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Do You Know?

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That the Tribune wishes its many readers a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

That Strawn people were well represented at the annual New Year's dance at Thrasher Wednesday night.

That the two banks and the Postoffice were the only places in town that observed New Year's Day.

That with seventeen fillings during the new year is evidence that the tourist will not find a gasoline shortage in Strawn.

That C. D. Farnley has decided to do away with his delivery service and says he will sell goods a little cheaper which he expects to pass on to his customers.

That the work on the new Humble Phillips system has been slowed up some during the holidays but it will be ready for business by the middle of the month.

That there has been very little changes in the new officers of Strawn this week. L. C. Link is still our Justice of the Peace and H. N. Sherrad was sworn in as Constable.

That the old year is now history and that there has been no business changes in this town in the mercantile business which indicates that Strawn business men are in fair condition for another years business.

That we are thankful to our many subscribers who subscribed to the Tribune during the dollar rate. The paper is now \$1.50 per year and we are going to try and give you a paper worth the money by giving you all the local news each week.

That the Tribune is small in size this week on account of the advertising. All of the business houses are invoicing and do not have time to hardly wait on the trade much less advertise. Next week we hope to greet you with our regular eight pages.

That Dr. L. B. Gray, minister of the Presbyterian church, held the lucky number at the drawing of the Strawn Merchandise Company Wednesday and received the beautiful living room suite. There was a large crowd present and we understand that this drawing will be held each month by this popular firm.

That the Odd Fellow Lodge, headed by C. P. True, collected from the citizens of the town more than eighty dollars which was used in buying food and clothing for the poor. Mr. True says he visited twelve homes and left Christmas cheer and if there is anyone left out that he will still pay them a visit.

BAPTIST PASTOR SHOTS SELF IN PORTALES, N. M.

Portales, N. M., Dec. 31.—Rev. C. E. Ball, 55, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Portales, ended his life Wednesday by shooting himself with a revolver.

"I am broken financially, physically and mentally," read a note that was found by his daughter Mazie. She ran to her father's study when she heard the shot.

Three sons of the pastor, Earl, Cecil and Albert, were at home at the time.

Rev. Dr. Ball had returned only a few days ago from a visit of six weeks in Dallas, where Mrs. Ball is in a hospital suffering from a prolonged illness.

He had been pastor of the Baptist Church here since November, 1929, and came here from Rule, Texas. Two other daughters, Eva and Aita Ball, are teachers at Rule.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Hollingsworth received a message Wednesday morning that their brother, Rev. Charles E. Ball had died from gunshot wounds at his home in Portales, New Mexico. He had just recently left Strawn for his home after a long stay in Dallas with his wife who has been ill for some time and who is yet a patient in a private sanitarium in Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollingsworth left immediately for Portales to bring the body back home and it is expected that they will reach here sometime tonight.

Texan Offers Plan To Help War Veterans

PAYMENT OF CERTIFICATES ON OPTIONAL BASIS AT FOUR PERCENT INTEREST IS ASKED BY GARNER

Washington, Dec. 25.—Payment of adjusted war service certificates on an optional basis was proposed today by Representative Garner of Texas, the minority leader as a means of "restoring the economic balance."

"The general demand for payment of the debt makes it imperative," he said, "that congress proceed to consider this proposed legislation without delay."

"Congress should pass a bill granting the World War veteran the option of turning in his certificate at any time and receiving the original settlement value plus 4 per cent interest to date of payment."

The optional plan, he said, would permit the veteran in distress to realize on his certificate without a sacrifice, while other veterans could hold their certificates to maturity. Garner said it would not require more than a billion dollars, while the treasury could borrow money at one and three-fourths to one and seven-eighths per cent.

"I doubt if the treasury ever again will be able," the Texan said "to secure money at such a low rate for the discharge of this obligation."

'GIRLHOOD FRIENDS' HONORED AT ACORN ACRES TEA ROOM

As the pendulum of time has greatly marked the passing of another year, a bunch of girls who spent their childhood days together, grew into womanhood, "have loved long since and lost awhile" were united in a unique reception given by Sadie Jones Rawls of Ranger and Mayne Covert Anderson of Caddo, in the Acorn Acres Tea Room at Ranger Friday evening at 7:30.

Cherry lights, red and green colors and symbols of the Christmas season added to the gaiety of the party.

A Christmas tree bright with glittering tinsel was laden with gifts wrapped in gold and silver proclaiming the advent of the yuletide.

As the guests arrived much time was spent in pleasant greetings and relating the happenings since last they met.

The capsule packages were then opened and "friends of a year revealed" bringing many surprises to those present.

It is the custom of this group to meet annually and in this way keep ties of friendship drawn more closely, and these occasions are always anticipated with great pleasure.

Some cards were passed and forty-five was the diversion of the evening with Sallie Brothers Johnson and Mackie Stuart Walker tying for high score.

A baked course was then served with a candy cone as a favor on each plate.

At a late hour names were again placed in a box and each one drew a friend for a new year, parting with the assurance to let hostesses that a pleasant evening had been spent.

Those present were: Oma Link Rowley, Amarillo, Texas; Bert Stuart Uley, Franklin; Nellie Jones Spreen, Ruth Davidson Rayve, Sallie Brothers and Jess Lee Tucker of Ft. Worth; Myrtle Stuart Walker, Georgia Watson, Frazier, Charlie Orme, Myrtle Brothers, Grace Lockaby Robinson of Strawn; Mayne Gust Anderson of Caddo and Sadie Jones Rawls of Ranger.

COWBOYS TAKE WILD STALLION AFTER WILD CHASE OF 80 HOURS

San Anselmo.—The wild stallion of the Guadalupe, last survivor of the once enormous band of outlaw horses which formerly roamed the prairies of West Texas, has been captured after 15 years of freedom.

The giant bay, the only animal in the 120-section pastory of J. H. Tippett in Calhoun county, at the foot of El Captain Mountain, the highest peak in Texas, was captured recently after five cowboys had trailed him for 80 hours in relays. Riding day and night, the cowboys finally got him.

Bit Rope in Two

The first time he was roped, the stallion bit the lariat in two and lunged away to give his pursuers another three hours chase. The second time he was roped, the wild horse charged his captors, but was halted when another cowboy threw a noose over his head from the opposite side. He was thrown to the ground.

IN MEMORY OF J. C. LOVING STRAWN RESIDENT 30 YEARS

When it was known on last Friday afternoon that Mr. J. C. Loving had met sudden death there was great sorrow in our little town. Many were the expressions of grief on every hand because of the loss of this noble citizen and friend. Mr. Loving was known to almost every individual in the town, children as well as grown people. His kindness, pleasant manners and honesty had endeared him to those who knew him.

Joseph C. Loving was born Jan. 20, 1877 near Arkadelphia, Arkansas, died December 19, 1906. He was the second son of Mr. and Mrs. David Loving. His boyhood days were spent on the farm near Deadwood in Eastland County. He became a barber in early manhood and had lived an exemplary life as a citizen of Strawn for about thirty years, working at the barber trade for a living, and doing all he could to benefit Strawn as he loved his home town very much.

He married Maggie Barton, September 20, 1905. This companion having died some six years ago, leaving him to bear the cares of both father and mother of their two children. This duty he faithfully performed in a most loving, tender, and self-sacrificing manner. He was devoted to his children and his home and spent most of his leisure moments in beautifying his home.

He was a devoted Christian man, living a pure clean, noble life. Rev. C. N. Morton, pastor of the Methodist Church of which he was a member, conducted the funeral at the church. The Masonic Lodge of which he was a member, then took charge of the body and laid it to rest in the Davidson Cemetery beside his companion gone on so long before.

Let us not think of this friend as dead, for his influence still lives to draw his loved ones to that beautiful and better land where there is no parting, sorrow or death. We think now of his oft quoted words and more often quoted sentiment of the song:

"Thou art directing our pathway before us,
Thou art exalted all others above,
Truth is thy scepter
Thy banner is love."

He is survived by his two children, Worth Loving of Angleton, Texas, and Miss Bonnie Loving of Strawn; also four brothers, Ezekiel Loving of Gorse, Texas; W. H. and K. D. Loving of Oklahoma City, Marvin Loving and one sister, Mrs. Joe Hathaway.

—Contributed

BANKS REPORTS DECREASE IN LINE OF FACTORY WORK

PRODUCTION ALSO SLUMPS IN NOVEMBER; WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES GO FURTHER DOWN

Washington, Dec. 25.—Volume of industrial production and factory employment decreased throughout the country in November while wholesale commodity prices continued to decline and commodity distribution by department stores increased less than is usual for November, the federal reserve board reported today in its monthly review of business and financial conditions.

"Industrial production declined about 4 per cent in November according to the federal reserve board's adjusted index," the review said. "The output of iron and steel decreased further while the number of automobiles produced for working day continued at low level. Daily average cotton consumption increased, further by somewhat more than the usual seasonal amount and the activity at silk mills was reduced considerably."

Output at meat-packing establishments increased less than the usual seasonal amount and output of minerals declined.

Factory employment and payroll showed decreases in November reflecting in part changes of a seasonal character. The number employed in the clothing and shoe industries increased by more than the usual amount, while employment at silk mills showed an increase contrary to the ordinary seasonal amount. In the industries producing building materials, including lumber, cement and brick, declines in employment exceeded the usual seasonal proportions. In the automobile industry employment declined further but by an amount considerably smaller than is usual in November.

The board reported that from the end of October to the middle of December there were substantial decreases in wholesale prices of commodities including corn, hogs, pork, hides tin and coffee.

Condensed milk has been found to be quite fresh after 25 years. A new metal stopper for medicine bottles has a spoon attached.

SUIT IS FILED BY THE STATE ASKING FOR VACANT LANDS

Austin, Dec. 25.—Attorney General R. L. Poblit has filed suit in behalf of the state in 53rd district court of Travis county to recover vacant lands belonging to the state and to settle a boundary dispute existing in the Yates oil field in Pecos county. The case was styled the State of Texas vs. R. B. Whiteside et al. The state named 210 defendants.

The suit vitally affects the state because thousands of dollars which seem to belong to the permanent school fund as proceeds from oil produced on what appears to be school lands are now being held in suspense awaiting a determination of whether the wells from which oil is produced are on state or privately owned lands. Confusion arises from the fact that surveying data was found to be erroneous. It has given rise to much litigation concerning land boundaries.

A suit is now pending in the federal court of El Paso seeking to move privately owned sections producing oil about a mile northward and a mile eastward from where they are supposed to be, and locate them upon the most highly productive area in the Yates field on land in which the minerals are claimed by the state. A judgment disfavoring the state in this case would cause considerable loss to the state permanent school fund.

Grants of land involved in the case filed by the attorney general today aggregate about 40,000 acres of land, the whole of the Yates oil field. The field has already produced \$100,000,000 worth of oil.

STRAWN DEBATERS TO MEET ALBANY DEBATERS TONIGHT

The debating team of Strawn High School will meet the debating team of Albany High School at the high school auditorium at 7:15 Friday night.

The subject for debate will be resolved: "That there should be a substitute for trial by jury." This is a subject of unusual interest. Some say that the common people should have the important phase of government in their hands and that the average citizen is capable of bringing on a jury. Others say the average person is not qualified to render a decision and that experts should decide the fate of a man accused of murder or burglary. Come and hear the two teams discuss this important subject.

Two of the following three girls: Beatrice Wickens, Agnes Rogowski, and Alvarine Smith will say that the present jury is all right. Two of the following six boys will assert and try to prove that we should do away with the jury: Charlie Hodgkins, Kenneth Unkart, Lionel Croom, Will Pope Jr., Paul Lamar Stephens, and Teddy Wickens. The fun will begin when the Albany boys and girls fail to agree with us.

This is the first home debate. Encourage the debaters to go in for the State Championship by boosting them a bit. They have an excellent chance.

NEW BUS TERMINALS



SOUTHLAND GREYHOUND LINES GIVES TEXAS A \$2,630,000.00 BOOST

Completing one of the greatest programs of expansion ever launched by a single industry in Texas, the Southland Greyhound Lines, operating nearly 3,000 miles of bus lines, makes the final moves in the investment of more than \$2,630,000.00.

The large sum was expended in Texas over a period of one year, resulting in one of the largest and the most efficient motor transportation systems in the United States and West Coast.

Practically every city and community in the form of employment for thousands in operation of the network of lines and for the construction of a string of new and modern stations in eight of the principle terminal points.

The company's investment in terminals is the largest in its general program with the exception of a total of \$1,000,000 paid in cash for lines rounding out the 3,000 mile state-wide system which serves the principal population centers of Texas and connects with lines radiating to every state in the Union and to Mexico and Canada.

Included in the expansion campaign are these large garage projects costing more than \$200,000.00 and located in San Antonio, Fort Worth and Houston. These garages are provided with equipment for conditioning and completely rebuilding the Greyhounds of the road just 3 years ago the Southland was operating from San Antonio to Fort Worth and Dallas and a year ago last October the "rapid" program, which became state-wide was in scope, was in full swing. In 1929 the Company's buses operated 190,000 miles a month and today this has been increased to 440,000.

The system was expanded from 3,000 necessitating immediate equipment enlargement. Buses involving more than \$350,000 were secured as passenger traffic on the new and old lines began an increase.

The average passengers carried per month by the Southland in 1929 was 51,302. Today more than 100 motor

coaches carry an average of 87,022 passengers a month.

To give further idea of the progress of Texas' Southland motor bus system, officials state that the present payroll approximates \$60,000 a month and that employees total more than 400.

The extensive bus system serving Texas connects with every farm community and city with the remainder of the continent just as each is connected by rail. The Southland Greyhound Lines connect with other systems spanning the remainder of the United States. Officials of the national hook-up report that more than 20,000,000 passengers traveled last year over the Greyhound Lines. Some of these passengers went from coast to coast, while others went only from one town to the next, but, officials state, the system is making it possible for many people to travel who could not ordinarily afford to do so and at the same time are making it possible for everyone to travel further and oftener for less money.

FIRST PHONE CONNECTION
Stockholm—The first telephone connection between Stockholm and Malmo, in the southern-most Swedish province of Scania, was established 46 years ago. Today, with more than half a million telephone subscribers, Sweden can talk to 21 foreign countries.

Rationing of employment, by which available work is distributed among a maximum number of employes, is being adopted in Australia.
A scientist says human intelligence is 100,000 years old. Yet motorists cling to the illusion that they can outpace a traffic jam by honking. Toledo Blade.

NEW HARD STEEL FOUND
London—About the time when airplanes will be landing on every apartment house roof or in the commuter's back yard, science will have aided in making an automobile that won't wear out. One British firm has perfected a steel so hard it cannot be scratched with the sharpest file.



FOR OR AGAINST

In some of the school books is written "Now is the time for all good men and true to come to the aid of their party." This expression, thought, is of particular importance today. The call has gone out for every person interested in the improvement of Agriculture to rally around the banner of Cooperative Marketing and assist in working out the difficulties of Agriculture.

For many years agricultural organizations of this country have sought legislative assistance from the Government. The question was raised and discussed for years in the halls of Congress. It was the issue of Presidential elections. Finally Congress after digesting the reports of various commissions who were disgruntled to meet the demands of everyone, and establish a successful means for correcting the difficulties that could be corrected by legislation. No one believed that all the difficulties could be corrected by legislation. Everyone knows that much of the difficulties with the individual producer, in his blind attempt to remain independent of his neighbor, and his unwillingness to join hands for mutual good with the other producers of the same commodity.

A large group of progressive farmers throughout America, however, a total of about three million, saw the possibilities of strength in group action and formed cooperative associations for purchasing, production and merchandising of farm crops. These groups have had no small part in getting Congress to pass the type of legislation we have in the Agricultural Marketing Act. This act is designed to improve agriculture through the means of farmers working together in groups in each commodity for the more effective merchandising of that commodity. Many producers are beginning to see the wisdom of this course and are FOR the Act.

There is still a large number of individual producers, however, that have not affiliated with the groups and who have adopted a "stand-off" attitude, waiting to see how "they come out." There is another very powerful group composed of those individuals who have been engaged in the handling of farm products, just as producers nor as consumers. This group is very powerful and feel that, under conditions such as present in the successful operation of the Agricultural Marketing Act, they will lose something that they have been enjoying for a long time. This group is having much to say about the alleged inefficiencies of the system proposed by the Agricultural Marketing Act. They have raised vast sums to fight the principle of Cooperative Marketing. This action sets them definitely apart from those who favor the principle. It has become an issue of paramount importance to the agriculture of this country.

For or Against the Cooperative Principle in the handling of agricultural commodities. For or Against the ideals of the Agricultural Marketing Act. For or Against the Federal Farm Board, the agency established under this act to plan the future of American Agriculture. For or Against the improvement of Agriculture through group action, is the issue that will claim the attention of all people living in the agricultural belts of this Nation during the next decade.

Now is the time for every person engaged in a pursuit dependent on agriculture to think the matter out carefully for himself and decide on which side he is going to align himself. There can be no middle-ground. The man that stands aside and waits to see what will happen is only delaying success. He really is lined up AGAINST the principle if he isn't FOR it.

Every person who is FOR the principle should be actively militant for it. He should be doing everything he

can to convince the undecided fellow that he should get in the fight and see it through. The prosperity of the agricultural sections of this nation depends upon it.

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We appreciate the business extended us during the old year and look forward to a continuance of same during the New Year.

THOMAS GARAGE

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The year 1930 is now history. Its days have slipped by only too swiftly never to be recalled again. The year has not been a very auspicious one. It has been marked by economic depression, hard times and an increase in crime and lawlessness.

But because of these facts one should not start out the new year with a feeling of despair, lack of confidence and an indifferent attitude. If so, 1931 will most likely witness an increase in the bad features of

1930. On the other hand, what is needed is a strong determination of the part of every individual to make this a good year, and to contribute his part towards the general welfare of the society in which he lives. It is a time for making good resolutions and, more important carrying them out.

Get rid of that gloomy feeling or not 1931 shall be a year of progress. Now is the time to decide whether things may look dark, but straighten up the shoulders, put on a smile, and start moving out from under the cloud.

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May the New Year open the way for better and happier days than you have ever known before.

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Strawn National Bank

MRS. W. I. LAMAR ENTERTAINS

Mrs. W. I. Lamar entertained with a surprise birthday party, Friday evening, for her daughter Vera, who is at home for the holidays from C. I. A. in Denton.

The guests arrived at 8:00 and assembled in the living room. They took Vera by surprise by singing "Happy Birthday" as she entered. Music and dancing was the diversion of the evening.

Mrs. Lamar served lovely refresh-

ment consisting of coffee, angel food cake, dates, and candy to Misses Sarah Louise and Kats Cook, Maxie Barrett, Rosella Sporer of Ft. Worth, Alene Callison of Mineral Wells, Frances Morton, Alvarine Smith, Lina Ross Boyd, Marjorie Buchanan and Beatrice Wickens. Messers Billy Wickens, Paul Lamar Stephen, Carl Maxwell, Warren Watson, Merrick Vernon, Mack Colvard, Harmon Boyd and Harlon Watkins.

Science Prize Winners



Dr. George R. Minot of Harvard University (above) and Dr. George H. Whipple of Rochester University, joint recipients of a \$10,000 prize for the year's greatest scientific achievement. They discovered that liver extract cured pernicious anemia.

"Teacher Is Dead"



Japanese Boy Scouts put up a placard at Atami, after the great earthquake of Nov. 26, announcing their teacher had been killed in the quake.

Locomotives abroad are classified by wheel arrangement, such as 4-4-2.

A new mechanical card-shuffler and dealer is on the market. Unless it can be tampered with, this would seem to spell the doom of thirteen-trump hands.—Detroit News.

DIRECTORIES

Strawn Lodge No. 906. A. F.—A. M. H. O. True, W. M. C. C. Garner, S. W. R. L. Bates, J. W.

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STRAWN HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

SOPHOMORE NEWS

The Sophomores are very sorry to report that one of their classmates, John Dean Milling, is ill. We hope he will be back with us soon.

SCOUT XMAS TREE

The Scouts had their Christmas tree last Wednesday night and a large number of presents were given. The attendance was about the same, with seventeen boys, and two scout masters present. Mr. Ben Brown was a visitor.

There were not any games or contests, but there was a ceremony for the first boy to complete a test this year. Joe E. Halifax received his tender foot badge.

VISITORS

Several of the last year graduates and others have been visiting the high school this week. They were Jerry Hubbard, Francis Flinn, Rosella Sporer, Maxie Barrett, Vera Lamar, Francis Morton, Kathleen Maxwell and Jack Hodgkins.

A golfer was considerably annoyed by the actions of a very slow player. And it happened that the latter was the owner of a perfect pair of hole-in-one shoes. Finally, his patience exhausted, the victim drove through the deliberate player in front, and his ball passed neatly between the widespread hole legs.

This breach of etiquette enraged the gentleman with the arched understanding, and he marched quickly to the offender.

"Do you call that golf, sir?" "No," answered Jack, "but don't you think it was darn good croquet?"

Mr. Matlock—"Don't you think it's about time the baby learned to say papa?"

Mrs. Matlock—"Oh, no, I hadn't intended telling him who you are until he becomes a little stronger."

MRS. CHOATE GIVES BIG DINNER

A Christmas dinner was given by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Choate of Mingo, Texas, in honor of Mr. Gus Woodall, of Montgomery, Alabama, a brother of Mr. L. T. Woodall of Breckenridge, Mr. Jack Woodall of Thurber and Mrs. Cy Speagle and Mrs. Tom Choate of Mingo. It had been five years since he paid them a visit. The day was enjoyed by Mr. Gus Woodall of Mont-

A young lawyer, pleading his first case, had been retained by a farmer to prosecute a railway company for killing 24 hogs. He wanted to impress the jury with the magnitude of the injury.

"Twenty-four hogs, gentlemen. Twenty-four; twice the number there is in the jury box."

Irate Parent—"I'll teach you to make love to my daughter, sir."

Young Man—"I wish you would, old boy, I'm not making much headway."

Living Skelton—"What's become of our fat man and his wife?"

Indian Rubber Man—"They got jobs posing for that future shadow in the Lucky Strike ads."

A professor was once accosted by a dirty little hoodlum. "Shine your shoes, sir?"

The professor was disgusted by the dirt on the lady face. "I don't want a shine, my lady," he said, "but if you'll go and wash your face, I'll give you a shine."

"Righto, gov'nor," replied Jerry, as he made his way to a neighboring fountain. Soon he returned, looking much cleaner.

"Well, my boy," said the professor, "you have earned your shine."

"I don't want your shine, gov'nor," replied Jerry, "You hang on to it and get your 'air cut'."

Mrs. Newby—"I cook and bake for you, what do I get? Nothing."

Mr. Newby—"You're lucky, I get indignation."

"You can't stop here," the traffic cop yelled to the driver, whose car had stalled at the street intersection.

"You don't know this Essex," replied Monkey with a sad smile.

Tourist—"Is it very far to the next town?"

Wayne—"Well, it seems further's it is, but it ain't."

MR. AND MRS. STAGES ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. Part E. Stages entertained a number of friends with a bridge luncheon at their home on Saturday evening.

Lovely Christmas decorations added to the beauty of the rooms and the Christmas spirit prevailed throughout the evening.

Those enjoying this delightful entertainment were: Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hinkson, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Anderson, Dr. and Mrs. Paul Pedigo and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mingo of Eastland.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school, 10 a. m. Mr. O. M. Hurst, Superintendent. Let us start the New Year right, and stay right, by studying God's Word, along with others.

Which is the more important, your appointment with God in His sanctuary, on His Day, or your "date," your visitor, your business, or your own petty pleasures?

Why not make a new start, and different, by putting God first. It is "up to you," for awhile. "Life is a sheet of paper white, Whereon each of us may write His line or two, then comes night."

Grandly begin; though thou have time but for a line, be that sublime.

Not failure, but low aim is crime. May your "Footprints on the sands of time" be such as you would have others to follow.

Morning and evening worship in this church on the second and fourth sabbaths in each month. Fine services on last Sabbath, with a gracious Christmas spirit prevailing.

Ladies meeting on Tuesday at 2 p. m.

Midweek worship on Wednesday, at 7:15 p. m.—L. B. Gray, Minister.

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Local News

Miss Lucella Sporer of Fort Worth is the guest of friends here this week.

Miss Lucille Wolfenberger spent Christmas with her parents in Whitt.

Robert McCorkle of Mingus was here this week to visit relatives.

Raymond Flora was a Ranger visitor Sunday afternoon.

Leland White of Thurber was here Saturday afternoon on business.

Bill Parson, newspaper salesman of Dallas, called at our office Saturday.

Joe Rogowski was a Ranger visitor Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Annie Mayo left Sunday for Fort Worth to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Miller and children from near Thurber were visitors in Strawn this week.

Miss Geraldine Forrest of Thurber was the guest of Miss Maxie Barrett this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hawkins spent Christmas day in Bridgeport with their parents.

Miss Aline Ferguson has returned to Ft Worth after a visit with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Newman and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ready of Thurber visited friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Woody of Eastland spent Thursday with Frank S. Phillips and family.

Miss Nell Parmley returned to Lubbock Monday to resume her work in the school there.

Mr. Ben Bradford and Jess Cox were dinner guests of Mrs. Ida Elmore Christmas day.

Misses Gladys and Inez Adams of Cloco are spending this week with their aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith of Hobartz Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Chastain are happy over the arrival of a little daughter who made her appearance Monday, December the 28th.

Messrs Wayne Russel and Henry Gibson of Berger spent Christmas day with Misses Aline Bishop and Jewel Elmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Peters have returned from Wichita Falls where they visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Peters.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brasher and little son of Eastland spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mingus and son, Scott Martin, of Eastland were visiting relatives and friends here during the week.

Mrs. Lola C. Martin, Miss Eleanor Martin and Mrs. D. F. Phillips of Stephenville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Phillips during the week.

Mrs. S. B. Tunnel and little daughter have returned to their home in Dallas after a visit with Mrs. Tunnel's parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Pedigo.

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Mr. Seldon Elmore who is employed at Longworth, spent the holidays with his mother and sisters.

Mrs. J. H. Smith of Hobartz expects to leave Sunday for Yuma, Ariz to visit her son and wife.

Messrs Dale, Ernest and Harold Keneaster were dinner guests of Miss Emma Mironick Christmas day.

Mrs. Fred Sporen of Fort Worth was here Friday visiting her aunt, Mrs. John Crouch.

Mrs. Ruth Ravey of Fort Worth was here Friday visiting Mrs. Haney Poyner and other relatives.

Charles Kalin and family of Fort Worth spent Christmas here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Stephenson have returned from an extended visit in Corsicana.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Loflin and children of Ralls, spent Christmas here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Colvard.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lanier and Mrs. Jessie Harris of Weatherford, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cato and family.

Mrs. Lola Stallings and son Ercel, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roberson, south of Thurber.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Ott, who live south of Thurber, spent Christmas Eve with Mrs. Ott's mother, Mrs. Annie Guest and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth Loving of Angleton, and their sister, Miss Bonnie, were Ranger visitors Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Pearl Harvey of Breckenridge spent the Christmas holidays here with her brother, Lee Vernon, and other relatives.

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OUTWARD BOUND

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ellis and little daughter Norma Kate of Amarillo, spent the holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Parmley.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Baker and family of Olney, spent the holidays here with Mrs. Frank Hart and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pennick of Oklahoma, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Baker and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Vernon of Dallas, spent the Christmas holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Vernon and other relatives.

Mrs. Sadie Stages and two children spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roberson, south of Thurber.

Mr. J. A. Baker and Misses Nevada and Imaree Baker of Olney, and Miss Floyce Hart were Ranger visitors Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. John Vernon of Abilene spent the Christmas holidays with their brother and wife, Lee R. Vernon and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Drew Dyer of Fort Worth, spent the holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Roberson.

Britton Stewart, who is a student in Furman University, spent Christmas here with his father, Loyd Stewart and with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland White of Thurber, spent Christmas day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Garrett and son of Thurber visited relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Southerine spent the holidays with relatives in Dallas.

Miss Jess Tucker of Fort Worth, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Tucker.

Miss Mary Smith of Abilene spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith, of Hobartz Camp.

Mrs. W. T. Baker who has been on the sick list for several weeks is reported some better at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Roberson and children of Ranger, spent Sunday afternoon here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Stages of San Angelo, spent the first part of last week here with relatives.

Rue Stoddard of Sweetwater, was here to spend the Christmas holidays with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Johnson and little daughter, Betty Grace, of Fort Worth, spent the holidays with their mothers, Mrs. Hattie Johnson, and Mrs. J. D. Brothers.

Mrs. Newby of Abilene, mother of Mrs. C. W. Martin, who was injured last week when their car overturned on the highway north of town, is reported doing nicely at this time.

D. K. Okeefe who was operated on several weeks ago for appendicitis, is reported doing fine. This was the second operation he had undergone within six weeks.

Little Misses Jo Ann and Ella Stuart who have been sick with the flu are much improved.

Mack McCorkle of the Strawn Hospital spent the week-end with her mother in Oklahoma.

Misses Wilma Goldenberry and Annie Laura Ratliff were Ranger visitors Sunday afternoon.

Jack Hodgkins who is a student in John Tarleton College, spent the holidays here with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Anderson are expecting their brother, Mr. A. R. Anderson and wife of Houston and their sister, Mrs. S. L. Byran of Dallas next Saturday for a visit. It has been several years since the sister and brother have met.