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RANGER, TEXAS, THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 1959

Ranger Looks Forward to New Year With Faith and Confidence in Future

Progress Is Key Note Here For Coming Year

Ranger stands by to welcome in the New Year at midnight tonight, looking forward with confidence to a bigger and better year.

In many ways progress was made in '58, and the year stands way out in front of '57. This gives local people faith in the future and the assurance that '59 will be even better.

When the clocks strike on the last second of '58, progress can be noted in almost every field of endeavor: commerce and industry, social and civic.

Increased sales and a larger volume of business were noted by many local merchants, in a Times survey. Almost all reported that business was better, particularly in December, due to heavy Christmas shopping.

The general business trend, in Ranger, seemed better in '58 than in '57. Several factors gave evidence of more prosperity in the area: a plentiful peanut crop (earlier estimated at three million dollars), good rains and good agricultural production, higher bank deposits, and brisk buying.

Merchants reported that the volume of business increased considerably during the last half of 1958. They are looking forward to the New Year, as the business prospects for '59 look even more favorable.

Ranger also helped to boost the county over the Savings Bond goal, leading the district in percentage of sales for most of the year.

Building boomed briskly as a good many local houses were constructed and more were remodelled. Many additions, re-paintings and other changes were noted in '58.

Main Street saw its share of changes, all for the better, as

General Hospital had been recorded a few days before the end of the year. Many highway workers moved into town and, out of that number, some will likely become permanent residents.

According to the number of utility meters in Ranger, the total population should be about 4,000 based on an average of three people to a meter. A population estimate, however, may vary as low as 3,810 or as high as 4,200 — or over.

Bank Deposits
Bank deposits showed a general trend upward, reaching a high point of \$2,447,385.92 in the September report.

Another report will be made at the close of business today (Wednesday) for the last quarter of '58.

Here are the bank deposit figures, at the Commercial State Bank:

Dec. 31, 1957	\$2,404,415.72
March 4, 1958	\$2,406,284.09
June 23, 1958	\$2,330,880.33
Sept. 24, 1958	\$2,447,385.92

Savings show an increase at the First Federal Savings & Loan Association. Total savings Dec. 31, 1957, were \$787,379.53, compared with \$792,158.18, June 30, 1958. This figure was expected to be exceeded in today's report.

Chamber of Commerce
Considerable progress was made by the Chamber of Commerce during the year. The annual report of the Chamber sums up the year's work.

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ROAMING THRU RANGER WITH RON...

By Ronald Waters



TOMORROW is a new year and this is positively the last day of the Ranger Times this year. In fact, it's the only time of this type you'll receive for another year.

For this is our New Year's Edition, and I hope you don't blame Roaming Ron for heaving with pride at some of the stories in today's edition. They took a lot of work.



1958 was a great year, but prospects for a better year look bright. 'Tis time now for the yearly predictions which are guaranteed to be accurate—more or less.

Here's the way we see the future for Ranger:

Several more businesses will open up on Main St. this year, and a good many new businesses will open in town. Our guess would be that three or more vacant buildings will be filled on Main St. and that at least five new businesses will start here next year.

At least one major industry will start up here within the next 12 months.

Ranger's Chamber of Commerce program will continue to take great strides forward, actually outdoing its full program of '58. Progress will be the key note of '59.

More and more shopping in Ranger will be done by area and out-of-county people, as well as by the old standbys, the local shoppers.

Merchants will find success in their promotional campaigns to increase their business, and prosperity will continue on the rise.

Local bank deposits will continue to rise, going above the '58 mark.

With new emphasis on sports in '59, one or more local organizations will find a way to build a ski jump at Lake Leon.

Lake Leon will see the second water carnival, to be staged on July 4, and it will be even more successful than last year's. This is a prediction and not a confirmed fact.

Many changes will be seen on the local scene and not all for the better. Several prominent citizens will move from Ranger within the next year.

Ranger High School students will study harder than usual (and soon) under some of the best teachers in the state.

Ranger College will make at least one major improvement on the campus in '59. This may take the form of street paving.

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County Officials to Take Oaths Thursday

Two new county officials will be sworn into office Thursday by County Judge John Hart, and a number of other officials who were re-elected will take their oaths at the same time.

Mrs. Ellen Justice of Cisco will become county treasurer and Carl Lamb of Cisco will take the oath of office as county commissioner of Precinct 4. Mrs. Justice will suc-

Snowfall Puts Wrapping Over Eastland County

Eastland Countians who dreamed of a white Christmas didn't miss seeing their dream come true by much.

Snow began falling here early Tuesday morning, after a light sleet Monday night, and by noon the ground was generally covered. The official measurement Wednesday morning was 1.1 inches, or .22 in moisture. The snowfall is regarded as highly beneficial to cropland and pastures.

Eastland County highways began icing over Tuesday morning and became dangerous Tuesday night. No highways were closed this morning, but law enforcement officers warned motorists to stay off the highways if at all possible.

The Panhandle of Texas suffered hardest for the heavy snowfall, and traffic in that area ground to a halt Tuesday. Many motorists are still stranded in that area, and several deaths have been blamed on icy conditions.

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Most of Ranger's businesses will be closed all day tomorrow (New Year's Day).

Teen Town will be open Friday and Saturday nights from 7:30 to 11 p.m. for all junior high and high school students. New tickets will go on sale Friday night for \$1 each.

Social hour set in the basement of the First Methodist Church tonight at 10, to be followed by a service at 11 p.m. welcoming in the New Year. Prayer vigil is now in progress at the church.



Here Are Vital Statistics

Total number of births in Ranger	122 (69 boys and 53 girls)
General Hospital for 1958	122
Number of Texas Electric Service Co. customers	1402 (inside city limits) 246 (outside city)
Number of Lone Star Gas Co. meters	1338 (inside city limits) 922 (in area)
Number of Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. customers	1317 (in area)
Number of city water meters	1240 (inside city) 30 (outside city)

Population estimates, based on the above figures, would give Ranger a population figure as high as 4,206 or as low as 3,810. With three people to a meter, the average figure would be 3,995 — a good indication of Ranger's probable population.

Peanuts, Accidental Deaths, Top Stories of '58

By Ronald Waters

Biggest news story of the year for Ranger residents and for people in Eastland County, as a whole, was the report on the biggest peanut crop in eight years.

Estimated at a value of three million dollars, the crop is now almost completely harvested and will effect the county's economy even more. About 960,000 bushels of peanuts were raised in the county, during the year.

Average yields were reported at 30 bushels to the acre, and storage facilities in the county were jammed full of peanuts.

Accidental deaths in Eastland county also made big news in '58. More traffic fatalities were recorded in the county than any other year, with 14 persons losing their lives. One of the major news stories, appearing in the Ranger Times and all over the nation, told the tragic story of a highway accident that took the lives of seven persons, near here.

Three persons died by drowning, and Lake Leon marked its first fatality.

On the brighter side, 1958 was a great year in many other aspects. It was a year that saw a successful boat show, a big water carnival at Lake Leon, and the largest peach show in the State held in Ranger. The year saw one of the best business years, and the continued progress of local industries. Elections were big news in

1958, both on the local and national levels.

Ranger went to the polls five times during the past year electing school board officials and members of the board of regents; designating city, county, state and national officials in two other elections; and approving the use of parking meters in the city, in a called election. Water board members were elected in a city-wide election.

One of the most dramatic stories of the year was the account of the search and discovery of a missing Franklins woman. This story had suspense and drama, all the elements necessary for a good news story.

On the sports scene — baseball kept many Ranger residents busy during the summer months, and football during the fall. Now basketball is in full swing. Ranger College completed one of its most successful seasons in recent years, placing second in the Texas Conference.

Here are brief news summaries of the top news stories of 1958, occurring in the city and county.

Top Stories of '58

JANUARY
Jan. 14—Chamber of Commerce names 14 committees to head work for the year.

Jan. 7—Two Bulldog grid stars

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were named to All-State selections. David Wharton placed on the first team and Charles Wolford on second.

Jan. 9—Bank deposits are up in Ranger. Population increase is noted.

Jan. 16 1947 Club plans to aid the March of Dimes.

Jan. 19—Banquet honors bi-district champion Bulldogs at which time 25 letters are awarded.

Jan. 26—Pancakes and Bingo highlights the fifth annual Lions Club pancake supper.

Jan. 30—Mothers March of Dimes aids fight against polio.

FEBRUARY
Feb. 6—Dollar Day is approved by the trade extension committee of the Chamber of Commerce, set on the first Monday of every month.

Feb. 9—Lake Leon has 332 registered boats.

Feb. 16—Local library marks 10th anniversary. Kennel Wells is elected Mr. Ranger College.

Feb. 18—Fire burns the Southland Hotel and Tower Theatre with thousands of dollars in damages.

Feb. 23—Tryouts to pick local teen stars for Fort Worth television show are held in National Guard Armory.

Feb. 25—Proposed extra funds for road across Lake Leon dam are tabled by County Commission.

ers. Rangers close out season by moving to Arlington state. Carol Sanders named sweetheart of Ranger's service battery of the National Guard.

Feb. 27—Plans made for a boat show to be held in Ranger.

MARCH
March 2—Typical cowgirl—Helen Carroll—and typical cowboy—Bill Lyle—are named during Ranch Day Activities at Ranger College.

March 6—David Slaughter is named head football coach at Ranger College.

March 9—Six persons file for positions on the Ranger College board of regents.

March 11—Local high school Kussie Festival (held Saturday, March 9).

March 15—Bank deposits show increase for year.

March 16—Annual Band Banquet held in First Baptist church.

March 23—County Cancer Crusade goal is set at \$2,500.

March 30—Boat Show gets underway in Ranger. County bond sales rank first in district.

APRIL
April 1—Ranger FFA team wins two honors in the annual Eastland County Livestock Show (held Friday and Saturday). Boat Show called big success.

April 3—Four directors, in L. C. PHAGAN, PREMIER JOSEPH 1204 W. Ellis — Phone CH 2-1440 All types of oils and greases for farm, industrial and commercial users. Only local oil two imported oils used in making Premium Products.

cluding E. H. Mills and C. B. Frost, are named members of the water board.

April 6—Two school elections held here, filling seats on the Ranger School Board and the Board of Regents at Ranger College. Featherlite announces expansion of its local plant.

April 8—Lumbermen win voters approval in school election (held Saturday).

April 17—Ranger College presents Third Annual Spring Show.

April 20—Fishing rodeo scheduled to be held at Lake Leon, on July 4. Local Aggie Mover set Monday, April 21, at Lake.

April 27—Teen Town, Downbeat Jamboree held at National Guard Armory.

April 29—Spring training at Ranger College.

MAY
May 6—Top students named at Ranger High School. Don Defflach is valedictorian and Ann Robinson, salutatorian.

May 11—Winners named in Ranger Garden Club's first flower show.

May 15—Ranger pecans announced as a new variety, originated and grown by B. B. Freeman.

May 16—Pecan growers hold annual field meeting at College.

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Cafeteria and in Freeman's orchard.

May 20—Little League season starts with Dodgers and Yanks winning first game.

May 25—140 graduating students (at the high school and college) are ready to receive diplomas. Class Day program held at High School (Friday).

May 27—A total of 92 graduates at Ranger College hear Sen. Floyd Bradshaw in services held Sunday night in the First Methodist Church.

JUNE
June 1—Seven die in a flaming auto-truck crash about 13 miles west of Ranger in one of the worst traffic accidents on record in Eastland County.

Graduation at RHS marks end of school year as 43 seniors receive diplomas. A total of 107 students are promoted in graduation services at the junior high and elementary schools.

June 3—County Cancer Drive goes over the top as \$2,761 is received.

June 8—Lone Cedar Club is being organized. Summer school enrollment continues at the college.

June 12—Ranger citizens circulate petitions asking the county and state to pave a four-mile strip of highway across the Lake Leon Dam.

July 17—Morris George is named vice president of the central division of the U. S. Highway 80 Association. Rev. Lively Brown is named pastor of the First Methodist Church.

June 26—Mr. and Mrs. D. Joseph, former residents, are found shot to death in Houston.

June 29—Ranger Lions Club installs new officers.

JULY
July 6—Thousands swarm to Lake Leon for the July 4 water carnival, fishing, rodeo and skiing events.

July 10—Drennon Daves resigns as RHS coach. No replacement is named.

July 13—Jimmy Arrendale Day is set in local churches to gain funds for local boy who injured his back.

July 15—Clyde Garrett charges misuse of surplus food program in the county, seeking the post of County Judge.

July 17—Frank Bevers is named...

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Top Stories—

(Continued From Page One) ed Junior high school coach, and O. C. Warden accepts position as line coach at R.H.S.

July 22—Art and Morris Campbell purchase Elliott Motor Co. July 27—Winners of Democratic primary are John Hart, Roy Lane, Johnson Smith and Paul Brashers.

July 29—Giants capture the Little League title; the Indians are runners-up.

July 31—New postal rates go into effect.

AUGUST

August 7—Grass fire blazes across about 350 acres of grazing land near Olden.

Aug. 14—School budget is approved for year with receipts set at \$230,622 and expenditures at \$229,832.

Aug. 19—Contract is let to Collins Construction Co. of Austin for construction of Interstate 20, east of Ranger to the Erath County Line.

California youth drowns in Lake Leon.

Aug. 24—Bulldog grid workouts all set to get underway Monday. School registration is just "around the corner".

Aug. 26—Contract let for 16-inch pipeline to carry natural gas from area to Austin. Plans are made by the trade extension committee for a local merchant's Fall Campaign.

Aug. 28—Ranger College set to enter 33rd year of education. "Back to School and Autumn Style Show", sponsored by the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority is held in the high school auditorium.

Aug. 31—School enrollment figures total 727 students. County drops 12 voting precincts for economy.

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 4—New officers of Ranger's Community Chest are elected in a breakfast meeting. Work-outs underway for Ranger College football players.

Sept. 7—Bulldogs down Gateville Hornets 26-12, there. About 265 signatures ask for election on local parking meters.

A Ranger boy, Royce Koerner, is killed in a pick-up crash near Eastland. Local merchants launch Fall Campaign.

Sept. 14—Mineral Wells Mountaineers "shoot down" the Bulldogs, 30-22, there. City Commissioners call election on parking meters.

Sept. 16—Rangers upset Paris Dragons 20-6 in football opener, Saturday. Community Chest sets '59 budget at \$5,643.

Sept. 21—Diamond Hill Eagles take game away from Bulldogs, 14-12.

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Sept. 23—Cameron Aggies march over Rangers 27-0, Friday.

Sept. 25—Search continues for missing Frankell woman.

Sept. 28—Missing woman is found, following high extensive search over area. Bulldogs slip past DeLeon 14-12; Navarro sinks Rangers, 26-6.

Sept. 30—Tommy Warford and Gary Bradshaw of Ranger win top honors at the County Golf Tournament, held at the Eastland Lakeside Country Club.

Warford beat Les Strawn of Eastland, one-up, to take the Championship Flight. Bradshaw downed Joe Stephens of Eastland, one-up, to take the first flight consolation.

OCTOBER

Oct. 5—Bulldogs over-run Dublin 26-6 Friday. Rangers surprise Murry State 13-6, Saturday.

Oct. 9—Community Chest drive starts as workers seek \$5,643 goal. Credit Institute is underway at Ranger College. Rev. Charles Massee named youth director at First Baptist Church.

Oct. 12—Band Carnival held at recreation building. Ranger College elects Kenny Wells, Doug Roark, Mattie Jo Bentley and James Knickerbocker to head student council.

Oct. 14—Five Chamber of Commerce Directors are named.

Oct. 19—Bulldogs melt Winters Blizzards, 20-14. Rangers down Henderson County Cardinals, 18-8, in homecoming tilt (Saturday).

Oct. 21—Parking meters are approved and replaced in service.

Oct. 26—Cisco Lobos run over Bulldogs 36-7, Friday. Rangers "out-shoot" Wranglers 39-6, Saturday. Ranger is selected as site of Sixth Annual Pecan Show.

NOVEMBER

Nov. 2—Bulldogs fall before Ballinger Bears, 48-14. Tyler Apaches "scalp" Rangers, 36-6. W. J. Spies purchases C. E. May Insurance and Real Estate.

Nov. 6—Eastland County voters approve only one of nine State amendments in Tuesday's General Election and vote a straight Democratic ticket.

Nov. 9—Coleman dumps Bulldogs, 24-14 Friday. Rangers fall victim to New Mexico Military Institute, 47-21 Saturday.

Nov. 16—Bulldogs win last game, defeat Eastland Mavericks, 21-14. Basketball practice to start Monday at R.H.S. Rangers deadlock Blinn Buccaneers, 0-0.

Nov. 18—Tornado upsets boat docks at Lake Leon, damages Strawn houses.

Nov. 20—Lee King and Charles Veale place on All-District 7-AA.

Nov. 23—Joint Thanksgiving services are held Thursday. Rangers fall to mighty Texarkana, 58-2.

Nov. 30—Gene Bledsoe, Ranger boy, is killed in pipeline explosion near Palestine. Dublin down Bulldogs twice to open basketball season.

DECEMBER

Dec. 2—Rangers place six football players on All-Texas Conference. New Chamber of Commerce officers are installed.

Dec. 4—Morris George heads Chamber of Commerce as president; B. A. Tunnell is vice president; Dr. M. E. Jolly, treasurer, and R. V. Galloway, secretary-manager.

George "Buz" Bonyton is named All-American football player.

Dec. 7—Outstanding football players at Ranger High School and Ranger College are honored in annual banquets.

Dec. 9—A huge crowd attends Texas Electric Service Co. banquet, Monday. Work on Interstate 20 is about one-third completed.

Dec. 11—Sixth Annual Pecan Show to open Friday; Rebecca Graham is crowned Pecan Queen. Christmas program set at College, Friday.

Dec. 14—Over 269 pecan entries in Pecan Show.

Dec. 16—Pecan winners are named in largest pecan show ever held in State.

Dec. 18—Advisory board members outline the Chamber of Commerce program for the year.

Dec. 21—Ranger prepares for busy Christmas season. Christmas programs set at local churches.

Dec. 23—Peanut crop estimated at value of three million dollar in county.

Dec. 25—Christmas is observed in Ranger. Homecoming to start Saturday.

Hospital News

New patients in Ranger General Hospital are: Mrs. George Stewart and baby boy Ranger; Mrs. W. C. Gardner, Woodson, surgical; Mrs. Odell Hipp, Brock, medical; Mrs. W. E. Brockman, Olden, medical; Mrs. B. F. Day Jr., Dallas, medical; Mrs. Ida Lang, Ranger, medical; and John Tucker, Ranger, medical.

Roaming—

(Continued from Page One) the addition of a building, or the remodeling of buildings.

Community organizations will continue to boost the town in every way conceivable. Women's clubs and civic groups will cooperate to make Ranger a better place to live.

Construction of Interstate 20, east of Ranger, will be completed in June.

About 150 births will be recorded, with 80 of these being boys. All babies born will be either male or female!



ON THE SPORTS SCENE—

We've already picked the Air Force Falcons to beat TCU by 13 points and Roaming Ron will stick by that prediction.

Ranger College Rangers will better their '58 record in football and basketball (with next year's team). They will hold a 6-4 or a 6-3-1 season record. The Bulldogs will not do as well for the season record, but will come up one notch in the final district record. Basketball? Oh, yes, they will play it next season, too.

The Rogues will continue to be the most outstanding basketball team in the area, and the Ranger Independent Basketball Team will go undefeated (next season, too)!

Now Roaming Ron has stuck out his neck enuff. Now, it's up to you to get busy and make the predictions come true!

VISITS PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Justice and Mr. and Mrs. James Justice and family, all of Houston, spent the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Justice.

Ranger Looks—

(Continued from Page One) Activities of the group, during the year included at least two big projects: the July 4 water carnival at Lake Leon and the Sixth Annual Pecan Show. Usual programs of the Chamber, such as the encouragement of local industry, continued.

Progress in '58 Production of the crushing operation of burned featherlite doubled at the local Featherlite Corp. in '58. The crushing plant more than doubled its production from 12 cars in '57 to 25 or 30 cars per day in '58.

A total of eight kilns are now in operation at the plant. It employs 51 persons.

Ranger has a growing junior college which has taken great strides forward during the past year with many campus improvements. Work was completed on the

newly remodeled and expanded Athletic Dormitory, and the girl's dormitory was remodeled and renamed.

Ranger College also completed one of its most successful football seasons, in recent years, under the direction of two new coaches, in a new conference.

The college is approved by the Texas Education Agency, and is a member of the Southern Association of Junior Colleges, and the American Association of Junior Colleges.

Ranger High School holds the second highest enrollment in the county and boasts of a fine staff of teachers. Its band and other organizations consistently win honors.

Teen Town has completed a successful year and can look forward to another one. Attendance figures show the popularity of this gathering place for Ranger youths. Ranger has an abundance of

friendly and cooperative people who are all willing to work together to make 1959 an even more successful year.

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Letters To Editor

Ranger Times
Ranger, Texas
Dear Ronald:

Just a note of appreciation to you for the fine publicity given to the Ranger High School Homecoming, which was held Dec. 27 and 28. We had a wonderful get-together and feel that the success was largely due to the publicity given through the Ranger Times. The following officers were elected for the coming year.

President, Bruce Harris of Abilene.

First vice president in charge of food—Alton Davenport of Gainesville, assisting him will be R. V. Robinson and Mrs. Charlie Hamilton, both of Ranger.

Second vice president in charge of publicity is Mr. Raymond Steele of Vernon, Texas. His assistants will be Mrs. Juanita Ward and Delbert Capps, both of Ranger.

Third vice president in charge of entertainment is Mr. Arthur Deffebach and his assistant is Mr. Monk Agnew of Farr, Texas.

Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. R. V. Robinson of Ranger.

The next meeting will be held Dec. 26, 1959 the place will be announced at a later date. Ranger Hi-Homecoming is the official name of the organization. Plans are being made for a more varied type of entertainment at the next meeting.

G. W. Dixon

T. J. Anderson To Return Home

T. J. Anderson, who is hospitalized at Scott and White Hospital in Temple, is expected to return home later this week, according to word received here.

Anderson, who is in room 118 at the hospital, recently underwent surgery for a dislocated disc in his back.

HOLIDAY VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hise of Odessa visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bobo, and his mother, Mrs. R. L. Hise, during the Christmas holidays.

County—

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All officials taking the oath will serve four year terms. They won election in the November general election. All are Democrats.
The courthouse will be closed New Year's day.

Thanks Extended By Firemen For Fire Prevention

Members of the Ranger Volunteer Fire Dept. have extended their thanks to local people for fire prevention during the holidays.

Only a few runs were made by the department when several minor grass fires occurred.

At the same time, the department wished everyone in the area a "Happy New Year."

An annual fireman's convention in Mineral Wells will be attended by local firemen Tuesday, Jan. 6. Area firemen will also be present.

Firemen made one run Monday at 9 a.m. to the Featherlite plant, north of town. Slight damage was incurred by a front-end loader which had pulled up on a hot pile of rock, according to Fire Marshal Glen Carr.

Oil on the bottom of the loader caught fire and exploded. O. J. Caraway, employed by the plant, was driving the loader.

Fire Chief Charlie Isabell made the run with a booster truck.

Max Dooley Is Initiated Into UT Fraternity

Max Don Dooley of Ranger was recently initiated into the Nu Chapter of Rho Chi Society, National Pharmaceutical Scholastic Fraternity at the University of Texas College of Pharmacy.

Dooley was one of seven seniors received into the organization.

READ THE CLASSIFIEDS

Social Security Visit Schedule For County Given

A schedule of calls to be made in Eastland County during the first three months of the year was released today by the Abilene Social Security office.

Periodic calls to five county cities will be made by H. Vaden. His scheduled visits are listed below.

Eastland (City Hall, Mondays, 10 a.m.)—Jan. 12 and 26; Feb. 9 and 16; and March 2, 16 and 30.

Ranger (City Hall, Wednesdays, 10 a.m.)—Jan. 7 and 21; Feb. 4 and 18; and March 4 and 18.

Frank Williamson Is Hospitalized

Frank Williamson, owner of Frank and Earl's boat dock at Lake Leon and former Eastland County Democratic Party chairman, is in Baylor Hospital in Dallas.

Williamson will undergo surgery to correct a blood clot on one of his legs. He is in room 216.

Cisco (Chamber of Commerce, Thursday, 10 a.m.)—Jan. 15 and 29; Feb. 12 and 26; and March 12 and 26.

Gorman (City Office, Mondays, 10 a.m.)—Jan. 5; Feb. 2; and March 9.

Rising Star (City Hall, Mondays, 10 a.m.)—Jan. 26; Feb. 16 and March 23.

Gorman Gatherings

By Mrs. R. E. Boucher

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Eaker of Fort Wayne, Ind., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Eaker. They are moving to Dallas in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Pullig were weekend guests in the home of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stone Jr., Lee and Randy in Fort Worth.

Mrs. George Blackwell and Mrs. Bert Bennett are visiting with

Mr. and Mrs. Jack B. Bennett and other friends in Fort Worth. Mrs. Bennett will visit with her sisters and other relatives in Dallas before returning home after the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Juanita Harper and children of Nashville, Tenn., were recent visitors in the home of her parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Harper.

Miss Mattie Vaughn returned to her home in Post Friday after a week's visit with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Boucher. She and Mrs. Boucher visited in Eastland Wednesday with their cousin, Mrs. Nora Vaughn.

Rev. and Mrs. Don Turner were

in Dallas Thursday attending the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. J. J. Laner.

Mrs. G. B. Riley and Mrs. R. E. Boucher visited with Mrs. Riley's brother, Roy Duke in Eastland Saturday evening.

Mrs. J. N. Ellison and Mrs. Minnie Richey were in Fort

Worth shopping Tuesday. Mrs. Dean Kirk, Mrs. C. G. Kirk and Mrs. Edgar Higginbotham were Christmas shopping in Fort Worth Tuesday.

Mrs. W. B. Hooker is in Fort Worth visiting her daughter-in-law and grandchildren, Mrs. Ida Hooker and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Maedgen and children of Troy spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson.

VISIT IN FORT WORTH

Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson of Ranger and Mrs. C. L. Maedgen of Troy spent Saturday in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Arrendale
Celebrate Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Arrendale were honored on their golden wedding anniversary with an open house from 3 to 6 p.m. Thursday, December 25.

The table was laid with a hand-made white lace cloth from China. The centerpiece of silvered spruce, gold balls, and gold mums was flanked by tall gold candles in gold holders. The larger white and gold wedding cake was topped with a miniature bride and groom.

Refreshments of cake, punch, coffee, nuts and mints were served by Mrs. Tom Lang and Mrs. James Arrendale.

Mrs. Joe Tullis presided at the

WILLIAMS FAMILY HAS
REUNION DECEMBER 28

A family reunion was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Williams on Sunday, Dec. 28.

The following attended: Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Garmon, Linda and Larry of Sherman; Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Garmon and Kelly of Clarendon, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Garmon, Vick, Sue and Kent of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Funderburk and Ronald of Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bridges of Austin; Joe B. Tatum of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Garmon and Peggy of Brownwood; and Mrs. Fred Cason and Bob of Brownwood.

registry table, which was laid with a gold crepe cloth and centered with a poinsettia and the white and gold registry book.

About thirty guests called during the afternoon. Those from out-of-town were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Grantham of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. John Grantham of Strawn, Ted R. Walters of Fort Worth, David Walters of Milton, Florida, Miss Kay Coleman of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. James Arrendale, Billy and Sue of Snyder and L. L. Tucker of Eastland.

Many beautiful gifts were brought and sent by friends.

Jean Bankston,
Bill Lynn Bird
To Wed Jan. 9

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bankston of 609 Walnut Street, Ranger, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Lila Jean Bankston, to Bill Lynn Bird, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bird of Breckenridge. The couple will be married at 8 p.m. January 9 in the Bankston home.

Miss Bankston will graduate from Ranger High School in May. Her fiancé is attending the Breckenridge Branch of Ranger College, and is employed with B. and J. Service, Inc. in Breckenridge.

HOLIDAY VISITORS

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stie were their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Williams of Odessa, and E. D. Stie of Rule.

HERE FOR HOLIDAYS

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Alworth of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Keiner of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Therman and son of Houston were holiday guests of Mrs. C. W. Alworth.

CHRISTMAS DINNER GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bobo and Mrs. Ethel Williams of Ranger, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hanberry of San Antonio, Mrs. Charlie Hise of Odessa, and John Williams of New London were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davenport.

VISIT PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Williams and children of Breckenridge, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams and children of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Williams of Odessa visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Williams, during the Christmas holidays.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Crawford are spending the Holidays with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Nicol Crawford and daughter, in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wood and children of Fort Worth visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Matthews, Sunday, on their way home from their Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Matthews returned home Sunday from McAllen, Texas, where they spent the Christmas holidays with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Butler and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris George and family, Mrs. Myrtle George, Mrs. Mae Carr, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wallace, and Mr. and Mrs. Euk Wallace attended a surprise birthday party for Mrs. S. A. Hightower in Whitney, Texas, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Hightower are former Ranger residents.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Todd were Mr. and Mrs. Jed Harrison and Craig of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Griffith, Grant and Johnny Ferrell of Penwell; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harrison, Philip Joe, Ralph Lee and Nancy Ann of Houston; and Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Ray Kelly, Susan, Donna and Barry of Dodge City, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Ray Kelly, Susan, Donna and Barbara of Dodge City, Kansas, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kelly.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Etura Glenn during the Christmas holidays were her daughters and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hart of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Boatman of Austin.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Weathers were Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Weathers, Donna, Jan, and Jennie of San Antonio and Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Weathers, Joyce and Johnny Bob of Palmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Conney Ray Patterson and children of Midland spent the weekend in Ranger visiting in the home of Mrs. Tempia Wheat.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Rattles, Bernie and Fred of Overton and their daughter, Mrs. Elaine Eastering of Georgia, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Onis Littlefield over the weekend. Mr. Rattles is Mrs. Littlefield's brother.

Jim Littlefield is visiting his brother, Jack Littlefield, in Jalisco, New Mexico.

Dwaine Womack, who is stationed in Massachusetts with the U. S. Navy, visited his wife and son during the holidays.

Mrs. R. A. Jones spent the Christmas holidays in Amarillo with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Wheelon.

Mrs. Vergie Higdon visited her son, Buster Higdon, in Pampa during the holidays. She also visited her sister, Mrs. Harry Wheelon, in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Jones spent the holidays in Houston with their daughter and family.

Mrs. Audrey Story and Nan returned to Arlington Monday after a visit with her mother, Mrs. R. A. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Colbert Dupree, Dwaine and Ginnia of Bushy, Louisiana, visited Mr. and Mrs. Onis Littlefield during the Christmas holidays.

Lottie Davenport and her mother, Mrs. B. H. Stewart, had all the Stewart family as guests for Christmas dinner. Mrs. Stewart has three daughters, two sons, four grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Stewart of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Stewart of Mineola; Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Waddington of Ranger; Mrs. M. J. Sheridan of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Waddington Jr., Dan and Sandra of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Short, Bob and Dan of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Waddington and Brooks of Ranger; Major and Mrs. Norman Davenport and Jan of Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Jacoby had their six children and their families home for the holidays. They are: Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Jacoby, Ricky, Robert, Debbie, and Susan of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dyer, Mike and Rick of Grand Junction, Colorado; Mrs. LaVerne Jacoby and Jerry of Orange, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Asher, Freddie, Teddie and Tammy of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Jacoby, Max, Brad and Diane of El Paso; and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Watson and Junior of Ranger.

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WEEKEND GUESTS

Mrs. W. P. Powell had as weekend guests Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Powell and Janice of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Armstrong and Gayla of Brownwood, and Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Weathers of Ranger.

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