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ABOUT
Eastland

By VIRGIL E. MOORE

The year was 1925, the year of immortal Ed T. Cox. And Eastland was busy promoting trade days, watching vaudeville at the Connelley theatre and rooting for the Mavericks to defeat Abilene High School.

That's the story the Nov. 15, 1925 issue of the old Eastland Daily Tribune, which was brought to our office by Mrs. Paul McFarland, tells.

Eastland was eyeing new industry in 1925, as proved by a full page ad in the Tribune. You could run the same advertisement today by merely dropping one "s" and changing the word "are" to "is". Here was the wording in the ad:

"These are facts about Eastland. Other city is better located for manufacturing or industrial purposes. We have railroad facilities, good hard roads leading to our business district—we are in the heart of a productive agricultural section, and accessible to the big markets for manufactured products.

"Our banking institutions are adequate to handle increased manufacturing activities.

"We have a healthy city, good schools, churches and many forms of good entertainment. Many large manufacturers of national reputation are looking for locations with these benefits.

"Every individual can help in making ours a bigger and greater city. Think It! Talk It! Live It! Never miss an opportunity to speak well of Eastland."

By that you may think that times haven't changed much. But turn a page in the paper and you change your mind. A fourth page ad features the new Ford touring car. Your's for only \$290. Or maybe you would prefer a man's suit from the Boston Store for \$15.50.

A glance at the classified page proves that teenagers are much the same now as they were then, though. Under the lost and found section you spot an ad which reads, "Lost — Porch swing, painted white. Lost night of Oct. 31. Phone 59."

Yes, there was humor in 1925, Boyce House, editor of the paper, told it: "A big laugh was raised at the Connelley by a vaudeville performer Friday night. An aged comedian was asked by his companion how old he was. 'I'm 85,' was the answer. 'Where do you live?' he was asked. 'I live over in Cisco.' Then the questioner asked, 'Do you play on the Cisco football team?' To which the aged fellow replied, 'Naw, I ain't old enough.'"

But the town had its worries. Ed T. Cox had been struck by an automobile only days before and the Eastland-Abilene football game was coming up Friday night. Coach Adams of the Mavericks said his star fullback probably would be missing from the big game against the Eagles, who only two years ago won the state championship.

There were a lot of unfamiliar names in the paper back then. Unlike today we newer comers, but not to some of you old timers. Stores prominently displayed were Nemir Bros., Department Store, Maddens Drug Store, Campbell and Fagg Department Store, The Davis Bakery, Kleinman's The Novelty Store and Barrow Furniture Store.

Some names are still familiar today. Like that of Modern Dry Cleaners, who even then had phone number 132. Texas Bonded Abstract Co. (Earl Bender that is) and Pipkin Grocery Co.

But this is 1956, so let's get back to the present with a fond memory of the past.

As we see it, Eastland still has all the advantages she had in 1926, plus a lot to boot. We still have our problems, and we still must find answers to them. We haven't actually been leading up to this, but now that we are here, let us point out that one of the biggest problems is operating a city with out a workable city charter. We believe that Eastland could accomplish nothing better this year than to re-write the old charter, have an election and let the people choose a charter that city officials can work with. At present they must hide the charter to keep City Hall doors open.

For chapter 3 of the city charter story, tune in again Tuesday. See you then.

Eastland Is Extra Period Loser To Dogs

Eastland's Mavericks blew a 12 point lead to fall to Ranger's Bulldogs 43-39 in overtime play in the first round of the Olden Invitational Tournament and Eastland's girls took a 34-16 setback at the hands of Olden.

The Mavericks were to play Putnam at noon today (Saturday) and then will meet Olden in the consolation finals tonight at 6:30, providing they get by Putnam.

Eastland's sextette couldn't get going against Olden. Wilma Edwards and Elizabeth Fox teamed up to lead the winners with 16 points each while Jo Ann Hollis got eight for the losing Mavs.

In other play Friday Ranger added win number two with a 54-23 win over Carbon. Scranton, easy winners over Olden, play Strawn at 10:45 Saturday morning, and the winner of that game meets Ranger in the finals.

Carbon and Olden girls advanced to the finals. Carbon gained the berth on the strength of a 53-42 win over Scranton and Olden dropped Eastland. Eastland girls played Strawn this morning and the winner of that game plays Putnam in the consolation finals at 5:15 this afternoon.

Eastland's boys were the surprise team of the tournament. The Mavs, who hadn't even scrimmaged before the Ranger game due to the late start they got after going to the semi-finals in the state gridiron race, were lots further advanced than had been hoped for. Ranger took advantage of Mavs miscues and close calls to win the tilt in the final period 31-25.

Mavs Drop Opener
Eastland's Mavericks, playing their first game of the year after less than a dozen workouts, put on a good show before being edged by Paul Hinds, et al.

Ranger found themselves trailing by a 16-7 margin at the end of the first quarter as the Mavs hit better than 90 percent of their floor shots and held a tight zone defense.

The Bulldogs didn't take the lead but once in regular play, and that advantage came in the last minute of play. Eastland went into the final period ahead 31-25.

Dale Slattion and Hinds took up their scoring races where they left off last season. Hinds ended up as leading scorer in the district last year, closely paced by Dale. The Ranger star got 23 points on nine field goals and seven free shots for honors in the game, while Slattion got 20 points off nine field goals and two free throws. Both players missed four free throw tosses.

In overtime play, Hinds proved his worth to the Bulldogs as he calmly played out the clock and then netted two points with seconds left. A jump ball situation with five seconds left in Ranger's end of the court climaxed the affair, with Ranger controlling the jump and getting two more points to clinch the tilt.

The Mavericks scored 10 points in the game before Ranger made a single point. Hinds scored all seven of the Bulldogs' first period points.

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BOX SCORES				
	fg	ft	pf	tp
Eastland	1	2	2	4
Lewis, f	2	0	3	4
Humphrey, g	0	0	3	0
McMahan, f	9	2	4	20
Slattion, c	3	1	0	7
Herrera, g	2	0	1	4
Martin, g	0	0	1	0
Green, f	0	0	1	0
Totals	17	5	14	39
Ranger	fg	ft	pf	tp
Hinds, f	9	7	3	25
Tibbels, c	4	0	1	8
Anderson, f	1	0	1	2
Wharton, g	2	2	3	6
Shockey, g	1	0	2	2
Totals	17	9	10	43

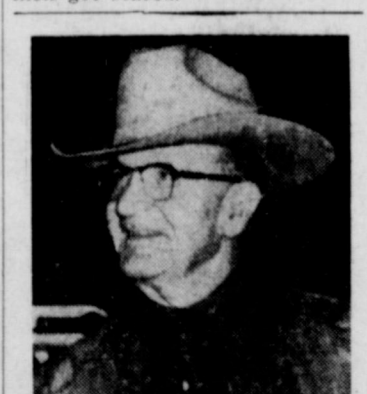
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Eastland police recovered a stolen car here Friday only 30 minutes after it was stolen.

The 1956 automobile of Mrs. Otis Green notified local police and they put out an area-wide alert. Thirty minutes later Billy Jack Johnson, fire chief, notified police here that he had spotted a car which fitted the description of the stolen car while driving to Cisco. A check proved that the car, which was parked on a side road, was Mrs. Green's.

Police theorized that a hitchhiker may have taken the car in order to get to the edge of town, or that someone may have taken it and then got scared.



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Eastland Rotarians and Lions will meet this week after two weeks off for the holidays. Rotarians meet Monday at noon in the White Elephant Cafe. It will be the club's first meeting in the newly remodeled and enlarged White Elephant. Lions meet Tuesday noon in the Fellowship Hall of the First Methodist Church.

The Eastland County singing convention will be held Sunday, Jan. 13 in the Presbyterian Church at Sabalino. It will be an all day affair with basket lunches.

A delegation of Optimists from Fort Worth will be here Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. plugging the Fat Stock Show.

Two cage games are on tap at Scranton this week, and Eastland area fans are invited to see the team in action. Tuesday they play Baird and Friday take on Putnam.

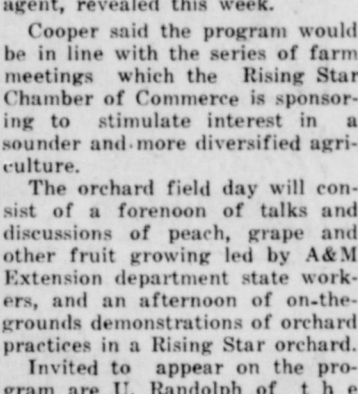
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County Officials To Get Salary Increase

Deputies Also To Share 18% Raise

Salary increases for elective and other employees of Eastland County will be considered at a meeting of the Commissioners' Court at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 14, at the courthouse, according to action taken Thursday at a special meeting of the court.

According to a legal notice published in the January 3 edition of

the Cisco Press, the court proposes raises of 18 per cent for all employees of the county, including the following elective officials: county judge, county commissioners, county attorney, county clerk, district clerk, tax assessor and collector, county treasurer and sheriff.

The notice said "also a similar salary increase of an amount equivalent to 18 per cent of the present annual salary for all official deputies and all other appointed employees of Eastland County; and be it further resolved that the salaries of jurors and grand jurors, in both the county and district courts and in both civil and criminal cases, be increased 25 per cent so as to make such pay the maximum allowed by law of \$5.00 per day."

Elective officials, except the county attorney and the county commissioners, have been paid \$4250.00 per year since 1920. Commissioners draw \$3570.00 and the county attorney, who is paid in part by the state for looking after district court affairs, draws \$4672.50. Deputies and other employees earn from \$160 to about \$200 per month at the present.

Under state law, the maximum salary allowed for county officials is \$8500. per year. After the increases, Eastland officials will be making 60 per cent of the maximum allowed them by law. Elective officials will be raised to about \$5,000.00.

Salaries of Eastland County officials have not been raised in 37 years.

Service Clubs To Have Days At Stock Show
Service club members over a wide area will attend the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show on their organization's special day, it is announced.

Edward G. Barry of Little Rock, Arkansas, first vice president of Lions' International will be a guest of honor on Lions day, Tuesday, Jan. 29, as will Paul Files of Paris, Kiwanis district governor-elect on Kiwanis day, Thursday, Jan. 31.

Junior Chamber of Commerce night will be Friday, Feb. 1. Date of Rotary day will be announced soon.

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Typical Eastland Scene
Rev. Surface riding bike around downtown square.

Beard farm north of Eastland, Stanley Pirtle and associates have completed an "excellent" well. A deeper completion has just been made between Eastland and Ranger, and a number of other wells have been completed in Eastland County within the past three or four months.

Local oilmen also pointed out that the increase put new life into the stock market. Porter said that many manufacturing concerns are now acquiring oil stock to save tax money.

Oil shares boomed in late trading after Humble Oil posed the increase. On the American Exchange prices rose on volume of 1,090,000 shares compared with 670,000 Wednesday. Standard Oil of New Jersey, of which Humble is an affiliate, was up 1 3/8 at 59 3/8.

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The price increase went into immediate effect. This is the first general increase in crude purchase prices since June, 1953. Humble's announcement said the immediate cause of the hike was the firm's inability to meet demand requirements which have developed since the start of the Suez crisis. Since 1953 the average price of crude has been \$2.82 a barrel.

Eastland County has been more active during the past two or three months than at any other period in several years. Harding Brothers of Dallas have several exceptional good wells completed within the past month on some of their leases north of Eastland. On the Jim

BUT WHY CLOSED DOORS?

(An Editorial)

The Telegram is pleased to note that Eastland County Commissioners have announced legal plans to increase the pay of all county officials and all appointed employees of the county by 18 percent. We feel that the raise, most especially for the appointed employees, is more than justified.

County officials and employees have been struggling along with the same low salaries since 1920. They have seen their dollars get smaller and smaller. Some of the deputies in the courthouse have such small salaries at present that it is embarrassing to speak of them. They should, and no doubt will, get the rate hike.

Commissioners say there will be no need for an increase in taxes to pay the new bill. And a check of county financial records proves that the statement is true. Therefore, there is no reason that we can see not to pay the people who work for US a little more money.

Our only criticism of the Court's action is the failure to announce the "Special" meeting of the commissioners court. It is getting to be a common thing in Texas counties to hold "Special" meetings when something that could be a touchy subject comes up. "Special" meetings are the word most often used, but in truth, such meetings are secret and are modeled after Duval County government.

We can see no reason why the public should not be notified of each meeting of the Court. And the only way they can be notified is through the press and radio of this county.

We are glad that the Court has chosen to hold an open meeting Jan. 14 for public debate—if such is needed—on the increase. But we are disappointed that we had to find out about the meeting by accident.

HARD TO BE ORIGINAL

Eastland County Is Branded, But Good

Dreaming up an original brand in Eastland County isn't an easy job. Proof of that statement is the fact that 564 brands have been filed in the county clerk's office during the last 13 years.

You can imagine how many different odd looking brands that must be, and it would seem like a big job to keep them straight. In fact, just imagine that you wanted to file a cattle brand of your own. You decide what you want and then take it to the clerk's office. It would seem that you would have to look through all 564 of the present brands to make sure you didn't repeat one. But that's not the case. County Clerk Johnson Smith has all brands cross-indexed. Most brands either feature a letter or number, and therefore they are filed by that system. Then there are extra pages for the unusual brands.

The last brand filed in the clerk's office is claimed by B. W. Robertson and sons of Eastland. It is a cattle brand that looks like this: 3R. Robertson filed the brand only Wednesday of this week. First brand filed in this county, according to the present brand book, which dates back to Oct. 1, 1943, was that of L. H. Hagaman of Ranger. The brand is simply an "H" and it was transferred to Mrs. Hagaman in 1951.

When an owner files a brand he must specify if it will be used on cattle, sheep, goats, horses, hogs or what have you. He must also pin-point what portion of the animal's body the brand will be placed on.

Branding is almost as old as the cattle business itself. Of course the term is accepted as meaning burning some distinctive letters, or other device, upon the skin of an animal as a means of identification or to indicate ownership. Usually only cattle and horses are branded, although a number of brands for hogs, goats and sheep have been

Commissioner's Condition Good
GORMAN — R. L. (Bob) Carter, newly elected commissioner from Rising Star, is reportedly progressing nicely in the Gorman Hospital and is expected to be released soon.

Carter suffered a mild heart attack before Christmas. He took his oath of office at the hospital Tuesday. He is expected to be dismissed soon.

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issued in this county. Laws, of course, provide for the registering of the brands and for their acceptance as proof of ownership of animals.

In the old days, branding of calves was done each spring. Those which were overlooked and escaped branding were known as "mavericks," a mighty familiar word around Eastland.

There are no famous brands such as the XIT in Eastland County, but there are plenty of brands to be proud of.

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INDUSTRIAL MEET PLANS ANNOUNCED

ABILENE (Spl.)—Program for the fourth annual West Texas Industrial Development Conference will be an A-to-Z presentation of community industrial development techniques, according to E. L. Buelow of Abilene, chairman of the industrial committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

The conference is scheduled for January 24 in the Wooten Hotel in Abilene. Opening session of the one-day event is at 9:30 a.m.

Only two speakers are to be presented this year instead of the usual six to eight.

"So much time is consumed in introductions and acknowledgments of speakers, our time for actual discussion is reduced," Buelow said in explaining the planning committee's action.

"There is also the chance of omission of important aspects of the subjects and of duplication and overlap of others when we use a great number of speakers," Buelow said.

Dr. W. Paul Brann, associate director of industrial research at the University of Arkansas, will discuss "Preparing the Community to Attract Industry." The WTCC's conference planning committee expects this to be the "first half of the story" of community industrial development.

Fred H. Husbands, executive vice-president and general manager of the WTCC, will discuss the "second half" in presenting "Industrial Prospects—How to Find Them and What to Do With Them."

The entire afternoon will be devoted to questions and answers and to group discussions. Previous conferences have attracted upward of 250 persons each.

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FOR RENT: 5 room house 407 S. Connellie. See Charles Harris 520 S. Connellie. Phone 354-W.

FOR RENT: Four room house 2 blocks from square. 209 W. Valley. Phone 90.

REAL ESTATE -

FOR SALE: Five room house. 603 Gilmer. Phone 989.

FOR SALE: Five room residence two extra lots. 611 Gilmer. Phone 444.

FOR SALE: 3 bedroom house. 505 S. Bassett. Call 720-W-2 or 707-W-2.

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FOR RENT: 4 room unfurnished apartment. Phone 394-J.

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WANTED: 40 head large feeder shoats. Kirksey Locker, Throckmorton, Texas.

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EXPERIENCED young woman would like book-keeping position. Call 887 for interview.

NOTICE

NOTICE: BARGAIN DAY AT WALKERS DRESSING PLANT: 5-lb. to 3 1/2 lb. bakers. Only 35 cents a pound. Half Cornish Game and White Rock. Ten weeks old. Nice and fat.

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We wish to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude to our neighbors and friends for the many acts of kindness and for the beautiful floral offerings which eased our sorrow during the loss of our beloved mother, Mrs. J. W. Lovell. These kindnesses and words of sympathy will live in our hearts. J. W. Lovell and family.

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Cattle Brand-

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It would be hard to be very original in Eastland County since the 564 brands already recorded take on almost every shape and form. There are letters and numbers used in every form and shape. They are upside down, sideways, back to back, inverted and many have fancy lines curling from them. Many modern brands are copied from well known trademarks used in industry today. For instance, there is a perfect copy of Chevrolet's unusual trademark.

There are fish hooks, crosses, bars, half moons, circles, diamonds, stars and every other brand imaginable.

There are errors in claiming deductions for taxes paid.

VISIT HERE

Visiting in the home of Mrs. Frances Cooper were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon W. Cooper and daughter of Wichita Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ellis and children, Wichita, Kansas; Mrs. G. D. Halbrook, Austin and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ellis of Abilene.

VISIT FROM McCAMEY

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Gilbreath of McCamey visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gilbreath this week.

Aginable. About the only design not in use is Russia's hammer and sickle. It just doesn't seem popular these days.

TRADE WITH YOUR HOMETOWN MERCHANTS

Court Of Civil Appeals Eleventh District

Reversed and Remanded 3269 Billy Dunklin vs. A. J. Land et ux. (Opinion by Judge Collings). Dallas

Motions Submitted 3292 R. D. Busby, Jr., vs. Marjorie Busby. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file the record. Taylor

Motions Overruled 3292 R. D. Busby, Jr. vs. Marjorie Busby. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file the record. Baylor.

CALL 601 FOR CLASSIFIED AD SERVICE

James (Shorty) Kendrick of Hamilton visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kendrick, West Highway 80, during the holidays. Kendrick is band director of the Hamilton High School band and is director of music in the First Baptist Church in Hamilton.

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Civic League To Show Safety Films Wednesday

All women of this area are cordially invited to attend the monthly meeting of the Eastland Civic League and Garden Club at the club house, Wednesday. Membership in a club is not a prerequisite for attending the meetings of this club.

Conservation of human resources on a two-fold front will be the theme for the meeting. Saving of life on the highway will be presented through a film "Highway Zoo," and amplified by Steve Oprendek, representative of the Southwest Insurance Information Service, Inc. of Dallas. Saving of life through early diagnosis and prompt treatment of cancer will be the subject of a film, "To Save These Lives."

Mrs. Tom Wilson, chairman of the safety committee, will be the leader for the meeting. Mrs. R. L. Carpenter will be chairman of the hostess committee, assisted by Mrs. E. E. Garner and Mrs. Frank Sayre.

It is through the active cooperation of The Texas Electric Co., of Eastland, that the club is able to show these most timely films.

Mrs. Perkins Is Hostess To Music Club Wednesday

Mrs. Joseph Perkins served as program leader and hostess to the Music Study Club Wednesday afternoon in her home, 1021 South Seaman. Mrs. Grady Pipkin was co-hostess.

"The Three Wise Men" was the subject of Mrs. Perkins talk. She led the group in singing carols on the same topic. "Fantasia" and "Fugue in G Minor" recordings of an organ in Mexico were played. She also played a recording of the poem "Sand Storm" written by herself during a sand storm in Lubbock.

The house was decorated throughout with holiday balls, and evergreen.

Tea, poured by Mrs. R. L. Carpenter from a silver tea service, was served with open faced sandwiches, cookies and nuts.

ATTENDS DINNER

Mrs. A. F. Taylor attended a family New Year's dinner at the home of her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Weatherby of Brownwood.

Around the Town At Olden

By Mrs. Dick Yielding

Mrs. C. C. Martin and Wanda left last Saturday morning by bus for Las Cruces, New Mexico to visit and spend Christmas with her daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Joan McFarland. En route, they spent Saturday night with her son, Rex, in Monahans.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sharp had as guests Sunday Willie Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Squires and children of Ranger and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sanford and children of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Talley left Sunday for Denison to spend the holidays with his parents.

Mrs. Margaret Hair, of Olton, was a recent visitor in the home of her sister, Mrs. Joe McKelvin. Mrs. Hair was on her way to Waco to spend the holidays.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Yielding were Mr. and Mrs. Granvel Nabors and children from Aztec, New Mexico, and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Colburn of Fort Worth. Other visitors were Arthur Russell of Duncan, Oklahoma; Mrs. C. U. Norton of Coleman and Mrs. Nettie Fox of Cisco.

Rose Marie Delezenne and daughter, Donna Kay, are spending the holidays in Houston with friends.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Bob Lester and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Colburn over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Millard Bryant and children of Kermit; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lester and family from Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Edd Colburn and baby from Wichita Falls and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Colburn from Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stark and son of Odessa spent Christmas here with the Lee McGuire and the Will Starks.

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fox was her brother, Sgt. L. and Mrs. Lynoo Alldredge and family from Virginia. They were on their way to Germany for three years.

Christmas dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blackie Fox were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Highsmith from Staff, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Highsmith from Big Springs and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fox and family of Olden.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sellers and children spent Christmas in Wichita Falls, with her mother and sister, Mrs. Ruth Chancellor and Mary Bryant.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Moffett Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Billie Elders and children of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Thompson and children of Rochell.

Word was received by Oliver Canet of Staff that on December 23 his daughter, Mrs. June Bond and Mr. Bond of Heaton, Oklahoma became the parents of a baby girl. Mrs. Canet will be at the Bonds home for a week or two.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Falls, spent Christmas day in Knox City with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Duckworth.

Mrs. H. C. Mahaffey is visiting in Weatherford with relatives at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Adra Lee Fox have bought and moved to the E. A. Norton place on the new highway south of Olden.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hendricks spent Christmas day in Ranger with Mr. and Mrs. William Casey.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Weagle and children from Mankato, Minnesota are spending this week here with her mother Mrs. DeAlva Edwards and family.

Mrs. Viola Groves had as Christmas guests in her home, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Heneman and children from Midland. Mr. and Mrs. James Hendricks and son from Cisco and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pipkin and son of Eastland.

Hospital News

Patients in the Eastland Memorial Hospital are:

Mrs. L. P. Quarles, medical
J. O. Brown, accident
Mrs. Vera Kleiner, surgical
Mrs. Geneva Hudson, Arkansas City, Kansas, medical
Mrs. Olive May Love, medical
Mrs. Beatrice McAdams, medical

Mrs. George Lambert, Big Springs, accident

Mrs. Pearl Jones, medical
Mrs. Hattie Whitley, medical
Kenneth Sullivan, medical
Mrs. C. D. Everton, surgical
Mrs. Ila Joy, Cross Plains, surgical

Dismissed was Earl Throne.

Patients in the Ranger General Hospital from Eastland are:

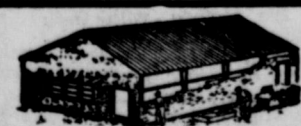
Frank Jones, medical
Mrs. Lawrence Thomas and baby girl
Mrs. Veta Hudson, medical
M. T. Pharris, medical
Carolyn Sue Medford, medical
Dismissed was Clinton Lovelace.
Edwin L. Aaron, medical

SOCIAL CALENDAR

Monday, January 7
7:30 p.m.—Mrs. Versie Bell will present "A New Way To a Happy New Year" at the Las Lealas Club meeting in the Woman's Club. Mrs. Don Parker will be hostess.

Wednesday, January 9
3 p.m.—A speaker from the Southwest Insurance Information Incorporation and films will be the program at the Civic League and Garden Club meeting in the Woman's Club.

Thursday, January 10
3 p.m.—The Alpha Delphian Club will meet in the Club House and have Rev. Jack Garrett as guest speaker for the afternoon. Members will answer roll call with a Bible verse.



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Shirley Hogan, Leroy Nabers Wed In Gorman

The home of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hogan in Gorman was the scene of the wedding of their daughter, Shirley, and Leroy Nabers, son of Mrs. Doris Nabers of Gorman December 21. Rev. Marion Dennis, pastor of the Congregationalist Methodist Church performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride wore a ballerina length dress of white embroidered taffeta and carried a white Bible and white handkerchief trimmed with blue lace. Her white coronation corsage was tied with blue ribbons. She was given in marriage by her brother, Dan G. Hogan of DeLeon.

Miss Glenda Sue Clements of Gorman was bride's maid and Mrs. Cordie Newton of Fort Worth served as her sisters maid of honor. Floyd Redwine of Fort Worth was best man.

Miss Jean Parten played the wedding march and accompanied

ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE EACH SUNDAY

Mrs. Nora Butler of Crane and Mrs. Charlie Spores of Odessa spent Christmas here with relatives.

Mrs. Roy D. King and son of Mansfield, Ohio are visiting in the home of her father and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Baker. King will join them here in February.



SMOOPROOF—Albert Nunn, a postman in London, England, wears a new lightweight "smog" mask. Made of transparent plastic, the mask protrudes in front of the face, and is expected to keep out the offensive smog. London postmen are wearing the contraptions as part of an experiment.

Gordon Couple To Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Bridges of Gordon are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, Jan. 6, with an open house from 3 until 6 p.m. All friends and ex-residents of Thurber are invited.

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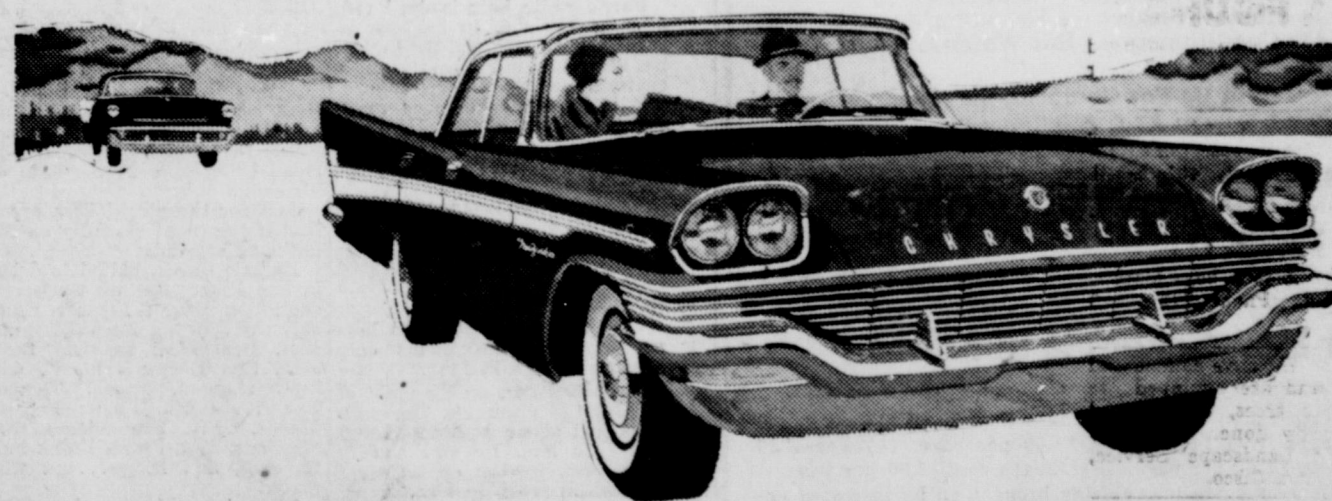
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CHRISTMAS GUESTS

Mrs. A. F. Taylor had as her guests Christmas her children, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kilgore, Gayle and Glenna of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Perry, Mike and Linda of Eastland and her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Weatherby of Goldthwaite. Mrs. Taylor returned to Kilgore with the Kilgore's where she remained until Saturday.

RETURNED HOME

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lawson visited in Edna over the holidays with their son, Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Lawson and family and their daughter, Mrs. H. V. Hamill. While there, they attended the wedding of their granddaughter. Before returning the Lawsons visited in Dallas with another son and daughter, Jim Lawson and Mrs. H. J. Chidester and husband.

SARAH ROSE ELLIS REPORTED IMPROVED

Mrs. Sarah Rose Ellis, who suffered a severe attack of polio some time ago is reported improving by her aunts, Mrs. Frances Cooper and Mrs. W. S. Poe. She is now at Warm Springs Gonzales Foundation and is able to be up in a wheel chair. She spent 72 hours with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ellis, Abilene, during the holidays.

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Services for First Methodist Church For Week Are Announced

The following services will be held this week at the First Methodist Church:

Church School meets at 9:45. Rudolph Little, superintendent. There are classes for all ages and visitors are always welcome.

The Rev. Richard R. Smith will bring the New Year's message on "The Answer is God." The choir will sing the anthem—"Now With the New Year Starting" by Lynn. The congregation will partake of the Holy Communion. The organ music will include "Acquaint Yourself with God" by Eiker and the offertory "Dwell in My Heart," by Wansborough.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship will meet at 6:15 with Emma Miller leading the seniors. The worship service starts at 7 o'clock. The pastor will bring the third of a series of sermons on "Our Human Emotions" tonight will be "Fear." Wendell Siebert will lead the song service.

The official board will meet at the church Monday evening at 7:30. Each member is asked to contact his "buddy" and see that he comes, also. Cub-scouts will

meet in the Fellowship Hall Monday night at 7:30.

Tuesday morning at 9:30 the Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet for the regular business and the introduction to the mission study "Southeast Asia" brought by Mrs. James Horton.

Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock the pastor conducts the Bible study on the Basic Concept of Christian Doctrine. All are welcome to join this class as it has just started.

Chancel choir meets at 7:30 on Wednesday nights, the junior choir on Thursday after school. Refreshments are served by the mothers to the children each time.

On Sunday morning, Feb. 17 Bishop William C. Martin will be in Eastland to participate in a special service of dedication of the church. Members of the church are asked to contact all those members and former members living elsewhere and invite them to this special day of service.

ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE EACH SUNDAY



Methodist Church Stressing Theme: 'Answer Is God'

Methodist churches throughout the world are conducting from January to Easter a special emphasis on Church Attendance. Following the campaign theme "The Answer is God," members of First Methodist Church will be asked to register attendance each Sunday and will engage in special activities and programs designed to make visitors more welcome and to encourage more faithful attendance by all members.

This Sunday the pastor will preach a special sermon on the announced theme, "The Answer is God" and the congregation will consecrate themselves by partaking of Holy Communion.

To Help Hungarian Refugees Offerings received as sacrificial gifts while taking Communion will be added to the Christmas Communion Offering and will be sent to aid the victims of Communism fleeing Hungary. The Bishops of the Methodist Church have made a special appeal to all Methodists to give funds for this very critical cause.

The Methodist Church is assisting in the tremendous program of giving food, clothing, and shelter to those who are escaping from death behind the iron curtain.

Each Sunday there will be persons especially designated to serve as hosts and hostesses of those attending services. They will be at the door to greet personally and to welcome each visitor and member. Sunday the hosts and hostesses will be Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Jones and Judge and Mrs. Milburn S. Long.

VISITS SON

Mrs. Frank Lovett spent Christmas week in Olney with her sons, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Lovett and family and Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Lovett and family.

STORY NO. 3

Mexican Border Troubles of 1915-17 Hatched in Parr Capital, San Diego

By-FREDERICK HODGSON
SAN DIEGO, TEX.—Like his father, George Berham Parr is a small man as Texas go. In him there is a curious touch of Pancho Villa, or Robin Hood.

A psychologist could explain Parr much better than I can explain his sometimes baffling behavior. Unlike his father, George Parr is trigger-tempered, often to the point of rashness. For example, there is the incident of a few weeks ago when a Duval County commissioner, Tomas H. Molina, angered him. Parr grabbed a rifle and raged out of his office and into the Courthouse across the street, shouting for Molina. He was cornered in the basement by Ranger Walter Russel and disarmed.

Parr's white hair is dyed red, a mahogany red. In contrast to both the "Anglos" and the Latins, he always dresses neatly in a business suit. He is deep-tanned, soft spoken and there is much about him that is charming—and disarming. He lives high and, among other things, loves fast horses and bull fights.

"And he won't listen to anybody," one of his top lawyers told me. "If he'd listen to his attorneys when they flash a red light on him he wouldn't get into half as much trouble."

George Parr, age 55, is a lawyer himself although his only client is George B. Parr. I watched Parr on the night of the July 28 primaries. The polls were just about to close when I talked to him. He was a very busy man, issuing orders right and left in rapid Spanish, giving followers crisp green bills and sending them on errands. He seemed harassed, even wistful. The scene was the Mexican-style plaza in front of the church of San Paulo.

Parr's people, hundreds of them, milled around in the dusk under the trees. Across the street from the Parr forces was anti-Parr headquarters—and between the two groups armed Texas Rangers under Captain Alfred Allee moved quietly. The atmosphere was tense and electric. San Diego police, often called Parr's pistoleros, under Chief Manuel Amaya, circulated through the two groups, guns slapping against their thighs. The street in front of the City Hall, across the plaza from the church, had been roped off by the Rangers.

I was watching Parr when the soft bell of the angelus rang from the Church of San Paulo. He stopped talking and stood quite still. Around him his people became silent. Hats came off. Here and there a woman lifted her mantilla, nun-like, over her dark hair.

The last echo of the Angelus had long gone when the spell was broken by juke box music from a candy store.

It was difficult just then to imagine San Diego, Texas, as the hottest spot in Texas politics, as

Church of Christ Plans Stepped-Up Program During Year, Minister Says

Otta Johnson, minister of the Church of Christ in Eastland, reports that a new and enlarged program of work is scheduled for this year in the local church.

This program will include an extensive visiting campaign, at least two gospel meetings, a vacation Bible school, new teacher training classes, and more benevolent work



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The plan was for revolution against the United States.

In San Diego today they'll show you the sun-blistered building where the plan was hatched in August, 1914, and they'll tell you of the future comings and goings of mysterious Germans, supposedly agents of the Imperial General Staff in Berlin.

The San Diego plot wasn't taken too seriously at the time, but in 1917 when the famous Zimmerman note, a document that helped put the United States into World War I, was intercepted astonished officials in Washington suddenly realized that the plan was real and not the product of raving crackpots. The mysterious strangers who conferred in San Diego with Mexican-Americans and with Huerta agents from Mexico were what they seemed to be.

Huerta, it will be remembered, was violently anti-American because President Wilson had refused to recognize his "government by assassination." Americans had captured Vera Cruz and Marine snipers had killed many Mexicans. Feelings ran high on both banks of the Rio Grande.

Under the plan Mexicans in five states—Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and California—were to revolt on February 20, 1915, and declare an independent Mexican republic. A "liberating" Army would then "free" six states to the north and set up a Negro republic as a buffer state. All "Anglo" men—except Germans—were to be killed.

The whole insane idea from Germany's point of view was to keep the United States so busy on the Mexican border that she'd be unable to join the Allies in fighting the Central Powers in Europe.

Certainly the plan was mad and just as certainly it did have part of the effect the plotters wanted. The border area, including Duval, seethed with excitement and killings, with raids from both sides of the Rio Grande, with train robberies and the flames of burning ranch houses. More than 500 Americans lost their lives in the fighting before General Pershing and his troops restored a semblance of order.

A curious fact in the border troubles just preceding America's entrance into World War I was the deference paid to the word "Aleman"—German—by parties of raiding Mexicans. More than one "Anglo" saved his life by proclaiming himself "Aleman" when guns were leveled at his head.

It is against this background that the Parr political empire was erected and it is against this background that it still lives, tottering on its last leg under the continual legal slugging of Attorney General Shepperd, but still alive.

Presbyterian Church Services Are Announced

Morning worship at the First Presbyterian Church is at eleven o'clock. The day, in the Calendar of most of the Christian Church, is what is known as Epiphany. In keeping with this emphasis, the Sermon - Subject is "Christ, the Light of the World." The Text is John 8:12. The Lord's Supper will be observed.

Sunday Church School is at ten o'clock.

The church session meets Monday at five o'clock p.m., in the minister's study.

The Women's Association meets Tuesday morning at nine-thirty, at the church.

The Presbytery of Abilene, of which this church is an organic part, meets Thursday at Merkel. The Minister, The Rev. Eugene H. Surface, who is a member of Presbytery, and an elder elected by the Session of the local congregation which is a member, plan to attend. Mr. Surface is Chairman of one committee of Presbytery and a member of a number of others.

Next Sunday, immediately following Morning Worship, the Annual Meetings of the Congregation and the Corporation will be held.

Services For First Baptist Church Listed

The annual "Bible Study Week" will be held at First Baptist Church next week with the pastor, Harvey Kimbler, teaching from the book "The Gospel According to Paul." This is a fresh and new approach to the study of the letter to the Romans. It was written by Clifton Allen, Editorial Secretary of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. The first class session will be Sunday evening at the Training Union hour, 6:30 to 7:30. Monday thru Wednesday the book will be taught from 7 to 8:30.

Sunday School begins Sunday morning at 9:45 with morning worship service at 11:00. The regular monthly meeting of the deacons will be held Sunday at 5:00 p.m. to avoid conflict with Bible study week. Carol, Cherub, and Celestial Choirs meet at 5:30, Training Union at 6:30 and evening worship at 7:30.

The WMU will have monthly business meeting and Royal Service Program Tuesday morning at 9:30 at the church.

The youth organizations will meet as usual Wednesday evening at 7. All others will attend the study of Romans.

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