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VARIETY

By NEAL ESTES

A number of readers have inquired how the order of succession to the presidency would work in the event something happened to LYNDON JOHNSON, we have researched these facts: The vice president, a post now vacant with the elevation of JOHNSON to the presidency would remain unfilled until another general election. The speaker of the House of Representatives, one Democrat JOHN W. MCCORMACK of Massachusetts would be next in line to succeed JOHNSON, in event he could not serve. After MCCORMACK would come the president pro tempore of the Senate, now Democratic SEN. CARL HAYDEN of Arizona — then Secretary of State DEAN RUSK of New York and on to Secretary of the Treasury, DOUGLAS DILLON of New Jersey.

It took a great TEXAS UNIVERSITY football team to keep their ranking as number one in the nation Thanksgiving Day in College Station. Behind 13-3 with but six minutes left in the traditional game, the LONGHORNS refused to panic and quickly scored a pair of touchdowns to win the contest 15-13. The AGGIES uncorked four periods of courageous football—the kind A&M teams have been known for through the years in a game with TEXAS. Only the spirit of a band of orange and white clad Texans could have surged to victory in the final seconds of the game. COACH ROYAL summed it up pretty well when he said: "They didn't panic did they?"

COATS BENTLEY made a special trip to our office the day after the paper was published last week to personally state his appreciation for the contents of our editorial tribute to the late President. We have had many other favorable comments and it is our continued thought that 99 out of every 100 Americans held a warm personal admiration for MR. KENNEDY, the man, the genuine human being, the devoted husband and father that he was.

MRS. CARL LEONARD, JR., recently wrote a much appreciated note to the editor. It read: "Thank you for your cooperation and coverage of our church activities. We appreciate your lack of religious prejudice and would appreciate any pointers in reporting that you might like to pass on to me."

A nice note was attached to the renewal from MRS. V. M. KEMPER, Big Spring, the past week. She wrote that her family enjoyed the publication and thanked the staff for past courtesies.

WALTER H. ANNENBERG, Philadelphia publisher mailed a check to the Dallas police department this week in the amount of \$12,217.04 to retire the mortgage on the home of slain officer J. D. TIPPIT. Officer TIPPIT lost his life while attempting to question the late President's assassin. People throughout the nation have contributed money to the Dallas officer's family. MRS. TIPPIT has stated that she and her three children will try and resume a normal life in Dallas.

It's real nice to have these subscribers with us for another year. This week we salute SOUVAL BRITTON, Rt. 1, Stanton; BUCK HENSON, Weslaco; V. W. KEMPER, Big Spring; CHARLES WAGNER, Roswell, N. M.; T. B. STEWART, JR., Stanton; MRS. LYNN MADDOX, Bayonne, N. J.; KBST Radio, Big Spring; W. L. MATTINGLY, Tarzan. (Continued on page 4)

Community Swings Into Holiday Mood

Wheeler, Johnson Elected

S. W. Wheeler received 85 write-in votes for mayor here Tuesday to take back the office he resigned and one that he has held for the past ten years.

A. A. (Pee Wee) Johnson won the single vacant seat on the council in the same balloting. Wheeler polled 85 out of a total of 166 cast in the election. His nearest write-in opponent was Edmund Tom who received 67 votes. Johnson annexed 84 votes to win with Sam Martin running a write-in second with 66 votes.

A total of 164 votes was registered in the councilman's race.

Other leading citizens of Stanton received a scattering of write-in votes.

The city council officially canvassed the ballots following a regular city council meeting Tuesday night and certified the winners.

Terms of both Wheeler and Johnson will expire on April 1, 1964. Two other council seats will also expire on that date next year, making it necessary to elect four men at the city election to be held in April.

Former County Resident Dies

G. L. Gerald, 86, a former postmaster at Lenorah, died Tuesday night in a rest home in Hamilton.

Services will be held Thursday at a cemetery in Hamilton.

Gerald was born in Mills County in 1877.

He is survived by his wife, who lives in a Hamilton rest home; a daughter, Mrs. W. C. Hiller of Hamilton; four brothers, three sisters, including Mrs. C. W. Batchelor of Midland; eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Hasley, Former Resident Dies Nov. 26

The Stanton Reporter was advised at press time Wednesday of the death of Mrs. G. M. Hasley, a former resident of Lenorah.

Mrs. Hasley died on November 26 at her home in Irving. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, three brothers, Vergil, Dave, and S. J. Foreman, and two grandchildren.

Local residents attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Foreman and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Foreman of Midland, Sam Foreman and Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Foreman of Lenorah, Dave Foreman of Andrews, and Vergil Foreman of Richmond, California.

Atchison Promoted To Airman Second

KEESLER AFB, Miss. —Wieland D. Atchison of 201 E. Pine, Midland, has been promoted to airman second class in the United States Air Force.

Airman Atchison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin E. Atchison of Stanton, is presently a student at the Keesler Technical Training Center.

A graduate of Midland High (Continued on page 4)

FFA Skills Contest Set For December 5

The FFA skills contest for El Rancho District, originally scheduled for November 25, has been reset for December 5, at Coahoma High School. The contest was postponed following the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Area Supervisor Hulan Harris, and Coahoma's host supervisor George Oakes, said the division winners at the contest would be eligible for the Area II contest in Big Spring December 9.

Around 200 FFA students from Odessa, Midland, Stanton, Big Spring, Flower Grove and Coahoma are expected to enter the skills contest which begins at 1 p.m.

Skills will be in senior chapter conducting, junior chapter (Greenhand) conducting, senior farm skills, junior farm skills, farm radio, and FFA Quiz.

An awards banquet will be held in the elementary school cafeteria beginning at 6 p.m. District President Dale Renfro, Midland, will preside. The opening ceremony will be by district officers; welcome address by Supt. W. A. Wilson of Coahoma; and introduction of speakers by Area II President F. E. Busby.

State FFA President Benny Mays, Sulphur Springs, will speak on "The Value of Leadership Training."

The district sweetheart contest will be conducted by (Continued on page 4)

OFFICIAL ENTRY BLANK IN PAPER

1963 Lighting Contest Sponsored By C. Of C.

Plans for a Christmas Lighting and Decorations Contest for the residential section of Stanton and the downtown stores has been announced.

All Stanton residents have been urged to participate in the contest, which is being sponsored by the Martin County Chamber of Commerce.

Any type of decorations and Christmas lighting may be entered in the contest. Residents may have out-door scenes, lighted windows or other types of Christmas decorations.

Persons wishing to enter are asked to mail the entry blank printed below to the Chamber of Commerce office. They may either contact

Mrs. Maurayne Varnadore, Chamber manager, by mail, telephone, or go by the office. Deadline for the entries is December 16.

Entries will be judged on Friday, December 20. The hour of the judging will be announced at later date.

Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place winners. Certificates will be presented to the merchants winning the first, second and third place awards. The judging for the stores will also be on the evening of December 20.

Stanton residents have been asked to help make Stanton beautiful during the yule season by having many decorated homes.

1963 RESIDENTIAL CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST

I wish to enter the 1963 Residential Christmas Lighting Contest:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Mail to the Chamber of Commerce, Stanton.

Santa Is Coming To Town

Santa Claus has sent word to Stanton and Martin County folks that he plans to be here on Friday afternoon, December 13, at 2:45 p.m. to visit with all of his little friends.

The message from Santa sped to Stanton by jet plane

Wednesday morning and was delivered to Bob Deavenport, chairman of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce Christmas Committee.

Deavenport immediately contacted the newspaper and asked that the good news

of Santa's impending visit be spread across the front page of The Stanton Reporter.

Santa is an old friend of The Ole Reliable. We have been mailing the jolly fellow holiday copies of the paper

for years and that way he reads all the letters mailed to the newspaper by the little people in the area and knows exactly what they want him to bring them for Christmas.

This year, Santa wants to meet his friends in downtown Stanton. Santa will be on St. Anna Street in front of the Chamber of Commerce office.

Plenty of candy and goodies for the children will be given away free by Santa.

Every boy and girl in Martin County and all the children in the Greenwood community and their parents are invited to be in Stanton on the afternoon of Friday, December 13, to welcome the grand man from the North Pole.

Schools will turn out for the occasion and merchants are planning a rousing session for Santa Claus when he mingles with the people on December 13.

Drama Club To Present Play Dec. 20

The Stanton High School Drama Club will present a two-act play December 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium.

The play, "The Glass Menagerie," is written by Tennessee Williams, and is under the direction of Chuck Worley.

Tickets may be purchased in advance from any member of the Drama Club. The tickets may also be obtained at the door.

The setting of the play is during a quiet period when the huge middle class of America was matriculating from a school for the blind.

Members of the club who are characters in the play are: Cindy Britton, Linda Caffey, Gary Clinton and Ronnie Driggers.

The Drama Club is a newly organized club at the local school. Ronnie Driggers serves (Continued on page 4)

Postmaster Points Way To Insure Faster Mail Delivery

Mrs. Leta B. Edison, postmaster, has outlined several helpful hints on how to mail Christmas cards and gifts to insure prompt and safe delivery before December 25.

She urged that patrons avoid careless packing of gifts. Use strong carton, wrap in heavy paper, and tie with a sturdy cord. Packages containing fragile items should be marked "Fragile — Handle

With Care." Put an extra label carrying the recipient's and sender's name and address inside every package.

Another is to use five-cent postage on Christmas cards. Sent by first class mail, they are sorted and delivered first, and if return address is on each envelope, they will be forwarded in event of a change of address; or if they (Continued on page 4)

Stanton Loses Two Contests To Coahoma

Coahoma humbled Stanton, 54-44 in a boys' basketball game unrehearsed at Coahoma Tuesday night.

In the girls' game, Coahoma finished on the long end of a 42-31 score. The Coahoma boys' B team lost, however, 36-25.

In the boys' game, Hayden Norris hit for 21 points for the Bulldogs and played a fine game on the boards, as did Dwayne Frazer. Norris picked off 15 rebounds, Frazer six. Donnie Thompson paced the Stanton offensive with 15 points, while Ronnie Hartsell and Mickey Allen each had 10.

Sandy Clanton and Darlene Mason each tallied 15 points for Coahoma in the girls' contest. Franklin counted 14 for (Continued on page 4)

29 Receive Red Cross Certificates

Twenty-nine Martin County women received Red Cross certificates for completing the course, "Care of the Sick and Injured." The certificates were presented at a meeting held at the Cap Rock building on November 26.

The certificates were presented by Bob Deavenport, chairman of the Martin County Red Cross. Cecil Bridges gave the invocation. Deavenport introduced the board members who were present.

Bill Keele, chairman of the Midland County Red Cross, was the guest speaker. Mrs. Reid, who taught the course, also gave a speech. She told of the things she had taught and the accomplishments the women had made. Mrs. Reid stated: "The women complet-

No. 1-C University Complete As Extender NW Tarzan

By JAMES C. WATSON

Gordon Knox & Associates of Midland No. 1-C University, 16 miles northwest of Tarzan, has been completed as a 1/2-mile east extension to the MAK (Spraberry) pool in Northwest Martin County.

It pumped 220.79 barrels of 38-gravity oil plus eight percent water, from perforations between 8,476 and 8,695 feet, which had been treated with 2,000 gallons of acid and fractured with 30,000 gallons.

It is 660 feet from north and west lines of section 43, block 6, University survey. The project is the sixth producer for the area.

Pan American Petroleum Corporation No. 1-G F. D. Breedlove is to be a 12,600-foot Devonian test in Martin

Christmas Plans Being Readied Here

By VIRGINIA HOUSE

Citizens of Stanton and Martin County are making preparations for Christmas. The children are writing letters to Santa and counting the days until December 25. Clubs are making plans for their annual Christmas parties, and housewives are busy doing the Christmas baking.

Stanton merchants are offering extra good buys for everyone during the rush season.

Santa Claus will arrive in Stanton at 2:45 p.m. December 13. He will have free candy for everyone and will have time to talk to all the boys and girls. Santa will be in front of the Chamber of Commerce office on St. Anna Street.

Lions Club Holds Regular Meet Tuesday

The Stanton Lions Club met at noon Tuesday at the Bellevue Restaurant in their regular meeting.

President Bob Johnson presided over the business meeting. Roy Phemister led the song service. Rev. C. R. LeMond gave the invocation.

John Wood, program chairman for December, introduced Mrs. Wood, who introduced one of her music pupils, Cindy Davis. Cindy is a seventh grade student who has been studying piano for two years. She presented several selections.

Following the program, a board meeting was held. The club made plans to assist in the Santa Claus parade. The Lions will furnish the candy and help sack the bags. There were 17 members present at the meeting.

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Christmas Lighting and Decorations Contest for the residents and merchants of Stanton. The deadline for entering the contest is December 16. The entries will be judged on December 20. Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place winners in the residential district, and certificates will be given to the merchants placing first, second and third.

The First Methodist Church will have their Christmas party on December 18. The event will begin with the Christmas tree for the children, at which time the children will give their gifts to the Methodist home in Waco. A worship program will be (Continued on page 4)

Stanton Decked Out In Typical Holiday Decorations

Stanton is scheduled to be all decked out this year for the holiday season.

Monday evening street lights and lights on the courthouse were turned on to officially open the holiday period in Stanton.

Stanton streets are gaily lighted with colored street lights and the courthouse dome is covered with strings of colored Christmas lights, and streamers of lights lead off from the courthouse square a holiday effect.

Arrangements for the lighting of the streets and courthouse were made by the Merchants Committee of the Mar-

tin County Chamber of Commerce.

Plans are also underway to further decorate Stanton for the yuletide period.

The Chamber of Commerce will be in charge of a Christmas decorations contest for the business district and the residential section.

Final plans for the decorations contest were made Monday evening when the Chamber directors met.

First, second and third place prizes will be awarded to the winners in the residential section, and the merchants contest. Deadline for entering will be December 16. The contestants will be judge on December 20.



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**STANTON BUFFALOES
Basketball Schedule 1963-64**

Dec. 5, Thursday; Flower Grove Tournament, B Boys and A Girls
Dec. 6, Friday; Flower Grove Tournament, B Boys and A Girls
Dec. 7, Saturday; Flower Grove Tournament, B Boys and A Girls
Dec. 10, Tuesday; Forsan, There, A and B Boys, 5:30-8:00
Dec. 12, Tuesday; Sands Tournament, A Boys and Girls
Dec. 13, Friday; Sands Tournament, B Boys and Girls
Dec. 14, Saturday; Sands Tournament, B Boys and Girls
Dec. 17, Tuesday; Forsan, Here, A and B Boys, A Girls, 5:30-8:00
Dec. 19, Thursday; Ector, There, A and B Boys, 6:30-8:00
Jan. 2, Thursday; Big Lake Tournament, A Boys
Jan. 3, Friday; Big Lake Tournament, A Boys
Jan. 4, Saturday; Big Lake Tournament, A Boys
Jan. 7, Tuesday; Colorado City, Here, A and B Boys, 6:30-8:00
Jan. 9, Thursday; McCamey, Here, A and B Boys, 6:30-8:00
Jan. 11, Saturday; Alpine, There, A Boys and Girls, 2:30-4:00
Jan. 13, Monday; Sterling City, There, A and B Boys, A Girls, 6:30-8:00
Jan. 17, Friday; Crane, There, A and B Boys, 6:30-8:00
Jan. 21, Tuesday; Sonora, There, A and B Boys, 2:30-4:00
Jan. 24, Tuesday; McCamey, Here, A and B Girls, 6:30-8:00
Jan. 28, Tuesday; McCamey, Here, A and B Boys, 6:30-8:00
Feb. 1, Saturday; Alpine, Here, A Boys and Girls, 2:00-4:00
Feb. 4, Tuesday; Crane, Here, A and B Boys, 6:30-8:00
Feb. 8, Saturday; Sonora, Here, A and B Boys, 2:30-4:00
Feb. 10, Monday; McCamey, There, A and B Girls, 6:30-8:00
Feb. 14, Friday; McCamey, There, A and B Boys, 6:30-8:00

School Menu

MONDAY
Meat loaf, blackeyed peas, Macaroni and cheese, Green salad, hot rolls, milk and butter, and sliced fruit.

TUESDAY
Fried chicken, cream gravy, English peas, stuffed celery, honey and butter, and hot rolls.

WEDNESDAY
Chili con carne with beans, seasoned spinach, oven fried potatoes, corn bread, fruit cobbler, milk, and butter.

THURSDAY
Hot dogs, steamed rice, potato chips, sliced tomatoes, pineapple cake, and milk.

FRIDAY
Beef and noodles, green beans, baked potatoes, tossed salad, hot rolls, cranberry and fruit gelatine, butter, and milk.

Spending Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bryant were Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hull and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Dee House and boys, and Tommy Rush of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith and family of Plainview, spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stewart.

Mrs. Warner Presides At Lodge Meet

Mrs. H. C. Warner, noble grand, presided over the business meeting of the Rebekah Lodge Monday night, November 25, at the I.O.O.F. Hall.

Mrs. C. E. Christopher, serving as vice grand, assisted Mrs. Warner.

Officers for the next term were nominated. The officers were elected at the next meeting.

Following the lodge meeting, a birthday party was held for Mrs. H. C. Warner, Mrs. A. L. Frith, and Mrs. H. C. Burnam.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Frith of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Christopher, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkes, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Burnam, Mrs. Jim McCoy, Mrs. C. S. Bevers, Jr., Mrs. H. C. Warner, Mrs. Fannie Graves and Miss Sammie Laws.

Kay Bryan spent the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Bryan. Kay is a student at Texas Tech College.

Patricia Miller, student at Sul Ross College, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Miller, and Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Miller of College Station, visited over the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Miller, and Clinton. Miller is a student at Texas A&M University.



Which of the Following is Spelled Correctly?
Riddel Riddle Ridle
(Meaning: A puzzling question.)
See Classified Page For Correct Answer.

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THE GRAHAM LEADER: "Saturday, November 30, marked the official opening of the Christmas season in Graham by local business firms and to celebrate the big event, Santa Claus made a special pre-season visit to the city on that date."

THE ANDREWS COUNTY NEWS: "The kickoff of the annual Girl Scout drive began at Andrews with the Mothers' March on Tuesday evening in the residential district, with the Father's March to take place Tuesday through Saturday in the business section of town."

LORENZO TRIBUNE: "After losing the season opener to New Deal last week, the Lorenzo Hornets bounced back Tuesday night to down Ropesville 47-32 for their first victory of the young cage season."

MORTON TRIBUNE: "Introduction of new officers and directors of the City Board of Development, presentation of the 'Outstanding Citizen of the Year' an address, 'Preservation of Freedom,' and a style show were featured at the Second Annual City Board of Development banquet Thursday night."

THE MUNDAY TIMES: "Still stunned over rapid-moving events since last Friday noon, the entire student body of the Munday Public Schools, plus a goodly number of local citizens, gathered at the school auditorium at 11:10 a.m. last Monday to pay tribute to President John F. Kennedy."

THE JAYTON CHRONICLE: "For head coach Sonny Arthur, and the Jayton Jaybirds, winning comes as a tradition and not as an accident. Friday night's bi-district contest with Forsan in Jayton was just another good example. Jayton went into the game highly favored and emerged with an easy 44-16 victory, as they calmly went about the task of annihilating a fine Buffalo team, that some people had dared a chance."

THE ALPINE AVALANCHE: "Deer hunters from all over the southwest began swarming into the Big Bend-Davis Mountains country this week for the annual blacktail deer season which opened Saturday, November 30."

Stanton 4-H Clubs Met November 22

The Stanton fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grade 4-H Clubs met in separate meetings last week at the school.

Terry Franklin, president, was in charge of the fifth and sixth grade meeting.

Bob Johnson, county extension agent, presented the certificates to those winning awards, who were not present at the annual achievement day banquet held recently.

Johnson also presented the program at both the meetings. The group discussed parliamentary procedure and "How to make a motion and how to conduct a meeting."

There were 28 boys present at the fifth and sixth grade meeting and 15 present for the other meeting.

Sunday School Class Holds Monthly Social

Mrs. J. C. Epley's Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church, met for their monthly social and business meeting at the home of Mrs. Jack Hankins.

Mrs. Bob Johnson presided over the installation service of the new officers. The officers installed were: Mrs. Vernon McQuerry, president; Mrs. Neil Fryar, vice president; Mrs. Jerry Stallo, Mrs. Jack Hankins and Mrs. Bill Johnson, group captains.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Billy Louder, Mrs. J. C. Epley, Mrs. Vernon McQuerry, Mrs. James Doyle, Mrs. Bob Johnson, Mrs. Bill Johnson, Mrs. Neil Fryar, Mrs. Fred Holder, and Mrs. Jack Hankins.

Read the classified ads!

Kittens Win By 40-27 Tab

Basketball teams representing Flower Grove and Garden City split decisions at Flower Grove Tuesday night.

The Flower Grove boys won, 54-47, with a late surge after the Garden City girls had prevailed, 40-27.

In the boys' game, Gary Pagan paced the Garden City attack with 23 points. Vernon Newsom had 11.

Garden City led by five points at half time and by two at the end of three periods. The game opened the season for the Bearcats.

Judy Hirt paced the Garden City girls to an impressive win, tossing in 22 points. The Bearkittens now have a 5-3 won-lost record.

Girls' game:
Garden City (40) — Hirt 10-2-22; Cypert 3-0-6; Jacob 4-2-10; Carter 2-0-4. Totals 19-4-40.
Flower Grove (25) — Mas-singall 2-0-4; Pribyla 1-8-10; Nichols 0-5-5; Carmichael 2-2-6. Totals 5-15-25.

Score by quarters:
Garden City 10 18 27 40
Flower Grove 3 11 18 27

Boys' game:
Garden City (47) — Etchison 1-0-2; Plagens 3-1-7; Hoch 2-0-4; Pagan 9-5-23; Newsom 5-1-11. Totals 20-7-47.
Flower Grove (54) — Oakes 1-0-2; Hollandsworth 5-4-10; Webb 2-2-6; Perry 2-3-7; Howard 6-5-17; Callabero 2-4-8. Totals 18-18-64.

Score by quarters:
Garden City 5 23 26 47
Flower Grove 11 18 34 54

Mrs. Emma Presley of Midland, visited recently with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Scoggins, and family.

The Real McCoy's By H. C. BURNAM



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Bible Comment—

True Humility Is Not Self-Depreciation

What did Jesus mean by humility? There is no doubt that Jesus did teach humility and that He found it so hard to instill the lesson of it into His disciples that He stooped to menial tasks such as washing their feet to make the lesson plain.

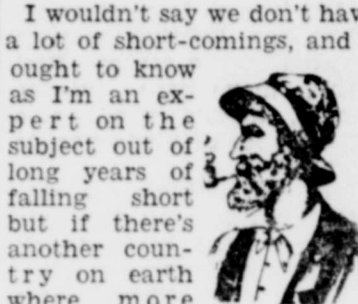
It might be said that a person who is truly humble never grovels to make a parade or profession of his humility. He may be none the less humble because he stands erect, has a keen sense of his integrity of life and purpose and puts a proper value upon himself as a person and individual.

Jesus stressed this value of the individual as much as He stressed the need of humility. True humility is not in an sense self depreciation. It might be said that when people are proud they are usually proud of wrong things. They are proud of their birth

Philosopher Gets Serious For Once, But Promises He Won't Continue That Way

(Editor's note: The Martin County Philosopher on his grass farm on Mustang Draw is in a strictly serious vein this week.)

Dear editor:
There's time enough for joking later on, but I was just thinking, I wouldn't swap this country for all the rest of the world put together, and you could throw in all the planets to boot.



I wouldn't say we don't have a lot of short-comings, and I ought to know as I'm an expert on the subject out of long years of falling short but if there's another country on earth where more people — I'm not saying all people — can come closer to doing about what they please, I haven't heard of it.

I was thinking just this past Thanksgiving that the fun of being a citizen of the United States is the fun of being unchecked-on from day to day. Oh I'll admit we get checked on at income tax paying time, when we run a red light and there's a cop nearby, and in other such situations, but a man in this country can go and come pretty much as he pleases, if he can buy the gas to do it on, or on foot, if that's the way he's traveling. The point is, nobody stops you. Nor do they make you move, if you want to stop. This latter is especially appealing to me, because I've been at a stop right here on this Martin County grass farm for years, and intend to stay that way.

This isn't to say we're so well off we can be sorry for other countries, it's only to say that of all the different sections of the world, trying to organize things so the individual can enjoy living, we've hit on the system that

allows the widest margin, although there are pockets we can't brag about and there are conditions that ought to be ironed out, so long as I'm not flattened in the process.

At any rate, I'll get back to my regular vein next week, but this week I felt serious, for a reason anybody knows.

Yours faithfully,
J. A.

Kennedy Coffin Closed For Obvious Reason

The White House said today the reason the late President Kennedy's coffin remained closed at all time "should be obvious."

Kennedy was shot in the head and neck by an assassin at Dallas on Friday. The head wound was described as a gaping one.

In addition, doctors at the Bethesda, Md., Naval Hospital made a post mortem examination of Kennedy's wounds—a procedure that presumably required incisions.

This, it was learned, revealed that Kennedy definitely was struck by two bullets.

Malcolm Kilduff, assistant White House press secretary, was asked why the coffin had been closed.

"I think the reasons for that should be obvious," he replied.

When temperatures go down, furnaces and heaters are turned up. The Texas Safety Association urges you to make sure all heating equipment in your home is working properly. Leave a window slightly raised in the house as a safe guard against escaping gas and other fumes.

Read the classified ads!

Twenty-One Years Ago

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Bradley and children went to Hatch, N. M. to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. Bradley's brother.

Mrs. James Webb and son left Sunday for Borger to join Mr. Webb who is employed on the construction of a synthetic rubber plant. Mrs. Webb's mother, Mrs. W. C. McClane, will move into the Webb home and look after their property.

Bob Hittson, who is attending Allen Academy at Bryan, was home for the Thanksgiving holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hittson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Estes were down from their ranch in the north part of the county and were guests in the Chuck Houston home. Their son, Tom Estes, has returned to A&M after spending Thanksgiving at home.

Mrs. Earl Powell, Mrs. Annie Stone and Mrs. Charles Donelson attended the meeting of the Lieut. Brewer Chapter of the D. A. R. in the home of Mrs. Jack Wilkinson in Midland, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Powell presented Mrs. Annie Stone as a new member at the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Southall and family spent the Thanksgiving holiday at Lubbock and at their farm at Abernathy.

Miss Mary George Morris, who spent Thanksgiving holiday week at home, returned Sunday morning to El Paso to resume her work at a business college there.

Jack Estes, Chuck Houston, Henry Houston, Cal Houston and Morris Zimmerman attended a cattle sale Monday at Lovington, N. M. They reported high prices and many sales made.

James Jones and wife of California, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. James A. Jones.

Miss Joe Saunders, who is stationed at the Advance Flying School at Marfa, spent Monday night with her mother, Mrs. D. E. Saunders, of the Valley View community.

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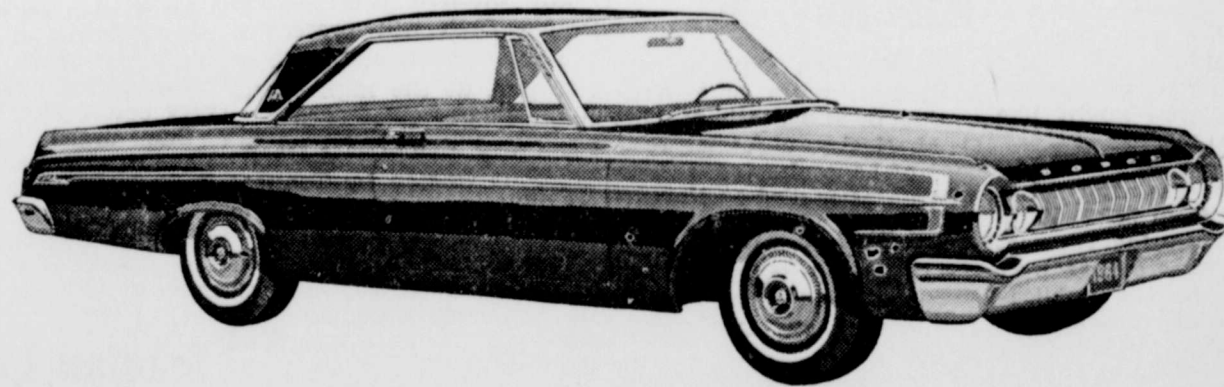
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Annual Meeting Of PBPA To Be Held Today

The annual meeting of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association will be held in Odessa, on December 5, W. T. (Bill) Edwards, PBPA's president announced today. The meeting to be held in the Lincoln Hotel Ballroom, will have New Mexico's Governor Jack Campbell as the featured speaker and he will speak on "Conservation and the States." The Governor and Mrs. Campbell will fly-in in time for the Presidents' Reception starting at 6:00 p.m.

New officers and directors of PBPA will be elected, to kick-off the "New Year" and all members and their ladies are urged to pre-register, as the number attending will be limited to the seating capacity of the Lincoln Hotel Ballroom.

Erisman Asked To Aid Defense For Jack Ruby

Fred Erisman of Longview, a well-known Texas criminal lawyer, said Saturday he had been asked by Jack Ruby's attorney, if he would aid in the defense of the Dallas night club operator.

Ruby is charged with murder in the slaying of Lee Harvey Oswald, 24, who had been charged with the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and the slaying of a Dallas policeman.

Erisman told the Dallas Times Herald he had been contacted by Tom Howard, Ruby's chief defense attorney. "I told Mr. Howard I'd like to talk further to him and Ruby," Erisman said, adding that the case interested him but that prior commitments may prevent him from accepting.

Community Calendar

- LIONS CLUB—Each Tuesday at noon.
- ROTARY CLUB—Each Wednesday at noon.
- ORDER OF EASTERN STAR — First Tuesday night of each month.
- REBEKAH LODGE—Each Monday night.
- ODDFELLOW LODGE—Each Thursday night.
- MASONIC LODGE — Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
- AMERICAN LEGION—Third Tuesday night of each month.
- MEN'S DEPARTMENT, First Methodist Church—Third Monday night of each month.
- BROTHERHOOD, First Baptist Church — Second Thursday of each month.
- BETA SIGMA PHI CITY COUNCIL — First Monday of each month.
- AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY—Third Tuesday of every other month.
- BETA SIGMA PHI—
 - Xi Alpha Beta Chapter—First and third Thursdays.
 - Xi Epsilon Delta Chapter — Second and fourth Tuesday of each month.
 - Rho Xi Chapter—First and third Thursdays.
 - Mu Lambda Chapter—First and third Thursdays.
 - Xi Theta Nu Chapter—First and third Thursday.
- BAND BOOSTERS CLUB — Fourth Tuesday night of each month.
- STITCH AND CHATTER CLUB—Every other Wednesday.
- STUDY CLUB—Fourth Tuesday of each month.
- GRADY PARENT-TEACHERS ASSOCIATION—Third Tuesday of each month.
- GIRL SCOUT NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERS—First Wednesday of each month.
- STANTON PARENT-TEACHERS ASSOCIATION — Second Tuesday afternoon of each month.
- WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—First Methodist Church each Monday afternoon.
- YOUNG LADIES DEPT. OF WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—First Methodist Church each Tuesday morning.
- STANTON MUSIC CLUB—First and third Wednesday of each month.
- WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT, Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints—First and third Thursday mornings of each month.
- WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION, Courtney Baptist Church—Each Tuesday.
- WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION, Lenorah Baptist Church—each Monday afternoon at 4 p.m.
- WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION, Tarzan Baptist Church — each Thursday morning at 9:30 a.m. at the church.
- WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION, Lakeview Baptist Church —second and fourth Thursday afternoons at the church.
- STANTON GARDEN CLUB—Fourth Tuesday of each month.
- WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD, First Methodist Church — Second Monday evening of each month.
- WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION, First Baptist Church—Mary Stamps Circle—Third and fourth Monday mornings.
- Vivian Hickerson Circle — Third and fourth Tuesday mornings.
- Jody Towery Circle—Third and fourth Tuesday mornings.
- Blanche Grove Circle—First Monday night of each month.
- All circles on the first Tuesday at the church, and a general WMU Missionary Program on the second Tuesday of each month.
- ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC ALTAR SOCIETY—Second Wednesday of each month.
- LEGION OF MARY, St. Joseph's Catholic Church—Each Monday.
- 9:30 a.m. each Thursday at the church.
- HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUBS—
 - Stanton HD Club—First and third Wednesday.
 - Courtney HD Club—First and third Thursday.
 - Courtney Morning HD Club—Second and fourth Thursday.
 - Valley View HD Club—Second and fourth Thursday.
 - Tarzan HD Club—First and third Wednesday.
 - Lakeview HD Club—First and third Thursday.
 - Koffee Kup Craft HD Club—Second and fourth Thursday mornings.
- QUARTERBACK CLUB—Every Monday night at the Stanton High School Cafeteria at 7:30 p.m.
- FIRE DEPARTMENT—First and third Monday night of each month at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall.
- CANCER SOCIETY—First Monday night of each month at Cap Rock Electric Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.
- GRADY LIONS CLUB—Second and fourth Monday night of each month at 7:30 at the Grady School
- HOME DEMONSTRATION COUNCIL MEETING—Third Tuesday of each month at 2 p.m. at the Cap Rock Building.
- BROTHERHOOD, Lenorah Baptist Church, first and third Monday at 8 p.m.
- WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION, Lenorah Baptist Church, Each Monday afternoon at 4:15 p.m.

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We wish to thank all the fine citizens of Stanton who helped us in our time of need when our trailer home burned. We want to thank those who sent clothing, food, and dishes, and especially thank Mrs. Joe Holland for the return of the billfold.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Cook and family.

We would like to express our appreciation for all the lovely floral offerings, the food, and for the friends and neighbors kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy in the loss of our wife and mother. We also wish to thank all those who visited while she was a patient in the hospital. Irvin Graham and family.

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29 Receive - - -

(Continued from page 1) ing the course and receiving Red Cross certificates will be of great service to our community should we ever face a disaster as well as care for their families when they are sick at home."

Those receiving the certificates were: Mrs. Raymond Louder, Mrs. Claude Davis, Mrs. Darrell Payne, Mrs. James Doyle, Mrs. Elmore Johnson, Mrs. Eldon Welch, Mrs. Stanley Barnes, Mrs. Louis Latimer, Mrs. Tom Smith, Mrs. Byron McCracken, Mrs. H. O. Phillips, Mrs. Homer Lee Hull, Mrs. Paige Eiland, Mrs. Owen Kelly, Mrs. Billy Louder, Mrs. Clyde Miller, Mrs. Aurora Sanchez, Mrs. P. M. Bristow, Mrs. Elmer Long, Mrs. Roosevelt Johnson, Mrs. R. C. Vest, Mrs. T. R. Louder, Mrs. Chalmers Wren, Mrs. L. E. Rowden, Mrs. J. P. Hilger, Miss Melvia Cross, and Mrs. Frank Parker.

Atchison - - -

(Continued from page 1) School, he attended Oklahoma Christian College in Oklahoma City. Airman Atchison's wife, Sandra, is the daughter of Ira D. Carmack of 1118 E. Pine, Midland.

Postmaster - - -

(Continued from page 1) are undeliverable, they will be returned. Also a personal message can be written on a first class card, whereas only signature is authorized on cards sent at the four-cent, unsealed third class rate.

In conclusion, Mrs. Eldson said, "By taking a little extra care with your Christmas mailings right now, you'll avoid disappointing friends and loved ones. The post office is fully prepared for the big Christmas mail rush, but through your cooperation in mailing early and often, as suggested by the National Improved Mail Service program, there'll be less danger of some Christmas cards and packages not being delivered before Christmas."

Stanton - - -

(Continued from page 1) Stanton.

Dean Bohannon scored 10 for Coahoma in the B engagement while C. Anderson had 13 for Stanton.

Girls' game:
Coahoma (42) — Clanton 6-3-15; Mason 3-9-15; Robinson 5-0-10; Richters 1-0-2. Totals 15-12-42.

Stanton (31)—Franklin 5-4-14; Welch 1-0-2; Stuard 4-0-8; Thompson 0-1-1; Pate 0-1-1; Mashburn 2-1-5. Totals 12-7-31.

Score by quarters:
Coahoma 13 19 33 42
Stanton 10 23 27 31

Boys' game:
Coahoma (54) — Reid 1-0-2; Williams 1-0-2; Shafer 1-1-3; Frazer 4-2-10; Allen 4-2-10; Gaines 1-1-3; Norris 9-3-21; Butler 1-1-3. Totals 22-10-54.

Stanton (46) — Thompson 6-3-15; Lewis 1-1-3; Hartsell 3-4-10; Merrifield 2-0-4; Hall 1-2-4; Allen 4-2-10. Totals 17-12-46.

Score by quarters:
Coahoma 16 26 45 54
Stanton 11 19 31 44

PERSONALS

Mrs. W. L. Mattingley visited her mother, Mrs. G. F. Chisholm, in Midland recently.

Fred Dearfield has been employed by the local hospital as a technician. He and his family lived in Stanton several years ago. They came here from Fort Stockton.

Earl Koonce of Orion, Michigan, visited recently with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Koonce, and visited with other relatives.

Mrs. Milton Moody of Midland, visited recently with her mother-in-law, Mrs. Roy Price.

Mrs. W. T. Reid of Stephenville, has been visiting with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Reid, Gary and Glen.

Visiting over the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Reid and family were, Mrs. J. E. Haynes and family of Crane, and Mrs. Jim Marshall of Big Spring.

Community - - -

(Continued from page 1) presented by the Charles Wesley choir under the direction of Mrs. Bob Haislip. Following the program, a time of fellowship will be held and refreshments will be served.

The First Methodist Church is also planning a Cantata to be presented on a Sunday night during December during the worship service. The Cantata is under the direction of Mrs. John Wood.

The First Baptist Church will present a Cantata, "Night of Miracles" on December 15 at 7:30 p.m. at the church auditorium. The adult choir, under the direction of Bob Priddy, will present the music. Soloists are Mrs. W. H. Uhlman, Mrs. Bob Priddy, Philip White, and R. O. Anderson.

The Rebekah Lodge is planning their annual Christmas party for December 16 at the I. O. O. F. Hall. The Order of the Eastern Star held their annual party on Tuesday night, December 3, at the Masonic Lodge.

The Lakeview Home Demonstration Club will hold their annual party today (Thursday) at the home of Mrs. E. P. Madison, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Mrs. Mildred Eiland, county extension agent, will show the group how to bake a turkey. A Christmas dinner and all the trimmings will be served at noon. Gifts will be exchanged in the afternoon.

The Kuffee Kup Kraft Home Demonstration Club will have their annual party on December 12 at the home of Mrs. Laymon Baker. The party will begin at 9:30 a.m. Gifts will be exchanged, secret pals will be revealed and new ones drawn for the coming year.

The Stanton HD club will meet on December 10 at the home of Mrs. W. T. Wells. The party will begin at 2:00 p.m. Gifts will be exchanged and Christmas refreshments will be served.

The Courtney HD club will meet on Friday evening, December 6, at the Cap Rock Electric building for a Christmas dinner. This event is for the club members and their families. Gifts will be exchanged.

The Courtney Morning Club will meet on Tuesday, December 10, at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Lowell Duke. A salad luncheon will be served at noon. Gifts will be exchanged in the afternoon and a program presented.

The Tarzan Club will meet December 11 at the home of Mrs. B. E. Coggin.

The Home Demonstration Council will hold their annual Christmas party on December 17 at the Cap Rock building at 2:30 p.m.

The Stanton Music Club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Paige Eiland for their Christmas program. The Study Club will meet today (Thursday) at the home of Mrs. James Eiland for their Christmas program. The Stanton Garden Club will have their annual party on December 17 at the home of Mrs. Guy Eiland, beginning at 3:00 p.m.

The chapters of Beta Sigma Phi are all planning Christmas parties. Gifts will be exchanged at the last meeting in December. Some of the sororities are planning extra parties, which will include their husbands.

Most all of the school clubs will have parties. The 4-H Clubs and Scouts are also making plans for the Christmas season.

Harvest Stepped Up By Friday's Freeze

That "hard freeze" cotton farmers have been anticipating struck Friday morning in many parts of the Big Spring area, and by its appearance, vastly speeded the potential finale of the 1963 cotton season.

Temperatures on Howard, Martin, Glasscock and Dawson counties fell to well below 32 degrees for several hours shortly after midnight Thursday and the subfreezing temperatures brought sudden death to the cotton foliage. The leaves have been delaying the cotton harvest and the frost took care of the defoliation better than the best chemical efforts could do.

The freeze also will pop the nearly ripe bolls on the stalks and ready them for the strippers. A few days of bright sunshine, with the chill nights which are now current, and the cotton season will be ready for the grand finish.

Last week was a bad one for cotton harvesting. There was rain on several occasions and the drizzle stopped the stripping and pulling. The national tragedy of last Friday followed by the weekend of uncertainty tended to deter still further work in the fields. Then, Thursday, came

COTTON HARVEST REPORT

As Of November 29, 1963

County	Est. Crop	% Open	% Hvstd.	Ginned
MARTIN	75,000	85	45	33,691
Howard	45,500	95	58	24,574
Glasscock	10,500	98	98	10,407
Fisher	39,000	99	94	36,563
Scurry	29,000	99	86	25,640
Mitchell	28,000	99	79	22,182
Nolan	17,000	99	80	13,583
Dawson	150,000	95	62	91,753
Totals	391,000	96	76	258,399

Thanksgiving and another holiday.

The eight counties in the Big Spring area ginned only 18,000 bales last week. This coming week, assuming the weather permits, should see the biggest surge of any week this season.

At least two counties could bring a finale to their harvest this week. Glasscock County with an estimated 10,600 bale crop, has already ginned 10,407. Fisher County with an estimated 39,000 bale crop has ginned 36,563. It is possible that both these counties should finish their harvest within the next 10 days.

The frost, nearly three weeks later than the average first freeze date in this county, extends the growing sea-

son for 1963 to an all time record of 265 days. It also vastly augmented the cotton yield. At the same time, the delay in freezing has brought on a second harvest in many grain fields. Farmers are harvesting second growth sorghum in some parts of the county.

The cold weather was not so intense in the counties served by the Lamesa Texas Employment Commission office but all of these are well ahead of Dawson, Howard, Glasscock and Martin Counties in ginning.

Martin County, with only 45 per cent of its crop ginned, is the most backward of the lot in harvest accomplishment. Howard County, where the estimated crop total has been hiked to 42,500 has ginned 24,574 bales.

Questions And Answers

Q—As a veteran, I plan to be buried in a National Cemetery. Can my wife be buried there, too?

A—Yes. Should you wife die before you, she may also be buried in a national cemetery, provided you give written intention that you plan to be buried there at the time

of your death.

Q—I asked the VA to hold my annual GI insurance dividend to meet the premium payment. Do I have to repeat this request annually?

A—No. Once the credit arrangement has been authorized by you, it will remain in effect until cancelled.

Q—As a dependent parent receiving DIC payments from the VA I have been mailed a questionnaire card asking my income for 1963 and my expected income for 1964. The VA knows I am a poor widow. Why do they send me this card?

A—Every three years the VA must determine if independent parents are eligible for DIC payments. Your other income or lack of it has an important bearing on this. You should complete the card and mail it to avoid any chance of a hold-up of your monthly checks.

PERSONALS

Mrs. W. O. Claxton of Albuquerque, N. M., spent the holidays with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Price.

Mrs. G. A. Bridges returned to her home recently from a Big Spring hospital, where she had been a patient.

Mrs. Albert Baugh of Stephenville, visited with Mrs. G. A. Bridges in a Big Spring hospital recently.

Mrs. Flora Morris has recently returned from a week's visit in Tornillo with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Neill, and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hayworth of Kerman, California, have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Payne and boys.

Mrs. Jim Franklin, Mrs. J. M. Payne and Mrs. R. C. Thrallkill were in Hereford recently, where they attended a bridal shower for Sharon Howard, bride-elect of Jimmy Barber.

Mr. and Mrs. Bland Cross have moved to San Angelo to make their home there.

Visiting over the weekend with Mrs. Ralph H. Kelly, Rex and Ima were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eaker, Mrs. Cora Moss all of Big Spring, and Preston Kelly of Odessa.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stone over the weekend were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon C. Stone and Mary Kathryn of Stillwater, Oklahoma, and Carolyn Stone of Dallas. Also visiting was Margy Fuqua of Dallas.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lewis of Stanton, are the proud parents of a son born on Saturday, November 30, at the Malone-Hogan Hospital in Big Spring.

The baby has been named George Ray. The Lewises have two other children, Rickie age five, and Polly, age three.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Russell of Seminole.

Mr. and Mrs. Covey Powell are the proud parents of a daughter born November 26 at 9:30 p.m. at the local hospital. The baby girl weighed seven pounds, four ounces, and was 21 inches long. The infant has been named Amy Denise.

This is the first child for Mr. and Mrs. Powell.

The maternal grandmother is Mrs. O. L. Snodgrass, Jr. The paternal grandmother is Mrs. Lois Powell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Foster of Route One, Ackerly, are the proud parents of a son born at 11:53 a.m. November 25. The baby was born at the Cowper Clinic in Big Spring. The boy has been named Lavoy Dale, and he weighed seven pounds, eight ounces.

Mrs. Elmer Mashburn was recently honored with a birthday dinner by her mother, Mrs. Myrtle Sikes of Ackerly. Attending were: James Mashburn, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schlosser and Keith of Big Spring, the honoree and her mother.

Henry Bridges of Seminole, visited recently with Mrs. G. A. Bridges in a Big Spring hospital.

The Blocker family met for their annual Thanksgiving family reunion at the Andrews Community building. Approximately 70 people attended from Hobbs, Jal, Midland, Clovis, California, and Stanton.

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Associated Press Chief Tim Parker Dies Nov. 27

Tim Parker, 46, Associated Press bureau chief for the Carolinas and a former Texas newsman, died Wednesday night several hours after open heart surgery.

Parker, who worked his way through the ranks of worldwide news service from a copy boy, had undergone a long operation at a Charlotte hospital. It was his third major heart operation since 1951.

Parker began his AP career as a copy boy in Lincoln, Neb., working his way through the University of Nebraska. He then became a newsman and later AP state editor in the Nebraska capital.

He was transferred from Omaha to Dallas in 1948 and became Texas state editor. In 1956, Parker was appointed correspondent in charge of the AP's Jackson, Miss., bureau. He returned to Dallas as a bureau executive in 1958.

For his radio news and membership work in Dallas, Parker was promoted to bureau chief here in September, 1960.

Coast Guard Exams Called For February

College graduates and college seniors graduating in January 1964 may apply for the Coast Guard Officer Candidate School class starting February 9, 1964.

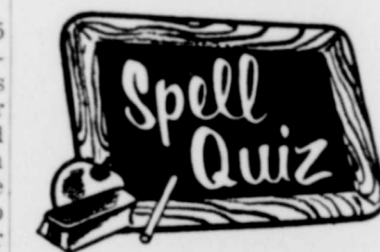
Upon completion of 17 weeks training, graduates will be commissioned Ensign in the U. S. Coast Guard Reserve. Those who qualify may fulfill their military obligation through this program.

The Coast Guard Officer Candidate School is at the Reserve Training Center in historic Yorktown, Virginia, on the York River.

For further information, write Commandant (PT-P2), U. S. Coast Guard, Washington, D. C. 20226.

Mr. and Mrs. Benny Welch and Karla spent Thanksgiving Day in Eunice, New Mexico, visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elrod.

Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Vest and family of Brownfield, and Mrs. Charles Reid of Brownfield, and Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Williams and family of Courtney, visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Bridges.



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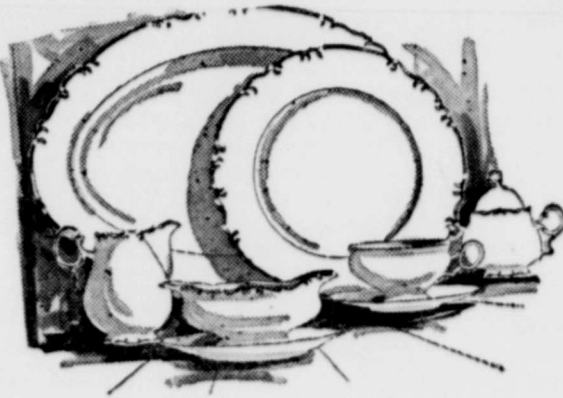
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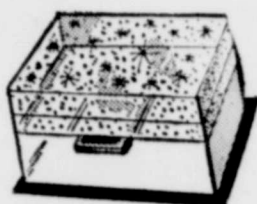


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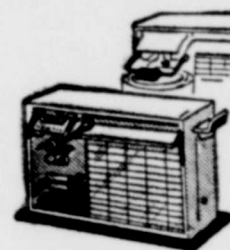
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Mrs. C. W. Gilmore has been dismissed from the Medical Arts Hospital in Big Spring, where she was a patient.

Ruby Doshier, student at Sul Ross College, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Doshier.

Jim Sale, student at Baylor University, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodford Sale.

Steve Springer, student at Baylor University, spent the holidays at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Springer.

Phyllis Long spent the holiday in Stanton visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Long, and Becky.

Sherman McKaskle spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ezell McKaskle.



TO BE MARRIED—Mrs. Dortha Hayes of Stanton announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Cleto, to Joe Lee Barber, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. (Bill) Barber, Midland. The wedding is planned for 6 p.m. December 20 in the First Baptist Church of Stanton.

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The Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Stanton (further referred to as the LPA) will accept sealed bids, on the following structures to be demolished, at the office of said LPA located at 400 North Saint Peter Street until 1:00 P. M. December 23rd, 1963, at which time said bids will be opened and publicly read. The Agency reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The successful bidder must enter into a written contract with the LPA to demolish the structures on site, remove all salvage and debris from lot and level same. A cashier check payable to the Urban Renewal Agency for \$100.00 must accompany said bid as a guarantee bond that said successful bidder will demolish the structures and clear the lot to the satisfaction of the LPA. Upon satisfactory completion the cashier check will be returned to the contractor and if lot is not cleared and leveled to the satisfaction of the LPA, the \$100.00 shall be forfeited to the LPA so they may clear the lot.

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Home Demonstration Club Activities

The Martin County Home Demonstration Clubs are planning their annual Christmas parties. In most of the clubs the secret pals will be revealed and new ones drawn for the coming year.

The Lakeview Home Demonstration Club will meet Thursday, December 5, at the home of Mrs. Roy Price.

It will be an all day meeting, with a Christmas dinner and all the trimmings at noon.

Gifts will be exchanged in the afternoon. The club will reveal their secret pals.

Mrs. Mildred Eiland and the new club members will be special guests.

The Koffee Kup Kraft Home Demonstration Club will meet for their annual event on December 12 at the home of Mrs. Laymon Baker. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. The only business that will be attended will be the election of officers for the coming year.

Gifts will be exchanged, secret pals will be revealed, and new ones drawn for the coming year. All the members who wish to have their name drawn for a secret pal should be present at the meeting.

The Valley View Home De-

monstration Club will meet December 12 for their annual party at the home of Mrs. Reilis Hopper.

A luncheon will be served at 11:30 a.m. The program will be presented following lunch and gifts will be exchanged.

The Stanton Home Demonstration Club will meet for their party on December 10 at the home of Mrs. W. T. Wells.

The group will meet at 2:00 p.m. Gifts will be exchanged and refreshments will be served.

The Tarzan Home Demonstration Club will meet on December 11 at the home of Mrs. B. E. Coggin for their annual event.

Gifts will be exchanged and refreshments will be served.

The Courtney Home Demonstration Club will meet on Thursday evening, December 5, at the Cap Rock Electric building for their annual Christmas party.

A Christmas dinner and all the trimmings will be served. This annual event is for the members of the club and their families.

Gifts will be exchanged at the party.

RLDS Women's Dept. Met Thursday

The Women's Department of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints met Thursday, November 21, at the church.

Mrs. O. E. Saunders was in charge of the meeting. A Thanksgiving devotional was presented by Mrs. Douglas Church and organist, Mrs. Carl Leonard, Jr.

Last year's reports were given by the committee chairman and recommendations for the new year's work was presented by the new chairman.

Those attending were: Mrs. Denton Hines, Mrs. O. E. Saunders, Mrs. Carl Leonard, Jr., Mrs. Fred Church of Midland, Mrs. Delmar Hamm, Mrs. Marvin Standefer, Mrs. Tommy Hursh, Mrs. Steve Church, and all of Stanton, and Mrs. James Vickers of Crane.

Mrs. J. W. Wells Honored On 88th Birthday

Mrs. J. W. Wells was honored on her 88th birthday at her home on November 11, by her five children.

Her children are: Mrs. R. L. Knoblock of Texarkana, Mrs. Escar Beckham of Amarillo, Mrs. Floyd H. Jones of Fort Worth, W. T. Wells of Stanton, and J. C. Wells of Andrews, Wells; her grandchildren; Also attending were: Mrs. W. T. Wells and Mrs. J. C. John and Judy Wells of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Wells of Stanton, Mrs. Billy G. Smith of Midland; 11 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

There were five generations of the family: Mrs. J. W. Wells, her son; W. T. Wells, her grandson, Billy Joe Wells; her great-granddaughter, Mrs. Linda Wells Shanks; and her great-great-grandson, Billy John Shanks.

Baptist Church Activities

The Bethany Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church met recently at the Fellowship Hall for a Thanksgiving luncheon.

The devotional was presented by Bob Priddy, minister of music and education, at the church.

The history of the class was given by Mrs. Wiley Clements. A reading was presented by Mrs. Ralph Caffey.

Special music was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Priddy and Mrs. W. H. Uhlman, accompanied by Mrs. Ralph Caffey.

Visitors attending were: Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Uhlman, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Priddy, and Mrs. Ralph Caffey.

Members present were: Mrs. Hattie Estes, Mrs. Vivian Tippet, Mrs. Warner Haynie, Mrs. L. C. Stovall, Mrs. Oma Womack, Mrs. Harry Billington, Mrs. Wiley Clements, and Mrs. Lillie Harvard.

The Adult I Training Union class met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Byrd Sunday night, following the worship service for a fellowship.

Refreshments of dips, sandwiches, chips, pie, coffee, tea and cookies were served.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Welch, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Dee House, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Don Keaton, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Priddy, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Uhlman, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Paige Eiland, Mr. and Mrs. John Graves, and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Byrd.

The Mary Stamps Circle of the Women's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church met November 25 at the home of Mrs. Eula Eubanks for their regular meeting.

Mrs. B. F. White, circle chairman, presided over the meeting. Mrs. W. H. Yater presented the devotional from Psalms 33.

Mrs. Allie Sprawls opened the meeting with a prayer. The calendar of prayer was read by Mrs. J. R. Sale. Mrs. John Pinkston voiced the prayer for the missionaries.

The mission study book, "Mandelbaum Gate," was given by Mrs. Paul K. Jones. Refreshments of pumpkin pie and coffee was served to those attending.

Those present were: Mrs. B. F. White, Mrs. J. R. Sale, Mrs. Paul K. Jones, Mrs. Roy Martin, Mrs. Guy Eiland, Mrs. John Pinkston, Mrs. H. R. Caffey, Mrs. W. H. Yater, Mrs. Bill Gillum, Mrs. Allie Sprawls, and Mrs. Eula Eubanks.

Mrs. Guy Eiland dismissed the group in prayer.

The Tarzan Women's Missionary Union met recently at the church for a Royal Service program.

Mrs. Leroy Mattingley was in charge of the program.

The calendar of prayer was read and prayer was offered for the missionaries.

Those attending were: Mrs. G. W. Robertson, Mrs. Margaret Lueb, Mrs. Charlene Cox, Mrs. Leroy Mattingley, Ruth Robertson, and Mrs. L. G. Graves.

The Jody Towery and Vivian Hickerson circle of the Women's Missionary Union met at the church November 26 in a joint meeting.

Mrs. Bob Johnson circle leader of the Jody Towery circle, was in charge of the meeting.

The group completed the mission study book, "Mandelbaum Gate." Mrs. Bill Johnson and Mrs. Eugene Byrd lead the study.

The calendar of prayer was read and the prayer was voiced for the missionaries.

Those present were: Mrs. Kenneth Gilmore, Mrs. Bob Johnson, Mrs. U. A. North, Mrs. Jack Cowan, Mrs. T. R. Louder, Mrs. Gerald Hanson,

Beta Sigma Phi Column

The Stanton chapters of Beta Sigma Phi met at the Cap Rock Electric building, for their annual fall book review.

An art lecture was presented by Arnold Leonard of the Institute of Fine Arts of Midland. Leonard showed slides of the progress of art through the different periods of history. He pointed out how each age developed their techniques. He also showed the history of each period of art and the work.

Mr. Leonard's wife was a special guest at the lecture. Refreshments were served by the Mu Lambda chapter to those attending.

The Rho Xi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met at 7:00 p.m. for a short business meeting, prior to the lecture.

President Mrs. Benny Welch, presided over the business meeting.

The group made tentative plans for the annual sorority Christmas party to be held on December 13. The social committee is completing plans for the annual event.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. John Calvin Jones. A training meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. for the new rushees.

Those attending were: Mrs. John Calvin Jones, Mrs. Nolan Simpson, Mrs. Benny Welch, Mrs. Jimmy Conners, Mrs. Butch Cain, and Mrs. Charles Elmore.

Mrs. Paige Eiland, Mrs. Bill Johnson, and Mrs. Eugene Byrd.

The circles will meet in regular sessions next week.

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PERSONALS

Sharon Graves has been dismissed from the local hospital, where she has been a patient.

Larry Adkins, student at North Texas College at Denton, spent the holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Carlile spent last week at Falcom Lake fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stewart of Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Stewart of Midland, all spent Thanksgiving Day in Odessa with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Collins and family.

Spending Thanksgiving Day

with Mrs. C. D. Payne were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Don Parum and Debbie, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Payne and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. House, and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Dee House and boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Franklin and Terry and Mrs. DeWayne Thompson and Mark, visited over the holidays in Oklahoma with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Hull recently returned from a week's visit to Newbury, New York, for a visit with their son and family, Captain and Mrs. Leon Hull. The Hulls drove to Dallas by car and flew from Dallas to New York.



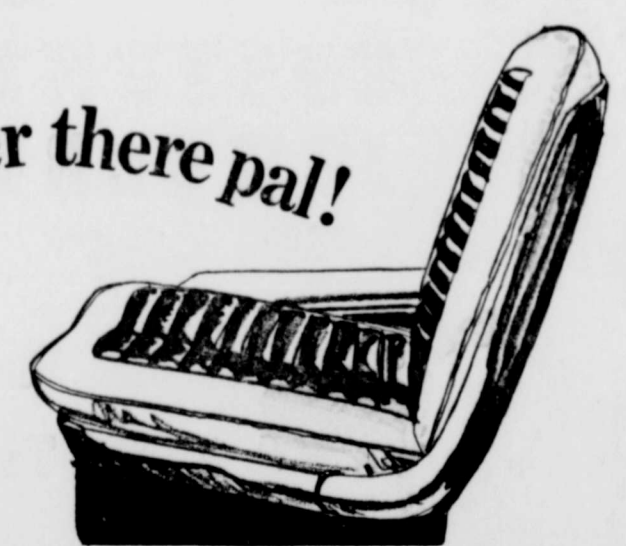
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"Old Landmarks" Sermon

By DR. L. L. MORRIS

(Editor's Note: The following sermon was delivered on the Sunday before Veterans' Day by Dr. L. L. Morris, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Midland. We wrote the outstanding minister for a copy and the privilege of printing it and are happy to pass it along.)

Proverbs 23:1-12

November 10, 1963—A. M.

There are people in this congregation today who remember, they remember the bells ringing, the whistles sounding. They remember the lump in the throat, the emotional impact of that 11th day of the 11th month that men called Armistice, that the war to end all wars was ended. There are more in the congregation who remember that day when World War II ended. Maybe it's because wars came too close together, maybe because the word "Armistice" meant just the ending of a war, maybe it's because people are so prone to forget that we changed it to Veterans' Day. But no matter what reason it is, what reason we hold to, if you have experienced something you remember it; it means something to you. For instance in other days, when I read in the newspaper of so many people being killed in Japan in a train wreck, it would not have meant so much to me. I would not recall that only as late as April of this year I daily took the train from Yokohama toward Tokyo, daily going to Kawasaki. I am reminded that it was only by the mercy and provision of God that the same wreck did not occur then, and that it's just as much a miracle of God in sparing lives that had gone so often over that same railway system. So on this eve of Veterans' Day, I still remember the home-sickness of being overseas. I still remember the longing and promises I made both to myself and to God. Fresh in my memory is still the feel and tug of little arms about my neck as I stepped off the train after four-

teen months' absence, but you know, no one cares about hunger, or the memory of hunger when there is plenty. Who can think much about loneliness when one is surrounded by all of his friends and knows the warm handshake and encouraging word of those who are close with him, or who can think about Veterans' Day when wars seem to be so far away, and yet I say unto you that all of us are dependent. None of us are independent for all of us are leaning against the past. We have drunk water from wells that we did not dig. We have warmed by fires that we did not build. We have romped in vineyards that we did not plant. We have enjoyed the spring of liberty which we did not deserve, which liberty is bathed with the blood of those who have gone before, whose only mark in history is the white cross in Flanders Field or yonder at Cherbourg or Le Havre, or some other place, and the very foundation of our church is cemented by the blood of martyrs of other days, and the government and liberties which we enjoy today have been because of the daring of others, and yet I say on this eve of Veterans' Day, somehow the bells are not still ringing, maybe a few, but not so many, and we've lost the significance of the flutter of the flag and we have taken Armistice Day out of our vocabulary, and we are not longer misty eyed about Armistice, and like Thanksgiving the gratitude has been eradicated. I think we need to be reminded again of the Word of God and ponder the words that are spoken in the 23rd Proverb, verse 1 through 12.

"When thou sittest to eat with a ruler, consider diligently what is before thee:

"And put a knife to thy throat, if thou be a man given to appetite.

"Be not desirous of his dainties: for they are deceitful meat.

"Labour not to be rich; cease from thine own wisdom. "Wilt thou set thine eyes

upon that which is not? For riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as eagles toward heaven.

"Eat thou not the bread of him that hath an evil eye, neither desire thou his dainty meats.

"For as he thinketh in his heart so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee.

"The morsel which thou hast eaten shalt thou vomit up, and lose thy sweet words. "Speak not in the ears of a fool: for he will despise the wisdom of thy words.

"Remove not the old landmark; and enter not into the fields of the fatherless:

"For their redeemer is mighty; he shall plead their cause with thee."

Oh, I say in this hour, America it seems to me has removed some of the old landmarks, and we need to recall and rethink and re-examine the landmarks of old. You say, preacher, what are some of the landmarks that you think have been removed in this land of ours? Well, to tell you one, real, old-time patriotism is a landmark that has been removed. We are upon a time when to be sentimental or to be patriotic, or to be loyal to anything is a mark of weakness, and a mark of shame. We need the real, old time patriotism that Israel had when Israel expressed herself so vividly in the 137th Psalm, when Israel cried out, "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning. If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy."

Where is the person today that will put anything above one's own chief joy? Where is the individual today that actually would put the love and loyalty of a city or a country above one's own pleasures? That landmark seems to have been removed today, and we are living in a hour when people poke fun at what they call super-patriotism or a super-patriot. Why it's like saying, "You can love your mother too much." Or it's a shame to have a loyalty to a church or to a cause, or to a person. "Let my right hand forget its cunning. If I forget

thee, O Jerusalem, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I forget thee, O Jerusalem." Remove not the old landmarks and enter not into the fields of the fatherless. For their redeemer is mighty, and he shall plead their cause with thee."

Another landmark that it seems to me has been removed in this hour is the landmark of vital principles. We have policies but very little principles in this hour.

Perhaps the word that Jesus spoke to His disciples in the 6th chapter of Luke is a needed emphasis to rekindle the flame of principle upon the altars of our hearts. When Jesus said in the 6th chapter of Luke and the 43rd verse: "For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit." While many people are trying to take care of the fruit problem they have failed to take care of the root problem. If the root is wrong, the fruit will be wrong. If the principles of your life at the taproots of your existence are corrupt, the behavior pattern of your life will be corrupt. Remove not the landmark of right, honest, good principles. For Jesus said, "For every tree is known by his own fruit. For thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes." And thirly souls I may add will never go to a dry well for water. Men lost in sin will not go to the individual whose life is not marked by the landmark of right principle, but they will smile and sneer at the professing professor of religion who is not producing right principles, and the name of Christ will be made a mockery for Jesus said, "A good man out of the good treasury of his heart bringeth forth that which is good and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil for of the abundance of the heart man speaketh, and why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things that I say?"

"Remove not the old landmark." May I remind you that you cannot build a secure house out of false material no matter how busy your plans are, or how skillful your architect is. You simply cannot build a secure house out of false materials. Neither can you build a Christ honoring life if you are building out of corrupt principles. Oh, America in this hour needs to come back to the old landmark of love and loyalty to home and country and to family and to causes that have been labeled patriotism, love of one's home. And we need to come back to the fine principles that have made us what we are. I know a man and I glory

in his convictions who had the courage to speak to a superior person in his oil company and say, "No thank you, it is against my principles to drink." It didn't cause him to lose his job. It brought about a big promotion. Some of these cringing cowards who are fearful of standing for a principle ought to take note. I like what that nationally known commentator said in regard to principles when he spoke these words in a newscast.

"I'd like to tell today's generation a little bit of what it was like in the old country. This is going to be partly personal. I remember once milking an old cow in the back barn lot. I got tired of the swatting in my face with a full of cockle burs, so with a piece of binder twine, I tied her tail to my leg. Now I hadn't gone around the barn but about four times before I realized that was a mistake. We had fun in the old country though. We played darts with a corn cob, had three chicken feathers in one end and a nail in the other, and if I picked the wrong target like a sugar sack draining cottage cheese on the clothes line, my mom would likely thump me with her thimble finger.

"We didn't have much of what you'd call juvenile crime in the old country. Oh, I don't mean we were angels. Every farm boy had to try smoking corn silk and grape vine once until he got a mouth full of toasted ants, or until he got caught, and he got strapped. And the grocer might fill the apple basket with the best ones on top, but we didn't concentrate on learning the tricks of the trade. We learned the trade. But stealing things, or hurting people were almost unheard of in the old country. I remember my dad used to loan and borrow money without security or signature; money changed hands, but money didn't change people. And religion and education were all so mixed up together when I was a boy you couldn't tell where one left off and the other started. And patriotism was taught in every schoolroom, in every class every day, and our national heroes were honored. They were almost revered, and political speeches and religious sermons and civic celebrations always reverberated with patriotic fervor. Soldiers were somebody. Civil servers were servants, not masters. Free-loading was a disgrace. Ice cream was homemade and marriage was forever in the old country. A boy and a girl could play alone in a public park on a summer night. No body worried. They could play together, and no body whispered.

"A farmer could plant anything he liked any place he wanted on his own farm. Folks who worked harder were rewarded for it, so everybody worked harder, and most everybody had one idea about life, and that was to leave the woodpile a little higher than he found it, and most everybody did.

"As I recall, who had no card-carrying Communists. We had cross-bearing Christians in the old country. We could tell dialect jokes and everybody laughed because all of us were mostly something else in the old country.

"You ask me why I don't go back. Seems like I like it so much, why don't I go back to the old country? I can't. Isn't there anymore. Now I am a displaced person though I never lost my homeland. You see, I'm a native born American. I never left my country. My country left me."

"Remove not the old landmarks," the landmarks when a man's principles were something you could build a life upon and something upon which a community could count and a church could depend upon, and was not simply a policy to get ahead.

"Remove not the old landmark of real peace. I know we are crying out peace today. It is amusing to hear the commentators on the radio and on television, and I know of a Baptist report for the Texas Baptist Convention in San Antonio that started off, "Now that international tensions have ceased, there may be a tendency to let up," and they had to change that opening remark. For let me tell you international tensions will never cease no matter if we do have that tower of babel on the banks of the Hudson. They will never cease until the Prince of Peace dwells in the hearts of men, or the Prince of Peace comes back to rule and reign upon this earth. It will be then that the lamb and lion shall lie down together, and a little child

shall lead them, and every man shall sit under his own fig tree, and there shall be perpetual peace, and if a man die at the age of a thousand, he will be as but as child, saith the book of Isaiah in the 66th chapter. But that day is not upon us, and no individual apart and aside from a real living encounter with the living Christ can ever know real peace. Yet we cry out "peace, peace" when there is no peace. For real peace, the landmark of this scripture has been removed.

Do you not hear Jesus saying in the 14th chapter of the book of John? "Peace I leave unto you. My peace I give unto you. Not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled. Neither let it be afraid." Have you noticed how many sermons you have heard where the quote the first part of that verse, "My peace I give unto you" and very few sermons on the latter part which says "My peace, not as the world, I give unto you." The world gives it peace one day, and almost before we know it we are in another war. The world hasn't deserved its peace, but God's peace is a gift. Jesus, in John the 20th chapter and the 19th verse, went through the closed door and stood before his disciples and said, "Peace be unto you."

When I was in Jerusalem, I heard over and over that word "peace" the same way that Jesus used it in that chapter. It was a greeting of "peace, peace." Can you define "peace, peace?" Someone who spoke on this text tried it by saying the word which our Lord used undoubtedly means thriving, prospering, when a thing is as it should be, according to its origin. The word implies the absence of disturbing causes of injury or sickness, or unhappiness, of want, and thus the idea of rest results from the original meaning of the word. A man has peace, and things are with him as they should be. Peace then is the absence of causes which would disturb the well-being of society or a man. Do you have peace? Do you have anything that would disturb you? Do you have anything that would cause you trouble? What about your past life? Oh, you see, here is a landmark that only God can bestow. "My peace I give unto you. Not as the world giveth, give I unto you." This is a peace that is bestowed upon you. It's a gift. Do you know the one who can receive it? I'll tell you. It's the one that pleases God. Honestly now, are you pleasing God? The scripture tells us in Proverbs the 16th chapter and the 6th and 7th verses, "By mercy and truth iniquity is purged, and by the fear of the Lord, men depart from evil." Listen — "When a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his

First Baptist To Present Cantata

The First Baptist Church will present a Christmas cantata on December 15 at the church auditorium. The event will begin at 7:30 p.m., during the regular worship service.

The cantata, "Night of Miracles," is written by John W. Peterson. It will be presented by the adult choir, under the direction of Bob Priddy, minister of music and education at the church.

The text of the cantata is based entirely on the story of Christmas as found in the scriptures.

The soloists will be Mrs. W. H. Uhlman, Mrs. Bob Priddy, Philip White, and R. O. Anderson. The Rev. W. H. Uhlman, pastor, will be the narrator.

The public is cordially invited to attend the cantata.

is that steals the seed of the gospel from the heart of the one who would make his decision and thereby please God? Hear him.

"Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower. "When anyone heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side. But he that received the seed in stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it." He that will not remove the landmark of the seed of the gospel from his heart, it shall bring forth an abundant harvest of fruit.

Honestly now, in your present condition, are you pleasing unto God? If not, you can be with the fingers of faith receiving the promises of God, and with the heart of repentance, turning your back to sin. He is ready to receive you even this morning. We are going to stand together. I have tried to put before you some landmarks that ought not to be removed. One of these landmarks in the scripture that shall never be removed is repentance and faith. For Jesus said, "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Would you come this morning in repentance and faith? Would you come by life and letter? Would you come, whatever decision God asks you to make as we stand together?

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Blankenship of Flora, Arkansas, visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Angel and other relatives. Mrs. Blankenship is the Angel's daughter.

Some folks like a car to have an elegant touch. If this sounds like somebody you know, then our Breezeway Styled Mercury stands head 'n shoulders above anything around it. Now we also know a lot of folks who like to get where they're going with flash and dash. Mercury Marauder (a special swept-back hardtop with two or four doors) has all the excitement you could want, inside and out. It's the champ of Pike's Peak, among other things.

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The Launching Pad

By NEAL ESTES

It was not known until the game was completed that the LONGHORNS of TEXAS UNIVERSITY had dedicated the game played with A&M to GOV. JOHN CONNALLY. After the 15-13 victory was posted, MRS. NELLIE CONNALLY, wife of the governor, called COACH DARRELL ROYAL from Parkland Hospital in Dallas, where the chief executive is recovering from a bullet wound received at the same time PRESIDENT KENNEDY was assassinated. MRS. CONNALLY and her husband, the governor, are both former students at the Austin school. GOV. CONNALLY has been a warm supporter of the team and frequent visitor to the dressing rooms, coach's quarters, and to the practice field. "It was strictly the boys idea," COACH ROYAL said. "They came to my office with the idea to send something to the governor. The way he faced adversity was an inspiration to them," ROYAL concluded.

THE 1963 automobile belonging to MR. and MRS. LEWIS CARLILE was stolen sometime Thanksgiving night while the family was away from home on a fishing trip to Central Texas. The car was parked in the yard at the residence and was reported missing by friends of the CARLILES. Officers have caused an APB to be broadcast.

A FISHING note from Rockport, Texas, has advised the editor of a nice catch of fish made there recently by W. W. ATCHISON. The Martin County commissioner fished with JIMMY WARRACH and they caught 104 mixed fish, including trout, sand trout, drum and reds. That report from Rockport sounds so interesting your writer is seriously thinking of a trip down that way in a few weeks.

CHIEF OF POLICE JAKE BRUTON was by the office this week to report some scattered dog poisoning cases in the city limits. FAYE GRAVES lost a fine dog and family pet when some individual fed a dose of poison to the dog. Other poisoning incidents have been reported to the police. CHIEF BRUTON was concerned about the possibility of children obtaining some of the poison, particularly if the culprit doing the dirty work is using bread or candy. The newspaper has been requested to make an appeal to all citizens to be on the lookout for the poisoner and report the presence of strangers in any city area to the police. BRUTON also urged the editor to ask residents to immediately telephone the officers upon the detection in any section of Stanton of night walkers, window peepers, prowlers, or suspicious characters. We are happy to comply with CHIEF BRUTON'S request.

MRS. LETA B. EIDSON, postmaster, has advised the press that children using their zip code number behind the local address on letters addressed to SANTA CLAUS and using the zip code to SANTA, will receive a letter back from the North Pole. When you write SANTA end it this way: SANTA CLAUS, North Pole, 99701. Behind your return address use zip code 79782.

THAT "under-the-weather" feeling caught up with the writer Tuesday morning and all the symptoms of another session with the flu surged forth and just about the time we thought we would have to give up we thought about the local city election returns we promised area papers we would report. So we contacted HARVEY WHITE at city hall at about 8 p.m. for the results in the mayor's race and the commissioner's race. HARVEY said he had nothing but promised to call. In the meantime, Lubbock, Abilene, San Angelo and Fort Worth were calling us for the election report. We had nothing. At eleven p.m. Tuesday, when we had still heard nothing, we telephone again for the results. HARVEY advised that some delay had resulted at city hall and he would phone us the minute the vote count was completed. At midnight we stopped our phone from ringing by simply advising editor's of area newspapers that the count would be completed too late for their morning deadlines. At 12:45 a.m. HARVEY made good his promise to us—he telephoned the results. We were sound asleep but appreciated the call even if it required six hours to get the results after the polls closed. It's Wednesday morning as we write this and regardless of the flu pains and a night of disturbed rest, we hope to get on with the business of giving the people the news.

4-H Club Met Monday At Courtney

The Courtney girls 4-H Club met Monday afternoon at 4 p.m. at the school cafeteria. The girls had the 4-H pledge and motto. The group also planned their Christmas party to be held at the next meeting. The girls will exchange gifts at the party. The party will be held at the home of Mrs. Donnie Jones on December 9. Homemade candy and fruit will be served as refreshments. Members present were: Mary and Martha Bradshaw, Judy and Diane Mims, Terry, Cathy, and Deborah Hazlewood, Mary Jane Graza, Rita Jones, and Doris Howard. Adults leaders present were: Mrs. Billy Mims, Mrs. T. Roy Bradshaw, Mrs. Cliff Hazlewood, and Mrs. Donnie Jones. Others attending were Joe Mims and Amy Hazlewood.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Williams and children of Midland, visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. John Pinkston.

Sunday School Class Holds Monthly Social

Mrs. J. C. Epley's Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church, met at the home of Mrs. Nell Fryar in the Lomax community Monday night for their monthly social and annual Christmas party. The members of the class took gifts which will be presented to a needy family. Refreshments of fudge, Christmas cookies and hot spiced tea were served by the hostess. Those attending were: Mrs. Bill Johnson, Mrs. Jack Hankins, Mrs. Vernon McQuerry, Mrs. Jerry Stallo, Mrs. Neil Fryar, Mrs. J. C. Epley, Mrs. John Carlos Brantley, Mrs. John McIntyre, Mrs. Bill Gillum, Mrs. Fred Holder, Mrs. Gene Clements, and Mrs. Billy Louder.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Mattingley and Randy spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Denton with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Mattingley and Jerrell Mattingley.

Lodges Hold Open House Thursday

The I. O. O. F. and Rebekah Lodges held open house recently for members and families of both lodges. The occasion was in observance of Thanksgiving and a buffet dinner was served.

Traditional Thanksgiving motifs were carried out in the table decorations and the banquet hall.

Musicians from Big Spring, Ackerly and Knott were special guests, who furnished music during the evening.

The invocation was given by Jim McCoy, Martin County Judge.

There were 87 present for the affair.

Construction In Stanton Climbs Higher

Building of all kinds here has totaled \$1,630,858 for five years, according to records in the office of City Secretary Harvey White.

This includes new residences, \$781,185; new commercial buildings, \$613,500, and repairs and alterations in all types of buildings, \$236,173.

New residential building permits, for each of the five years from 1958 to 1962 shows: 1958-59 \$67,900; 1959-60 \$130,440; 1960-61 \$116,945; 1961-62 \$393,250, and 1962-63, \$99,650.

New commercial building permits: 1958-59 \$68,550; 1959-60 \$13,800; 1960-61 \$294,650; 1961-62, \$171,500 and 1962-63 \$67,000.

Repair and alteration permits: 1958-59 \$33,020; 1959-60 \$27,763; 1960-61 \$120,750; 1961-62 \$18,290, and 1962-63 \$36,540.

Total construction for each year shown: 1958-59 \$107,460; 1959-60 \$145,003; 1960-61 \$532,165; 1961-62 \$583,040, and 1962-63 \$203,190.

Cancer Unit Met Monday

The Martin County Unit of the American Cancer Society met in a regular meeting Monday night, December 2, at the Cap Rock building.

Mrs. Leo Turner, president, reported on the annual meeting, which was held in Houston on November 14 and 15. R. C. Taylor, district representative, also spoke briefly on the state meeting.

The next meeting will be held January 6, 1964. Dr. C. B. Marcum of Big Spring, will be the principal speaker.

Dist. Gold Star Banquet To Be At Ft. Stockton

The district Gold Star banquet will be held at Fort Stockton on December 14. The event will be held in the new high school cafeteria beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Tim Bristow and Dena Robertson, Martin County winners, will be honored guests at the banquet.

Cindy Britton, officer on the program.

Mrs. Mildred Eiland and Bob Johnson and several of the parents are making plan to attend the special occasion.

Sands Selects All Around Students

Best all-around students have been selected by the faculty at Sands High School. They are Ruth Lemon and Randy Hambrick.

Ruth, a junior, is president of the National Beta Club, president of the junior class and a member of the Student Council. She also holds offices in FHA and pep squad, and is a forward on the girls basketball team. In addition, Ruth has been selected as junior class favorite, girl most likely to succeed, most dependable girl, and most studious girl. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lemon of Ackerly.

Randy, best all around boy, is Student Council representative of the freshman class, and an active member in PFA. He is also on the Mustang football team. Randy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hambrick of Ackerly. Officers were recently elected for the National Beta Club. They are: Ruth Lemon, presi-

Letters To Santa Claus

Box 901
Stanton, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a farm set. Bring my little sister a baby doll. Thank you very much for the gifts that you brought me last year for Christmas.

Love you,
Lawrence and Vickie Cox

Dear Santa Claus,
I do not want a kitchen and a dreamhouse. I do want a magnetic action doll house and a drum majorette, frosty snow man.

Love,
Lynn.

Chamber Chatter

By MAURYNE VARNADORE

Thanksgiving is over and all the turkey is gone, even the hash. Now, with all the Christmas decorations going up all over town, we are getting into the spirit of Christmas. The lights are very pretty at night and the poles along the streets are beginning to look festive. Let's all get in the mood of the season and get our shopping and mailing done early this year, so that the post office and the clerks can have a most enjoyable Yuletide season.

—CC—
Santa Claus is coming to town . . . on Friday the 13th at 2:45 p.m. Come on all you boys and girls from all over the county and talk to Santa and get your bag of candy and fruit. Santa is coming in person just to talk to all of you to find out what you are hoping he will bring you on Christmas Eve, provided you have been on good behavior all year.

—CC—
A special directors meeting was held Monday evening, December 2, in the Chamber office. Directors present were: Roy Pickett, Dr. J. M. Shy, Paige Eiland, Cecil Bridges, and O. C. Turner. Guests were: Morgan Hall and Bob Deavenport. Final plans for the Christmas program were presented by Mr. Deavenport and additional plans for the annual banquet were formulated. The annual banquet will be held Monday evening, January 27, 1964, at 7:30 p.m. in the Cap Rock Auditorium. Judge Perry Pickett of Midland, will be the speaker for the evening. Make your plans now to attend.

—CC—
The Martin County Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the Christmas Lighting Contest this year, and we would like for everyone in town to enter the competition. Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place winners. Judging will be on the night of December 20, and everyone is eligible to join in the fun. Also, there will be three certificates presented to the best decorated store windows, judging to be on the same night. You may enter by calling the Chamber office or coming by and entering your home or business in the contest. Deadline for entrants will be December 16, 1963. Join in and let's have a beautifully decorated town for this Holiday Season.

—CC—
Polling places are as follows:

A community — ASCS Office and Planters Gin at Tazzan.

B community — ASCS Office.

C community — Paymaster Gin at Brown.

D community — Planters Gin at Lenorah and Three League Gin.

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Com. Martin County ASCS.

Mrs. Meixner Hostess To Sorority Meet

Mrs. Arthur Meixner was hostess when the Xi Epsilon Delta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met at her home Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Harold Driggers presided over the meeting in the absence of the president.

A program on India was presented by Mrs. John Roueche.

Those present were: Mrs. Harold Driggers, Mrs. John Roueche, Mrs. T. R. Louder, Mrs. Dallas Thompson, Mrs. Floyd Walker, and Mrs. Arthur Meixner.

—CC—
Happy Shopping—Bye now.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Britton of Portales, N. M., have been visiting with relatives and doing business here recently. Mr. and Mrs. Britton have just recently moved to New Mexico from Stanton.

—CC—
Mrs. C. C. Coffee of Big Spring, Mrs. Clarence Willingham, Dale Willingham and daughter, Marilyn, all of Levelland, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanton Hutchins of Loraine, visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Paul K. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Jones.

—CC—
Martha Robinson, vice president; Darlene Wright, secretary, and Ann Lemon, treasurer, and Bill Underwood, sponsor of the organization.

Baptist Church Activities

The Jody Towery Circle of the Women's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church, met Tuesday morning at the home of Mrs. Carlos Brantley.

Mrs. Bob Johnson, circle leader, presided over the meeting. Mrs. Udell Morris read the calendar of prayer.

The group discussed the hospital visits, which they are conducting this week. They also started a round table book club.

The date was set for all circles to clean up the church kitchen on December 17. The circle made plans to pack Christmas food boxes for needy families.

The Week of Prayer will be held next week at the church. The group made plans for their programs.

The program was based on the book "M. Theron Rankin," by Dr. J. D. Weatherspoon. Mrs. W. H. Uhlman presented the program, assisted by Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Darrell Payne.

Following the program, the circle presented shower gifts to Mrs. Udell Morris and her baby girl.

Coffee and donuts were served to Mrs. R. O. Anderson, Mrs. R. Ralph Caffey, Mrs. Beryl Clinton, Mrs. Bill Johnson, Mrs. Udell Morris, Mrs. Darrell Payne, Mrs. Bob Pridley and Karla, Mrs. Jerry Stallo, Mrs. W. H. Uhlman, Mrs. T. R. Louder, Mrs. Carlos Brantley, and a visitor, Mrs. Wendell Thomason.

Members of the executive board of the Women's Missionary Union met at the home of Mrs. Bob Johnson Tuesday at noon for a covered dish luncheon.

Mrs. T. R. Louder, WMU president, presided over the meeting.

Reports were given from the officers and the circle leaders.

Those attending were: Mrs. T. R. Louder, Mrs. Bob Johnson, Mrs. Eugene Byrd, Mrs. Bill Gillum, and Mrs. Bob Johnson.

Sample Receipts Down Last Week

Sample receipts declined sharply during the past week at the Abilene Cotton Classing Office at the USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service. According to Mr. B. B. Manly, Jr., officer in charge, receipts for the week ending November 29, 1963 were 4,758 bales as compared to 15,116 for the previous week. This brought the total bales classed during the current harvesting season to 301,979 as compared to 181,842 bales classed through the corresponding week one year ago.

Receipts from District 1 totaled only 1,770 samples. The reason for this of course is that harvesting in the area was slowed because of adverse weather. The portion of District 1 served by the Abilene office is composed of Glasscock, Martin, Midland, and Howard counties.

A percentage breakdown of grades from District 1 is as follows: 32 percent of the cotton was classed as white, 67 percent was light spotted, and tinged and gray made up 1 percent. Middling light spotted was the predominant grade making up 45 percent of the total classed.

Staple length was as follows: 13 percent was 29/32 and shorter; 46 percent was 15/16; 15 percent was 31/32; 7 percent, 1-inch; 6 percent, 1-1/32; 3 percent, 1-1/16; 3 percent, 1-3/32; 8 percent, 1-1/8.

Micronaire readings declined slightly over the previous week. Thirteen percent of the cotton "miked" below 3.5; 24 percent of the readings were between 3.5 and 3.9; 17 percent were between 4.0 and 4.4; 42 percent, 4.5 to 4.9; and 4 percent, 5.0 and above.

Methodist Church Activities

The Women's Society of the First Methodist Church met Monday afternoon at the church for study.

The group began their study on "The Christian Family and its Money." Mrs. J. W. Graham is leading the study. Those present participated in the program.

Those present were: Mrs. Cecil Bridges, Mrs. O. B. Bryan, Mrs. Evelyn Woodard, Mrs. M. L. Gibson, Mrs. J. W. Graham, and Mrs. James Biggs.

—CC—
Bobby Sale, student at Texas Tech College, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sale.

—CC—
Visiting recently with Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Parson, was Mr. Parson mother.

Shop Early... Mail Early



PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Alford Childs of Lufkin, visited over the holidays with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Johnson, Ronnie and Holly.

Visiting with Mrs. Faye Rhodes on Thanksgiving Day were: Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rhodes and Stacy, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Foreman and children, and Jan Rhodes of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith and China of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Durham, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Nance, and Mrs. S. E. Jones, all of Stanton.

Bobby Graves, a junior student at West Texas State University, Canyon, and Frances Graves, a sophomore at Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Graves.

Fred Houston was home for the Thanksgiving holidays. He is a student at West Texas State University in Canyon.

Betty Langston, a freshman at Wayland Baptist College in Plainview, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Langston.

Rev. W. H. Uhlman held a weekend revival at Luther Baptist Church over the holidays.

Mac Mathis, student at Baylor University at Waco, spent the holidays with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Mathis.

Buddy Glaspie, student at Howard County Junior College, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Glaspie.

Porky Britton is now a patient at the Bennett House in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughlyn Todd, students at Texas Tech in Lubbock, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Bristow.

Spending Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Turner were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lewis and children, B. G. Lewis of Denver, Colo., and Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Mills and family of Midland.

Rickie and Polly Lewis, children of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lewis, are visiting in Seminole with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Russell.

Miss Lela Boyd of Dallas, visited recently with her mother, Mrs. Charles Ebbersol.

Beta Sigma Phi Activities

The Xi Alpha Beta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met for a short business meeting before the art lecture.

Mrs. Leo Turner, president, presided over the business meeting. The chapter made plans to have a tamale pie supper on November 30 to buy three choir robes for the high school choir.

The chapter attended the book review following the business meeting.

The Mu Lambda chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Jim Webb with Mrs. John Harvard serving as hostess.

Mrs. D. M. Costlow presided over the business meeting in the absence of the president.

Programs were presented by Mrs. D. E. Ory on "Awareness Blessings," and by Mrs. Roy Koonce on "People."

Refreshments were served to Mrs. D. M. Costlow, Mrs. Jim Webb, Mrs. John Harvard, Mrs. D. E. Ory, Mrs. Roy Koonce, and Mrs. John McIntyre.

Glen Reid spent the holiday in Stanton visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Reid, and Gary, Glen is a student at Texas Tech College.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Epley and children spent the holidays in Oklahoma visiting with relatives.

Visiting Thanksgiving Day with the Vernon McQuerry family were: Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Baze of family of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. William Budemer of Odessa, and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Henson and family of Stanton.

Mr. and Mrs. James Eiland were guests at the District Two Gold Star banquet held in Lubbock Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Barnhill and Judy and Mrs. W. S. Barnhill were in Casper, Wyoming over the holidays, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Robert See and new baby.

Spending Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Koonce were: Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Hamm and Bobby of Lenorah, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Koonce and children, and Mrs. Floyd Hines all of Midland, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Koonce and children.

Alan Taylors Honored With Farewell Party

Mr. and Mrs. Alan R. Taylor were honored with a farewell dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sale Monday evening, December 2.

The Taylors are moving to Lamesa the latter part of this month.

A buffet meal was served to those present.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Lois Badgett, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. James Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Dee House, and Mr. and Mrs. Sale.

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