is swiftly passing, and another Christmas is almost here. If we fail to get drop-box notes, picked up this week, we hope you will excuse us, as the roads are getting slippery and our only means to get them would be to "walk to Fairy."

Church News

First Christian Church

We invite you to hear Brother William Le May of Dallas preach every first Sunday in the month at 11 a. m.

Sunday school every Sunday, beginning at 10 o'clock.

Everyone is welcome, and especially do we invite each person who has no church home.

First Baptist Church

Order of services for Sunday, and the week:

Sunday: Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Robert Jackson, Superintendent.

Morning worship at 11:00. Sermon topic: "Waiting At the Pool of Bethesda."

The Training Union will meet at 4:15 p. m. Boyd McClure, Director.

Sanctuary service at 7:00 p. m. Pastor's theme: "Consolation in the Sanctuary of the Lord."

Tuesday: The Woman's Missionary Society will meet at the church at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. C. A. Russell, President.

Wednesday: Prayer meeting, led by the pastor, at 7:00 p. m.

We are always grateful for the presence of visiting friends.

O. J. ROBINSON, Pastor.

Church of Christ

Bible Study, 10:00 a. m.

Preaching, 11:00 a. m.

Communion, 11:45 a. m.

Young People's Class, 6:30 p. m.

Preaching, 7:00 p. m.

Ladies' Bible Class, Tuesday, 2:30 p. m.

Mid-Week Service, Thursday, 7:00 p. m.

J. P. WILLIAMS, Minister.

Pentecostal Church

Study School Service at 10:00 o'clock each Sunday morning.

Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

Everybody has a welcome to worship with us.

DOLLIE LINCH, Pastor.

Methodist Church

Church School 10 a. m. Tyrus King, Superintendent. A class and a place for all.

Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Each member of the church is urgently requested to be present. Visitors will find a big welcome awaiting them.

J. L. RAY, Pastor.

Primitive Baptist

Regular meeting, second Sunday in each month; Saturday morning and Saturday night before in each month.

ELDER J. W. WEST, Pastor.

Olin Baptist Church

Sunday school each Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock.

Church Service, 11:00 a. m.

Training Union, 6:45 p. m.

Church services, 7:30 p. m.

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'Silent Guest' Plan Receiving Good Play Throughout Texas

That traditional "big heart" of which Texans so often boast was evidenced again to Governor Beauford Jester during the early part of this week when an almost continuous flow of checks and money orders for the American Silent Guests Plan began to reach his office.

The plan, which was launched in Texas Thanksgiving Day, is part of a nation-wide program designed to help the hungry people of war-devastated Europe. It is sponsored by the chief executives in each of the 48 states and is supported by all religious denominations.

Texans have been asked by Governor Jester to invite one "Silent Guest"—a war orphan, a widow, or an old person in distress—into their home to share a meal, and then, to mail a check or money order in the amount that such a meal would cost. Cash contributions and material gifts cannot be handled in this particular project. These checks and money orders would be made payable to the American Silent Guest Committee and sent in care of the Governor's Office, Austin, Texas.

The Committee has chosen CARE to handle its funds. Composed of 27 major relief agencies, CARE delivers goods in 15 European countries, on order from individuals and groups here. Almost a million and a half tons of food can be released immediately by this organization if the American people give their support through the Silent Guest program.

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Scouts Drill and Practice Songs At Recent Meeting

When the Scouts arrived at last Thursday's meeting we sat down and discussed several things. We then took all of our boys that weren't tenderfoots and lined them up along the wall, then the tenderfoot, second-class and first-class Scouts each selected a man to teach the tenderfoot requirements.

After this we had a short study period, and Buck Terry and Eugene Barnett passed their tenderfoot tests. We then marched all around town for a while, and tried a reverse march. We then had three Scouts to go out and hide then each one gave separate calls. The three groups of Scouts then picked their call and chased the man until he was caught.

The hunt ended up near Mr. Boone's house, where we found a camp fire at which we practiced singing Christmas carols.

After this we went back to the Scout Hall and formed a Scout Circle and repeated the Scout Oath after Eugene Barnett.

"A Scout Is Obedient."
BOBBY WATKINS,
Scribe, Scout Troop 99, Hico, Tex.

Marvin Marshall Appointed Masonic District Deputy

Mr. Marvin Marshall of Hico was appointed by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas as District Deputy Grand Master of the sixty-eighth masonic district.

The announcement of the appointment was made on December 11 at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Texas which was held in Waco. Mr. Marshall succeeds Mr. Cliff Tinkle of Pairy.

Bill Neel was present at the communication as representative of the Hico Lodge No. 477.

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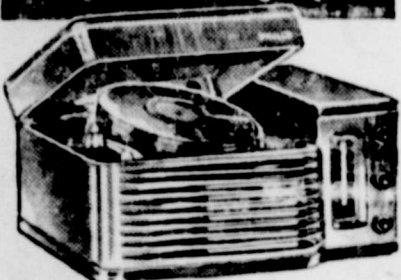
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IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rogers spent Thanksgiving in Marlin with their daughter, Mrs. Edward Evans and family.

Mrs. Martin of Cleburne visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. T. M. Tidwell, this week.

Mrs. Maness was in Gorman this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Everett and daughter of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Eber McDowell of Duffan, and Misses Para Lee McDowell and Voreece McDowell of Fort Worth spent Sunday with Mr. Everett and Marie.

Mr. Fuller is some better. He has been up some.

Mrs. Duckworth and Miss Irene Frank of Hico visited Mrs. T. M. Tidwell Wednesday.

Miss Georgia Zell Maness and Mr. Sam Clark, both of Iredell, were married on Thanksgiving in Clifton by Rev. Young. Mrs. Clark is the daughter of Mrs. Maness. She was in high school. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clark who live east of town. He graduated from Cisco High School in '42. Many friends wish for them a happy married life.

Mrs. Myrtle Duncan visited in Weatherford this week.

Mrs. Virgie Ellis of Corsicana was a guest of Mrs. Squires this week.

Mrs. Elvis Loft was in Hico Saturday.

Mr. C. L. Stevens is working in Roscoe, Texas.

Mrs. T. M. Davis and son, Nelson spent the week end in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Grice returned Saturday from Jayton where she has been visiting for three months.

Miss Norma Jean Jones, who is employed at Stephenville Hospital visited her parents this week.

Miss Grace Ellen Word of Iredell and Tony Lynch of Dallas were married Saturday afternoon, December 6, by Rev. Tension.

Mrs. Lynch is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Word who live west of town. She finished high school here last year. Tony is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lynch of Iredell. They left at once for Dallas where he is working. They are known here and all wish for them a happy life together.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wyche of Ringland, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Wyche of Spearman, accompanied by Mr. Hubert Stephens and Miss Grace Wyche of Dallas, Mrs. B. F. Springfield of Marlin, and James Wyche of Odessa, spent Sunday of last week with Mr. and Mrs. John Wyche. The men are his brothers and the ladies his sisters, and James is his son.

Hudson Johnson is visiting his parents.

Mrs. Hugh Harris spent Saturday in Hico with her sister-in-law, Mrs. John T. Appleby.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Sawyer of Fort Worth spent the week end with his parents.

Ada Airheart spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Euell Thompson.

Mrs. Ernest Alexander and Mrs. Hugh Harris were in Hamilton last Friday.

Mrs. John Parks is improving, of which all are glad.

Lamoine Fuller spent the week end at home.

B. L. Mitchell is on the sick list—wasn't at the store Saturday. It is hoped he will be well soon.

Hobby Wilson of Dallas was here Saturday.

Mrs. Gadyrs Bryant and children of Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wellborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Chester of South Texas came in Friday for a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Chewning and their son, Ellis, and wife of Dallas spent the week end with Mr. Fuller who isn't so well. Ellis and wife returned home and his parents remained for a few days.

Jimmy Hanshaw spent the week end with Eddie Lee Putty, who lives west of town.

Mrs. Deatherage and her nephew, Everett Chester, spent the week end with their sister and mother, Mrs. Alice Chester of Cleburne.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Tidwell visited one of her aunts in Hico, who is very ill.

Some more rain this week. Sure would be fine if we could have some clear weather again for a good while.

Mrs. Ralph Echols and Mrs. Tom Strange were in Waco Monday.

Mrs. Albert Hensley spent a few days the past week with her daughter, Mrs. Latham Howell, and family of Stephenville.

Mrs. Leon Roberts and his sister, Cherril, of Stephenville spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tidwell.

Abe Myers bought the residence of Mr. Whittledge, and moved there Monday. Mr. Whittledge moved to Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Latham Howell and baby of Stephenville spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hensley.

Miss Bertha Marie Phillips of Seagraves spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Misses Betty Bradley and Eleanor Helm.

Rev. and Mrs. Thompson attended the Workers Meeting at Morgan Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Pruitt and daughter, Francene, and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. James Arthur Davis of Fort Stockton.

The Christmas tree and program will be Wednesday night, Dec. 24, at the Baptist church.

As Sunday was so bad the attendance at the Methodist Sunday school was bad. The adult classes didn't draw names, but will next Sunday. All be sure to come.

And now, here's some more of my original story...

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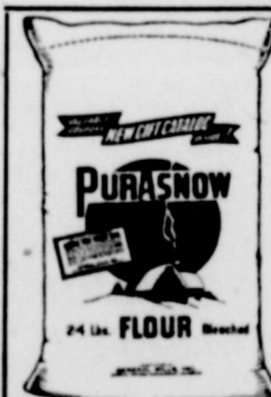
Some of the pistol-totin' laws and a doctor were called to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brown. They viewed her shoulders and back. "You will have to go to a hospital and get all these places healed up," said the doctor. And oh, what a sorry sight.

"How could you lay down?" inquired a kind-hearted flatfoot. "I lay on my stomach and sides mostly," was the pitiful reply. They went over to the old house

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WANTS HIGHER WHEAT . . . Tom Campbell, one of the nation's largest wheat growers, is pictured as he left the White House after conferring with President Truman. He told the President that the government could solve the wheat shortage by raising the price of wheat to \$2.50 a bushel and keeping it there.



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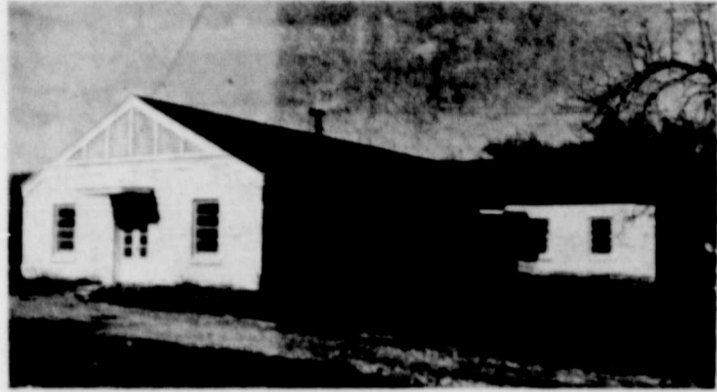
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