

Personally Speaking

By E. M.

1932!!! Leap year again? Well, well, and well, if it isn't!

Ten commandments to guide women seeking to take advantage of leap year have been announced by Judge Henry Meade of the Wyandotte county probate court at Kansas City. For the benefit (?) of those who don't know when they're well off, these same commandments are given below.

Don't pick a sheik.

Don't let a handsome face influence your better judgement.

Don't shy from the bashful because the bashful are shy.

Consider the man who considers his necks.

Believe not that the man with the motor car has the only vehicle to happiness.

Remember clothes may make the man and fill the clothes closet, but they don't fill the pantry.

Don't delay a proposal because he is old fashioned. He may be like your father.

Demand much character, but be satisfied with a small part of the pay check.

Don't be finicky; you have faults yourself.

Let love be the only consideration; after all nothing else counts.

Remember the ladies, that a husband at best may prove an expensive luxury, and that they're hard to support in these hard times we're having.

Darrouzett Has Muddy, Muddy Roads

Extremely muddy roads caused by melting snow have made travel in and near Darrouzett difficult this week.

Heavy winds during the first part of this week have aided in the rapid melting of the snow.

Drifts were cleared from main street last Tuesday by order of the Chamber of Commerce. Workers were also busy this Wednesday dragging streets.

Boys Athletic Club To Open On Monday

A new athletic club for boys and young men is to be formally organized on Monday, January 18, according to Joe Dupont, director.

Boxing and physical exercise will be taken up at 4 o'clock daily at the Cessna hall. Dupont has had considerable experience in this line in New York, and Hoboken, N. J.

Junior Scouts Take Outing Trip Saturday

A group of junior and cub Scouts attended a hike in the Frass pasture north of town on Saturday morning. They were sponsored by Rev. A. Blair Grubb, Scout master.

The boys cooked lunch over a camp fire. Games were played before they returned to town.

Those who attended were: Gerald Ludlum, Oscar Taylor, G. A. Jenkins, Ross Montgomery, Russell Erts, John Chase, and Jack Phillips.

Mrs. G. R. Mills visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Leeper, at Knowles, Okla., from last Sunday until Monday, January 11.

Mrs. Henry Altmiller who has been ill with a severe cold this week, is improved.

Send It In!

If you have a bit of news, Send it in;
Or a joke that will amuse, Send it in;
A story that is true, And incident that's new, We want to hear from you, Send it in.

Don't wait a month to do it, Send it in;
Don't let 'em beat you to it, Send it in.

Something serious or a jest, Just whichever you like best, The editor will do the rest, Send it in.

—Exchange.

School Debaters Start 'Argufying' for County Meet

"The question for debate this afternoon is: Resolved that 'Lobbying' As Practiced in This Country is Detrimental to the Best Interests of the People." and the debaters argy pro and con.

The object of all this heated debating is to show the judges at the Lipscomb County Track Meet this spring that Darrouzett knows how to debate.

Contestants for the local tryout for the girls debating team are: Oklanoma Tingley, Doris Montgomery, Eva B. Greenfield, Alberta Reger, Thelma Carter, Louise Draper, Marguerite Hennigh, Coeta Terrel, and Florella Woods.

Boys entering the tryout are: Lewis Woods, Leo Meier, Orval Chappell, Marion Carter, Carl Hanschu, and Harry Bellah.

Mr. Fred Mullings is instructing the group.

Women Plan Program For School Benefit

"Mrs. Apple and Her Corps" is the title of a one-act play to be given soon by local women.

Those cast in the play are; Mrs. G. R. Mills, Mrs. R. E. James, Mrs. Myrtle Phebus, Mrs. D. R. Rush, Mrs. Carson Altmiller, Mrs. Edgar Taylor, Mrs. M. L. Beck, Mrs. A. B. Grubb, Mrs. Stella Beck, and Mrs. G. A. Jenkins.

Mrs. G. H. Russell, Mrs. Jenkins, and Mrs. Stella Beck will direct the play.

Proceeds will benefit the two basketball teams of the high school.

School Activities Limited During Semester Finals

No more faculty-sponsored high school parties or other social activities for students will be held until after the final examinations for the first semester, according to J. E. Speer, superintendent.

Parents of pupils are urged to cooperate with the school in limiting social activities during the next two weeks.

Final Examinations Scheduled

Final examinations are scheduled to be given on January 20 and 21. Ninety-minute periods will be held for high school students, while the grades, above the primary, will hold periods not longer than one hour.

Because of the examinations, no assembly exercises will be given on Thursday, January 21, Mr. Speer announced.

Marvin Jones Elected On Agricultural Board

With the Democrats gaining control of the House of Representatives at Washington, Marvin Jones of Texas succeeds Gilbert Haugen of Iowa as chairman of the agricultural committee. Mr. Jones represents the Panhandle district of Texas in Congress. This district is composed of 53 counties, and according to the 1930 census, has a population of over 5,000,000. Its area is more than 50,000 square miles, which is larger than Ohio or Pennsylvania.

Mr. Jones is a product of the farm and today owns and operates several ranches. He has been a member of Congress since 1920 and has served with distinction and ability. He has invariably proven himself a staunch friend of the farmer.

The other members of the House Agricultural committee are as follows:

Democrats—Hampton P. Fulmer, South Carolina; William W. Larsen, Georgia; William L. Nelson, Missouri; Wall Doxey, Mississippi; D. D. Glover, Arkansas; John N. Norton, Nebraska; John R. Mitchell, Tennessee; Cap R. Carden, Kentucky; John W. Flanagan, Jr., Virginia; Harry P. Beam, Illinois; James G. Polk, Ohio; Richard M. Kleberg, Texas.

Republicans—Gilbert N. Haugen, Iowa; Fred S. Purnell, Indiana; John C. Ketcham, Michigan; Thomas Hall, North Dakota; Harcourt J. Pratt, New York; A. H. Andresen, Minnesota; Charles Adkins, Illinois; John D. Clark, New York; Clifford R. Hope, Kansas; Donald F. Snow, Maine; Victor S. K. Houston, Hawaii.

Miss Lula Winfough is taking a few days' vacation from her duties in the Beck Drug Store.

Unofficial Observers of Congress



Grade Pupils Show Interest In Music, Singing Contests

A great deal of interest is being shown by students in the Darrouzett grade school in the music memory and the choral singing contests for the Interscholastic League meet to be held this spring at Follett.

The choral singing contest which has been introduced here this year for the first time, is especially popular with students, according to Mrs. Ray T. Hennigh, who directs music activities of the grade school youngsters.

A number of records of songs have been purchased for both contests thru the Beck Drug Store. The school wishes to express appreciation to Mr. Beck for his generosity in giving 20 per cent discount on these records.

The songs in the choral singing contest are played on the phonograph, while the students listen to the words as they are sung by the phonograph artist. After observing the expression, and tone of the music, they sing the song with the phonograph. After they have practiced sufficiently, the youngsters sing the song with no accompaniment.

From 15 to 20 pupils from the entire grade school will be selected to represent Darrouzett in the final contest. At the meet they are to sing two songs (drawn by lot from the entire group) without accompaniment, but with a leader, according to Mrs. Hennigh.

Songs in the group are familiar ones such as "Sweet and Low," "America," "Dairy Maids," "My Banjo," "Swanee Ribber," etc.

Music Memory work, which is limited to the seventh grade is also receiving much attention. Two students make up a team in this contest, which is based upon the recognition of the record of classical music, type of music, the theme, and the composer.

If interest and time spent in work have anything to do with it, Darrouzett should easily carry off at least one of the music contests.

Seniors Begin Rehearsals For 'All A Mistake'

Seniors are busy working hard on rehearsals for the senior play, "All A Mistake." The play is a fun-raising farce and fulfills everything the name promises.

Those included in the cast of characters are:

Capt. Obadiah Skinner.....Kenneth Jenkins.
Lieut. George Richmond.....Russell Gilger.
Nellie Richmond.....Alberta Reger
Nellie Hungington.....Doris Montgomery
Cornelia (Nellie) Skinner.....Florella Woods
Nellie McIntyre.....Eva Greenfield
Richard Hamilton.....Lewis Woods
Ferdinand Lighthhead.....Marion Carter

The play will probably be given the last of this month. The definite date is to be announced later.

Miss Ruth Friend is directing the play. —D. E. M.

Leagues Give Money to Indian Pupil

Epworth and Junior Leaguers have been bringing small offerings each Sunday for the support of the Indian boy, Solomon Sidappa, in the Bidar school for boys in India, according to Mrs. A. Blair Grubb.

Junior Leaguers have also been showing a great deal of interest in the new song books that they have just received.

Lipscomb Woman Has Success With Flock Of 150 Layers

By culling her flock of 150 hens, and relieving the crowded conditions of her poultry house, Mrs. L. G. Bussard of near Lipscomb, has increased the egg production from 45 to 50 eggs a day to 80 eggs daily, according to W. K. Cottingham, county agent.

Mrs. Bussard has also started feeding her flock a warm wet mash at noon each day. The quantity given is about what the hens can clean up in five to ten minutes.

Of the flock of 150 layers, about 35 are yearling hens, while the balance are pullets.

Mrs. Bussard is a poultry demonstrator, working in connection with the county agricultural agent's office.

Laverne Theatre Damaged By Fire On December 31

The call of the fire whistle at 7:15 Wednesday evening, December 31, brought the town's folk out into blizzard weather to fight the raging blaze and smoke that had its start from an ignited film in the operators booth at the Laverne Theatre.

Firemen were on the scene almost at once and were soon assisted by a dozen or more volunteers who rendered heroic service for an hour when the blaze which gradually spread to a greater part of the under roof was under control.

Not without serious damage to the building and equipment was control obtained but which was done without a great amount of the building or equipment being burned. It is stated however that the major portion of the equipment is near a total loss while it is hard to estimate the damage to the building.—Ellis County News.

Schneider Services Are Held Tuesday

Funeral services for Albert Schneider, Jr., thirteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schneider, who live on a farm nine miles southeast of Darrouzett on the Lipscomb road, were held at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon from the home.

Brief services were also conducted from the German Lutheran church at Lipscomb. Interment was made in the Lipscomb cemetery.

Death came Sunday evening as the result of pneumonia. The boy had been ill since Monday, January 4.

Albert was a sixth grade student at the Plains school. He would have fourteen years old on June 24.

Surviving relatives are the parents, three sisters, Mrs. Dolly Babitsky, Loney and Lydia Schneider; and four brothers, Fred, Arthur, Richard, and Oscar.

P. T. A. To Hold Next Meeting On January 22

Interscholastic League work in the school will be stressed at the P. T. A. program to be given at the next meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association at 8 o'clock Friday evening, January 22, at the high school auditorium, according to Mrs. J. E. Speer, program chairman.

A complete program will be announced in next week's issue of the News.

A social hour will follow the program. Check-up of the attendance of parents at the meeting will be made in order to determine which room is to be awarded the P. T. A. attendance banner.

Boy Improves After Tonsils Are Removed

Lloyd Mosley, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mosley, is recovering from an operation for the removal of his tonsils and adenoids on Sunday, January 3, at the Perryton hospital.

He was taken to the home of his uncle, Ed Morgan, Sunday evening, and was brought home on Wednesday.

Lloyd will soon be back at school with his class mates in the fourth grade.

Rev. A. Blair Grubb and Fred Hennigh went to Follett on business Monday. Reverend Grubb visited Rrv. J. O. Himes, pastor of the Follett Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson Altmiller spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Altmiller.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Erts of Liberal, Kas., came to Darrouzett on Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. William Erts.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Woods on Friday evening were Miss Florella Woods and Haurice Fausset.

Roy Russell of Follett was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Terrell on Sunday.

Miss Rubys Messner spent the week end visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Messner.

Mrs. Glen Brown who lives near Capitol is ill.

Walter Hill is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hill this week.

On Texas Farms

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Planning to make over furniture with material on hand, 81 4-H club girls in Rusk county have entered the State-wide bedroom improvement contest.

Garden stuff worth \$34,890 was raised by 223 garden demonstrators, cooperators an 4-H club girls in Mason county in 1931. More than two-thirds of the vegetables were used fresh, a small amount sold and the rest canned.

Because she had a fall garden Mrs. C. H. Whitley, 4-H pantry demonstrator of Hodges Community, Hockley county, was able to use canned stuff to feed cotton pickers last fall and to refill her pantry from the late vegetables.

On his diversified farm near Canadian, George Locke produced butterfat last fall from his 16-cow demonstration herd for 10 1-3 cents per pound feed cost, on a ration composed of 100 pounds each of wheat, barley, bran and cottonseed meal and 200 lbs. oats.

Titus county farmers put up 2700 pounds of pork in December by the Extension Service dry cure method, and will use more than 300 pct. more home cured pork this winter than in 1931, according to the county agent.

Since he began mixing limestone flour in his lamb rations two years ago Craig M. Logan of Valley Mills, Bosque county, has had no lambs "cut out" at market. Two shipments last fall topped the market, the county agent reports.

Duane Hood and John Hill were at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hill on Monday.

Highways Form Chief Topic At C. of C. Meeting

TO GET GRAVEL PIT Next Meeting Will Be Held On Feb. 8.

The improvement of roads and highways near Darrouzett was the chief topic of discussion at the Chamber of Commerce meeting held Monday night at the Hotel Erts.

The possibility of securing a gravel pit for the use of the organization in keeping up roads in town was also considered by members of the group. C. H. Powell was designated to make final arrangements.

The group voted to recommend to Commissioner Mitchell that W. L. Allen be appointed local road overseer.

A method of advising members of the organization as to meeting dates was worked out by C. H. Powell, J. E. Speer, and R. D. Hennigh, members of the social committee. Yearly dues were paid.

Members present were: A. H. Montgomery, C. H. Powell, J. E. Speer, C. T. Phillips, Otis Travis, M. L. Beck, R. D. Hennigh, George Russell, William Erts, and Miss Elsie Montgomery.

The next meeting of the group will be held at 7:30 Monday evening, February 8.

Students Begin Work On League Events For Track Meet

Since the opening of school after the holidays, students have been busy with the beginning of Interscholastic League work for the annual track meet to be held this spring at Follett.

Pupils have been showing much interest in events. Practice has already begun on spelling, declamation, debate, picture memory, music memory, choral singing, and practically every other literary event.

Track, field, and all other athletic events will be started as soon as weather conditions permit.

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