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By
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7:15 p. m., Wednesday, January 12, 1955.

I have finished making final arrangements for my sister's funeral, Vibella Baker, who died about 6:30 p. m.

Friends and neighbors have been very kind with their offers of help and sympathy. Theresa and I do appreciate each of you. If you have wondered about my seeming lack of sorrow, may I offer the following explanation.

Somewhere along the road of life I became conscious of the fact that there is more to our religion than we realize. The foundation of this religion was instilled in me by my Mother with the assistance of Sis. Mother always petted me but it was little Sis who boxed my ears when I was impudent or needed disciplining.

So, when Mother died after a long illness and much suffering, I was happy knowing that at last she was in a home where there is no sorrow or suffering.

When Sister suffered a stroke a short time ago and the Doctor told me there was no hope of her getting well my constant prayer was that God would not let her suffer long. I believe my prayer was answered.

Thinking back to the years she devoted to her family, church and those who were sick and afflicted, I feel that her reward will be magnificent. She lived her life to the fullest and shared her joys and material gains with others.

A native of Dallas since 1911, Sister opened her own business there in 1930. While longing to return to the big town she had learned to like Gorman and the friendly folk here. Many were the mornings she would come to the office after one of her long walks and tell me of someone she had stopped to visit with -- or someone who had given her a lift. I think Sis knew more people in this community than I do.

The Christ I know was not misleading us when he said, "I go to prepare a home for you." Then why should we mourn so deeply when one leaves a pain-racked body. I am happy knowing she is with God, and except for her recent illness she enjoyed the last few years of her life among friends and neighbors.

Services will be held at the Gorman Methodist Church, 3 p. m. Friday, January 14th. Interment will be in Gorman Cemetery.

WADE RUSSELL TO RECEIVE DEGREE

DENTON, Jan. 13. Wade Thomas Russell of Gorman is one of 197 seniors who have applied for bachelor's degrees at North Texas State College.

Winter commencement exercises are scheduled for 3 p. m., January 23.

Russell, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Whit Russell, Box 18, is a business administration major.

EASTLAND CO. HD COUNCIL MEETING, JANUARY 14TH

The Eastland County Home Demonstration Council meeting has been changed from the regular meeting date on Wednesday to Friday, January 14. This change was made because the agent, Minnie Mae Billingsley, will be attending a farm and home demonstration school January 10 to 14.

There will be an all day meeting which will be held in the Texas Electric Conference Room. Beginning at 9:45 a. m. there will be an officers and committee training meeting, conducted by the agent. There will be a sack luncheon at noon.

The afternoon program will consist of a regular council meeting beginning at 2:00 p. m. This is one of the most important council meetings of the year, and all members are urged to attend.

Quarterback Club Officers Plan For Peanut Festival

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker were hosts for the meeting of the Officers and Directors of the Quarterback Tuesday morning at 7:00 a. m. An enjoyable breakfast was served including hot biscuits and honey butter. The latter was brought by Mrs. Donald Bolt from New York.

Joe Collins, president of the Quarterback Club called the meeting for the purpose of outlining a program for the year 1955. As a result of this meeting the club will meet twice each month, due to the fact that with the numerous projects the club is undertaking it will be necessary to meet more often than once a month. Also there will be programs planned for each meeting to make them more interesting and an extensive membership campaign is to be conducted in the immediate future.

Oda Monroe reported on the Peanut Festival that he and Harvey Parker attended last fall in Floresville, Texas. They brought back important material for the club in planning Gorman's Annual Peanut Festival.

Pete Smith was elected General Chairman of the 1955 Peanut Festival to be held sometime in September. Mr. Smith stated that it would take a lot of work but felt that all business men, clubs and individuals could be counted on in promoting the Peanut Festival since the peanuts concerned so many people of this area.

The 1955 Membership Drive is now on and anyone that is interested in Gorman and surrounding community is sincerely invited to join the Quarterback Club and help in continuing the work that has been started in the promoting of the Peanut Festival and the maintenance of the City Park. Dues are \$5.00 per year.

Illness In Gorman

Mr. F. S. Perry was resting well Tuesday at the local hospital after having suffered a cerebral hemorrhage Monday.

Miss Buena Van Winkle was dismissed from the hospital Tuesday morning.

Mrs. J. D. Files of De Leon, daughter to Mrs. Craig Smith, is feeling improved but continues to be seriously ill.

Aubrey Grisham, who was injured in a traffic mishap in December continues to be a patient at Blackwell.

C. E. Emerson has been dismissed following treatment.

Mrs. Ed Wyatt is believed to be improving following treatment at Blackwell.

The condition of Mrs. Helen Claxton is reported to be improved. She has been a patient at the hospital during the past week.

Mrs. Hulon Pullig was dismissed Monday from the hospital after experiencing surgery.

Mrs. J. O. Thompson experienced minor surgery last week.

Mr. George West is critically ill. He became noticeably worse after suffering a second stroke.

William Boyd, Mrs. Frances Overstreet of Carbon, and Onetta Ables of Desdemona are also patients at Blackwell.

William Boyd is suffering with an ear infection.

Becky Wynne has been dismissed after treatment.

Progressives Elect 1955-56 Officers

Fifteen members of the Progressive Study Club were present to answer roll call at the Thursday night meeting in the home of Mrs. J. W. Brown.

Officers elected for the 1955-1956 club year are president - Mrs. James Jobe, vice-president - Mrs. Shorty Lawrence, secretary - Mrs. Dick Wynne, treasurer and reporter - Mrs. E. F. Kellogg, and parliamentarian - Mrs. Claude Fuller.

A delicious refreshment was served during the social hour.

Funeral Services For Miss Baker Friday Afternoon

Funeral services for Miss Vibella Baker will be held Friday, January fourteenth at three o'clock Gorman Methodist Church Rev. J. W. Sharbutt will officiate. Interment will be in the Gorman Cemetery.

Miss Baker died at six-thirty o'clock Wednesday in the local hospital where she had been critically ill since December 20, 1954. Her illness was chronic and it had been of some six years duration.

Born February 27, 1891 at Seguin, Texas, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Baker, she became a resident of Dallas in 1911. She attended Weatherford College. In 1930 she established an office service, the Vibella Baker Company, which has been operated by her brother during her years of failing health.

A sketch of her successful career in Dallas appeared in a national magazine in the late 1930's.

She has made her home in Gorman since 1948.

Her immediate survivors are brothers, Eugene Baker of Gorman and Raymond Baker of Dallas.

Missionary Harper Recovering From Black Water Fever

Winifred Harper, missionary to Nigeria and son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Harper, was hospitalized during the month of December suffering with Black Water Fever, a often fatal disease of Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. Harper, who have waited anxiously to hear of his progress, were the happy recipients of a letter Tuesday which stated that Mr. Harper was recovered sufficiently to leave the hospital.

Harper is the 7th missionary ever known to have contacted the disease.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank the doctors and nurses of Blackwell Hospital and the entire staff for being so nice to me.

Linda Perdue

Excelsior Club Studies State Institutions

"State Hospitals and Other Institutions" was the title of the Excelsior Club's first 1955 program. Mrs. Edna Nunnally was host for the club in her home Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Vera Hamrick, yearbook chairman, was in charge. She presented the two speakers, Mrs. Mae Jones and Mrs. D. J. Jobe, who discussed the inadequacy of many buildings which were built in the last century.

The discussions brought out the fact that progress in rehabilitation was slow because of the lack of housing and equipment, and nurses for the mentally ill.

Among the most deplorable statements was "Many old folk are living in homes for the mental ill." The implication was that their source of income is too meager for them to survive elsewhere.

It is evident that the amendment recently approved by the people of Texas with regard to improvement of the institutions has come better late than never.

The roll call was a most interesting and enjoyable part of the program.

Annual election of officers was held. Mrs. F. R. Haile will head the club for the year 1955-56. She will be installed at the May meeting.

Other officers elected were vice president - Mrs. Jobe, secretary - Mrs. N. C. Crawley, treasurer - Mrs. W. Check Smith, parliamentarian - Mrs. Dahlia Steele, and critic - Mrs. Nunnally.

A sandwich plate with hot punch was served.

The Excelsior Club will host the tri-club meeting January 25. The meeting will be held at the school. The time is 7:30 o'clock.

Band Students Select Class Period

Band students met Tuesday to select their hour for class period in the new semester.

On Monday the first day of the spring semester, the class period had been changed from the fall semester time, 8:00 a. m. — 8:40 a. m., to 1:00 p. m.

Mr. Wilson called a meeting of the entire band. He stated that band could be scheduled from 1:00 to 2:00 or 1:00 to 1:30 or 1:30 to 2:00 o'clock or it might be re-scheduled for the 8:00 to 8:40 hour. The students were allowed to choose the hour by vote.

They voted unanimously to have band scheduled from 8:00 a. m. to 8:40 a. m.

Announcements

Stated meeting of the Gorman Chapter No. 443 OES will be held on Monday, January 17 at 7 p. m. All members urged to be present.

Hattie Lee Todd, W. M.
Theresa Baker, Secretary

The First National Bank of Gorman will observe Wednesday, January 19, 1955, Robert E. Lee's Birthday, as a legal holiday and will not be open for business on that date.

Scout meeting will be held Friday night at 7 p. m. All scouts and all leaders are urged to be present. This is a very important meeting. It is time to register for 1955. Let's have a full house.

Glen Mehaffey

The Eastland County Federation of Women's Clubs will meet Saturday, January 15 in the Library Building at Rising Star. The time is 2:30 o'clock.

Ernie Todd receives poll tax payments at Higginbothams. PAY YOUR POLL TAX.

The Parents Teachers Association will not meet tonight (Thursday, January 13th). The Grade School Basketball Tournament will be in progress.

There is a need for pies and sandwiches which will be sold at the tournament. Anyone who can spare time to bake or make same will please send to the school. Thank you.

The Dorcas Class meets tomorrow (Friday, January 14th) for a covered dish luncheon and a business-social hour at the Educational Building. All members and associate members are urged to be present.

Next Monday night, January 17 the Eastland County Farm Bureau meeting will be held at Scranton in the school gym. This meeting is to clearly explain the new services being offered to the Farm Bureau members and prospective members. Mr. Philip C. Hubert of Abilene will be the principal speaker.

The community has arranged to have a local talent program for the entertainment. Robert Bell, Scranton's comic dialogist and outstanding 4-H Club boy, will be featured, also music by Scranton and Cisco musicians. The latch string is out, don't miss this meeting.

A meeting of importance for all club officers, Council officers, and committee chairmen of the Co. Home Demonstration Council will be held Friday, January 14 beginning at 10 o'clock in Eastland. The meeting, unless a larger room is needed, will be in the County Home Demonstration Agent's office. It is suggested each person bring a sack lunch for the noon meal. Plans and work for the year will be under the supervision of the county HD Agent, Miss Minnie Mae Billingsley.

The Desdemona Study Club meets Friday evening at 7:30 p. m., January 14 in the home of Mrs. Clabe Eldridge, hostess for the occasion. Study topic will be "Fine Arts" with Mrs. A. F. Henslee, program leader.

MKT Veteran William T. Foster Buried At De Leon

DE LEON, Tex. - Jan. 6 — William Thomas Foster, 68, an employee of M K & T railroad for 50 years, died at local hospital on Saturday, January 1 and was buried from First Baptist Church on Sunday with Rev. Tommie L. Austin officiating. Interment was in De Leon Cemetery. Higginbotham Funeral Directors were in charge. The deceased had been in bad health for the past three months. He had been a resident of De Leon for the past 25 years and had many friends among the railroad fraternity as well as folks over the city and this area.

He was married to Miss Essie D. Rine on December 24, 1907. Mr. Foster was born in Bell County on November 6, 1886 and was 68 years of age at the time of his passing.

Surviving relatives are his widow, Mrs. Essie Foster, three daughters, Mrs. R. C. Branum of Carlsbad, N. M., Mrs. Floyd Williams of Texarkana, Texas, Mrs. George T. Cox, Stephenville, one granddaughter (whom they raised) Mrs. W. M. Morris, De Leon, three brothers, Silas Foster of Gorman, Elen Foster, New Braunfels, Jim Foster, Stamford, and one sister, Mrs. Wm. Gasaway of Dublin. Nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Two sons preceded him in death, J. W. and Thomas Foster.

Pallbearers were M. T. Brownlee, Cleburn Brownlee, D. W. Nooncaster, Jim Southall, E. M. Watts, W. J. Irwin, C. T. Davis, and Pat Hamilton.

Honorary pallbearers were C. D. Blanton, Doc Ware, B. F. Pendarvis, Cager Mohon, Lee Thompson, Oscar Howard, C. L. Pilcher, O. H. Moore, W. S. Mooreland, Bob Whaley, Mr. Jones and also others of the M K & T Railroad.

Flower girls were Mesdames M. O. Branum, Imogene Adcock, Miss Patsy Hamilton, Mrs. Virgil Croft (nee Bonnie Dillard) Fort Worth, Mesdames B. Brown, Buddy W. Rine, Jackie Rine, Buck Foster, Horace Foster, Misses Sylvia Ann Foster, Dolores Faye Foster, Mesdames Dick Foster, Jack Foster, J. A. Branum, and Mrs. Howard's Sunday School class.

Mr. Foster was a member of the Baptist Church.

The Choir of the First Baptist Church furnished the music.

Mrs. Hatcher Named To Head Woman's Study Club 1955-56

Mrs. Dorothy Hatcher is president-elect of the Woman's Study Club. The election of officers for the club took place Monday night when the club met in the home of Mrs. E. F. Harrison.

Other officers elected were vice president - Mrs. A. A. Brown, secretary - Mrs. Edwin Smith, treasurer - Miss Ozella Pulley, parliamentarian - Mrs. Glen Mehaffey, and critic - Mrs. Clinton Revels.

An appropriate quotation on the printed program reads, "Office-holding is pre-eminently an opportunity for service." Present parliamentarian, Mrs. William Brogdon, directed a skit on parliamentary law. The skit in which eight members appeared as the cast was something of a take-off of the club's procedure and brought applause of approval.

Refreshments of cake, canapes and coffee were served.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 7

Dear Editor;

I am sending \$2.50 for the renewal of the Progress which I have been taking since 1930.

I am always looking forward for the paper.

Tell all my friends hello. I get home sick sometimes to visit with all my friends.

Thanking you in advance,
Mrs. D. H. Moss
3031 Peoria Ave.
Dallas 12, Texas

Funeral Services Held Tuesday For Frank Statler

Mr. Frank Statler died Sunday evening at 7:00 o'clock at Waco in a rest home where he had lived for about a year. His sister, Mrs. B. F. Pendarvis, and Mr. Pendarvis had been with him several days before he passed away.

Mr. Frank had made his home with the Pendarvises for about twenty-five years. He was native of West, Texas.

After coming to Gorman he had made many friends and he enjoyed his daily walks to the Post Office where he chatted with others who had time for visiting. Most everyone in the city was a passing acquaintance of his.

Funeral service was held Tuesday morning at the Wilkerson-Hatch Funeral Home and interment was made at West.

The Pendarvises are his only immediate survivors.

Mrs. N. C. Crawley, Mrs. W. J. Ormsby, and Mrs. T. F. Morrow attended the funeral.

Dick Ormsby Weds Dallas Girl Dec. 31

James (Dick) Ormsby of Borger and Miss Laura Brandon of Dallas were married in Dallas on Friday, December 31st.

They are making their home in Borger where he is Employment Manager with the Phillips Petroleum Company.

Tickets For Football Banquet Now On Sale

Those who plan to attend the football banquet are urged to purchase tickets by Monday, January 17th before noon. This will enable final arrangements to be completed more conveniently.

Sam Boyd, line coach at Baylor, will be the principal speaker. An additional treat at this year's banquet will be the performance of the male quartet from Abilene Christian College.

Banquet time is 7:00 p. m. Tickets are on sale at \$1.50 each.

Parents Of First Graders Urged To Fill Out Census Blanks

All parents who have children who are or will become six years of age before Sept. 1, 1955, are urged to contact Ross Wilson or go to the Progress office in order to secure and complete a census blank on your child.

This is very important as state per capita funds are apportioned on the basis of scholastic census. This must be done before the end of January.

WCS Executive Committee Meets

The Executive Committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service met Monday afternoon preceding the regular meeting hour. Under direction of Mrs. Donald Bolt, program chairman, they mapped the work for the first five months of the year.

At the three o'clock meeting Mrs. William Brogdon gave the devotional.

Mrs. Bolt and Mrs. Marvin Blair presented the year book program for February. The lives of David Livingston and Albert Sweitzer, Englishmen and medical missionaries to Africa, were discussed. The story of the late David Livingston, whose Christian living so thoroughly demonstrated the power of the gospel is among the most interesting of biographies.

Sweitzer, one of the most talented men of today, gave up careers as a physician in England and that of a musician to take the gospel with its abundant life to Africa.

The G. C. Boyds bought the Ed Harrison ranch house and have moved it to the Boyd farm.

GHS Basketball Teams Enter District Play With Wins

The Gorman High School basketball teams played district basketball games at Scranton Friday January 7. The girls won by a score of 55-40 while the boys dropped their games 52-38. Pat and Nelda Robertson hit 21 and 20 points respectively for the girls and Max Pierce led the boys scoring with 12 points.

Tuesday night at Carbon the Gorman girls won over the Carbon girls 29-25 and the boys took their game over Carbon 44-35. Guards Janey Thompson, Kay Warren, and Jeanette Bunting were outstanding on defense and Nelda and Pat Robertson scored 10 and 9 points respectively. In the boys game Max Pierce meshed 18 points and Woodrow Brown hit 10 points to lead them to victory.

The Desdemona teams come to Gorman Tuesday night for district games starting at 7:00 p. m.

School Administrator Attends Mid-Winter Conference In Austin

Local school administrator, Mr. Ross Wilson, attended the Mid-Winter Conference for medium and small school administrators held in Austin January 5, 6 and 7.

Dr. J. W. Edgar, State School Commissioner of Education, was in charge of the meet.

Dr. Flowers, president of the Southwest Texas State College, spoke at a general assembly session held in the Crystal ballroom of the Driscoll Hotel.

Dr. Edgar, speaking at a meeting held at the Paramount Theater, gave the progress of development in the Texas Educational Research program.

New certification requirements for teachers and the adopted standard of school accreditation.

Other administrators from this area attending were R. E. Murray of Desdemona, H. L. Mullins of Carbon, Mr. Jones of Rising Star, Hilliard of Olden, and Rush of Ranger.

BIRTHS

Allan Wayne Lewis born to Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Manford Lewis, Route 3, Gorman on January 3rd weighed 6 pounds and 13 ounces.

Sandra Jo Williams born to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Clifton Williams of Route 1, Rising Star on January 6 weighed 7 pounds and 10 ounces.

Charles Wade Roberts born to Mr. and Mrs. Hershell Owen Roberts of Woodson on January 7 weighed 7 pounds, 1/2 ounce.

Charles Mauney, USN of San Diego, is visiting his parents, the S. M. Mauneys of Route 1.

KING THEATRE

Thursday and Friday
Edmond O'Brien - Ruth Riman

in
SHANGHAI STORY
Also

International Road Race
Saturday

Wayne Morris - Beverly Garland

in
TWO GUNS AND A BADGE
Also

William Tracy - Jean Porter
ABOUT FACE
and

Color Cartoon
Sunday - Monday

Dick Powell - Debbie Reynolds
in

SUSAN SLEPT HERE
Also

Color Cartoon
Robert Taylor - Janet Leigh
in

ROUGE COP
Also

"Taming The Crippler"
Thursday and Friday

Martha Hyer - John Bentley
in

THE SCARLET SPEAR
Also

Color Cartoon

Adv.

Save A Child At Methodist Home

1. Children are admitted to the Home on the basis of their need for the services provided at the Home. Because of this basis of admission, there is always a rather large backlog of applications waiting to be admitted to the Home. Children are admitted without regard of their church background. Many of those admitted to the Home have no church background.

2. Many of the children coming to the Home are in need of some health services. A registered nurse is in charge of health services to the children, and with the cooperation of a prominent local physician and dentist, the children receive excellent medical attention.

3. Many of the children coming to the Home these days are in great need of the skill of a trained psychiatrist and certainly a trained social worker. The social service department of the Home has been strengthened during the last several years, and there is at this time being rendered a very excellent social service program for the benefit of these children who, for one reason or another, are in need of this type of service.

4. In order to strengthen the family ties, every possible effort is made to keep families together as far as possible. Sisters always live together in the same building, and brothers live together also in like manner.

5. The children are placed in fireproof home units in groups of about twenty to the building. These buildings are very nice, and contain a living and dining

room, kitchen and bedrooms. They become the veritable home of the children as long as they live here. It is a great help to have the children in smaller groups, because it strengthens the works of the homeparents in trying to re-establish home life for the children.

6. All of the children in the Home share in the work. From the smallest to the largest, the children are assigned chores appropriate to the ability and according to their age. This is not only helpful, but it permits the children to share in what is being done, and contributes to the home life of the entire group.

7. The children of the Home are receiving excellent direction in vocational training. Some are able to take vocations on the campus which lead to a profession afterwards. Some of them learn from experience here a trade that will provide their livelihood in adult life.

8. The children attend the public schools and this, of course, is a great advantage because our purpose is to help them to fit into the community as a part of it. The children have made progress in the public schools, and have taken their share of the honors and awards. The children under school age attend a nursery school maintained on the campus.

9. When a child is admitted to the Home, he is permitted to stay as long as he needs the services provided at the Home. Many of them stay until they have finished college or vocational training, and enter some trade to make their livelihood. However, if a child's home is rehabilitated, he can be released upon establishment of this fact.

10. The religious life in the Home has possibly never been

Desdemona News

Reporter, Mrs. Ethel Keith

Health in this community is not so good at this writing. Little Delores Rainey, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Rainey, was improved enough to be home Saturday after spending several days in the Gorman hospital.

Mrs. H. H. Williams has been on the sick list for several days. Mr. T. H. Northcutt who has been bedfast for almost 3 years is not doing so well lately.

Bobbie Gene Koonce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Koonce, is a patient since Saturday with an injury received last week while playing basketball.

While trying to light her oven early Monday morning Granny Greenhaw received a painful but not a serious burn on her face, neck and arms.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Key and family visited here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Key.

stronger than it is today. Every evening in each home unit there is a devotional hour, which is in many instances a remarkable experience in the lives of the children. The children attend church school and religious services on the campus in the beautiful chapel. A regular minister spends the week-end at the Home and ministers to the children and the staff with his spiritual leadership and counsel. Two young men from the Home are now preparing to enter the Methodist ministry when they have completed the necessary training.

11. The Home has been supported since it was organized in 1890 by Bishop Joseph S. Key by a free-will offering taken at Christmas time. By this means, more than six thousand boys and girls have been given a better chance in life by the combined efforts of Methodists and friends throughout the state. Forty-four girls from the Home have graduated from Baylor University with bachelor degrees, and their tuition has been taken care of by the Waco Rotary Club.

12. The Home is supported by the free-will offering taken in the Methodist Churches during the month of December. Last year the Christmas offering lacked more than sixteen thousand dollars of meeting the budget.

13. An endowment fund has been started for the Home with the gifts received from wills and other similar bequests. It is the hope that it will eventually become large enough so that the dividends received from its investments will pay for the maintenance and up-keep of the 25 buildings on the campus of the Home. Due to the enlargement of the number of buildings on the campus in order to take care of the children in smaller units, this expenditure has become a considerable concern of the Home. The Home is under the direct management of 16 directors, some of whom are outstanding business men of the state, and others are leaders in the church.

According to the records kept of the children after they leave the Home and take their place in society, there has never been an arrest for law violation nor a divorce among them.

There are 440 children in the Home at the present. Over 400 acres of land and 25 buildings.

The Friendly Ladies Class takes pleasure in the project of providing monies for clothing one high school girl and in remembering her with gifts on her birthday, Christmas and other holidays.

Mrs. H. T. Lane was in Odessa Sunday and Monday of last week to attend the funeral of Tommie Ayres. Tommie was a brother-in-law to Mrs. Roy Ayers, sister of Mrs. Lane.

Lt. Harold Burleson and family who have spent the past 20 months in Georgia are here on furlough and Harold will report on January 27 for overseas service in Guam. His family will follow in about 3 months. A brother, Bobbie Burleson, also a service man and who has been seeing overseas service is expected to be home soon.

Mrs. Leo Huddleston has been a pneumonia patient in the Gorman hospital for several days. She returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lewis, who have been in California where he was serving in the armed forces, have returned home as Mr. Lewis has received his discharge.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymon Sparkman and family of Freer are here visiting with his mother, Granny Sparkman, his brother, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sparkman, and a sister, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Murrell.

Little Miss Paula Marine of Strawn spent the past week end here with her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Northcutt.

Mrs. Dan Johnson left for her home in Pampa Friday after a visit of almost a week here with her parents, the Tom Northcutts.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward May of Uvalde spent the past week end here with his mother, Mrs. Katie May.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Reed of Ranger was visiting old friends here Monday afternoon.

CHRONIC DISEASE TAKES 23% OF YOUNG FOLKS

AUSTIN, Jan. 13 - State Health Officer Henry A. Holle believes chronic diseases represent one of the biggest problems facing health officials today.

Recent statistics compiled by the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Texas State Department of Health, show:

1. 23% of all deaths among 15-29 year olds are due to chronic diseases, with malignant neoplasms being the leading chronic disease.
2. "Well over half" the mortality in the 30-44 age group is due to chronic disease, with heart trouble, cancer and vascular lesions being the leaders.
3. "Almost 8 out of 10" deaths in the 45-59 bracket are caused by this disease classification, with the proportion rising to 85 per cent for those 60 to 74 years old.
4. For those 75 and over chronic diseases cause 84 per cent of the total mortality. The slight decrease in percentage over age 75 is because of the high susceptibility to accidents, pneumonia, and influenza among the aged.

"When chronic disease is mentioned, all too many people think

of the problem as being confined to the middle-aged or older," the health chief said, adding that such an idea was not consistent with the facts.

"The term chronic," Dr. Holle explained, "means the opposite of acute. When applied to a disease, chronic means of long duration. That would mean cancer or tuberculosis is chronic, while small pox or poliomyelitis is acute.

"The significant thing," Dr. Holle indicated, "is that the chronic disease classification causes 32 percent of all deaths among the young people in the 15-29 age bracket."

"Obviously, that makes the teen ages the first age at which the diseases assume a major mortality role."

Charter No. 741 Reserve District No. 11

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE



In the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31, 1954 published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	636,591.53
U. S. Gov't Obligations, direct and guaranteed	717,450.00
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	7,930.16
Corporate stocks (inc. \$3,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	3,000.00
Loans and discounts (inc. \$2,299.11 overdrafts)	782,573.44
Bank premises owned \$1.00, furn. & fixtures \$3499.99	3,500.99
Real Estate owned other than bank premises	3,000.00
Total Assets	2,154,046.16
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	1,842,234.15
Deposits of U. S. Gov't. (inc. postal savings)	15,488.37
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	146,323.64
Total Deposits	\$2,004,046.16
Total Liabilities	2,004,046.16
MEMORANDA	
Capital Stock:	
Common stock, total par \$50,000.00	
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits	50,000.00
Total Capital Accounts	150,000.00
Total Liabilities & Capital Accounts	2,154,046.16

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes 116,000.00

Loans as shown above are after deduction of reserves of 324.78

States Gov't obligations, direct and guaranteed Total amount of loans, certificates of interest and obligations, or portions thereof, which are fully backed or insured by agencies of the U. S. Gov't. (other than "United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed") 189,154.14

I, Anna Louise Spence, Cashier, of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANNA LOUISE SPENCE, Cashier

Correct-Attest:
W. G. Kirk Edward F. Harrison John S. Kimble
Directors

State of Texas, County of Eastland, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed to me this 8 day of January, 1955, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.

E. E. TODD, Notary Public

STATEMENT OF CONDITION



As of December 31, 1954

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	482,941.61
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	3,500.99
Other Real Estate	3,000.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	3,000.00
Bills of Lading and Public Obligations	118,407.89
CCC and Small Business Administration Loans	189,154.14
U. S. Government Bonds Owned	717,450.00
Cash	636,591.53
TOTAL	2,154,046.16

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Capital Stock	50,000.00
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TOTAL	2,154,046.16

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Desdemona News

Reporter, Mrs. Ethel Keith

FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 6

A Watch-night service was held at the Baptist Church on New Year's Eve. All churches and the public in general were invited, resulting in a good attendance. After a lengthy song service followed by refreshments.

Mr. Roger Murray, school superintendent, showed some interesting and educational films. At the 11th hour Rev. Buel Bryan brought the message.

Mrs. Anse Brown has been on the sick list for several days.

Mrs. H. H. Kullenberg of Austin is spending this week with her parents, the Tom Northcuts.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Clayton visited Sunday in Dublin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Maddux and children of Dublin visited her aunt, Mrs. Ethel Keith, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Frank Leazar of Fullerton spent the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Arnold

Among the visitors in the Peg Abernathy home during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Friday of Okmulgee, Okla. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Colmer and sons, Marvin and David of Big Lake, Mrs. R. L. Hunter of Ranger, Mrs. Momie Watson of Ranger, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Mayhar of Huckaby, Mr. R. L. Myrick of Stephenville, Mr. Bill Hunter of Eastland. Also Mr. and Mrs. Neldon Shipman and sons, Darvin Lynn and Royce Wayne of Eastland.

Mrs. Ida Wilhite is spending this week in Stephenville with the Tidwell children who are in school there while Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Tidwell make a trip to a turkey meet in the east and while on this trip the Tidwells expect to be in New York.

Mrs. Bill Norris of Colorado City spent the past week with her mother, Mrs. Ida Wilhite. Also the Si Norris' visited one day with their grandmother Wilhite.

Ethel Keith spent the week end in Dublin with her mother, Mrs. N. S. Partain, and together they

visited in Carlton Sunday with Mrs. Jim Byrd and Mrs. Izzie Fulbright and Mittie.

Mrs. Dan Johnson of Pampa is spending this week in the home of her parents, the Tom Northcuts.

Billy Paul Lewis is home on furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Belyeu have as guests this week their two granddaughters. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. John Grisham of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Abel made a business trip to Valley Mills Friday.

Recent TV sets installed here are for Mr. and Mrs. Ott Ragland, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Joiner and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Northcutt.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Northcutt of Rising Star were visitors Monday with his parents.

Others visitors in the Northcutt home were Mrs. Homer Underwood and Mrs. Julius Underwood of Gorman.

T. E. HOGAN FAMILY HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

There were fifty-one members of the family of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hogan, Gorman, present for Christmas Day. Included in the group were 12 children, 19 grand children, 4 great-grandchildren and one visitor. Three children and their families who were not present were Mr. and Mrs. Hollen Hogan and family of Merced, California, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hogan and family of Valley Jo, Calif.,

Mrs. Effie Purvis and Mrs. Edgar Purvis of Stephenville were in the Northcutt home Tuesday.

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and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hogan of Ft Worth. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hogan had visited in Gorman the Sunday before Christmas.

The children and families present were Mr. and Mrs. Edd Johnson of Rising Star, Mr. and Mrs. John Kee and girls of Olney, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hogan and family of Eunice, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. Odell Hogan and girls of Sundown, Mr. and Mrs. Arlin Burkhalter and family of Rising Star, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hogan and son of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hogan and son of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Hulon Hogan and family of Eunice, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jones and family of Dublin, Mr. and Mrs. Guindle Hogan and son of De Leon, and Miss Shirley Hogan of Gorman.

There were one grandchild and family present. They were Mr. and Mrs. Glendale Gregg and family of Weatherford.

The visitor present was Miss Beverley Norris of Carbon.

WESTMORELAND CHILDREN HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Mrs. Laura Westmoreland had seven of her eight children home over the Christmas holidays. They were Mr. and Mrs. U. E. (Fat) Westmoreland and Mr. and Mrs. Joyce Locke of Odessa, Mrs. Nadine Bantee of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. (Skin) Westmoreland, Hanland and Debrah of Goldsmith, Mr. and Mrs. Albert

LONGTIME FRIENDS ENJOY ANNUAL DINNER

Longtime friends, Mr. and Mrs. Gail Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Boucher, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Wilson, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Westmoreland and Gary of Childress, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Rudd, Martin, Loretta, Don B. and Linda of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jenkins and Bitty, Mr. and Mrs. La Velle Killion and Yvonne of Rising Star, and Billy Jack Jenkins, serving in the Coast Guards in Brownsville.

There were 4 generations present, Mrs. Westmoreland, her daughter, Gracie Mearle Jenkins, Mrs. La Juan Killion, and Yvonne.

Dixon of Winters and formerly of Gorman enjoyed their annual dinner in the Wilson home Sunday.

Others who joined them for the afternoon were the L. A. Bennetts and the Curb Turpins.

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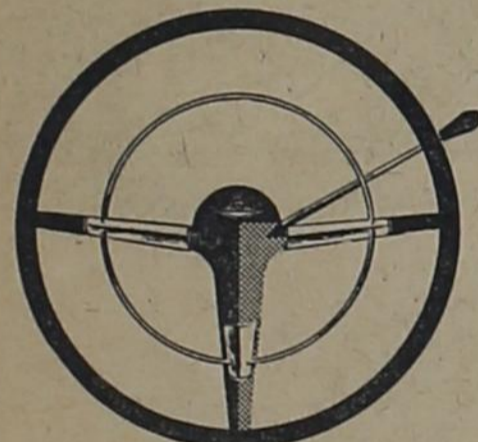
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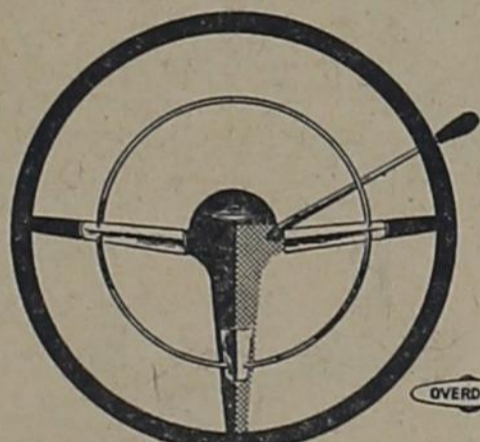
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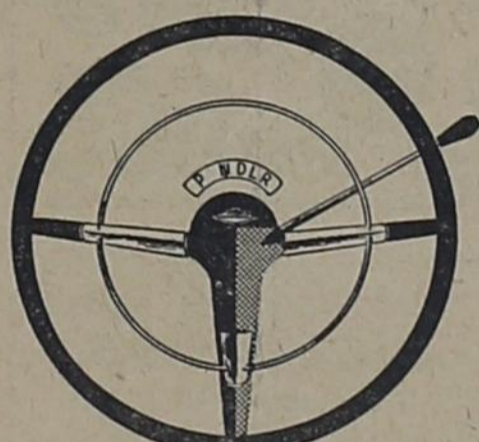
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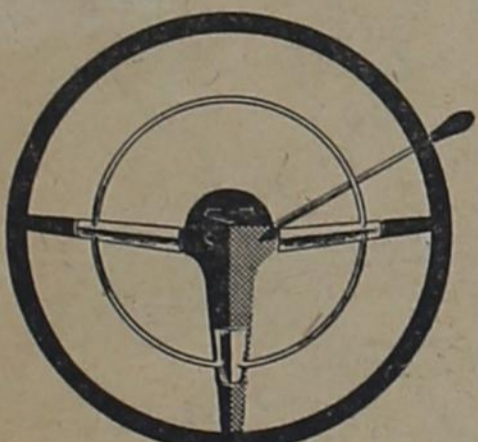
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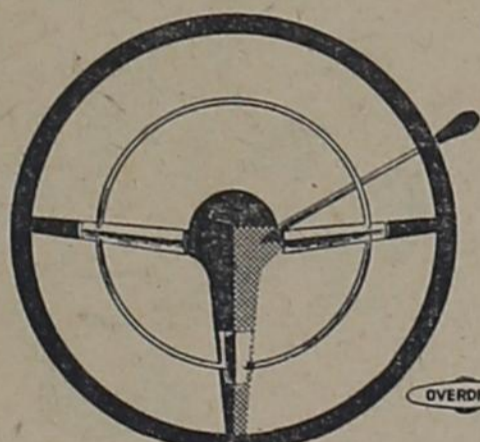
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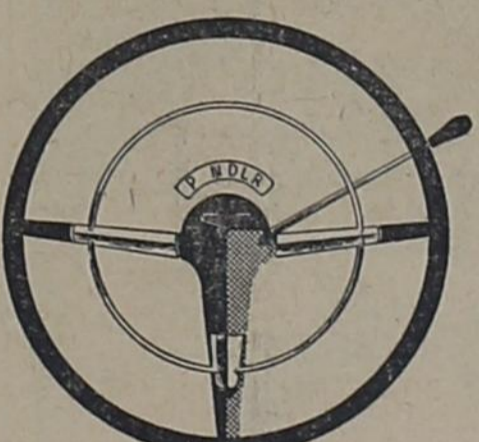
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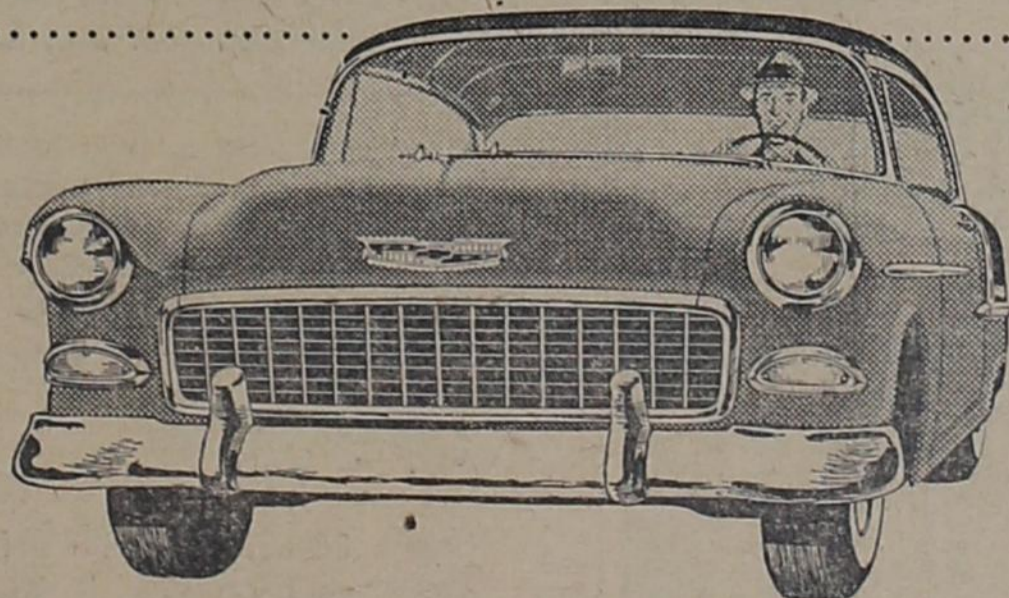


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VETS RETURN TO COLLEGE

Tommy Brightwell has been discharged from the Air Force. He returned home Sunday. Tommy has had a trip half way around the world and a wide experience with other peoples. Like most of the discharged or deactivated fellows he is not ready to "light".

Before the opening of the

spring semester he will be in Denton matriculating at North Texas State.

Raymond Emerson has been deactivated after having some two years in the anti-aircraft division of the U S Army at Fort Bliss.

Emerson will also be returning to North Texas State College to complete his work interrupted by his call to service. While in the Army Raymond continued to rate

Washington

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OMAR BURESON
Congressman
17th District

WASHINGTON, D. C. - This is the first of the weekly columns which will be submitted to all the newspapers of the 17th Congressional District during this session of the 84th Congress. It will be my purpose to call

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my thanks to the friends and neighbors for the kindness shown to me at the loss of my beloved son, D. O. Kinney of Stamford.

May God bless each of you.
Mrs. H. A. Kinney

as a class A student in training he received.

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the attention of my constituents to the many issues considered by the Congress. An effort will be made to report to the people as I observe and participate in the United States Congress, and not merely report news which you read in the daily newspapers or heard broadcast on the radio.

In my column next week I shall mention some of the main issues which are likely to be considered in this session of the Congress, and at all times my door will be open to your suggestions and inquiries. Furthermore, it is my business to know how the people whom I represent feel about these matters which vitally affect all of us.

Overshadowing all other considerations, it seems to me that peace in the world always must be the principal objective. Every means possible should be exhausted to guard against the threat of war. Under present conditions, to be stronger than any enemy is the best guarantee of peace. To this end we must insure an adequate defense and promote international cooperation where possible.

At the same time, we must reinforce our economy; expand industry; and seek new markets, especially for any agricultural surpluses.

There are a number of issues on the home-front which likely will prove controversial. The President delivered his State of the Union Message last week, in

which he proposed numerous subjects for legislative action. During the next month and a half the President will send a number of Special Messages to the Congress dealing with both foreign and domestic policy. Each subject will receive long and careful consideration by the committee of the Congress which deals with the particular matter. On many of them it is unpredictable as to what final form may emerge after committee action and after debate on the Floor of the Congress. Many times a bill may be radically changed from the original until it is finally ready for the President's signature.

All things considered, it is the guess of many experienced observers that this session of the Congress may run rather smoothly. A feeling of optimism generally prevails. There is also an optimistic feeling among those both inside and out of government that our economy will expand and that 1955 may be one of the most prosperous years the Country has ever had. The prospects for this being true in practically everything except agriculture are very

good. On the other hand, it is my personal belief that unless we have a strong agricultural economy, business generally cannot be maintained at the high level predicted. This has always been true and theory is not going to change it. This means that the farmer must have a greater opportunity to raise his annual income than now appears in prospect. Especially is this true in the areas which have been hit so hard by the drought.

Let me urge again that as the various issues before the Congress arise and after they are defined enough to have substance and meaning, the views of my constituents will be appreciated and highly respected.

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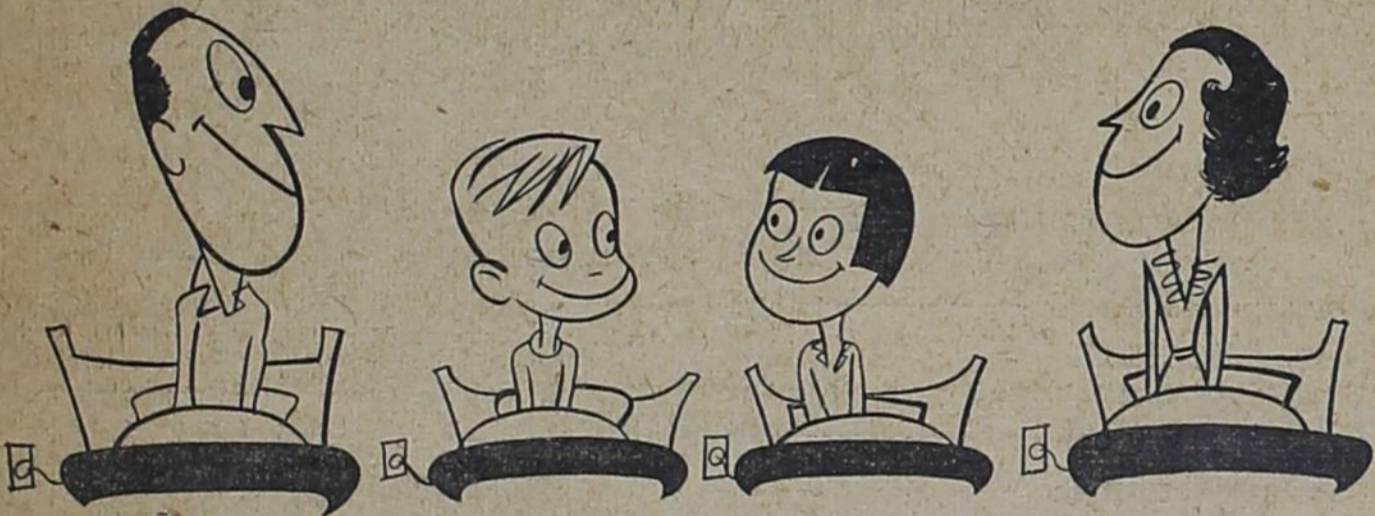
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Where We'll Never Grow Old

A young minister pays tribute to his father and mother

It was a great day for C. R. Moore. For years he had directed the singing at the little Baptist Church at Draketown, Ga. But on that Sunday in April, 1914, the old hymns had a special meaning. His son, James, was home on a visit from Mercer University at Macon and was going to preach.

Young Rev. James C. Moore looked out across the congregation with a heavy heart. He had been away only four years. But familiar faces that were young so short a time ago were showing traces of age. His nine brothers and sisters had grown up. And his mother, who waited anxiously to hear her oldest son preach, was breaking fast. Most of all, the 28-year-old preacher was touched by his father's singing. The elder Moore had been trained by the renowned A. J. Showalter and time was when he was known over most of Georgia as one of the finest singers in the state. But now his voice was failing.

Recalling that occasion of nearly 40 years ago, the Rev. James C. Moore recently related, "I felt so sorry for him. His voice broke and he lost the pitch of the tones and I knew I would not hear him sing much longer."

I have heard of a land on the far-away strand,
Tis a beautiful home of the soul;
Built by Jesus on high, there we never shall die,
Tis a land where we never grow old.

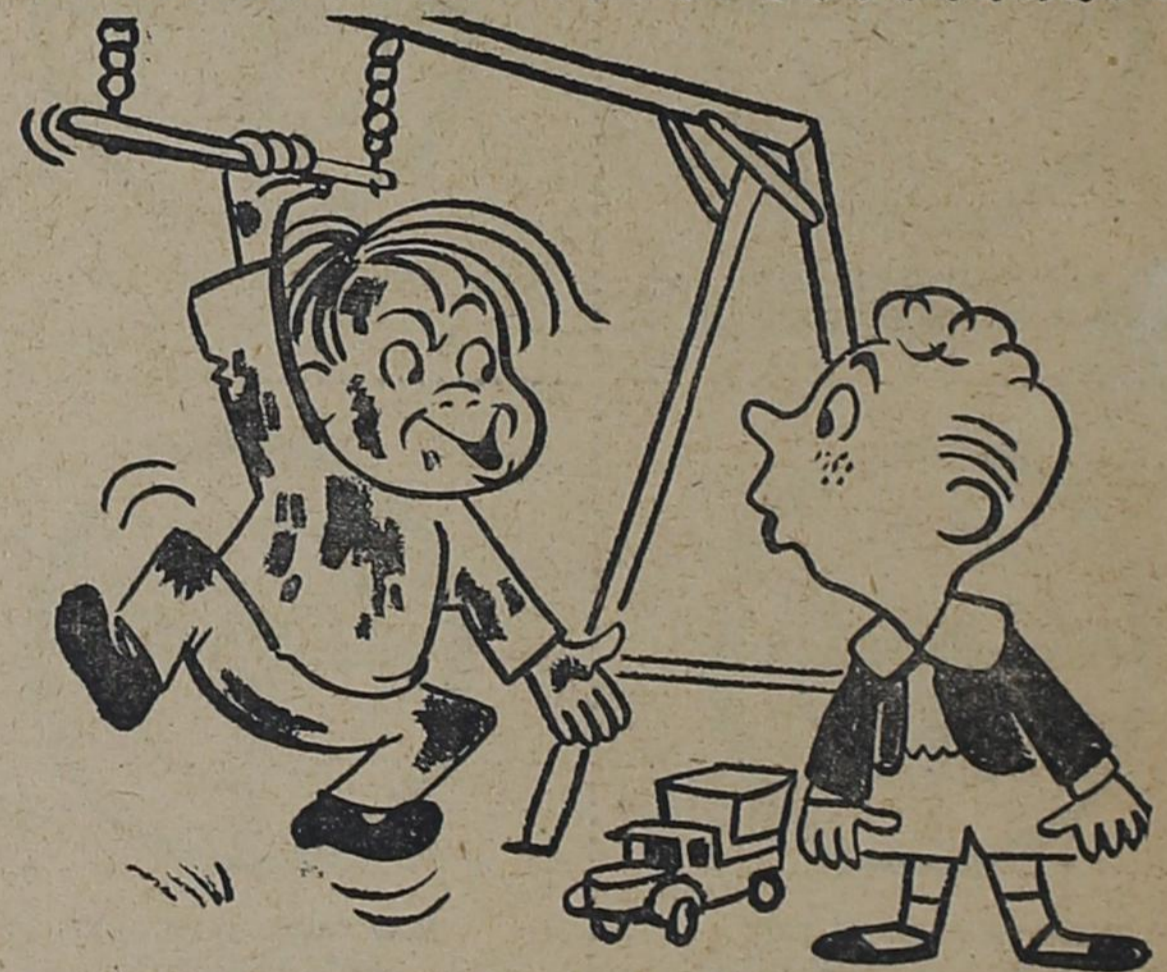
In that beautiful home where we'll never more roam;
We shall be in the sweet by and by;
Happy praise to the King through eternity sing,
Tis a land where we never shall die.

Thus, on the pulpit of that little Baptist Church in East Georgia was born the inspiration for an immortal hymn. Back in Macon, James C. Moore sat on the porch of his dormitory and wrote both words and music for his famous hymn. Then he wrote under the title "Dedicated to my father and mother." It has been sung all over the world and printed in hymnals in Australia and in sheet music in Canada. In a recent survey an average of 18 people in every church congregation interviewed said they have buried their loved ones to the comforting singing of "Where We'll Never Grow Old."

The Rev. James C. Moore, Sr., is past 60 now. He has one daughter and all three of his sons fought in the last war. "But they all came home," he said. "Thank the Lord." One of his boys is following his footsteps into the ministry. And Rev. Moore is still preaching. He plans to retire some day from his "very good church for a small town" at Abbeville, Ga., and move out to his farm at the headwaters of the Savannah River. He has written more than 500 hymns, but he hopes to keep adding to the list until the Great Director beckons him to join his father and mother in "the land where we'll never grow old."

When our work here is done and the life-crown is won,
And our troubles and trials are o'er,
All our sorrow will end, and our voices will blend,
With the loved ones who've gone on before.

Never grow old, never grow old,
In a land where we'll never grow old;
Never grow old, never grow old,
In a land where we'll never grow old.
(By permission of James C. Moore, Sr.)

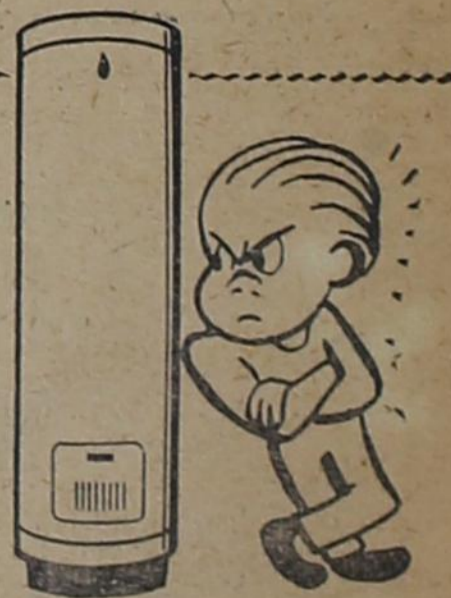


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Keeping Up With Our Friends - -

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Underwood and Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Jacobs spent the week end visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Little of Wichita Falls.

Mrs. G. C. Acrea visited with her mother, Mrs. Tom Pritchett, in Eastland Tuesday.

Gus Frossard went to market Tuesday in Dallas and Ft Worth.

M/Sgt Robert L. Collins of Dayton, Ohio and his wife with their two children, Bobby and Brenda, are visiting with the Joe Collins and the Henry Collins, his parents, of Carbon. The Sargeant is scheduled for overseas service in England.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Powers and daughters, Carolyn and Shari of Beaumont, visited his mother, Mrs. T. G. Jackson, and Dr. Jackson, arriving on Friday and returning to their home Tuesday.

S/Sgt. M. N. Swanner, wife and son, left for Lackland AFB after spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Swanner and James. Sgt. Swanner and family had just arrived back in the states from the Philippines.

Winfred Swanner has gone back to Inglewood, Calif after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Swanner. Winfred is employed with the Eckdah Auto Parts Co. in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watkins of Denton visited Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Broom Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Brown and Sherry Dean of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Glasson, Arnold and Debbie, and Melba Brown of Baird, and Bill Michael of Rising Star were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brown.

Mark Miller of Opalouse, La. visited Jackie Don Wheeler during the holidays.

You Can Have Your Cake And Eat It Too

The proverb "you can't have your cake and eat it too" does not hold true for the farmer.

The cake of the farmer is his soil. Truly we can say the soil is the cake of the farmer, the community, the nation and world.

In this area of Texas farms are at the basis of all business. Poor soil means poor farmers, and poor farmers mean poor business.

Whether or not a farmer can "have his cake and eat it too" depends on the recipe he follows.

DO YOU HAVE THE RIGHT RECIPE FOR YOUR FARM?

Recipe for RUINING a Farm:

Cut one medium size farm into square pieces.

Add successive crops to remove organic matter.

Stir the thin layer of topsoil frequently to encourage the soil to be carried off by the next wind or rain.

Allow plow pan to form, and burn crop residue if necessary to leave surface bare.

Carefully run the rows up and down the slopes so that the rain drops can get away in a hurry, taking precious topsoil with them.

Repeat until the dark color disappears and subsoil shows.

Stuff native pastures with as

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Eaves of Goldsmith have been visiting their parents, the F. C. Eaves and the John Wheelers.

Visiting Mrs. Ruth Carter Wednesday were Mrs. Edgar Underwood of May and Mrs. Leta Metcalf of Throckmorton. Both are friends of long standing of Mrs. Carter whose home is in Throckmorton. For the past several years she has spent most of her time with her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Paze.

many cattle as gate can be closed on, to insure rapid destruction of all good grasses and to develop bare surfaces to stimulate washing and blowing.

Then allow deep, irregular gullies to form and leave the bare surface exposed to the sun to bake.

Season with an unpainted house, broken down fences, some old machinery and an old barn.

Repeat the process for a few years or until the farm is ready to be abandoned.

RECIPE FOR SAVING A FARM:

Apply to your Soil Conservation District for assistance.

Obtain the assistance of a trained conservationist to help you determine the best use that can be made of each acre within the limits of its capability.

Carve farm into pieces on lines determined by land capability classes.

Seed native grasses on areas that can no longer be safely kept in cultivation.

Add cover crops and legumes to cropping system and apply to all cultivated areas.

Stir Soils with implements that allow crop residues to remain on surface to prevent erosion and increase intake of water.

Mold crust into terraces where necessary to control erosion.

Spread cover of perennial grasses over surface of all waterways.

Apply "take half-leave half" rule to native pastures.

Sprinkle with water facilities for livestock's convenience.

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DUSTER ROCK BLUFF NEWS

Mrs. Lorene Johnson, Reporter

with 9/10 of an inch of rain on 9/10 of an inch of rain.

All churches had regular attendance Sunday.

These communities welcome Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carlton and three daughters of Phoenix, Arizona who are moving on the Will Haynes Farm. And also Mr. and Mrs. Almos Lassister and boys are moving on the Tate place.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crow of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Witherspoon of Freer, Mrs. J. D. Crow of De Leon, Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison of Jayton, and Miss Ina Mae Torrance of Gorman were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Will Haynes.

Mr. Cecil Ross of Brownwood visited his sister, Mrs. Tommie Gray, and family Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Brewer and children of San Angelo visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Scott, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Haynes spent Sunday with her uncle and aunt, the W. G. Hendersons of Oliver Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Cap Pritchett of Kemp are visiting a few days with their daughter, Mrs. Harvey Hall, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Gray attended the singing convention in Dublin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Scott visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Barnes in Ft Worth Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Roundtree of San Angelo visited Mr. and Mrs. Seal Smith a few days.

Christmas visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Haynes were

CHEANEY NEWS

Mrs. Bill Tucker, Reporter

The John Loves have had a lot of company since last reporting.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bob Brown of Gruver visited them while they were at Gorman. Mr. and Mrs. Lum Love of Lubbock were here for a visit with their mothers, Mrs. Ann Love and with Mrs. Belle Blackwell. Mrs. Fannie Love and Don of Odessa were here Sunday and attended church services in the morning. She and Don, accompanied by Joy Love, drove over from Stephenville.

Ronnie Love is staying with the John Loves, while finishing mid-term at Gorman school. He will enroll at Stephenville, since moving away from Alameda.

her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Chathon of Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. John Henderson of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Henderson of Rising Star, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prentice of Whitney.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barnes last week were Mr. and Mrs. Homer Stephens and son of Rucker, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barnes of Comyn, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Frederick and baby daughter of Memphis, Tenn. Mrs. Frederick was the former Miss Helen Winkles.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Ray Solomon and daughter arrived home from California Friday being discharged from the Army. They are visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Solomon. Dale Solomon, another son, left for the Air Force January 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barnes and boys spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Barnes, at Comyn.

Mesdames Ann Love, Cora Love, and Myrtha Love, visited with the Melva Loves on Sunday afternoon, at Stephenville.

Ben Freeman was on the sick list Sunday. The Freemans and the Hatley Deans visited last Monday with the Dick Weekes family in Comanche.

Also the Freemans had as their house guests on Wednesday and Thursday old time friends from Van Buren, Ark., Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hallsted. Both couples used to commute from Van Buren to Coffeyville, Kans. and vice-versa when the men were railway employees.

Dinner guests, and I do mean dinner, with fried chicken and Christmas fruit cake, and black-

eyed peas and sweet potato pie out of the home freezer, yes and ice cream, too, enjoyed a noon time get together in the home of John and Betty Tucker, Sunday, despite the weather. Those who gathered following morning church services were Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Love and their daughter, Mrs. Jimmy Greer, Junior Love of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Tucker and Garland of Crane, Mrs. Mary Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Miller. How do I know all this? We wouldn't have missed that delicious dinner for a dollar - the two of us.

The Henry Perrins and the Alton Perrin family and Olive Pilgrim were callers in the Charlie Miller home Saturday afternoon.

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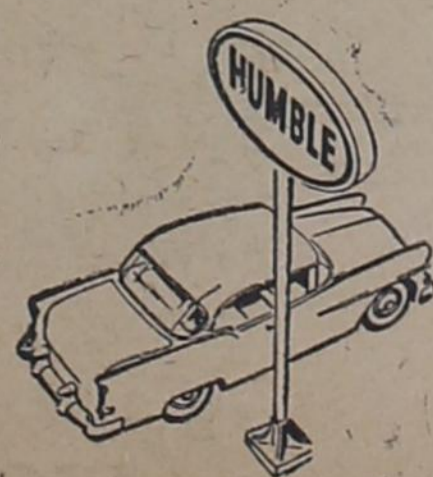
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THIRD GRADE
We are glad to finish with our mid-term tests. We are hoping to pass.

In September we started with 32 original entries - 16 girls and 16 boys. To begin this Second Term of school we have 28 students - 14 girls and 14 boys.

This is about the right size class to do good work. We are hoping that we do not lose any more pupils.

We are sorry to lose Ray Campbell who moved to Eastland and Geraldine Moore who moved to San Saba.

FIFTH GRADE - Ragland

We took up science today. We are doing experiments with metal, making it contract and expand.

In English we have been discussing how to be more courteous. I think everyone is trying to improve their manners.

We are looking forward to a class party Friday after school. We have a game committee planning suitable games. We elected Wesley Warren for president, Mary Thompson for secretary and Howard Joiner for reporter.

FIFTH GRADE - Wilson

We are sorry that Glendon Frasier and Margie Sanders are absent. We hope they will be back soon.

Last week we had mid-term tests. Some of us were exempt. This week we will get our report cards.

Our band schedule has been changed from eight o'clock to one o'clock.

We finished our health last week. Now we are taking science. Our first book is about water. We made a report on the Roman Water System.

Grade School is having a basketball tournament beginning on Wednesday and continuing through Saturday night. We hope our teams will win their games.

EIGHTH GRADE

The basketball teams played Desdemona with the boys losing 43 to 28, but the girls came through with another victory, beating Desdemona 40 to 36. Both teams played a swell game.

Mid-term tests are finally over. Nearly everybody was satisfied with their grades. We get our report cards and headaches sometime this week.

Grade School tournament started Wednesday, the 12th. The Gorman boys opened the tournament with a game with De Leon.

FRESHMEN NEWS

The Freshman class the past week has had fun with the exception of those who had to take tests. We had a volley ball tournament between the classes. We also played elimination ball and basketball.

In math we are starting on formulas and how and when to use and make formulas.

In English, a new subject we've taken up since mid-term, we are studying the parts of speech.

In science we are learning about th different kinds of motors, their fuels and their efficiency. We are going to take an electric motor apart and see how it is put together then see if we can put it back together.

SOPHOMORE NEWS

This week is the first week after mid-term and we started it off by getting two new books. In Homemaking the girls will take up cooking and drop sewing a while. We also dropped literature and took up English.

The Latin students are taking up the third declination and the boys in agriculture are studying feeding rations. In algebra we are studying verbal problems and in history we are studying about France.

The girls won their first two district games with Scranton and Carbon and we hope that by next week we can say they beat Desdemona.

The boys are still waiting for their football jackets and we hope they will be here before long.

The football banquet is going to be held on the 17th and we

are looking forward to it.

JUNIOR NEWS

With mid-term tests over with things are getting settled down once more. There were very few Juniors who had to take the tests. This was mostly because of ab-

sentees.

The schedule has been changed a little bit for some but for others it didn't effect them.

We are happy to have Mrs. Underwood for our English III teacher. She is a very good one. We also enjoyed Mrs. Pattillo for our Literature III teacher and we will sure miss her. More than likely she is glad of the relief of being back in grade school and not having to teach us.

In all the rest of our subjects things are remaining pretty much the same. We are just continuing what we started before mid-term. Only thing that is different is it is a bit harder.

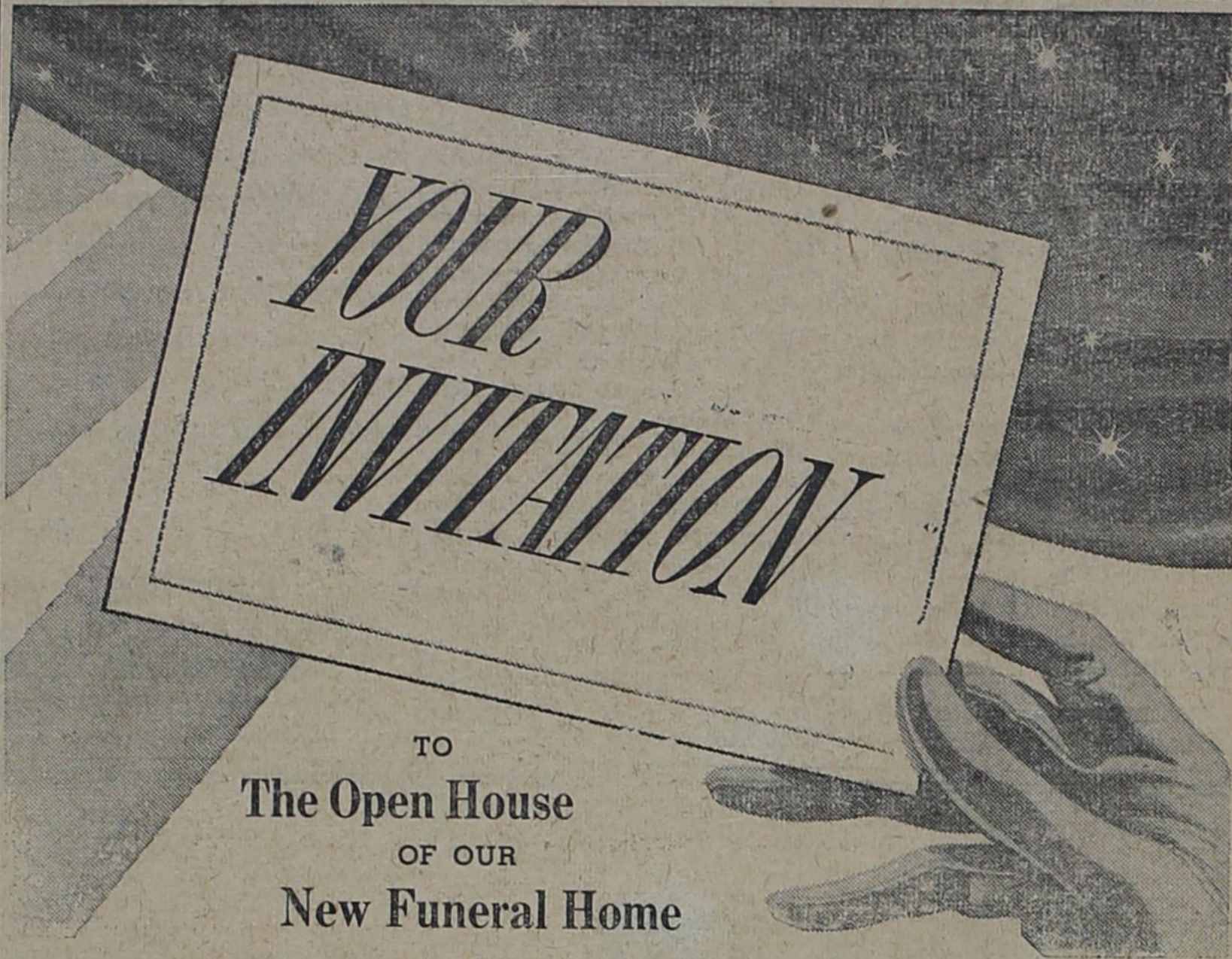
LIBRARY NEWS

The Grade School children are enjoying the books purchased by

the P. T. A. The last of the order has arrived. The books have been distributed as follows: Fourth grade - 18 books. Fifth grade - 18 books. Sixth grade - 15 books. Seventh grade - 15 books and the Eighth grade - 15 books.

Some of the more popular titles are: Lenski - Texas Tomboy, Bailey - Cherokee Bill, Burnett - Secret Garden, Yates - Atomic Experiments for Boys, Harkins - Son of the Coach, Petersham - Story of the Presidents of the United States (Pictures), Graham - Treasure in the Covered Wagon, McCracken - Great White Buffalo, Shippen - Mr. Bell Invents the Telephone, and Lippincott - Wolf King.

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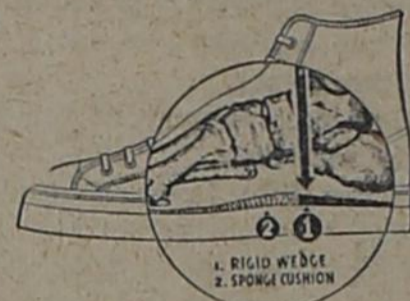
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