

Tornado-Struck Knox City Digging Out From Debris

The Herculean task of cleaning up the debris-strewn disaster area of Knox City was well under way today following the vicious tornado that ripped through this West Texas community on Friday, March 13, leaving in its wake 15 dead and 20 persons hospitalized.

Three other lives were snuffed indirectly by the tornado—the lives of two unborn babies and the life of C. A. Reed, who suffered a fatal heart attack following the disaster, and died Monday.

The storm struck at 2:17 p. m., according to rescue workers who found clocks among the debris stopped at this time. Thirty-five blocks, in a line with the Cornett homes on the Southeast edge through to the Northeast of Knox City past the home of W. W. Hyde, felt the wrath of the storm.

Disaster Fund Passes \$13,000

Donations totaling \$13,460.32 had been received by the Disaster Relief Fund at noon today, C. E. Williams, chairman, reported.

The donations, ranging from \$1.00 to \$1,000.00, are coming from people far and near. Many are accompanied by words of sympathy from the donors for the people of Knox City and the stricken area.

The figure listed above includes only the money now in the hands of the committee, Williams said.

The Abilene Reporter-News, the Wichita Falls Times Publishing Co., the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal are serving as collection agencies in their areas.

The Wichita Falls papers have been forwarding money received by them but the other papers will send donations received by them when the fund drive is completed.

The Disaster Relief Fund committee was set up Sunday and includes Alton Leach, Rip Collins, C. J. Reese, Abe Watson, S. N. Reed, Dwight Gothard and Ford Waldrip.

The committee issued its appeal for funds for the tornado-struck area through newspapers and radio stations in the area.

The committee, after meeting with Red Cross officials Monday, agreed to keep its fund separate from the Red Cross aid being given to those who suffered loss from the tornado.

The fund will be used to supplement the aid given to the victims when the Red Cross has completed its work.

Williams said individual letters of thanks will be sent to all donors outside of the stricken area by the committee.

"We feel the people of this immediate territory will not expect to be thanked individually for their contributions to aid their less fortunate neighbors," Williams said.

"This committee joins with all the citizens of Knox City in expressing our appreciation for the generous response to our plea for financial help for the stricken," he added.

"Our collections work has just begun, the problems of dispensing the fund where it is most needed and providing aid for the most victims will follow. It will be a long and tedious task."

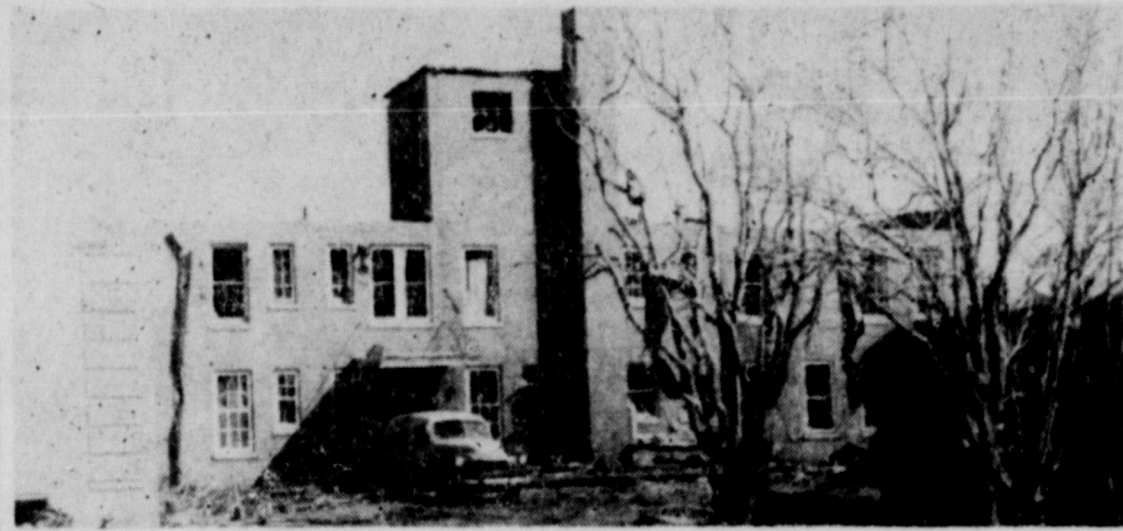
"Our aim is to come as near as possible to replacing all material things lost by the victims of the tornado," he concluded.

Red Cross Aiding Victims of Storm

About 30 families, victims of the Friday storm, are receiving individual emergency help with food and clothing from the American Red Cross, according to Tom West of Benjamin, chairman of the Knox County Red Cross chapter. The Red Cross mobile canteens from Wichita Falls and Ft. Worth were in the affected areas of Knox City and Haskell County from Friday night until Monday evening and served the homeless families, about 200 persons, in the canteen in the basement of the Legion hall and also those families who were "camping out" in their damaged homes. The canteens also helped serve approximately 1500 persons who were on guard duty or served on the clean-up detail. Twelve volunteers manned the canteen from Ft. Worth, and the same number came from Wichita Falls.

Nurses were recruited by the Red Cross to give special care to the seriously injured in the hospitals when the physicians in charge felt that such care was needed. Twenty-six nurses responded to this call and served in the hospitals in Haskell, Seymour and Abilene.

Applications for rehabilitation assistance are being taken at the Red Cross Disaster Relief Headquarters which moved on Saturday afternoon from the American Legion building to the vacant store at 110 W. 4th St. (Continued on Page 2)



AFTER THE STORM — A truck is shown at the rear of Knox County's Hospital, removing salvagable linens following the storm. Broken windows and debris-strewn ground are mute evidence of the force of the tornado. No one was seriously injured here.

200 Knox Citizens Are Left Homeless

The wrath of Friday's tornado left at least 200 people homeless in Knox City with all of their possessions destroyed or damaged beyond use.

According to a survey made by the Red Cross, 20 houses were demolished, 22 received major damage, the Knox City Clinic and Knox County Hospital both were heavily damaged, and 52 residences were left with minor damage by the storm, which cut a swath of destruction through 35 blocks of Knox City.

It should be noted that several houses listed by the Red Cross as receiving major damage are considered by their owners and insurance adjustors as totally destroyed, and any remains left standing will be torn down before rebuilding.

Besides the homes there was an uncounted number of garages and other outbuildings destroyed, and many automobiles and pickups wrecked or heavily damaged.

The houses listed by the Red Cross as destroyed were occupied by the following families: Claude Abston, Edgar Teague, Mrs. Ada Clarke, George Winn, John Egenbacher, Cliff Ball, Mrs. W. J. Cagle, John Martin, G. D. McCarty, Ed Nance and Mrs. L. L. Houston.

Refugio Ochoa, Jr., Daniel Casillas, John Escobar, Refugio Ochoa, Sr., Bill Waggoner, Joe Leija, W. W. Hyde, Frank Hernandez, and Matt Bryant.

The 22 houses listed as receiving major damage were owned or occupied by the following:

John Hansen, C. J. Bohannon, H. A. Huntsman, J. W. Smith, Dr. T. S. Edwards, Ernie Wilson, Mrs. Ethel Branton (cafe and residence), W. H. Cornett, B. F. Cornett and L. E. Groves.

Mrs. J. W. Howell, J. W. Tankersley, Mrs. Sam Anderson, Benton Anderson, I. C. Godsey, Leonard Houston, O. B. McElroy, Steve Reyes, Tommy Everett, Roy Reynolds, W. M. Lewis and H. C. Dennington's apartment house.

Fifty-two houses were listed as receiving minor damage. They were occupied by the following: U. L. Benny, Sam White, Roy Smith, Mrs. T. P. Frizzell, (Continued on Back Page)

W. W. Hyde Rites Held Tuesday

Funeral services for W. W. Hyde, retired mail carrier, were held at the First Baptist Church in Knox City Tuesday, March 17 at 2:30 p. m., with Rev. E. V. Becker, pastor of the church, officiating.

Mr. Hyde was killed as he sat in the living room of his home, drinking a cup of coffee, when the tornado struck Knox City Friday, March 13. The modern, two-bedroom home, completed last year and given to Mr. and Mrs. Hyde by their daughter, Mrs. Alma Brown of Lamesa, was demolished. Mrs. Hyde was in her bedroom and miraculously escaped injury.

William Walter Hyde was born July 4, 1875, in Arab, Ala. He married Lizzie Isabel Hallmark on October 12, 1894 in Alabama and the couple moved to Jones County in 1899. In 1900, Mr. and Mrs. Hyde moved their (Continued on Page 2)

The Herald Explains

If the Herald had the staff of a metropolitan daily, it would still be impossible to record all the stories of tragedy, of heart-break, of heroism and of mercy that have been told since the storm on Friday.

Individual stories about victims of the tornado, stories of the deeds performed by rescue workers and stories of help rendered in and after the emergency are far too numerous to publish.

Hence, the Herald has tried to give an over-all account of the disaster, has tried to give credit to groups rather than individuals.

We know Knox Citizens, and others, too, do not want credit for what they do—or for what they give, but in later editions we will try to recount in more detail the help rendered by the various organizations. We will also publish a list of the out-of-town donors—many of them people who had never heard of Knox City before—who are giving from their hearts to the Knox City Disaster Relief Fund.

Cleanup Ending; Rebuilding Begins

Some reconstruction has started in the area which was struck by Friday's tornado following the gigantic cleanup drive staged by more than 600 volunteer workers who poured into Knox City Monday.

An appeal was sent out by radio and newspaper for volunteers to aid Knox City in cleaning up the disaster area.

"The response was overwhelming," Rip Collins and J. R. Hitchcock, co-chairmen of the Cleanup Committee said.

"With the help of 130 trucks, bulldozers and tractors and the 600 workers who registered with us, the cleanup job was 80 per cent accomplished in one day," Collins said.

Huge winch trucks manned by volunteer workers towed broken trees through side streets of the town and rapidly cleared debris from the stricken area.

Volunteers came from every town within a 70 mile radius of Knox City.

The Cleanup Committee assisting Collins and Hitchcock included Jimmy Dunnam, Ken (Continued on Back Page)

C. A. Reed Dies; Funeral Services Held Wednesday

Disaster-struck Knox City was further saddened Monday night by the death of Charlie Reed. Friends feel that his untimely death may have been caused by the tornado Friday afternoon.

He was a patient in the Knox County Hospital after suffering a heart attack Wednesday, Mar. 11, while working at his food store. When the tornado struck the hospital and the patients were evacuated, Mr. Reed was carried to his home. About three hours later, he suffered his second heart attack and was rushed to the Seymour hospital where he died Monday, March 16, at 6 p. m.

Funeral services were held at the Knox City Baptist Church Wednesday, March 18. Rev. E. V. Becker, pastor of the church, officiated, assisted by Rev. S. E. Stevenson of Goree and Rev. W. D. Malone, pastor of the O'Brien Baptist Church.

Charles A. Reed was born in Delight, Arkansas, October 30, 1903. He moved to Knox City with his mother in 1928 and on February 3, 1933, he married Mary Sue Walsworth of O'Brien, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Walsworth.

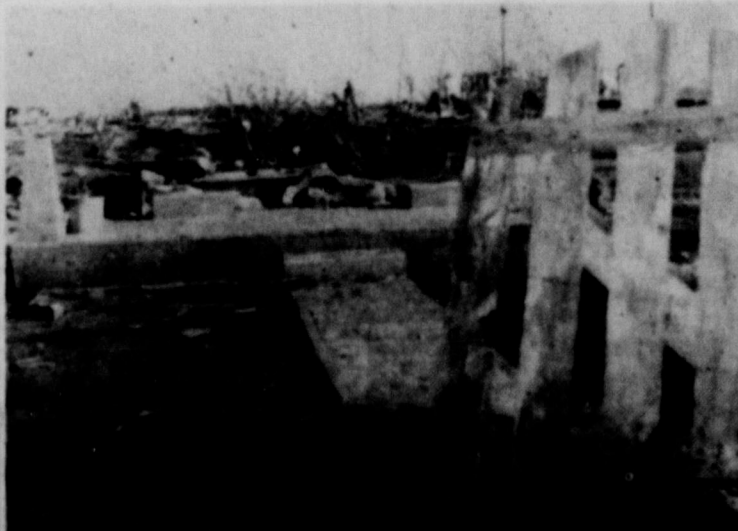
He was in the grocery busi- (Continued on Back Page)

Salvation Army Gives Disaster Aid

Four hours after the tornado cut a swath of death and destruction through Knox City, Salvation Army units from Big Spring, Lubbock and Abilene were in Knox City aiding in the disaster-struck town. Units from Wichita Falls and Plainview arrived within a few hours.

During the emergency, Salvation Army workers spent 1,118 man-hours on the job.

Twenty-six Salvation Army workers have been on duty, and units have been kept in operation 24 hours a day. The workers have had four units in operation, three mobile in the disaster area and one stationary unit downtown. Food was served to casualties and food and (Continued on Page 2)



THE GATE STILL STANDS — At the end of this walk and porch stood the house where Mrs. John Escobar was visiting her mother, Mrs. Martina Avalos Casillas, when the tornado snuffed their lives with its death-dealing force.

THE DEAD

KNOX CITY

W. W. Hyde, 78
Mrs. Martina Avalos Casillas
Mrs. John Escobar, 45
Jim Darr, 76
(Died 20 min. after reaching Abilene hospital.)

O'BRIEN

Fred Qualls, 86
(Died in Haskell Hospital Friday night.)
Mrs. Fred Qualls, 63
(Died in Haskell Hospital at 6 p. m. Saturday.)

S. W. OF O'BRIEN

Mrs. Joe Klutts, 40
Jimmy Henry Klutts, 13
Mary Belle Klutts, 11
Mrs. Tricia Littlejohn, 21

JUD COMMUNITY

Mrs. L. B. Ashley, 42
Glenda Sue Ashley, 2
Carlton Richard Ashley, 10
Velma Ruth Taylor, 4
(Granddaughter of Mrs. L. B. Ashley.)
Ruth Ashley, 14
(Died 9:15 a. m. Sunday in Haskell Hospital.)

THE INJURED

Condition Thursday morning, as reported by the Red Cross:

In Haskell Hospital:
Mary Kay Littlejohn, 3
Condition unchanged. Receiving blood transfusion.

Lillie Mae Escobar, 9
Leg in cast since Friday. Both arms to be put in casts today. Improved.

Mrs. G. H. Taylor
Shoulder and hip injuries, shock and bruises. In hip sling. Condition good.

Barbara Jean Taylor, 1 1-2
Fractured right leg, pelvis and vertebra. Restless night.
J. W. Oxford, 60
Dismissed Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Bell
Good condition. Mr. Bell up.
Mrs. M. M. Griffin, 79
Spent a good night.

Shirley Ashley, 9
Leg in cast, jaw wired. Restless night, now comfortable.
Wanda Ashley, 5
Fractured leg, face bone and collar bone. Doing well.

In Hendrick Memorial, Abilene:
Mrs. Jim Darr, 72
Left leg amputated above knee Wednesday. Spent good night. Out of shock.

Mrs. L. L. Houston, 73
Arms and leg fractured. In traction cast. Doing fairly well.

In Stamford Hospital:
Mrs. E. H. Day, 18
Sprained ankles, lacerations and bruises. May be released in few days.

Clyde Day, 10
Multiple lacerations, scalp wounds. Feeling fine.
David Day, 5 weeks
Not injured.

Gary Day, 19 mos.
Dismissed after first aid.
In Seymour Hospital:
Mrs. G. D. McCarty
Good night. Still under oxygen. Will undergo surgery to put pin in leg.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Ball
Expect to be released soon.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cornett
Mrs. Cornett doing well. Mr. Cornett, with broken vertebra in neck, spent uncomfortable night.

RED CROSS QUOTA TOPPED IN LESS THAN THREE HOURS
Knox City citizens paid tribute to the work of the American Red Cross by topping its quota in the annual fund drive in less than three hours, E. R. Carpenter, local chairman, reported Monday.

The chairman and six helpers began solicitation for the \$700 quota at 2:00 p. m. Monday, and before 5 o'clock that afternoon the quota was oversubscribed by \$41.

"Everyone we contacted gave willingly and generously," Carpenter said. "Members of the committee reported excellent cooperation, with everyone expressing a desire to help his neighbor."

Making the solicitations were Carpenter, A. V. Kemletz, and Mmes. Olvis Hamm, Chad Wilson, David Slaughter, Roy Baker and Barney Arnold.

STORM LEAVES TWO UNOFFICIAL VICTIMS
At least two unborn babies were victims of Friday's tornado.

Mrs. Keith Cartwright, 25, had been expecting a child this week. When the storm hit she fell and hurt herself while trying to shield her other child from the fury of the storm. The baby was born dead at 4 a. m. Saturday by Caesarian section at the Haskell County Hospital.

Mrs. L. B. Ashley, whose life was taken by the tornado at Jud, was expecting her 11th child Saturday.

There was no warning of the approaching disaster. Dazed victims came from their houses looking for neighbors and friends who had been less fortunate while Knox Citizens in the business district smiled at the soaking spring rain—unaware that disaster had struck the community.

Only minutes passed before the town became aware of the tragedy and hundreds flocked to the stricken area to aid in rescue work. People to the north of Knox City, in Munday, Vera and Bomarton, realized a tornado had struck nearby when debris was dropped by the raging wind as it passed over their areas.

Victims were carried to the hospital only to find it was damaged beyond usage.

Word of the disaster spread rapidly and ambulances from surrounding towns began converging on Knox City to help evacuate the injured. Ambulances from Rochester, Seymour, Munday, Rule, Haskell, Crowell, Quanah and Wichita Falls arrived to aid E. Q. Warren in the evacuation.

The storm first struck the Jud community in Haskell county, where it snuffed the lives of five people. From there it skipped to the southwest of O'Brien where it again dipped earthward and took the lives of four more victims.

It demolished the Jack Gauntt home south of O'Brien, barely missed the O'Brien school.

At the eastern edge of O'Brien it took for its toll two lives and six houses. Across the fields from O'Brien to Knox City it ripped through the house of T. E. Robbins and marched relentlessly on—tearing into the homes of B.F. and W. H. Cornett. It smashed through the Knox County Hospital, took the roof

from the Knox City Clinic, leaving the homes to the right and left damaged or destroyed.

It hurled another death-dealing blow at the home of G. D. McCarty where it took the life of Jim T. Darr, who was visiting there. Sweeping homes, trees and debris in its path, it reached the northeast edge of Knox City and took the lives of three more people, W. W. Hyde, Mrs. John Escobar and Mrs. Martina Avalos Casillas.

Knox City was without utilities from the time of the tornado until 8 p. m. when power was restored in some sections of the town. With the restoring of electrical power water pumps went back into action and that service was restored.

In the disaster area gas mains were broken and meters ripped (Continued on Back Page)

Red Cross-

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Mrs. W. H. Benedict has donated this space to the Red Cross to be used as long as the Red Cross has an office in Knox City. "The office will be open as long as it takes the staff here to contact the families individually who have made applications for rehabilitation help and to assist these families in making future plans," Mr. West said. In explaining what is meant by rehabilitation help, West said that the Red Cross gives assistance to those families who are without adequate insurance, cash on hand, savings or investments to provide

the necessities of life. "Sometimes it means that a family needs total help and sometimes it means that a family will need only partial help. It all depends on the individual circumstances of each family and that is why a trained case worker visits and plans with each family."

The Red Cross, West added, can help with repair or rebuilding of owner occupied homes, with the purchase of necessary furniture, with the payment of medical expenses incurred by disaster-caused deaths or injuries, and assistance can be given to the small family-owned business or the small farm business.

The disaster staff from the Midwestern Area in St. Louis who are now in Knox City and Haskell County to work with the families who need such help are: Miss Helen Corken, Director responsible for both counties; Miss Dorothy Smart and Miss Amy Van Hooser, both working in Haskell county; Mrs. Loreto Webb and Mrs. Frances Turner who are working in Knox County; Leo Whiteman, build-



CLEAN-UP WORKERS — Volunteer workers were on the job shortly after the tornado struck, salvaging equipment of the Knox City Clinic and moving it to temporary quarters in the American Legion Building. Pictured above are Wayne Hutchinson, A. S. Logan, an unidentified out-of-town volunteer, and L. C. Teague.

ing advisor, Miss Winnifred Bonham, Nursing Service Director, Miss Mary Jane Crane, nurse. On Friday evening Giles Boone, Mrs. Alma Johansson and Ike Burnett, Red Cross Field Representatives working in the State of Texas, came to Knox and Haskell counties to assist the local Red Cross chapters in the emergency. At the same time, Miss Elizabeth Van Waggoner, Red Cross nurse, came from Lubbock. Miss Beulah Miles, nurse, came in Saturday to help Miss Van Waggoner, and they were relieved Monday.

Mr. West emphasized that all assistance and service given by the Red Cross is given without charge and there is no obligation for repayment. The money spent to finance each disaster operation is given to the Red Cross during the annual fund campaign in March, and from funds contributed by individuals at the time of disasters. The Red Cross is accepting contributions through the Knox County and Haskell County chapter both for the annual fund campaign and for this disaster operation.

Salvation Army-

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coffee was available to workers and guards throughout the night and during the ensuing days.

Monday the units served the clean-up crews and truck drivers who were working in the disaster area, cleaning up the debris.

Capt. Jasper Harper of Abilene coordinated the efforts of the units. Other officers who worked with him included Lt. Bob Hall of Big Spring, Capt. Lewis Stilley of Wichita Falls, Capt. Herbert Bergen of Plainview, and Capt. Wesley Gregory of Lubbock.

According to Capt. Harper the units served 4,992 sandwiches, 220 gallons (5,280 cups) of coffee, 120 dozen doughnuts, 5 gallons of beef stew, 20 gallons of chili, 20 gallons of soup, and 10 cartons of cigarettes, and distributed 36 Bibles.

Besides the food units, the group brought clothing in for storm victims, and distribution depots were set up at Egenbacher Implements and in the building east of Thompson Food Store.

Wednesday, Capt. Harper announced that the workers were leaving, but that the clothing distribution point east of the Thompson Food Store would be maintained as long as needed, with local women in charge.

W. W. Hyde-

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children from Jones County to Knox City after a cyclone demolished their home and destroyed all their household goods and clothing.

Mr. Hyde retired in 1940 after being rural mail carrier for the Knox City postoffice 34 years. He had been a member of the Baptist Church since he was a young man, was a Mason, an Odd Fellow, and a member of the Woodmen of the World. Since his retirement as mail carrier, he served as sales representative for the Abilene Reporter-News, the Wichita Daily Times and the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Survivors are the wife; three sons, John and Spurgeon, both of Abilene, and Joe of Brownwood; six daughters, Mrs. Sue Korhan of Philadelphia, Mrs. Sylvia Herring of Kerrville, Mrs. Alma Brown of Lamesa, Mrs. Agnes Montandon of Knox City, Mrs. Ollie Norris of Comanche, and Mrs. Faye Browning of Robot, North Africa; sixteen grandchildren; six great grandchildren; and one brother, I. B. Hyde of Guntersville, Ala.

Funeral services were originally scheduled for Monday afternoon but were postponed one day after the American Red Cross contacted Mrs. Browning in North Africa. She arrived in Dallas by plane Monday at 5:30 p. m.

Interment was in the Knox City Cemetery under the direction of Warren Funeral Home.

Active pallbearers were Bud Thompson, Ed Shaver, Jr., Henry Jones, Otis Cash, M. S. Lowrey and Joe Averitt. Members of the family named all the friends of Mr. Hyde as honorary pallbearers.

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Out of town guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Woodie Hodges over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nelson and children of Idalou, Mrs. Sam Matlock and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Darwin, Bill Hodges and son, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Pounds, all of Lamesa, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Huddleston of Smyer, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Huddleston, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Gross and Mrs. King and son, all of Lubbock, Mrs. Lessie Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jackson and sons of Goree, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hodges and daughters of Afton, Mr. and Mrs. James Harrell of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. John Malone of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Feemster and boys of Aspermont.

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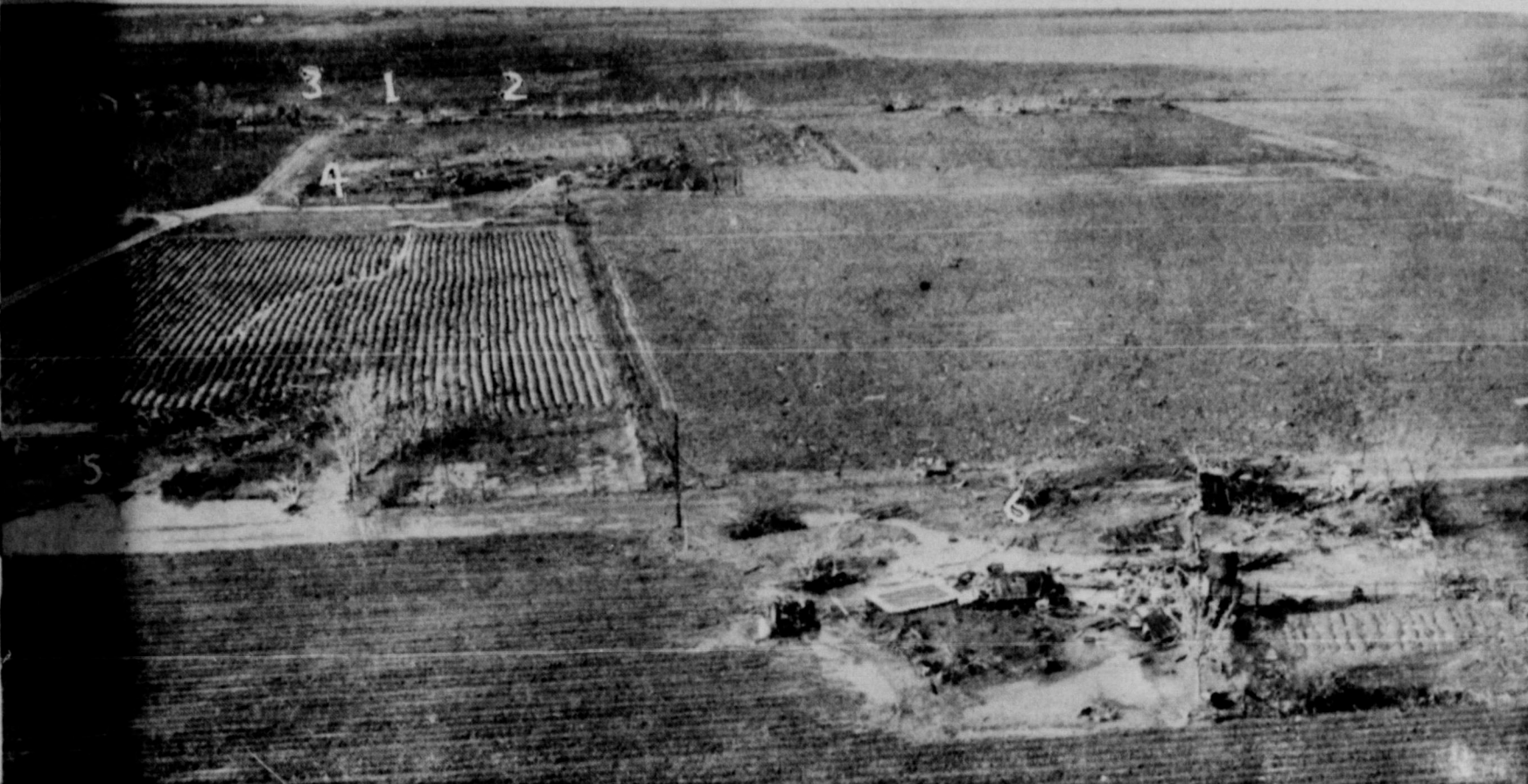


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Death and Destruction Left By Tornado



SIX TWO DIED — In this aerial photo are seen remains of the six homes in the foreground. No. 1 is the home of Mrs. Fred Qualls lost lives. The six numbers mark the locations where the six houses stood. No. 1 is the Qualls home. The mangled bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Qualls were found in the garden where the Clark house stood. It is marked No. 2. Mr. Qualls died within a few hours in a Haskell hospital and Mrs. Qualls died at 6 p. m. Saturday. No. 3 was the site of Mrs. M. M. Griffin's home. She was seriously injured. No. 4 was the home of the W. I. Pierson family. They were away from home when the tornado struck. The W. P. Peacock family lived in a house marked by No. 5. The house was owned by Dick Johnston. In the foreground was the home of Audrey Pierson. In the upper left corner is the badly-damaged Bert Davis home. (Photo by Don Hutcheson)



AN OLD LADY LIVED — wind struck. Mrs. Houston was dug from this debris—all that remains of her home. She is in an Abilene hospital.



TOWNS HAVOC — This photo shows the remains of homes of W. H. Cornett, F. Cornett in the foreground. In the lower right corner is the residence of L. E. Groves. His pickup truck was blown through the living room. In the center is the Knox County Hospital and the de-roofed Knox City Clinic. In the upper left corner is the demolished home of Mrs. J. W. Howell, and to the right are the homes of Benton Anderson, Mrs. Sam Anderson and Jim Tankersley, where a car was blown completely over the house during the storm. The sagging roof of Mrs. Ethel Branton's Cafe can be seen to the right of the hospital. (Photo by Don Hutcheson, Abilene Reporter-News staff photographer)



PORCH BUT NO HOUSE — Ed Nance is standing on the porch behind which stood his house until Friday's tornado took it as part of its toll. Neither Mr. Nance nor his wife were at home when the storm struck. It was just east of the home where Mrs. L. L. Houston was seriously injured.



OVERTURNED CAR — This was photographed at the home of Edgar Teague.



AND REMAINDER — the barn, garage and outhouses of the Ab Hutcheson home near Jud. The residence, also left a shambles, was just outside the camera view on the right side of this scene. Mr. and Mrs. Hutchens were safe in a cellar at the time of the storm. (Photo by Don Hutcheson)



EMERGENCY MESSAGES — C. E. Williams, local radio amateur, is shown above at the mike handling emergency messages out of Knox City following the tornado. Williams was assisted by Joe Edd Parsons of Rochester and Buddy Mullins of Lubbock. These radio amateurs, assisted by "hams" all over the state, handled emergency messages continuously for more than 24 hours following the tornado. Two mobile units from Abilene and one from Wichita Falls were brought in by radio hams within three hours after the disaster struck. More than one hundred emergency messages were handled by the amateurs during the hours following the disaster.



ONLY DEBRIS remains where the northeast part of Knox City, once stood two houses, the in the area where three persons homes of Mexican families in were killed.



CLEAN-UP WORKERS — Volunteer workers are shown removing a tree left in the yard of the Knox City Clinic. The clinic, in the background, was badly damaged by the tornado, but no serious injuries were reported.

NEWS BRIEFS

J. A. Hallmark, who suffered a heart attack just before the storm, is reported better and can have some visitors.

L. N. Bridges, a patient in a Littlefield hospital, is reported slowly improving. Mr. Bridges suffered a brain hemorrhage.

Edgar Teague, who was hospitalized Sunday because of shock and exhaustion after losing his home in the storm, has recovered and is at the home of his brother.

Mrs. Ed Feemster, who also collapsed because of nerves and exhaustion, is feeling fine and is now up.

In the Herald office are a number of photographs found by Mrs. W. T. Brinegar in her pasture north of town. Mrs. Brinegar says many more photos and other items are in the pasture and anyone is welcome to search for his own possessions.

City Secretary Loyce Teague says he will leave several watches, purses and other items at the Herald office to be identified.

World famous H-SU Band will be at the Munday school Thursday night, April 9, sponsored by Band Boosters. The Cowboy Band will present the same stage show it has been presenting in Europe.

A full length sound film depicting the last week of the life of Christ will be shown at the Foard City Church at 7:15 p. m. Monday, March 23, and at the Truscott Methodist Church Wed., March 25 at 7:15 p. m. Everyone asked to attend.

Wednesday, March 25, is final day to file candidacy for school trustee.

Knox City's volleyball tournament begins at the school gym tonight. Everyone urged to attend.



TORNADO'S TRAIL — Zig-zagging its relentless way through the eastern edge of Knox City, Friday's tornado left

a path of death and destruction which would not soon be forgotten by those who were left behind. The structure in the right

foreground is the roofless Knox City Clinic. To the right of the last arrow are the remains of the W. W. Hyde home where Mr.

Funeral Services For Storm Victims Held at Rochester

Services for four victims of the tornado last Friday were held at the Rochester Baptist Church Sunday, March 15, at 3 p. m.

Killed when the storm hit their home southwest of O'Brien were Mrs. Lois Klutts, 40, her two children, Jimmy Klutts, 13, Mary Belle Klutts, 11, and Mrs. Tricia Littlejohn, 21, who lived in a trailer house on the Klutts premises.

Rev. Cecil Meadows, pastor of the church, officiated, assisted by a Seventh Day Adventist preacher from Ft. Worth.

Mrs. Klutts was born in Able Spring, Texas. She married Joe Klutts in Frankston Sept. 2, 1933.

She is survived by her husband who works at Porter &

brothers, Louis Rogers, Raymond Rogers of Abilene, Charlie Rogers of Abilene, Tex.; and one sister, Reynolds of Benjamin. Interment was in the City cemetery under the direction of Warren F. Littlejohn.

CARD OF THANKS
Words cannot express deep appreciation for kind and sympathetic help and sympathy have come to us in our bereavement. Such help leaves us with gratitude toward neighbors which will never be forgotten. Special thanks to prepared food and who served it, and floral offering. Mrs. W. W. Hyde I. B. Hyde

Dr. D. C. Elland is attending a medical convention in Fort Worth.

Work Underway on Rebuilding Hospital

County Commissioner Pete Knight said Wednesday that workmen began rebuilding the hospital and nurses' home as soon as the debris was cleared.

Insurance adjusters are now appraising the damage, Knight said, and their settlement is expected to be liberal. The hospital was well-covered by insurance, he added.

The old portion of the hospital, which was damaged less than the new wing, is expected to be in operation next week.

A temporary roof has already been installed, and windows are being replaced. A new roof is also being put on the nurses' home.

The new addition to the hospital was more severely damaged, and many of the rooms were wrecked. All the brick veneer on the north end of the wing was stripped from the wall, and the glass brick was sucked from the windows.

Knight assured Knox Countians that the hospital will be put back in the best of condition, as fast as workmen can do the job.

Week end guests in the home of Mrs. B. F. Kay were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lillard, Mrs. Ruth Ivey, Mrs. Loyd Elliott and son, all of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barrington of Whiteface; Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Barrington and daughter of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kay of Fort Worth.

Clinic Is Moved Into Legion Hall

The Knox City Clinic is temporarily quartered in the American Legion Hall following destruction of its building in Friday's tornado.

Volunteer workers started moving equipment, which was salvaged following the storm, Saturday morning. Partitions were put up in the Legion Hall auditorium providing doctors' offices, X-ray room, emergency room, recovery room, laboratory and office.

Several beds have been placed in the basement for observation of patients. Emergency patients were seen by doctors Saturday during the moving process and Sunday.

At Sunday noon all temporary building and moving was completed by the ceaseless efforts of volunteer workers.

The doctors expressed their gratitude to the countless but nameless individuals who gave of their time and energy to get the temporary quarters on an operating basis.

Appraisers are here inspecting the damage done to the Clinic, and plans are underway for rebuilding. Dr. T. P. Frizzell said. Announcement of these plans will be made as soon as possible.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Gipson and Durward, Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Gipson, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Kilgore and Ronnie, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gipson and Floiene, all of Fort Worth, were here during the week end visiting relatives and friends.

Services Held Sunday For Mrs. Escobar And Mrs. Casillas

Funeral services for Mrs. John Escobar, 45, and her mother, Mrs. Martina Avolos Casillas, past 70, were held at the Knox City Catholic Church Sunday, March 15, at 5 p. m.

Mrs. Escobar and her mother were killed when the tornado struck the mother's home in east Knox City Friday. Mrs. Escobar, who lived in O'Brien, was visiting her mother at the time of the storm. Her daughter, Lillie Mae, 10, was critically injured and is hospitalized in the Haskell hospital.

Survivors of Mrs. Escobar are her husband, three daughters and three sons.

Surviving Mrs. Casillas are four sons, Joe, George and Manuel of Knox City, and Charlie of Bridgeport; and one daughter, Mrs. Amalia Escobar who lives on the League Estate.

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LEFT DEAD HERE — B. Ashley, three of her and one grandchild were left dead in the wake of the tornado which left nothing but broken trees and fence posts marking the spot where this house stood in the Jud community. (Don Hutcheson Photo)



Y REMAINS — Naked tree trunks are the marks left to identify what was the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clark of O'Brien. A section including two windows, lying flat in the left foreground, is about the only recognizable part of the house that is left. Saturday, six days before the ruthless wind demolished the house, Henry Clark had made the final payment on his home. For the first time in 38 years, Mr. and Mrs. Clark owned their own home. Today this barren spot of ground marks the fruits of their labors.



HERING UP BELONGINGS — The family of Ray Esplek up what they can find of their personal belongings after their home was destroyed by the tornado. Their grandmother and aunt were killed. (Photo courtesy Wichita Falls Record-News)



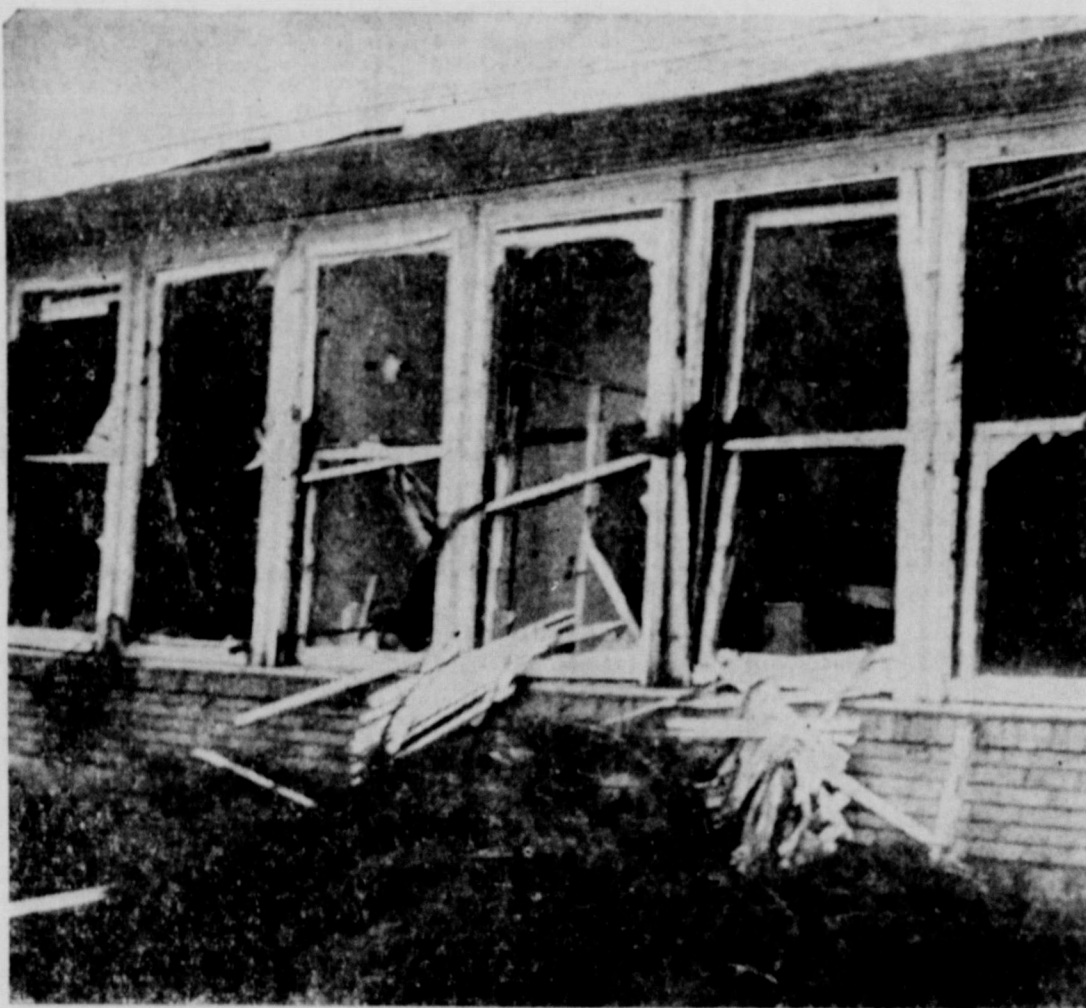
BLISS — Two small Casillas, seem a bit bewildered about what happened. Lupe clutches a doll which escaped the storm. (Photo courtesy of Wichita Falls Record-News)



RED CROSS AID — Pictured above is Mrs. Cliff Deaton, manager of the Wichita County Chapter, American Red Cross. She and volunteer relief workers are shown assisting disaster victims.



ONE DIED HERE — This is the living room of the W. W. Hyde home. The chair in which he sat drinking coffee when the storm struck is behind collapsed door at right. His body was found in the debris strewn here.



SHAMBLED WINDOWS — This is what Friday's tornado did to the windows in the new west wing of the Knox County Hospital. Miraculously, patients and staff members of the hospital were left unscathed. (Photo by Bill Baker)



SHATTERED TREES — The battered Knox County Hospital stands behind broken trees and branches, starkly emphasizing the wrath of Friday's tornado. The hospital felt the brunt of the storm but twenty-seven patients and seventeen staff members in the building at the time of the storm were unhurt. Patients were evacuated. (Photo by Bill Baker)

CARD OF THANKS

Words fail us in our attempt to express our thanks. We are truly grateful to friends, neighbors and organizations for their many acts of sympathy during our recent sorrow. Your kindnesses have meant much to us.
Joe Klutts and Sons

CARD OF THANKS

Our heartfelt thanks to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. For the beautiful service, floral offerings, and other kindnesses, we are deeply grateful.
The J. T. Darr Family 1p

Funeral Held at O'Brien Monday for Mr. and Mrs. Qualls

Joint funeral services for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Qualls were held at the O'Brien Baptist Church Monday, March 16 at 2:00 p. m., with Rev. W. D. Malone, pastor of the church, officiating, assisted by Rev. Joe Bob Johnson, pastor of the O'Brien Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Qualls were victims of the tornado which leveled their homes in east O'Brien Friday. Mr. Qualls died about two hours later in the Haskell County Hospital and Mrs. Qualls died about 6:00 p. m. the following day.

Fred Jones Qualls was born in Johnson County, Arkansas, Dec. 9, 1896. He moved to Haskell county in 1901 and to O'Brien, into the home which was demolished Friday, in 1907. He was a member of the Baptist Church. His survivors are two brothers, W. N. Qualls of O'Brien and S. L. Qualls of Dalhart; two sisters, Mrs. R. L. Jones of O'Brien and Mrs. W. B. McCurry of Glendale, Calif.

Mrs. Qualls was born in Johnson County, Ark., Oct. 20, 1889. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors are one son, Chester Yates, of Amarillo, three grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Interment was in the O'Brien cemetery beside her first husband, Orville Yates, who passed away in 1931.

Mr. Qualls was buried in the Rochester cemetery, Mansell-Smith Funeral Home of Rochester was in charge of arrangements.

Church of Christ Launches Disaster Relief Program

Among other disaster-relief operations by various organizations and churches, the Knox City Church of Christ is making an all-out effort to restore to disaster victims property and goods that were swept away in the tornado Friday. Food, clothing, bedding and household articles are available for free-distribution to all those who are in need, members say, and no one will be refused.

The classrooms and preacher's house have been converted into supply houses and dressing rooms. The public was asked not only to come but to send others to the church building.

As long as the need exists members of the church will be at the building from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. to help in the selection and distribution. Service can be obtained at any other hour by contacting Allen Hester.

All members of the church, Hester said, desire to help those in need in every way possible.

The ROTC unit from Midwestern University, serving on guard duty here, was bunked in the church, and members of the congregation helped feed the guard, cleanup workers, and storm victims.

CARD OF THANKS

The kindness and sympathy of neighbors and friends in our recent sorrow will always remain with us as a precious memory.

Our sincere thanks and gratitude for all those comforting acts.
The Large Family. 1p

CARD OF THANKS

We want to express our appreciation and thanks to the many friends and neighbors who came to our aid during the recent tragedy and death of our brother and his wife, Fred and Mary Qualls.

Words cannot express our thanks. Only those who have had such experiences know the feeling of gratitude and thankfulness in our hearts and how your kindness made it bearable. We only hope when sorrow comes your way, you will find just such loyal friends to comfort you.

God bless all of you.
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jones and family

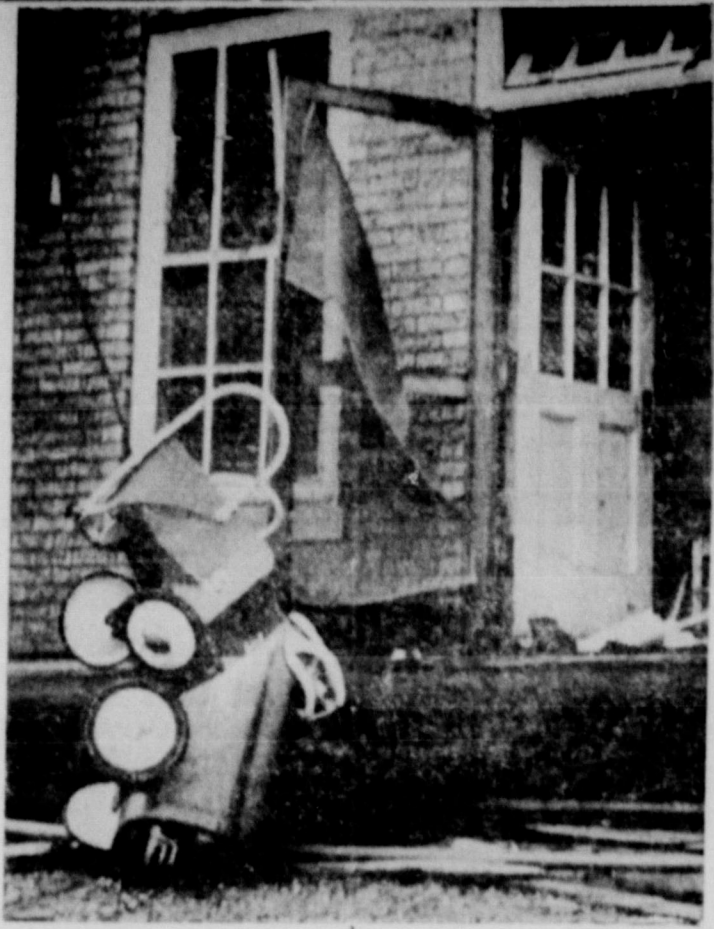
Mrs. Ab Thomasson and children of Gallup, N. M., and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Thomasson and daughter of Sudan have been visiting relatives in Knox City.

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O'BRIEN NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Telroy Bledsoe of Vernon spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Milligan.
Mrs. Cyle Carver and children, Mrs. Frank McAuley, Jr., and Mrs. Myra Reeves and Mrs. S. J. Reeves spent Friday and Saturday in San Angelo.
Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Brown of Ft. Worth spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Stephens.
Mrs. Paul Madden and children of Boston, Mass., are spending a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Walsworth and Mrs.

C. A. Reed and children.
Visitors in the R. I. Walsworth home over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Johnston of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. L. LaDuke of Olton, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Walsworth of Spur and Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Busbice of Muleshoe.
Mr. and Mrs. J. P. West of Opalin spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. West and J. D.
Mr. and Mrs. Val C. Collier and children spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Reeves, Sr.
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hukel of Fieldton spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Johnston.
Mr. and Mrs. Monty Montgomery of Olton spent Sunday in O'Brien with friends.
Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Owens of Olton spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Fox and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fox.
Mr. and Mrs. Buck Griffin of Union Grove, Ala., are at the bedside of Mr. Griffin's mother, who was injured in the tornado Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Herring attended a teachers meeting in Vernon Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Abston, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rogers and Mrs. Eunice Sampson of Amarillo visited with Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Pierson and Mr. and Mrs.



ROAD'S END — A toy fire engine took a wild ride in the tornado and smashed to a stop at

the steps of the Knox County Hospital. (Photo by Bill Baker, Knox City)

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Mr. and Mrs. Willard Emerson and family of O'Donnell spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Emerson and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Irby Carlisle of Olton spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Cox and family.

Roy LaDuke of Olton, Bettie Sue Johnston and Wanda Coates of Wichita Falls spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Johnston and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John McAda and family of Copperas Cove spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McAda and family.

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Johnston and family of Wichita Falls spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnston.

Mrs. Arthur Giddings and children of Sweetwater spent the week end with Mrs. Ross Oliver and Ross Mack.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bartell of Plainview and Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Bell of Hale Center visited relatives in O'Brien and Knox City over the week end.

STREAMS in Desert Places

By Orelle Stephens

It is every Christian's duty to seek the Lord continually, even after he has been found of God. Every day brings new and different trials, temptations and burdens for you which you need the Lord's help. King David said to his people, "Seek the Lord, and his strength; seek his face evermore." (Ps. 105:4).

You must seek Him with all your heart. Be not afraid to wholly trust Him with all your cares, for He careth for you. Even though there is sin, there is pardon. Moses said to the people who had sinned, "But if thou from thence shalt seek the Lord thy God, thou shalt find him, if thou seek him with all thy heart and all thy soul." (Deut. 4:29). Moses through the Spirit's eye saw through the ages unto this day, for the next two verses reads thus: "When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee even in the latter days, if thou turn to the Lord thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice; (For the Lord thy God is a merciful God); he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee." His promise is to all who seek Him; He will not turn away. Wonderful blessings and a precious peace will be yours when you seek Him with all your heart.

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LOCAL PUPILS PREPARING FOR LITERARY EVENTS

Unusual interest was shown by elementary pupils participating in literary events for the Interscholastic League Meet which is to be held in Rochester March 27, according to Mrs. E. F. Branton, elementary principal.

Entrants from each room met in the auditorium Monday morning for the final try-outs, with Mrs. Rip Collins, Mrs. Dan Steakley, Mrs. Charlie Cape and William Nolte as judges.

Events and representatives named were:

Junior Declamation: Jimmy Harper and Beverley Smith.

Sub-Junior Declamation: Horace Wheeler and Melanie Verhalen.

Spelling, Grades 5 and 6: Opal James and Carolyn Aydelott.

Spelling: Grades 7 and 8: Billy Lewis and Bennie Stephens.

Ready Writers: Joan Wilson and Patsy Denton.

Number Sense: Larry Abbott and Don Barnes.

Story Telling: Samantha Graham.

Picture Memory: Donna Fitzgerald, Rosa Rodriguez, Bobby Robinson, Lyndol Cypert, Sarah Taylor, Mary Nell McElroy, Judy Smith, Linda Catt, Billy Joe Large, Donna Kay Abbott, Jeanette Colson, Peggy Crownover.

VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD THIS WEEK END

Play will start at 6:00 p. m. today in Knox City's invitational volleyball tournament, according to Bill Baker, coach.

Four games will be played tonight, Baker said, and four Friday night. The finals will be played Saturday night.

Other teams in the tournament are Goree, Munday, Weir, Mattson, O'Brien, Rochester and Crowell.

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KNOX 4-H BOY SWEEPS SAN ANGELO SHOW

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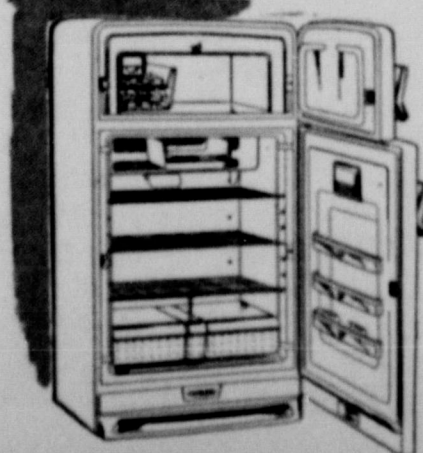
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Benjamin News

H. C. Stone, Reporter

JAMIN, Mar. 16. — Billy Golden and Jimmy Pierce in Dallas on business last

Miss Ruth Johnson and a friend, Zane Grey of Wichita Falls, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Johnson, Tuesday of last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Tom West had as their guests over the week end Mr. and Mrs. Adrian West and family of Fort Worth.
Pfc. Jackie Waldron, who has been serving in Korea, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Zena Wal-

dron, and family.
Miss Lavon Beard of Big Spring visited Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Conner one day last week.
Mrs. Verna May Bumpas and children were visiting in Lubbock one day last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Carol Fred Glover and son of Pueblo, Colo., were visiting relatives and friends here last week.
Mrs. Homer T. Melton and Mrs. E. B. Sams were in Wichita Falls Thursday.

Bill Pierce and Bert Marshall were transacting business in Dallas Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Terrell Taylor and daughter of Lubbock visited Mrs. J. A. McCanlies over the week end.

Bryson Laird of Wichita Falls was visiting friends here over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lovell and daughter of Plainview were visiting Mrs. Ode Tennyson over the week end.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stone and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Marshall over the week end were Mrs. Alyne Fox and daughter, Juanita, and Francis Darnell, all of Amarillo.

Visiting his father, Alvin Bivins, over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Tat Bivins of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wampler of Ralls visited relatives and friends here over the week end.

Mrs. Opal Harrison and girls



RED CROSS WORKERS — Shown above are Tom West, county Red Cross disaster chairman, and an unidentified Red Cross worker from Wichita Falls, handling emergency Red Cross work following the disastrous storm.

visited in Lubbock Saturday.
Mrs. Lena Darwin was visiting in Seymour Saturday.

Miss Ruby Saulters visited her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wiggins, in Plainview last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Stephens and daughter and Roy Stephens of Ft. Worth are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stephens and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Von R. Terry of Dallas visited Mr. and Mrs. Bert

Marshall over the week end.
Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn West and family of Lamesa visited Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Parker and other relatives here over the week end.

Miss Jean Galloway of Spur visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Galloway, over the week end.

Miss Mary Jane Melton of Midwestern University, Wichita Falls, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer T. Melton, over

the week end.
Mrs. H. B. Sams, Jr., had as her guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Heald of Dickens.

Mrs. Jack Graham of Corpus Christi visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Polster, over the week end.

Miss Delores Thompson visited her parents in Paducah over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Patterson visited in Stamford Sunday.

Mrs. W. E. Ryder visited her brother in Crowell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron House of Guthrie visited Mrs. J. F. Waldron Sunday.

Mrs. E. B. Sams had singing at her home Friday night, with about fifteen guests present.
Mrs. Bill Dobb and Charles were in Quannah visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Roberts, Saturday.

KNOX 4-H MEMBERS HEAR INSTRUCTIONS ON SHEEP

Members of the Boys 4-H clubs of Knox County, at their regular March meetings, received instructions on selection of good sheep, fitting the animals and handling them.

Slides were shown to assist the members in selecting good feeder lambs, and how to fit the lambs for show. Members were also given tips on how to show sheep, and how to check sheep for degree of finish to determine the progress of the animals.

Approximately 12 4-H boys have selected sheep for their demonstrations and these animals will be entered in the county shows, and then carried to district and state shows when the animals are of show quality.

It was pointed out by County Agent W. C. Pallmeyer that sheep make good projects because they do not require large capital, can be kept in a small place, are easy to handle, and do not require the feed of a large animal.

O'BRIEN MAN'S MOTHER DIES AT ROCHESTER

Funeral services were held at the Rochester Church of Christ Wednesday for Mrs. Sallie L. Lancaster, 82, who died at the Haskell County Hospital Monday after an illness of about a year.

Mrs. Lancaster was born Jan. 18, 1871 in Mississippi. She was married to Henry Lancaster in Gainesville July 14, 1902, and moved to Haskell county in 1947, making her home in Rochester.

Survivors are one son, Oscar Lancaster, O'Brien; three brothers, Price Billingsley and Jack Billingsley, both of Frankston, and one sister, Mrs. John Greer of Burkburnett. Also surviving are four grandchildren.

Jim Humphries and Mrs. Ben Stephens of Levelland visited Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Humphries and other relatives and friends here Tuesday.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

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To All Whom This May Concern:
Notice is hereby given that there will be an election held on Saturday, the 4th day of April, by the qualified voters of each school district in Knox County for the purpose of filling vacancies that occur on each school board this year 1953.

In the following districts vacancies will occur as follows: Benjamin C.S.D. No. 1 (one); Vera Cons. No. 28, (Three); Gilliland Cons. No. 29, (Two); Rhineland C.S.D. No. 11, (One).

Also in Knox City there will be elected (one) county trustee for commissioners precinct No. 1 and at Gilliland (one) county trustee for commissioners precinct No. 3.

Merick McGaughey
County Superintendent,
Knox County, Texas 2c14

200 Homeless—

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Mrs. B. L. Leaverton, Jim Ross, Blanche Elliott, Jack Land, Phil Colehour, Mrs. Cordelia Woodward.

Keith Cartwright, vacant J. H. McGee rent house, Newman Bishop, Joe Williams, E. L. Florence, John Lewis, Guy Henderson, Bill Hutchinson (house and laundry), O. B. McElroy, Full Gospel Mission, W. T. Wilcox, J. B. Adams, Frank Perez, Tom Everett, Frank McAuley.

A. B. Robertson, C. R. Coates, T. C. Carter, Morgan Kay, Ray Byrum, Bill Horton, Dr. Ben Bowden, Tom Richardson, Fuller Shannon, A. T. Holcomb, Harold Stephens, Ralph Cypert and Mondell Mills.

J. O. Hamm, Neal Logan, C. A. Wilson, W. G. Coombs, Joe Watkins, Charlie Reese, Arlie Williams, E. P. Reese, Bob Penson, Jim Robinson, W. W. Warren, Mrs. N. F. Mullins and Cecil Anderson.

Fifteen homes in the area to the south of Knox City were destroyed or damaged seriously. These houses were not included in the above figures.

In the Jud community two houses were destroyed on the Ab Hutchens farm. One was occupied by the Hutchens family, the other by the I. B. Ashley family—five of whom died in the tornado.

Southwest of O'Brien four houses were destroyed. One was occupied by the Joe Klutts family, three of whom were killed. In a trailer house which was destroyed nearby, Mrs. Tricia Littlejohn died. A house owned by Harley Brown and occupied by the Leonard Wright family was destroyed in this vicinity. A Negro family, Carl and Ozell Cook, occupying a house on the Speck place, narrowly escaped injury when they rushed to a cellar just before the storm destroyed the house where they lived.

One mile south of O'Brien the Jack Gauntt home was destroyed.

In O'Brien the houses destroyed were occupied by the following families: A. A. Pierson, W. I. Pierson, Fred Qualls, M. M. Griffin, Henry Clark, W. P. Peacock. The home of Bert Davis was badly damaged.

South of Knox City, the home of T. E. Robbins was severely damaged.

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the American National Red Cross is recognized as the nation's disaster relief agency and as such has demonstrated its ability to meet the needs of individuals and families suffering from disasters; and, Whereas, The American National Red Cross is already extending emergency assistance to the citizens of our community in this grave hour of emergency and will follow the same with rehabilitation assistance to all those in need of such assistance; now therefore,
I, Guy T. Glenn, of Knox City as mayor do hereby officially designate the American National Red Cross as the official disaster relief agency in Knox City for assistance to stricken families and individuals.

I urge all our citizens to extend their full cooperation to the American National Red Cross in this time of great need. All agencies, both public and private, are requested to extend to the American National Red Cross their full support.

Dated this 13th day of March in the year 1953 at Knox City.

Signed: Guy T. Glenn
Mayor
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jean Jones of Cuero announce the birth of their first child, a girl, at 9:30 p. m. Wednesday in a Cuero hospital. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Jones.

Tornado-Struck—

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loose, leaving open mains spurring gas into the area. The line broken at the hospital was finally shut off at 5 p. m. Utility crews worked feverishly restoring service to the town. Some sections did not have electricity until Sunday.

Only communications out of Knox City until late Friday evening was provided by a local radio amateur, C. E. Williams, and other radio operators who brought in mobile equipment and radio equipment on patrol cars.

Emergency messages were handled by the radio amateurs and scores of welfare messages were sent out by radio, while the restored telephone service was heavily overloaded.

When the storm struck the hospital no doctors were there. Staff members and patients were miraculously uninjured. Dr. T. P. Frizzell and Dr. T. S. Edwards arrived minutes after the storm struck, and Dr. Ben Bowden and Dr. D. C. Eiland arrived shortly. Several doctors from out of town arrived in time to aid the victims.

Just prior to the tornado an inch and a half rain fell downtown, while up to three inches was unofficially reported nearer the storm area. Hailstones pelted roofs and large chunks of ice fell just ahead of the roaring wind.

Highway patrol cars poured into Knox City to start directing traffic and guarding the disaster area. This work was directed by Sheriff Homer T. Melton, assisted by Capt. Hallmark, Wichita Falls, of the highway patrol. Guards were set up by members of the Volunteer Fire Dept. and other local volunteers, and each highway patrolman on guard duty was provided with one local man to help in identifying Knox Citizens.

The Texas State Guard, headed by Lt. Col. Stephen E. Marchand and Warrant Officer Harmon, brought in units to aid in the patrol duty. An ROTC unit was brought in from Midwestern University.

Red Cross workers from neighboring towns were soon on the job, and out of town Red Cross units were brought in shortly after the disaster.

The Salvation Army brought in three mobile units and set up a stationary unit in the Fire Hall dispensing coffee and food to victims, guards and workers.

Hundreds of cars converged on Knox City in the hours following the disaster. Some were relatives seeking word of their families. Others were neighbors wanting to help, and still others were the curious, hampering rescue work. The steady stream of cars continued until sundown Sunday.

J. T. Darr Funeral Held Here Monday

Last rites for Jim T. Darr were held at the Knox City Church of Christ Monday, March 16 at 5 p. m., with Stanley Shipp, of Riverton, Wyo., former minister of the church, officiating.

A victim of Friday's tornado, Mr. Darr died 20 minutes after reaching Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene. He lived 13 miles west of Knox City but he and his wife were visiting their granddaughter, Mrs. Ernest Day, who lived in an apartment at the G. D. McCarty home.

Mrs. Darr is reported to be still in a serious condition in the Abilene hospital.

James Thomas Darr was born January 12, 1877, in Dallas County. On July 15, 1901, he married Martha Catherine Walker of Covington. They moved to Knox County in 1908 and had lived and farmed here since that time. He had been a member of the Church of Christ for many years.

Survivors are the wife; two sons, Robert T. Darr of Delano, Calif., and James Dewey Darr of Big Lake, Texas; three daughters, Mrs. W. B. Hamm of McFarland, Calif., Mrs. F. J. Matura and Mrs. W. E. McAda of Crosbyton; one sister, Mrs. Mollie Jane Scott of Ft. Worth; one brother, John F. Darr of Knox City; two half sisters, Mrs. Ella Johnson of Big Spring and Mrs. Era Wright of Ft. Worth; one half brother, Bennie Darr of Ft. Worth; twelve grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Interment was in the Knox City cemetery under direction of Warren Funeral Home.

Red Cross, Churches Combine Efforts for Clothing Distribution

The American Red Cross and some church groups have consolidated the distribution of the used clothing which has been so generously donated to the storm sufferers.

Mrs. J. C. McGee of the Wesleyan Service Guild and Mrs. L. W. Graham of the Woman's Society of Christian Service have arranged for the use of the Methodist Church where clothing will be accepted, sorted and distributed to families.

The Study Club and ladies of the Baptist Church are cooperating also.

More volunteers are needed to do this work and anyone who can participate is requested to call the Methodist parsonage in Knox City, telephone 2811.

The ladies have said that donations of toys and sewing articles will be most gratefully received. They also wish to express their thanks for all of the clothing sent to the Red Cross and to the churches.

C. A. Reed

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ness in O'Brien buying a store in Knox City eight miles west of Knox City. He was a member of the Baptist Church, a young man's class, a member of the Lodge, and a member of the Haskell Command. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. George Reese, Mrs. George Reese, and Mrs. George Reese, all of Knox City; Mrs. George Reese, of DeQueen, Ark.; Earl Peoples of Texas; and a rear, Gordon Reese, of Dakota. Interment was in the Knox City cemetery under direction of Warren Funeral Home.

Cleanup Efforts

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neth Myers, Howard Workman, the committee Sunday of the cleanup effort. Headquarters were in the city of directing workers in trucks to certain blocks in the tornado area. Then by Soli Conservators of the city, who directed each block.

The cleanup work is in less than half completed. Workers unable to call on Monday morning in each day, and other equipment up the task. Work completed sufficient rebuilding. Collins added, "go to the answered our prayers this cleanup work."

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March 24 and 25
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