

We can't wait any longer for a report from our statistician, Parker Goodloe, on a very pertinent—if not pertinent—subject.

Sue White out at Big Spring has received a lot of publicity on her showing at Chicago with "Lone Star", her 1005-pound grand champion Hereford which sold at auction for the record-shattering price of \$20 a pound.

What we wanted the rancher-banker to figure out was how much beef for the table would have to bring based on that price on the hoof.

Best we can estimate from current quotations of Ted Gouldy and advertised prices in the News Review, it would run something like this:

Hamburger, \$25.00 a pound.
Sirloin or T-Bone, \$40.00
Chuck Roast, \$39.00.

That would bring a yelp from consumers, wouldn't it? But there's little likelihood of common cattle going up that much, so we won't worry.

If you haven't yet visited Lake Whitney, you should. With improved roads and considerable development along the lake area, Hico people will find a 100-mile trip around the lake area a pleasant drive some sunny afternoon.

Last Sunday the News Review family breezed to Meridian on the new road, then skirted Morgan and Kopperl to arrive at historic Kimball Bend Recreation Area, where Cecil Coston was having a barrel of fun running his fishing camp, established as a sideline to his duties as CPS division manager at Clifton.

The obliging ex-Hicoan and his assistant, Bill Powell, arranged for us to accompany their friends, Eddie Kayler and Miss Ruth McDonald of Fort Worth, on a delightful voyage toward the dam and return on a 21-foot cabin cruiser. They proved charming hosts, and pointed out things from the upper channel that we'd never seen from the shore. Sometime we'll do something nice for all these accommodating folks.

From Kimball Bend one can cross the new bridge, come back by Blum to Whitney over the Texas bridge across the Nolan, cross the dam, stop at the hickpuppies and catfish he can possibly eat, and enjoy a pleasant drive back home via Highway 22, hitting his original route again at Meridian.

We guarantee you'll enjoy it.

Mrs. Frankie Golightly, after helping the present NR management from 1930 through 1938, said upon leaving our employ that she would always be willing to assist us in any way possible at any time, unless she broke a leg.

Now from her column in the Hamilton Herald-News, we learn that Dink did really break a bone in her leg. But even at that we know she will be willing to help us fill space by allowing reprint of her interesting column last week describing the incident. Her countless local friends will sympathize with her, but will enjoy reading again her philosophical remarks.

I was again reminded just how dear friends can be, when they week upon hearing that I had received a broken leg. It being the small bone in the leg, it will probably be as good as ever (we hope) in the course of four or five weeks.

Anyway, as the word got around, telephone calls, flowers, foods and fruits of all kinds started coming in, and after the first few hours of pain, I started enjoying the visits of so many friends, and it again made me think of how natural it is for people to take care of each other in any situation, when friends are needed. On Thanksgiving night, as we sat around eating grapes, tangerines, bananas and nuts that the Mud Hens had brought in, I looked over to see how well George seemed to like them, and I asked him if he was not also enjoying the broken leg incident.

There are always a lot of funny things about a situation and some serious moments too. Learning to walk with crutches was about the hardest thing I ever tried to do. The first walk across the room skinned my knuckles as slick as a peeled onion and I had to wear band-aids for about ten days. I could not decide if the crutches were too long for me or if I was too long for the crutches. I had been warned to put most of my weight on my hands in order to save so much soreness under my arms, but both hands and both arm pits were as sore as boils at the end of the first day.

When I wanted anything and took a look at the crutches, I immediately changed my mind, and decided to just sit or lie. When friends would come by and ask to hand me something, I would sometimes ask for a fountain pen and find that soon after their departure that the note paper that I intended to use with it was across the room on another table. Another would drop by and offer to help so I decided when they left I would read a newspaper so called for my glasses, only to learn when they departed that the newspaper was a few yards away on the bed. So I just sat for my hands would start paining when I thought

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Two From Hico Make All-District 15-B Football Team

Valley Mills' fabulous Eagles, who swept to their eighth straight title without a really close district game, once again dominate the Waco Tribune-Herald's All-District 15-B team for 1953, picked with the aid of the coaches.

Five Eagles won berths on the first team, along with three players from second-place Meridian, two from Hico and one from Walnut Springs. On the two mythical teams, Valley Mills had a total of nine players, Meridian had five, Hico four, Walnut Springs three, and wireless Cranfills Gap two.

There were three repeaters from last year's team—back Donald (Pancho) Ross of Hico and guards Freddie Spracklin of Valley Mills and Bobby Weehunt of Meridian. Weehunt, a gigantic player, was chosen the district's best lineman in 1952, but this season Spracklin beat him out for that honor by the closest of margins. Barry Robinson, Meridian 200-pounder, was named the district's best back, and David Weir of Valley Mills was the most valuable player.

Here are the selections:

ALL-DISTRICT 15-B TEAM
Pos.—Name School
End—Gordon Heath, Valley Mills
End—Henry Woosley, Meridian
Tackle—Doby Smith, Valley Mills
Tackle—Jon Tankersley, V. M.
Guard—Bobby Weehunt, Meridian
Guard—Freddie Spracklin, V. M.
Center—Ray Battershell, Hico
Back—David Weir, Valley Mills
Back—Barry Robinson, Meridian
Back—Donald Ross, Hico
Back—Leldon Hensley, Walnut S.
Best Lineman—Freddie Spracklin, Valley Mills.
Best Back—Barry Robinson, Meridian.

Most Valuable Player—David Weir, Valley Mills.

SECOND TEAM
Ends—Reginald Olson, Walnut Springs, and Carl Kerlee, Meridian.
Tackles—Bill Gardner, Meridian, and Tommy Phillips, Walnut Springs.
Guards—James Alsop, Valley Mills, and Orville Templeton, Hico.
Center—Taylor Gandy, Valley Mills.
Backs—Ronald McFoy, Hico, D. G. Freedman, Valley Mills, Harold Meisner, Cranfills Gap, and Carter Glass, Valley Mills.

Inter-Com System Among Items to Be Purchased by P.-T.A.

The Parent-Teacher Association approved the recommendations of the executive committee for the expenditure of more than \$300 of the Halloween carnival proceeds at the December meeting Monday night at the high school auditorium. Projects approved were as follows: \$100 for athletic equipment, volley balls, softballs, bats, etc.; \$100 for a high school inter-communication system, the remainder to be paid for by the school; \$65 for a record player and records; and the purchase of a slide projector, which can be used in undarkened rooms.

Additional suggestions for expenditures will be considered at the next meeting. Members voted to hold \$200 of the fund in reserve. The president, Mrs. B. J. Pruett, appointed Mrs. D. E. Bulloch, Mrs. Kyle Archie, Mrs. Woodward Brummett, L. S. Chandler, and A. A. Chandler as the committee in charge of purchases.

Supt. O. C. Cook spoke on "The School Budget." The program was opened with selections by the Third Grade Harmony Band, directed by Mrs. O. C. Cook, and the Fourth Graders, who presented a Christmas play under the direction of Mrs. Bernell Jernigan, and was closed with group singing of Christmas carols, led by Miss Thoma Rodgers.

The Third and Tenth Grades won the \$1 attendance contest awards for having most parents present.

Mrs. J. T. Appleby, social service chairman, requested contributions of good used children's clothing for needy elementary school pupils, especially during the cold season.

After the program, the Third and Fourth Grade mothers served punch and cookies at the luncheon.

JEWEL RAMAGE HAS BEEN NAMED MEMBER OF VFW AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

Kansas, City, Mo., Dec. 8.—Jewel C. Ramage, Iredell, Texas, has been appointed a member of the National Agriculture and Development Committee, of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States by its commander-in-chief, Wayne E. Richards, of Arkansas City, Kansas. It is announced that national V.F.W. headquarters here. The committee chairman is Harold Potter, of Chandler, Oklahoma.

THE \$64 QUESTION



Letters to Santa Claus

A number of letters, traditionally written to the white-bearded gentleman at the North Pole, have come into the hands of the News Review on their journey northward, and we are printing them in this and future issues and sending the word on to Santa. Children are urged to send their letters in as soon as possible.

Hico, Texas
Dec. 2, 1953.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am writing you what I want you to bring me Christmas. Please bring a little record player and some records. Would also like a doll and some clothes for it.
I am a little girl of five years old and can hardly wait till Christmas. Think I would like some new story books too, and don't forget to bring something for my little brother Joe.
I love you a lot, Santa.
KAY LYNN TOOLEY.
P. S. Joe says he wants a hobby horse.

Route 6
Hico, Texas
Dec. 4, 1953

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle and one light, one pair saddle bags, log cabin, billfold.

BILLY GRUBBS.
Hico, Texas
Dec. 3, 1953

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 6 years old. I have been a good girl the past year. Please bring me a REAL iron that heats.
And I want a 20 in "Heart Beat" Doll. You can surprise me with anything else you want to bring.
I love you, Santa.
JANET LANE.

Hico, Texas
Dec. 3, 1953

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy 3 years old. Am good most of time. Please bring me a Pee Wee football, and a gun and holster, a train, plenty of candy and nuts.

Love,
JOHNNY LANE.
Hico, Texas
Dec. 5, 1953.

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a bicycle. And I also would like to have a doll and clothes like this picture. And please bring something else.
And you know I said something about you bringing me something else. I would like you to bring me a peter pan puppet that you work with strings.
Love,
BARBARA ANN RANDALL.
P. S. Enclosed is my picture.

Hico, Texas
Dec. 5, 1953

Dear Santa,
I want a beebie gun. That he strap and that has a scope. I want a two-gun holster. A want a truck that can carry three and that has little things at the side.
L.
JAMES RAN

THDA Plans Spring Meetings at Recent Gathering of Directors

Mrs. John Golightly reports a very interesting meeting in Lubbock recently when she attended the regular board of directors meeting of Texas Home Demonstration Association. She is state vice president of the THDA.

The following dates, submitted by Mrs. Golightly, will be of interest to local home demonstration clubs.

Texas Home Demonstration Association will hold its state convention in Dallas August 11, 12 and 13 at the Adolphus Hotel.

Spring meetings for the various districts are as follows:

District	Town	Date
1	Panhandle	April 22
2	Post	May 5
3	Seymour	April 8
4	Denton	April 27
5	Van	April 30
6	Kermil	May 7
7	San Angelo	May 8
8	Meridian	Mar. 25-26
9	Henderson	April 29
10	Beeville	April 6
11	Houston	April 29-30
12	Robstown	March 30

More New Residences Now Under Construction in Hillcrest Addition

M. I. Knudson, yard manager at Hico for Barnes & McCullough at Hico, announced this week that three more new homes are under construction in Hico, with an impetus noted to building activities throughout the community.

Foundations have been laid for residences for Milton Dunlap, Milton Rainwater and Billy Ray Rhodes, in the Hillcrest Addition. They are all in line along Highway 6 toward Iredell, west of the new residence for Hershel Sherrard, now in the finishing stage.

R. B. McClure is contractor on the Dunlap residence, while R. T. Simpson is in charge of construction on the Rainwater and Rhodes homes. Malcolm Lee of Stephenville has the Sherrard contract.

Another construction project in this area being handled by Barnes & McCullough is a three-bedroom, brick veneer ranch home between Alexander and Clairette for Buford Elliott. Contractor on this project situated on the old Sunshine Ranch, is John Briscoe. Knudson said the plans called for floor space in excess of 2,000 square feet.

CONGRESSMEN TO ANSWER VOTERS' QUESTIONS IN STATE-WIDE MEETING AT FT. WORTH DEC. 11



BENTSEN BURLESON BROOKS DIES DOWDY



FISHER GENTRY IKARD LUCAS MAHON



POAGE REGAN ROGERS TEAGUE WILSON

Fifteen members of the U. S. House of Representatives will discuss national and international issues with the people of the state in the third annual Texas Congressional Forum in Fort Worth, December 11. The public is invited to attend and to ask the Congressmen questions. Sponsored by the East Texas, West Texas, and Fort Worth Chambers of Commerce, the event will begin at 2:30 p.m. in the ballroom of the Texas Hotel. Pictured above are Congressmen Lloyd Bentsen, Jr., McAllen; Omar Burleson, Anson; Jack Brooks, Beaumont; Martin Dies, Lufkin; John Dowdy, Athens; Clark Fisher, San Angelo; Brady Gentry, Tyler; Frank Ikard, Wichita Falls; Wingate Lucas, Grapevine; George Mahon, Colorado City; W. R. Poage, Waco; Ken Regan, Midland; Walter E. Rogers, Pampa; Olin E. Rue, College Station; and J. Frank Wilson, Dallas. Paul Carrington, as will deliver the keynote address preceding the question-answer session. Ed Gossett, Dallas, former Congressman, will serve as moderator.

WITH THE COLORS

MORE REGISTRANTS ARE ORDERED FOR INDUCTION

Gatesville, Tex., Dec. 9, 1953. The Hico News Review

The following registrants were ordered for induction December 9th, 1953:

- Marse Gomez, Hamilton, Texas
- Robert Earl Smith, Hurley, New Mexico.
- James Floyd Donahoo, Hamilton, Texas
- Billy Ray Self, Izora, Texas
- Wallace Eugene Harrell Jr., San Marcos, Texas
- James Norman Pruitt, Gatesville, Texas

Yours very truly,
LILLIAN H. ROACH, Clerk,
Texas Local Board No. 23.

IREDELL SERVICEMAN ARRIVES IN KOREA

3RD DIV, Korea, Dec. 7, 1953.—Pvt. Loren E. Dunlap, 25 son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Dunlap, Iredell, recently arrived in Korea for duty with the 3rd Infantry Division.

The "Rock of the Marne" division, which saw bitter fighting in the Iron Triangle and at Outpost Harry, is now undergoing intensive post-truce training.

Dunlap, a rifleman, entered the Army last May and completed basic training at Camp Roberts, Calif. He is a 1946 graduate of Iredell High School and a former salesman for the Western Auto Supply Co., San Angelo.

SPENDS LEAVE HERE

Pvt. Jack Walker, who has been home on leave with his mother, Mrs. Ruth Walker, and sister, Catherine, returned last Friday for service in Camp Stoneman, Calif. From this point he expects to leave soon for service with the Far East Command.

Private Walker has been stationed at Fort Hood, Texas.

First Christmas card from overseas to be received by the NR this year came from M/Sgt. Grady T. Coston and family, who are now in Germany, near Stuttgart.

Weekend Closing for Christmas Planned by Several Merchants

Agreement to close their places of business Friday and Saturday, Dec. 25 and 26, was signified this week by several merchants contacted by a committee from the Hico Chamber of Commerce.

Sim Everett, who acted under instructions from T. A. Randall, C. C. president, emphasized that no pressure was being placed on institutions such as grocery stores, filling stations, and other service establishments whose closing would inconvenience the public.

Everett said there might be others who would want to close, but who had not been presented with the proposal. The list submitted Thursday morning for publication included the following names:

- Reed Studio
- Salmon's Dept. Store
- First National Bank
- Blair Motor Co.
- Everett Cleaners
- W. M. Horsley
- Lynch Shoe Shop
- N. A. Leath & Son
- Roberts Jewelry
- Bess Minguo Dress Shop
- Cheek Furniture Co.
- Neel Truck & Tractor
- Barnes & McCullough
- Buckhorn Cleaners
- Blair's Hardware
- John Rusk Barber Shop
- Western Auto Supply
- Howard Drug (Prescription Dept. will be open)
- C. L. Lynch Hardware Co.
- Lowe Garage
- Teague Variety Store
- Petsick Insurance Agent
- Community Public Serv. Co.
- Hico Auto Supply
- Roy French Garage
- J. C. Prater Barber Shop
- Bill Hardy Barber Shop
- The Hico News Review

WEATHER REPORT

The following weather report is submitted by W. R. Hampton, local observer for the Climatological Service of the United States Weather Bureau:

Date—	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Dec. 2	76	45	0.00
Dec. 3	72	43	0.00
Dec. 4	69	31	0.00
Dec. 5	72	42	0.00
Dec. 6	63	34	0.00
Dec. 7	66	32	0.00
Dec. 8	70	42	0.00

Total precipitation so far this year, 22.25 inches.

Interest Increasing in Free Livestock Clinic Here Next Tuesday

Growing interest in the free livestock clinic field day to be held at Hico next Tuesday was reported this week by Harold D. Walker, vocational agriculture teacher at Hico High School and president of the Hico Lions Club. Mr. Walker said he had already been assured of a number of animals to be brought in for demonstration purposes.

Through the courtesy of Howard Drug Company and the O. M. Franklin Serum Company, a group of livestock specialists will demonstrate the latest techniques in dehorning, vaccination, removal of growths, and treatment for pest and insect control on different aged animals.

The specialists will work with local livestock and those having a special case to be treated are invited to contact Bill Howard or Harold Walker in order to get the program lined up. Sheep, goats and hogs are also eligible for demonstration purposes.

Many of these treatments can be done by the average farmer, rancher or dairyman and by learning a simple technique the livestock man may save many dollars over a period of time.

The clinic will be held under the livestock show barn at the City Park next Tuesday, Dec. 15, starting at 1:00 p. m. This day should be kept in mind, as the proper date but the wrong day of the week is announced in the Howard Drug Co. regular space, through an inadvertent error of a newspaper force caught in the Christmas rush. To make up for the boner, we direct livestock owners to the message about livestock diseases in "Texas Agriculture" alongside the advertisement on Page 7.

The sponsors urge attendance of the general public at this free clinic, as well as livestock owners, as the program will be interesting. "We will feel fully repaid for our efforts to cooperate if we can assist our friends in learning how to do a better, more economical job in taking care of their livestock," Mr. Howard declared.

Mrs. Morrison, Local Nurse, Elected Head Of Professional Group

The Tri-County League of Vocational Nurses met at 8:00 p. m., Thursday evening, December 3, 1953 in the community room at the Stephenville State Bank.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. Jimmie Morrison, Hico, president; Mrs. Berenice Guy, Dublin, vice-president; Mrs. Hester Riggins, Stephenville, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Alice Tudor, Hico, reporter.

There were 24 members and three guests present. It was decided that the next monthly meeting would be held in Meridian.

The Tri-County League has finished its first year, and President Reed gave a very interesting talk on the organization and the progress it has made. This group began with only 26 members, and the membership has grown to 49. She also gave highlights of each meeting, the speakers presented, etc. Among the speakers this year were Dr. H. V. Hedges of Hico, Dr. Holt and Dr. Archer of Meridian, Dr. Young, Dr. Magee, Dr. J. C. Terrell and Dr. Vance Terrell, of Stephenville.

Prizes Announced for Christmas Lighting

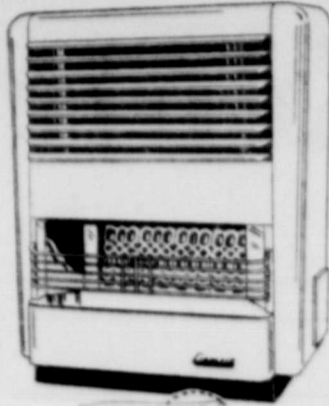
Prizes are being offered again this year for the most attractive Christmas lighting display, with the Hico Garden Club and Chamber of Commerce acting as sponsors.

To enter the contest, anyone residing within a radius of one mile of the City Hall should notify Mrs. R. B. (Parker) Goodloe, Mrs. Bill Boyd or Mrs. B. E. Duncan.

A first prize of \$15.00 and second prize of \$10.00 will be awarded for the best outdoor lighting. Prizes of \$7.00 for the best decorated window and \$5.00 for the best decorated door will be given. Entries must be ready by December 22, and judging will take place during the ensuing week. Lights must be left on from 7:00 to 9:00 o'clock each evening through December 27.

HICO GARDEN CLUB LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

FIRST TRY— THEN BUY . . .



A CIRKL-AIR Circulating Heater

"BEST FOR HEALTH'S SAKE"

35,000 BTU \$49.50
28,000 BTU \$39.50

Cheek Furniture Co.

Iredell Superintendent Announces Honor Roll For Second Semester

Honor roll for the second six weeks of school show an increase in the number of students who have a 90 average or better according to announcement by Supt. J. M. McCroskey this week. The list for this period include:

First Grade: George Copeland, David Mims, Charlotte Porter, Sue Thomas and Darlene White.

Second Grade: Jan Strong, Larry Herrin and Betty Ann McCroskey.

Third Grade: Diann Blue and Mark Dunlap.

Fourth Grade: Freda Sue Woodson and Jerrie Blakley.

Fifth Grade: Peggy Davis, Emilie Sowell, Otis Bakke and Larry Burns.

Sixth Grade: Nolan Pike, Betty Bales, Johnnie Ruth McCoy and Nicki Beth McAden.

Seventh Grade: Ann Sadler, Barbara Moore, Jo Dunlap and Kenny Cunningham.

Eighth Grade: Dolores Hanshaw, Dorothy Jean Phillips, Jo Ann Sowell, Barbara Umphries and Patsy Mingus.

High School: Geraldine Bakke, Gene Blakley, Joyce Barnhill, Dorothy Bateman, Bobby Craig, Patsy Houston, Nancy Jones, Loretta Keith, Maudans Lynch, Anita McCoy, Jo Ann McCoy, Jimmie McCroskey, Reta Jean Seely, Nancy Strange, Mary White and Kenneth Davis.

NEWS REVIEW ADVERTISING BRINGS RESULTS

Fairy

By Mrs. Eunice Massengale

Tuesday, 5:15 a. m., with breakfast over, this finds us back on the job writing our regular weekly report.

We have had fair weather the past few days, a light sand storm blew in Saturday, instead of showers as the weather man had predicted. However we learn that showers and light rain were received in the Valley Mills area some forty miles southeast.

We were very sorry to learn of the death of Mr. O. M. Bramblett, which we did not learn about until the night after funeral services. We extend our deepest sympathy to those bereaved in his passing.

We were also sorry to learn that Mrs. J. C. Sills of Hico has been very ill again. She was carried to the Hico Hospital on Wednesday of last week, where she remained until Sunday, when she was carried to the home of a daughter, Mrs. Bertha Coston of near Gatesville. She has been suffering of a heart ailment for the past year or more. We sincerely hope she will soon be much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Springer of Miles spent the week end here in the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Springer and Randy. They came down to assist them in packing, preparatory to moving to Miles the first of the week. Scott Blakley, T. L. Betts, Carl Ray Sellers and the writer assisted them in helping to complete the loading of their household effects early Sunday morning and they were soon on their way. They will reside on her mother, Mrs. Odus Claxton's place near Miles. We enjoyed their short residence here and regret to lose them but hope they will be well pleased in their new location. They lived near Miles prior to moving here. The Jerry Todd family are expected to move soon to the Springer place.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers, Carolyn and Jimmie Don spent Sunday in Dublin visiting in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Allison, Ruby Jean and Darrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Anderson of Stephenville visited Sunday in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Brummitt, on their return home they visited a short while with Mrs. Brittie Little.

The writer attended singing at Stephenville Sunday afternoon. We were accompanied from Hico by Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sumerford of near Hamilton. All enjoyed a wonderful song service.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Blakley and Lera Jane visited recently in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bridges of McGregor.

Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Lee Parks of Fort Worth visited here last Wednesday night with his mother, Mrs. M. E. Parks, Audie and Elsie. They came down on the sad mission of attending her grandfather's funeral, Mr. O. M. Bramblett.

There has been some report of insect damage to grain here and around Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Allison returned home Saturday night after several days visit in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dellis Seago and Sherry of Waco. They went down to be with Mrs. Seago, who is ill and to assist in helping out at the produce house she operates. Sorry to report her condition unimproved.

Mr. and Mrs. Texie Dell Allison, who have moved to Cranfills Gap where they are residing only temporarily, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Allison. They drove down to Waco Saturday and visited in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Seago and brought his parents home. Other visitors in the Edd Allison home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Leq Adams.

With the Christmas holidays fast approaching it seems that tragedies are taking their annual toll, according to radio reports which saddens Christmas holidays for many.

We reported recently that Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lackey had returned home from the Hico Hospital, but later learned they had been carried to the home of her niece, Mr. and Mrs. Bingham of Hamilton. Mrs. Bingham's mother, Mrs. Amy Stanford, who is a sister of Mrs. Lackey, is also a member of the Bingham household. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lackey of Fairy visited them recently and brought them over for a visit in their home, but at this writing we have not learned whether or not they have returned home permanently.

We failed to report last week that Mr. and Mrs. Layman Newton and baby of Fort Worth spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis. They also visited near Hamilton with his parents, Mrs. Newton is the former Miss Vera Lee Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Webb who recently vacated the Slater place moved on the Art Oats place near Hamilton. Mr. Webb formerly resided on the Oats place before moving to this and surrounding communities.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lackey and sons, Jerry and Harold were in Hico Sunday visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lackey are visiting their son and family at Fort Worth.

HAVE YOUR FREIGHT TO BE SHIPPED BY Central Freight Line D. R. PROFFITT, AGT. Shipments from Waco, Dallas, Fort Worth each night

Many Things Included In Purchase When You Buy Christmas Seals

Austin, Dec. 5.—What do you buy when you buy Christmas Seals?

It's a reasonable question right now as people in every walk of life mail their Tuberculosis Association coins, currency or checks to aid the fight against TB.

Most contributions are modest in size. The Christmas Seal always has been only a penny. Paradoxical perhaps, but the costliest disease known to man was first challenged by and steadily has yielded ground to a bit of paper priced one cent.

There perhaps is the best answer to what people have bought since 1907 when they started buying Christmas Seals. Always it has been the people's fight with a weapon they chose and made their own.

What do you buy in a Christmas Seal? Take streptomycin for instance. Christmas Seals saved it for mankind when they proved its effectiveness against TB and convinced its discoverers it must be produced whatever the cost. Yet, would any man be willing to assess its worth in dollars.

Could you accurately measure the value of chest x-rays to the human race? Christmas Seals helped perfect them.

How would a person go about saying what a husband is worth to his wife, a father to his children, a son to his parents?

You can readily say a case of tuberculosis costs about \$15,000 and statistics will prove you right. But what about the home it broke up—the woman it widowed—the children it orphaned—the marriage it prevented—the ambition it suffocated? Can you write the price tags to fit?

Can you say what it is worth when any one person is warned in time to keep tuberculosis from invading his home?

When a person emerges from years of illness and dependency to take up a self-sustaining job, contribute to his community, look with confidence at tomorrow, can it be put into words or figures?

What do you buy when you buy Christmas Seals? Well, for the record you can say you are buying medical research, case-finding, health education and rehabilitation. You'll be right. Technically that's what you buy.

But to yourself you can say you are buying protection for your family and your neighbor's. You are buying the knowledge that when a stricken brother held out a desperate hand you met it with a warm, sure grasp.

We don't believe even in your own heart you can put a price on that.

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Every pound of new, high-energy TEXO LAYING ALL-MASH contains more than 900 calories of productive energy, and it's fortified with Vitamins A, D, and B12 and all the minerals known to be essential to sustained high-energy production. What's more . . . TEXO LAYING ALL-MASH is 17.5% protein — 2.5% more than most feeds — your assurance of profitable egg production.

A Complete Ration . . . No Other Feed Needed



LAYING ALL-MASH

J. B. Woodard Produce

Cash Buyer of **POULTRY, CREAM, EGGS, AND PECANS**

"You'll be way ahead when they're TEXO FED!"

Do Your Christmas Buying Locally

WE URGE YOU TO TAKE THIS TIP FROM SANTA!

★ Patronize your local merchant. His shelves are filled with high quality merchandise selling at economically fair prices. When you buy from him you are buying from someone you know — and someone whose reputation in the community is dependent upon the quality of the product he sells. Your local Hico merchant has stocked his store with goods for your convenience. He deserves your patronage.

A FRIENDLY BANK SURE HELPS . . .

Santa knows that we all want to make Christmas as cheerful as possible — that we would like to give more PERMANENT gifts for all the members of our families. AND SANTA IS RIGHT, as usual. A friendly Bank sure helps.

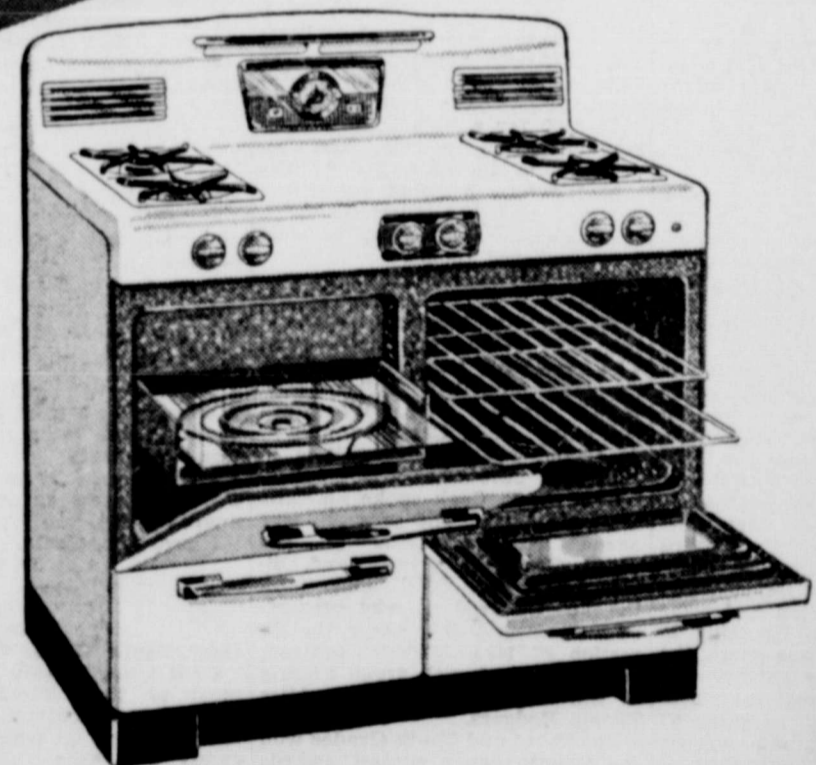
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Senior — Edna Walker
Homemaking — Jean Clark
Seein' What's Doin' — Carol Harris

HOMEMAKING GIRLS HAVE FORMAL INITIATION
This week the Homemaking girls have been working on aluminum trays and coasters. They have used a wide assortment of designs to make their trays.

This week the F.H.A. girls had their formal initiation for the incoming and outgoing officers. The tables were decorated in white with red and white candles. A rose was presented to each officer.

The Homemaking II girls are planning to make Christmas candies and cookies.

The Homemaking III girls are going to make miniature candied fruits, which you will find are very expensive if bought in grocery stores.

There are still some Christmas cards to be sold. All are lovely selections. If you need cards, just call on a Home-making girl. Mrs. Bryan Hale of Stephenville gave demonstrations on aluminum and copper tooling to the home-making classes and adult classes on Monday, November 30. She showed pieces of her own work, including pictures, small and large trays, planters, etc., and explained the various steps in making them. Leather work was also shown.

WORK ON ANNUAL PROGRESSING RAPIDLY

The class individual and faculty pictures arrived some time ago. Everyone was quite excited over them and ran around trading them all day. These pictures will be used in this year's Tiger Lair. The C. K. Hennington Co. handled the taking of these pictures and a representative will probably return soon for the retakes of those who were absent.

The Steck Co. of Austin, Texas, is printing our annual. Their representative, Mr. Richter, visited the campus not long ago and took informal shots of the students as well as those all-important football pics. These have come in and we are beginning to plan layouts for those pages.

We are working on our ad pages now. Advertisers who bought ads entitling them to a picture of their store in the ad, are allowing us to pose groups of students in the pictures. This adds a lot to the book and makes the ads a little more interesting.

Our business managers, Karon Higginbotham and Don Ross, are working hard to get one additional subscription to attain our goal of 150 annual subscriptions this year.

We're trying to make this annual the best ever.

ELEMENTARY BASKET BALL

The Hico Junior High boys and girls went to Fairy recently to play their first basket ball games of the season. The girls won by a score of 19-12. The boys played well although Fairy won by a score of 22-13. The following boys and girls are on the team:

BOYS: Don Tooley, Van Keith Hooper, Geoffrey Holladay, Joe Knight, Charles Tolliver, Steve Ogle, Tommy Joe Britton, Sammy Partain, and Lavon Pierce. Manager is Buddy Ables.

GIRLS: Reggie Ellis, Linda Mc-Lendon, Anna Lee Luckie, La Mona Head, Dorothy Zeiss, Kay Jameson, Valorie McFadden, Virginia Jones, Ann Huteon, Pat Massey, Joan Boone, Dorcas Pettigrew. Manager is Mariletha Churchill.

EIGHTH GRADE CLASS OFFICERS ELECTED

The eighth grade class elected their officers for this school year. They are as follows: President, Van Hooper; Vice-president, Geoffrey Holladay; Secretary, Steve Ogle; Reporter, Reggie Ellis.

ORCHIDS TO

Ray Battershell and Donald Ross, both seniors, who made the All-District 15-B Team. Orville Templeton, a senior, and Ronald McKenzie, a junior, who made the second team.

Carol Harris who won third prize at the Hico Lions Club Amateur Show last November 30.

Don Holley, Bobby Joe Anderson, Buddy Teague, Carey McKenzie, Bobby Kilcrease, George Cozby, Don Ables, Donald Warren, Joe Coffman, Sherrel Kirk, and Charles Stipe who are F.F.A. boys. They entered a Chapter Conducting and Green Hand Quiz held at Comanche, December 1. They won third prize. Comanche won first prize and Hamilton won second.

Mr. Cook and the board of trustees who have offered the Methodist Church the use of the Cafeteria and elementary class rooms during its period of remodeling.

So soon sometimes does bread cast upon the waters return.

ONIONS TO THOSE STUDENTS

... who carelessly leave in study hall, classroom, and campus, ... who abuse books, magazines and newspapers in the library.

... who fail to replace their reading materials on the racks before leaving study hall.

SEEN' WHAT'S DOIN'

This week Mrs. Brummett gave a group of students aptitude tests. These were voluntarily taken, and the students who took them enjoyed them and were pleased with the results. These tests are designed to show you the various fields of work you are best suited for.

Report card day rolled around again. Every class was represented on the honor roll. The Freshman class led with 8 members on the roll. They are: Betty Drake, Julia Hedges, Judy Holladay, Don Holley, Tommy Leeth, Carey McKenzie, Charles Stipe, Buddy Teague. The Sophomores are: Betty Booth, Joyce Rae Lowe, Shirley Morgan, Deborah Pruett, and Katherine Sparks. The Junior "brain" this 6 weeks is Kay Jernigan. What's the matter with the rest of you smart Juniors? The Seniors who made the roll are: Carol Harris and Edna Walker.

This brings up a modern report card joke:

Don: I hope my dad has lost those special glasses he got at the movies last week.

Peggy: Why?

Don: The teacher gave me a 3-D report card this month.

From the study hall comes this one:

Mrs. Angell: Please be quiet! people around you can't read.

Arvey: They ought to be med. I could read when I was

One-Act Play has been for the Interscholastic Competition this year. The entitled, "As Young as K", a comedy. A tentative

cast has been chosen. Mrs. Brummett will again direct the play. Everyone has the Christmas spirit and is looking forward to the holidays which will be Dec. 18-28. The Senior class, following tradition, is sponsoring the school tree and a Christmas program the afternoon of December 18th. Each class will draw names and gifts will be exchanged.

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7:30 p. m. Christmas Concert at Clifton College.
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Former NR Columnist Has Leg Broken

DINK SAYS WE SHOULD BE GRATEFUL WHEN THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH US

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of the crutches. I know now why Mr. Applegate was so thrilled when his son sent him a brand new pair of crutches padded until they almost sprung—but I padded and padded and I believe if mine were made of down and foam rubber that they still would not be for me.

One afternoon as I sat looking at the luscious bunches of grapes upon the highboy I decided I would eat a bunch of them, but wondered how I was going to get them. Even if I decided upon risking the pain of the crutches, how would I carry them back to the chair with me? I couldn't figure out a way and decided to try and knock off a bunch with the bottom end of the crutch, but lacked about three inches of being able to reach them. I thought of the story of the fox who could almost touch them but could not make the grade. I know now how his mouth must have watered, and this is the first time I have ever had any sympathy for a fox. I hate him no more.

Then one morning when my breakfast was brought to me, I was left alone to eat it, but the person had gone and had forgotten to bring me a knife and fork. I looked into the plate with the

egg cooked soft and wondered how I would get the yellow part, which always runs into my mouth without some kind of an implement to put it there. Then there was the bacon, which was no problem, but the butter and jam to spread on the toast. Now this really took some figuring, and I felt that I would give anything for a couple of good legs so I could get the things I needed. Things usually work out some way though, and believe it or not but I spied a long-handled spoon and reached for it and made it. I used a little water from my glass to rinse it and dived into the eggs and butter. Then it had been overlooked that I liked sugar in my coffee and this was black. The sugar was yards and yards away in the kitchen. I knew this was one of the impossibles, so it was right here and there that I learned to drink my first black coffee. Despite the bitterness, I managed to get it down.

With no help on Thanksgiving Day, it was my husband's time to do the chores. He made the beds, leaving petticoats showing from under the bedspreads. I knew then that he could never get a job in a rooming house, hotel or hospital where the beds have to be perfectly made, but he made a try at things, and did a pretty good all around job.

I kept practicing a little each day with the crutches, but the learning was slow. Finally one day it dawned on me exactly how to catch hold and get around without discomfort. I was really thrilled, and it was the next day that the doctor said I would use them no more just walk on the cast with the special prepared heel. A day or two of this made me want the crutches back.

I just could not seem to see a good thing about the whole set-up, and as the old lady said, "The situation was just a very 'unconvenient' one."

Disruptions from the regular routine of life make us realize how grateful we should be when there is nothing wrong with us, and should make us have a warm feeling at all times for those who go through life with draw-backs. We sometimes get used to their handicaps and get unthoughtful of the little things we could do for them. Every little act of kindness is always deeply appreciated, and this comes from one who has really experienced a few of the obstacles during the past few days, but thanks to everyone who helped, and we are now well on the road to recovery.

Listen as the Redbird Rambles

By Carolyn Holford

STIFF COMPETITION . . . for this column is offered elsewhere in this paper by that loquacious Dink, who formerly held the post occupied by this writer, in addition to other duties around the NR. Dink, who was persuaded to move to Hamilton by her husband, George Goughly, writes the kind of stuff that we enjoy reading, and her description of her recent accident is comparable to the kind of thing written by Cornelia Otis Skinner and other well-known authors. If she ever gets around to writing a book, we'll bet it would be very popular.

We thought of her last week while gathering news of visitors on Thanksgiving, as she always managed to gather a lot of names in her news writing here.

DEMAND FOR ARTISTS . . . seems to be greater than the supply. John Reed, local photographer, has produced a lifelike photograph of a scene typical of many pastures around this area. An enlargement of this picture, which was tinted by Mrs. Goodwyn Phillips in natural autumn colors, was brought in to the News Review to see if we could print a description in one corner. When it proved too large for our job printing press, we suggested that to find someone who could letter the words. At last report, he had failed to find anyone who would do the job.

The ranch scene pictured some Hereford cattle grazing on the Circle F Ranch, managed by Chuck Little.

SO CONVINCING . . . that he persuaded himself on the desirability of raising chickens locally was the speech given recently by Jewel Ramage when he substituted for the regular teacher at the veterans' agricultural school.

Jewel read some books on the subject and gave a very good talk about chickens. Later we read in a neighboring newspaper that he is considering going into this business on Ramage Farms.

NEWEST PUZZLER . . . presented by that fun-loving character, Paul Neel, was the question he asked this week. Going to the most authoritative source, he asked Wayne Rutledge what was the death rate in Hico.

Wayne told him that he didn't know offhand, presuming we suppose that it might take some figuring.

Paul Neel replied that he guessed it was the same here as anywhere else . . . one to a person.

HIGH COTTON . . . is what you might call what the editor and his family were in last week end. Actually we were in the same spot where high cotton was once raised, and what is now Lake Whitney. For the first time since the completion of the dam, we were privileged to go out on the water in a boat.

This event came about when we visited the concession, operated by Cecil Coston, formerly of Hico. Cecil rents boats to folks visiting the dam, but knocked himself out of a sale when he offered to introduce us to a fellow who pilots his own cabin cruiser privately on the lake and keeps it in storage at Cecil's lakeside dock.

The owner of this Chris Craft is from Fort Worth, and he and his friend Miss Ruth MacDonald, were down for an afternoon of cruising down the river, when they graciously invited the editor and his wife and daughter to go along with them.

It was a very interesting afternoon, and the whole family returned to Hico with hopes of owning a similar cabin cruiser some time in the future, even to the extent of abandoning other dreams of lake houses and new cars, etc.

The fellow who owned the boat, Eddie Kayler, had bought the boat in package form and had done his own assembling, even to the installation of modern conveniences rarely found in an ordinary boat.

GRATIFYING, INDEED . . . have been the letters received by this column in response to a recent call for help in ascertaining the exact age of the old school building in Hico. William Kinnard Davis of San Francisco, Calif., has taken time out from his business to write the following interesting letter about old times in Hico.

THE HICO NEWS REVIEW HICO, TEXAS Gentlemen:

In your column headed and written by Carolyn Holford of your paper of Friday, November, column 5 on page four, I read with interest the argument between two of my family's best friends, Herbert F. Sellers and Alsey Alford, which I can get them both corrected on.

That is the date of the first class to graduate in the old (new addition) of the building when J. N. Davis, my father, came to Hico to take over the school.

I am telling my age but that won't hurt me but may make some of those fellows feel older when

they think back and remember me when they were going to school.

Now; I was born on July 23rd, 1892 in McGregor, Texas and my family, consisting of my father and mother and J. N. Jr., moved to Hico the same year the following month, August, 1892. And the new addition was built on the old portion as you described, late in 1892 and early part of 1893 ready to start school in September of that year. So the first year school was held in the new portion for the school year of Sept. 1893 ending later part of May, 1894.

At this time the school had only the grade school but my father started the addition of the high school which took four years to build up and the information that Feltie Weaver was the first graduate is correct which year was at the close of school in May, 1897. So the next graduating class was 1898 as accounted for in your column. So your estimate of the age of the old school is about correct, 60 years or so.

After the first graduate, my father worked hard to build up the standing of the school to be affiliated with all State Colleges and Universities, so students graduating from Hico High School could enter without entrance examinations.

But Hico and its school shall always be a tender spot in my heart and I am more than glad that you have such a good and fine new school. I have been back only one time since I left Hico in 1912 to go to college but I do hope some day to get back to Hico and meet any and all my old friends. In looking over the paper sent me I saw very few names that I remembered.

In looking over the School Board members names I saw Grady Hooper and believe me it made me stop and think how old I was getting, as Grady was only a small kid when I remembered him last. But I can say that his family was one of the best friends my father and mother had. I shall never forget them all and many more of the older families when I was but a small kid myself. I shall never forget the Hancock family that did the brick work on the old school. Fred. John and Will were the three boys and what nice people they were.

Well I think have gotten the argument corrected between Herbert and Alsey, so shall call it quits but at any time you want any data of good old Hico just write me. I mean by this the Hico that is known as Hico today. For OLD HICO was as you know out near Honey Creek, and was a part of the old farm we lived on before we moved from Hico.

I hope to be fully retired by the first of the coming year and shall move up the country at which address I shall let you know and will subscribe for the Hico News Review. And until then I am still rooting for Hico, the greatest little town I know of.

Sincerely yours, KINNARD DAVIS.

Official Reports on Progress of Motor Vehicle Inspections

Motor Vehicle Inspector, B. G. Robb, who is in charge of the Vehicle Inspection Stations in Hamilton County, said on a recent visit to Hico that although inspection is progressing extremely well in Hamilton County and throughout the State, it would be well to keep the following information in mind:

With 11 months of 1953 already behind us, the State of Texas is 10% highway deaths behind the 1952 total for a comparable period. This decreasing rate may be held and even improved upon although the "deadly" holiday season is fast approaching. With winter and holiday travel only a weather change away, it would be wise for all those who have not had their vehicles inspected to do so now.

The very essentials of winter driving—proper brakes, lights, horn and windshield wiper operation—are the backbone of the new Motor Vehicle Inspection program. We can, therefore, do our winter driving safely and with fewer operational worries, as well as avoid the last minute spring inspection rush, if we will have our vehicles inspected between now and Christmas.

Inspector Robb said that of all the cars inspected so far, records show that 58 per cent need some adjustment or repair. Seven per cent needed brake adjustments while 34 per cent needed headlight corrections. At the same time, total cost of inspection has averaged only \$1.77 per car which includes the price of the inspection. Inspector Robb said that this was probably the most reasonable life insurance being sold in Texas today. He urges each owner to go today to the inspection station of his choice. Tomorrow may be too late.

There are nine inspection stations in Hamilton County. They are required by law to be open for business at least 8 hours a day. Most of them are open much longer, and each one will be glad to give your car a thorough, courteous and personalized inspection.

THANK YOU

The kind people of Hico a vicinity, for all the visits, prayer cards and flowers, extended during my stay in the hospital. May God bless and keep you Dr. Hedges and all the clinic hospital personnel. I want to say God bless and keep all for your patient and kind me.

Sincerely, MRS. W. W. GL...

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Hico, Texas, Friday, Dec. 11, 1953.

From where I sit... by Joe Marsh. A Case of "Moostaken" Identity. Slim Smith never had a chance to use his moose call until a trip north this year. Visited him yesterday to see what he'd bagged. "First day out," he told me, "I picked up a trail. I sounded the call and waited. Then I heard a moose call. Sure enough, something came crashing through the brush. But it was another guy with his moose call. Boy, did I get my finger off the trigger in a hurry! "My last day there I picked up another trail. This time I got

TAXPAYERS NOTICE I WILL BE AT THE CITY HALL IN HICO ON THE FOLLOWING DATE FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE— Wednesday, December 16 — From 8:30 A. M. to 2:00 P. M. — REMEMBER — 1% DISCOUNT ON TAXES PAID IN DECEMBER BILLY G. WOOD TAX ASSESSOR & COLLECTOR HAMILTON COUNTY

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Personals.

Mrs. Charles Golightly and Charles Jr. visited this week with Mr. and Mrs. John Golightly.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Knight of Doan visited her sister, Mrs. J. A. Garth, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Richbourg Friday.

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Doyle Creswell and his sister, Mrs. E. S. Kilpatrick of Elk City, Oklahoma, visited their aunt, Mrs. Mollie Harvey, Saturday on their way home after a trip to Temple.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Ramage are the parents of a boy born Sunday, Dec. 6, who will make his home with his parents and sister, Cherry D. in Bellaire. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Ramage of Iredell Route 2, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Curry, Midlothian.

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Miss Shirley Cole of Hamilton, Route 1, was a visitor this week with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ratliff.

Mrs. Ludie Hudson was a visitor Monday in the home of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Ramage.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Goodie spent the past week end in Wichita Falls, where they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Brogdon on their ranch near there.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter Pratt of Stamford spent Sunday with their aunt, Miss Sallie Cunningham. They all visited Mrs. J. A. Garth and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Richbourg.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Dodd and Susan, of Lawn, visited Sunday and Monday in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Meador and Denna.

H. Smith of Waco was here on business and greeting old friends Monday. Mr. Smith was local agent for the Katy at Hico from 1907 until 1941.

Mrs. Nettie Anderson and daughters, Muriel and Leona, and granddaughter, Betty, of Moody visited Mrs. Janette Massey and children, Ronald and Pat, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Rallsback and son James spent Thursday in Mineral Wells, where they visited another son, A. M. Rallsback and family.

A girl, weighing 6 pounds and 9 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Vaughn Saturday, Dec. 5. Her name is Deborah Renee. The mother is the former Mary Nell Pruitt.

Edmund and Walter Lazar of Storrs, Connecticut arrived last week for an extended visit with their sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Horton and son, Edmund, at the Toe-Gen Ranch.

"The Womanless Wedding" will be presented at the Iredell Gym on Tuesday night, Dec. 15, at 7:30 p. m. Admission, 50c and 25c. Come, bring the family and get a good laugh. Sponsored by Iredell P.T.A. 31-1tp.

Mr. and Mrs. Duvie Love and Alan visited Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Horsley and Verne Saturday. Mr. Love, a former vocational agriculture teacher here, is now agricultural agent for the M-K-T railroad. He is located in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Grimes spent last week end with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Grimes, in Austin. While there, one of the highlights of their visit was a trip to the woods where they cooked over an open fire.

OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS HERE FOR BRAMBLETT RITES

Out-of-town relatives and friends who were here last week to attend the funeral of Owen M. Bramblett were the following:

Mr. and Mrs. James Webb and three children, Big Spring; Mrs. Curtis Wilson and daughter, Will, Virgle and Alton Hooks, all of Mineola;

Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Bramblett, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Jewell Donahoo Mrs. Rose Ryan, Truman Nolan, all of Fort Worth; Dow Henderson, Hamilton; Mrs. Pierce McBride and Mrs. D. H. Burden, Dallas;

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Malone, Waco; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Bramblett, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Bramblett, Mr. and Mrs. Estes McEntire, Mr. and Mrs. John Guinn, Bob Ballew, H. D. Anderson, Mrs. Mattie Walworth, Mrs. Mary Koonsman, Mrs. Johnnie Scott, Mrs. Jacobs and Mrs. George Holder, all of Stephenville.

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June Hamilton and Rusty Roberson Plan Home Wedding Here

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Hamilton have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Dolores June, to Clinton Lloyd Roberson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Roberson. A home wedding is planned, with the date to be December 23.

The couple both attended Hico High School, and Miss Hamilton is a 1953 graduate of this school. Miss Hamilton will be honored at the home of Mrs. Morse Ross, with Mrs. Ellis Randals and Mrs. Fred Rainwater serving as co-hostesses.

Denna Meador Has Party at Clubhouse On Fifth Birthday

Mrs. E. V. Meador honored her daughter, Denna Elaine, on her fifth birthday Monday, December 7, from 3 to 5 p. m. with a party at Bluebonnet Country Club.

After several games were played, and gifts opened, refreshments of cake and ice cream were served. Favors were gum, candy and balloons.

Those attending were Kay and Chuck Cheek, Suzanne Lackey, Cathy Stringer, Barbara and James Hord Randals, Barbara Casey, Claudia Hafer, Ronnie Hefner, Judy Jameson, Mike Reeves, Diane Dunlop, Diane Ogle, Glenda Ogle, Danny Jenkins, Joan Moon, guests, and Denna Meador, hostesses.

Also the following mothers, Mrs. Ray Cheek, Mrs. George Stringer, Mrs. Donald Hefner and Mrs. Milton Dunlop, attended.

Mrs. S. E. Blair Sr. Has Christmas Party For Helping Hand Class

The Helping Hand Class of the Methodist Sunday School met in the home of Mrs. S. E. Blair Sr. on Tuesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock for the regular business and social meeting. This was also a Christmas party with a lovely Christmas tree and beautifully wrapped gifts for all present.

The Blair home was beautifully decorated with a Christmas motif. Co-hostesses with Mrs. Blair were Mrs. Drury Jones, Mrs. Annie Waggoner, Mrs. Lucy Barrow and Mrs. Ruby Williams.

The president, Mrs. Waggoner, called the class to order. Two songs were sung, with Mrs. John Rusk at the piano. Mrs. J. H. Baldrige led the prayer.

Mrs. Jim Carman told a touching Christmas story and then read the Scripture of the story of the birth of Jesus. Mrs. Tyrus King, secretary, called the class roll and read the minutes. Mrs. Watt Ross, treasurer, made her report.

Mrs. D. R. McCauley was in charge of entertainment for the evening. She gave a Christmas reading on the birth of Jesus, after which the class joined in singing "Silent Night."

Refreshments consisted of a salad plate with fruit cake, and hot chocolate and coffee.

The presents were then handed out to the following who attended: Mrs. Lusk Randals, Mrs. Jim D. Wright, Mrs. J. W. Richbourg, Mrs. Tom Strepy, Mrs. Nettie Meador, Mrs. Andrew Hutton, Mrs. John Haines, Mrs. J. P. Owen, Mrs. George Stringer, Mrs. Willard Sellman, Mrs. Elta Hampton, Mrs. Roy French, Mrs. J. C. Barrow, Mrs. Ray Shook, Mrs. R. J. Ogle, Mrs. W. H. Greenalt, Mrs. Loyall Carr, Mrs. McCauley, Mrs. Waggoner, Mrs. Barrow, Mrs. King, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Rusk, Mrs. Baldrige, Mrs. Carman, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Blair, and Miss Ira Cunningham.

REPORTER

Surprise Party Given For Birthday of One Member of Mud Hens

The Mud Hens Club surprised one of their members, Mrs. George B. Golightly with a party on Friday of last week at her home in Hamilton, two days before her birthday which occurred the following Sunday.

The surprise worked perfectly because it was staged ahead of the occasion. Each member took their porcelain and ceramic pieces to work on, thereby losing no time in getting ready for the holidays.

Later in the afternoon, Mrs. John Hardy Morgan entered the room with a huge white birthday cake as the group started singing the birthday song. Mrs. Fred Jones of Hico had brought along three kinds of ice cream, and each person had brought a gift.

The club decided to disband with their regular meetings until the first Monday in January when Mrs. W. W. Hoover will be hostess.

Those present for the birthday celebration included: Mrs. John Hardy Morgan, Mrs. Clyde Weatherby, Mrs. Seth Moore, Mrs. W. W. Hoover, Mrs. A. G. Thompson, Mrs. A. M. Whitie and Mrs. Jimmie Williams of Hamilton; and Mrs. H. E. McCulough, Mrs. Fred Jones, Mrs. Harry Hudson, and Mrs. W. F. Hafer and daughter, Claudia of Hico.

Christmas Party Is Planned by Ladies of Clairette H. D. Club

Twelve members and one guest, Mrs. E. J. Pruett, were present last Friday afternoon at the Clairette Home Demonstration Club meeting held in the home of Mrs. Jim Edwards.

The opening consisted of the club prayer and pledge. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary, Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, and were approved. The president, Mrs. H. K. Self, Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth and Mrs. W. E. Alexander discussed the menu for the Christmas social planned for Monday night of this week in the home of Mrs. John Mayfield.

The next regular meeting will be on January 15, with the place to be decided later.

REPORTER.

Review Club Meets Last Week in Home Of Mrs. L. N. Lane

Mrs. Lawrence Lane, an associate member of the Hico Review Club, entertained the group at her home Thursday of last week.

Assisting as hostesses were Mrs. Odie Petsick, who poured coffee, and Mrs. Wayne Rutledge, who served cake. They served at a "White Christmas" table.

The program was presented by Mrs. J. E. Lincoln, who discussed Mamie Eisenhower, and Mrs. Marvin Marshall. The latter topic was "The New White House."

Members made plans for their annual Christmas party for husbands to be next Monday, Dec. 14. They also discussed plans for sponsoring a new home economics project.

RESOLUTION OF RESPECT In Memory of Mrs. Emma Driver Who died October 22, 1953

WHEREAS, Once again Death hath summoned a member of our chapter, and the golden gateway to the Eternal City has opened with a "welcome home," the work of ministering to the wants of the afflicted, in shedding light into darkened souls and in bringing joy to the places of misery is completed, and as a reward she has received the plaudit, "Well done" from the Supreme Master;

AND WHEREAS, The Allwise and Merciful Master has called our beloved and respected member home;

AND WHEREAS, Having been a true and faithful member of our Chapter, therefore be it

RESOLVED That Hico Chapter No. 419, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR, in testimony of its loss, tender to the family of our deceased member our sincere condolence in their deep affliction, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be entered in the minutes of our lodge, and a copy be sent to the News Review for publication.

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Carlton

By Mrs. Fred Geyer

A pancake supper was enjoyed by a large crowd at the school house Friday night, sponsored by the Carlton P-T-A. The president, Mrs. J. T. Longino made a short talk on P-T-A, the fine cooperation between the patrons and teachers, and their appreciation for the crowd attending the supper. Mr. and Mrs. Hobdy Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Walker Curry entertained with several messages in song, followed by two educational movies. Minister Price Bankhead gave the benediction.

Mrs. P. W. Jones of Quanah was a visitor the past week with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Vick.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Williamson and two sons and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Williamson moved the past week to Hugo, Okla., where they will make their home. Mr. and Mrs. Charley Bain bought the Willard Williamson farm and have moved to their new home, J. T. Butler, mail carrier on Carlton Route 1, and his family have moved to the Bain farm that he purchased from Mr. Bain.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Finley and Mr. and Mrs. Buster Sams and Larry of Fort Worth visited recently with his mother, Mrs. Jessie Finley.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ellison and daughters of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Welch of Dublin spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Ellison.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Avery of Fort Worth were week end visitors with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Geyer and daughters, Patricia and Deborah of Granbury spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Geyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dove and son, Freddie of Fort Worth are spending a weeks vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rance Sowell.

The Esther Sunday School class of the Carlton Baptist Church, Mrs. W. S. Rudd teacher, presented a beautiful coffee urn to the new kitchen in the Education Fellowship Hall on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Parks and son, Rickey Lynn of Fort Worth visited Sunday afternoon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Whitehead.

Connie Mack, Freddie and Jack Henry Self accompanied their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Self of Claiborne to Temple Sunday to visit their father and son, Dow Self and wife.

The monthly workers conference of Hamilton County met Monday with the Carlton Baptist Church, Rev. Gilbert, the new pastor of the Hamilton Baptist Church, brought the 11 o'clock message. A large crowd attended.

The Senior and Junior Rains and girls of the Carlton school played their first basket ball game of the season Thursday night at the Carlton gym, winning all three games over Sidney.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Stuckey and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stuckey of Waco were visitors Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dude Fisher and Mrs. M. B. Stuckey and their brother, Otho Stuckey and family. Mrs. Stuckey accompanied them home after a visit since Thanksgiving Day with her sons in Waco, and in Rosebud with her sister, Mrs. T. R. Boyd.

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Sunday School, 10 a. m. T. H. King, Superintendent.
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Youth Fellowship, 6:45 p. m. Linda Cox, President.
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IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Mrs. Gregory and Mrs. Earl Morrison of Walnut Springs were here Tuesday.

Mrs. Nola Wingren and her daughter, Mrs. Orgain and children from Dallas spent Wednesday with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson.

Mrs. Danny Wilson was honored December 3 with a pink and blue shower at the home of Mrs. John Pruett. She was assisted by Mrs. Dell Martin and Mrs. J. E. Lawrence. Punch and cookies were served, which was fine. The gifts were nice and she got a good many pretty things. She was very proud of them.

Mrs. Harve Henderson and her daughter, Belle, of Oklahoma visited relatives and friends here this week.

Mrs. Myrtle Duncan visited in Benbrook and Weatherford this week.

Mrs. Walter Thompson has returned from Alvarado where she was with her daughter, Mrs. Lee Mize. She is at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Albert Mize.

Oran Sparks, who has been at the farm of Mrs. Minnie Piper 4 miles from Morgan for 2 months, will come home to stay in another week. Mrs. Piper has sold her farm and will go to Houston to live as her two daughters are there.

Howard Word, who has been in Penn., has been home on a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Word. He left Monday for Camp Kilmer, New Jersey. He left from there for Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hindman and daughter of Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Randall of Springfield, Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Collier and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kingston and family of Burleson were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stroud.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gibbons and baby of near Meridian spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Webb.

The country store sale on Dec. 5 by the WSCS was a success. We made over one hundred dollars. All enjoyed it. Most all the things that were brought there to sell were all sold.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Turner Jr. of Dallas spent the week end with their grandmother, Mrs. Turner, and their aunt, Mrs. Schumacher. W. F. is out of the army.

Rev. L. E. Terpstra and son, Mrs. C. A. Mitchell and Dorris and Ethel, Stella Jones, Mrs. Clem McAden, Mrs. B. N. Strong, Mrs. Howard Myers, Mrs. Roy Gosdin, Mrs. Red McCoy and Mrs. R. O. Burns visited the Methodist Orphan Home in Waco Sunday afternoon. All enjoyed going through but didn't have time to go in all of the buildings. Had two guides, two young ladies. All of the buildings were donated. One was donated by a good Baptist. It would be a good trip for anyone to visit there. It is a beautiful place. They have flowers in bloom. Some beautiful roses and verbenas.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Lawrence of Gonzales visited his uncle, T. M. Tidwell and wife Sunday afternoon.

Saturday all of the pastors of the Gatesville District met in Glen Rose. Two pastors of the district was changed. Rev. Terpstra goes to Copperas Cove and Jack Moore of Zepher comes here. We regret very much to lose our pastor and hope the other one will be good and will please us. Bro. Terpstra said about 25 or 30 changes were made in the conference. Rev. Terpstra delivered his

last sermon Sunday night. The good Baptist pastor and his good Baptist members came over Sunday night. Rev. Jack Moore is a single man. He will preach here Sunday. All come and hear him and stand by him and help.

Mr. and Mrs. Haygood and Mrs. Forrest Waldrop of Walnut Springs were here Monday.

Mr. Lee Hudson is recovering from a recent illness. He very near had pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Gordon of Fort Worth have moved here to their old home place. Will has retired from work on the railroad.

The two new stores have many nice things for Christmas. They have their windows decorated with the gifts.

The program for next Monday will be on "Human Rights." All the ladies are invited. The WSCS meets every Monday afternoon at 2 p. m.

DUFFAU

By Mrs. Pascal Brown

Bro. Gerald Fruzia of Abilene preached at the Church of Christ Sunday and was a dinner guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Seasons.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Evans and family of Morgan Mill spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hutson and daughter, Brenda.

Mr. and Mrs. James Upshaw and daughter, and Miss Betty Jean Land of Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. John Land and O. D. Sunday.

Mr. John Land was a patient in the Hico Hospital during the past week.

M. Sgt. D. W. Irwin and Mrs. Irwin and children of Mobile, Alabama visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Templeton and family over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Holt and children and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lawrence and children were visitors at Lake Whitney Sunday.

Frank Stipe returned to work Monday after being on the sick list for several days.

Jimmy Greer and James Lindsey of Montana returned to their home here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Evans of Dallas visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Evans, J. D. and Louis Hutson and families over the week end.

Mrs. O. M. Evans, accompanied by Mrs. Bob Sherrod and son Bobby, of Stephenville visited in Weatherford Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Witt and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Brown, Bonnie Lee and Harry spent Sunday evening in Harbin in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Killion.

F. D. Ash of Arlington spent the week end with home folks.

Bruce Burgan and son Junior, of Grand Prairie, spent the week end with home folks.

Mrs. A. B. Naul, Freddie Bob and Linda spent the week end in Arlington visiting their husband and father, who is employed there.

J. F. Blackburn was a patient in St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Worth during the week end.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rogers and Mrs. M. Nelms the past week end were Mrs. Doss Nelms of Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Rogers and son, Johnny of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. John Albright and children, Hugh John, Jenny Mae and Doris of Stephenville.

Clairette

By Mrs. Henry Mayfield

Rev. Cox has been ill for several days. He was not able to fill his regular appointment at the Methodist Church Sunday and Sunday night.

The Christmas program will be Sunday night, December 20, instead of the regular service at the Methodist Church.

The Busy Bee Club met Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Les Dowdy. The annual Christmas party and supper, which was set for December 17 two weeks ago to be held at the Clairette school building where it has been held almost every year for the past 20 years, was held Thursday afternoon to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Von Scott, since Mrs. Dulis Dowdy moved into the school building the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Neil, who purchased the Anderson ranch, moved to the ranch from Waco last week.

The Home Demonstration Club members met Friday afternoon with Mrs. Jim Edwards. The club had planned to have their annual Christmas party at the school lunch room. It was changed Friday afternoon to be held in the home of Mrs. Annie Mayfield since Mrs. Dulis Dowdy has moved into the lunch room.

Mr. John Golightly attended a District Home Demonstration meeting in Lubbock last Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reno Dunbar made a trip to Colorado last week.

Andy Duncan and Derl Berridge of Fort Worth were breakfast guests Saturday morning of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mayfield and went hunting after breakfast.

Mr. M. H. Thompson of Eastland and his son, Pvt. Joe Thompson, who is in service stationed at Seattle, Wash., stopped in Clairette last Tuesday afternoon and visited with friends a while. The Thompsons lived in the community 2 or 3 years. They owned the place now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Reno Dunbar.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Self visited their son, Dow Self, in a Temple hospital Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Farrar had their son, J. T. and family of Dallas as guests over the week end. Mrs. Bill Cannon of Kikers Gin came by to see Mr. and Mrs. Tom Farrar a while Tuesday afternoon en route to Hico to visit her friends at the Hico Florist.

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By John C. White, Commissioner

DISEASE DOLLAR LOSSES

An uncontrolled livestock disease can be just as destructive as an uncontrolled forest fire.

Livestock diseases have been smoldering since long before the domestication of the animal. In the days of concentrated meat animal production, the threat of livestock disease grows more alarming—taking a big bite out of the growers' profits.

The extent of this problem can be illustrated by a partial list of a few of the better known livestock diseases and their corresponding dollar loss.

Brucellosis, a disease which affects both animal and man, costs the industry in excess of \$86 million annually. Mastitis presents an estimated yearly bill of \$100 million and hog cholera costs livestock agriculture approximately \$50 million.

Not even conservative dollar loss estimates have been attempted with such diseases as anthrax, foot and mouth, pneumonia, shipping fever, swine erysipelas, X-disease, Black Leg, Atrophic Rhinitis, anaplasmosis and Ketosis, to name a few. If we could determine it accurately, the loss would be staggering.

One agriculturist has hazarded a guess. Dr. L. M. Hutchings, of Purdue University, said, "Based on animal population figures and average values per head, animal agriculture failed to realize a potential gross income of \$2,791,000,000 in 1951 as a result of death losses alone."

These figures point up the value of strict sanitation measures on the farm. Good sanitation is the first step in breaking the disease chain. Today's antibiotics, potent drugs, vaccines and improved feed supplements have accomplished a great deal. However, they have a steep up-hill battle if they are not used in conjunction with a sound farm sanitation program.

A sound disease-preventive program should not be regarded as an expensive burden. Rather, it is an investment like that of a fence for livestock. This sanitary fence is a necessity for keeping diseases out and livestock in good health.

The Texas Department of Agriculture at Austin has prepared a chart of recommended disinfectants for combatting the prevalent diseases which affect livestock. A copy will be mailed upon request.

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Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Can Have Most Deadly Effects

Austin, Dec. 1.—There is no doubt that carbon monoxide—associated with gas heaters—is one of the most deadly and least publicized of all the poisonous gases, said Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer. Carbon monoxide is formed when there is not enough oxygen mixed with the burning gas, or when the design and operation of the equipment is faulty.

With a toxicity comparable to the gases that have been used in warfare not enough attention has been given to the deadly effects of prolonged exposure to carbon monoxide. This gas claims far more than its share of accidental deaths in Texas.

Dr. Cox makes the following recommendations for use of gas heaters:

1. Make sure the heater is properly adjusted.

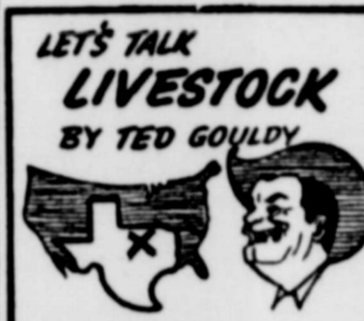
2. Use metal tubing for connecting stove to gas line and check for leaks.

3. Always ventilate a room when the heater is burning.

4. Do not use any artificial gas in a heater designed for natural gas.

5. Never let the stove burn all night.

Carbon monoxide from automobile exhausts is a big health hazard, warns Dr. Cox. He said many motorists have wrecked their cars and been listed as a highway death when carbon monoxide was the real killer. Cars should never be run in garages with the doors closed.



Fort Worth, Dec. 7.—Monday was the 12th anniversary of "Pearl Harbor Day." Americans recalled this tragic day when the infamous Jap attack took place in various ways.

A group of us at the Fort Worth Stockyards got talking about it and the question came up "How do livestock prices today compare with those the week before the Pearl Harbor attack?"

We looked it up and got a surprise. We think the comparison of pre-World War II prices with those paid at Fort Worth Monday will be interesting to you, too!

One thing sure is that you agree "a lot of water has run under the bridge since Dec. 7, 1941!"

At Fort Worth Monday fat steers and yearlings and slaughter cows were about steady in a slow trade. Some tippy fat calves were strong to 50 cents higher. Bulls and stocker and feeder cattle and calves were fully steady.

Comparing prices with Dec. 7, 1941: Good and choice fed steers and yearlings today sold for \$16 to \$22.25—the same grades 12 years ago sold from \$9 to \$11.75 at Fort Worth!

Common and medium slaughter steers and heifers at \$10 to \$15 Monday, sold from \$6.50 to \$9.

Fat cows at Fort Worth Monday brought \$9.50 to \$12.50. 12 years ago they drew \$6.25 to \$7.75. Cannors and cutters sold for \$3 to \$6.25 then, and this week sold from \$6 to \$10.

Bulls at \$5.75 to \$7.00 then, sold at \$7 to \$12.50 this week, and choice slaughter calves at \$14 to \$20, a load at the latter figure from Graham. Twelve years ago on the first Pearl Harbor day their value was \$9.50 to \$11.75. Cull to medium slaughter calves this week drew \$8 to \$13.50, and then they sold from \$6 to \$9.50.

Good and choice stocker and feeder steers and yearlings a dozen years ago sold at \$5.50 to \$10.75, and tippy steer calves reached \$12 and \$13.50. Fort Worth similar steers and yearlings drew \$14 to \$18, and calves reached \$19.

Stocker cows the first week of December 1941 sold from \$5.25 to \$7.50, this week from \$8 to \$13.

Heifers and stocker heifer calves presently sell around \$2 under steers, and at that time averaged \$1 or \$1.25 less.

Hogs had the best market in weeks at Fort Worth Monday and topped at \$24.50, or 50 cents higher. During the original "Pearl Harbor Week" top hogs ranged from \$8.50 to \$9.25.

Sows sold Monday at Fort Worth at \$20 to \$22.

Sheep and lambs sold at steady prices at Fort Worth Monday and choice fat woolled lambs at \$18 to \$19 and good and shorn lambs sold from \$17 to \$19. A dozen years ago com-lambs sold here at \$9 to \$10.

Yearlings sold here at \$10 to \$14, compared with \$8 to \$9.50 12 years ago.

Slaughter ewes drew \$10 to \$12, breeder ewes sold \$11 to \$13, and wethers cashed \$10 to \$12.

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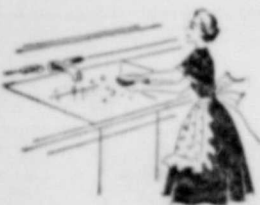
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- TO EXECUTIVE MEETING**
- L. H. Davis of Hico, a member of the 191-member Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, attended the board's quarterly meeting Tuesday in Dallas. Members heard the annual reports of the appropriations and plans and policies committees and elected officers for 1954.
 - Reports from the committees included recommendations for policies of operation, methods of work, and expenditure of funds for phases of work related to the Executive Board.
 - The plan and policies committee will recommend members for standing committees for the new year with the exception of their own committee and the appropriations committee. Members of these committees are appointed by the chairman of the board. This committee will also recommend the reelection of the executive secretary, administrative officials, and department heads.
 - A part of the appropriations committee's recommendation will be the allocation of \$903,270 for state missions, district missions and promotion, and rural extension funds.
 - Members will elect a chairman, vice chairman, and secretary for the new year.

ATTEND GRAND LODGE

Seven members of the Masonic Lodge from Hico were in Waco one evening last week to attend the Grand Lodge of Texas. Delegate from the local chapter was Fred Red Harris, who remained the rest of the week for other meetings.

Those who attended from here were Paul Noel, Sherman Roberson, J. C. Prater, Bill Rhodes, Cliff Brogdon and R. B. Goodloe.

Lions Decide Upon Regular Meetings Throughout Holidays

No interruption in the regular schedule of sessions through the holiday period is anticipated by the Hico Lions Club. Meeting at Lordermilk Cafe Wednesday at noon, the members discussed over the proposal and decided that with parties and visiting and all, there wouldn't be anything for them to eat at home anyhow.

Present as guests at the meeting were Pete Wagner of Gatesville and Sam Butler of Hamilton. The former, as field representative for Heart O' Texas Council, Boy Scouts, thanked Ray Cheek as chairman and other members of a committee engaged in the annual fund drive.

R. B. Jackson reported that the amateur show last week cleared \$271.70. This net profit for the third event of its kind he considered a favorable accomplishment when compared with profits of \$311.03 on the first show in 1952 which were shared with the Band Parents Club, and of \$258.41 on the second show earlier this year.

Harold D. Walker, presiding, called attention to the sound financial condition of the Lions Club as reflected by a statement from the secretary, Conda Salmon. Plans for erection of a Christmas tree in the center of town were discussed, and final action left to the discretion of T. A. Randall, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and Mrs. L. N. Lane, representing the Hico Garden Club, who are cooperating on the project.

Proposal of stores closing for two days during Christmas was referred to the Chamber of Commerce for action. Postmaster Jackson called attention of the members to the fact that Hico's was the only post office in this area open on Saturday afternoons.

Eastern Star Meets For Program Honoring Deputy Grand Matron

The Hico Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star entertained the newly-appointed deputy grand matron, Mrs. Doris Penn of Meridian, at a called meeting Thursday night at Masonic Hall.

At this meeting also, initiation services were conducted for Mrs. Bernell Jernigan. Mrs. Kathleen C. Mitchell, worthy matron of the Meridian chapter, was a guest. Mrs. B. E. Gamble and Mrs. S. E. Blair Sr. served sandwiches, cake and coffee. The regular stated meeting will be next Thursday, Dec. 17.

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