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Diboll -- The Lumber and Wood Products Capitol Of The South. Home Of The Temple Industries



Kenneth Burnett somehow got into this picture of coach Dennis Frank's 1956 Lumberjack basketball team. Although coach Franks probably wouldn't mind if the 6'3" center were on the team again this year, he must rely on the five other returning lettermen (above) in an effort to break last year's record win spree of 21 wins and 6 losses. Now enjoying a 10-day vacation from the hardwoods, the Jacks will take a 10-2 record into district play against Huntington on Jan. 10. Pictured on the bottom row are high scoring guard Jim Bobbitt, Harold Burchfield, Billy Saxton. Top row is Bobby Glover, the graduated Burnett, and southpaw Donald Capps.

News-Bulletin Photo by Mowan.

Bobbitt Nets 18

Lumberjacks Eat Turkey Following 50-41 Win Over Alto Friday Nite

Postmaster Confused Receiving Mail

Beat and battered by tons of Christmas mail that have been pouring through the windows at the U. S. Post Office here, Postmaster B. F. Hines finally submitted to exhaustion last Friday.

While sorting and distributing a large stack of letters the postmaster came to a letter marked "B. F. Hines, Diboll, Texas". He stopped, scratched his head, ran quick glance up and down the long line of boxes, then with a heavy sigh tossed the letter into the miscellaneous file muttering "There's another one to mark unclaimed".

A few minutes later, clerks Darwin Kerr and Emily Hickman enjoyed an uproarious moment of laughter about the oversight.

All kidding aside, Christmas mail through the Post Office in Diboll set a record, Hines said.

Mrs. and Mrs. F. A. Wiggins of Groves visited Mrs. Lucy Temple and other local relatives last weekend.

Mrs. Annie Mae Courtney and Dude spent last weekend in Houston with relatives.

The Diboll Lumberjacks went home to a meal of roast turkey last Friday night following their 50-41 triumph over the Alto Yellowjackets and their tenth win of the young season.

Taking a 10-day rest from scholastic and athletic activities, the Jacks have now completed all but one game of their non-district schedule. They will meet Trinity immediately after Christmas holidays, then tangle with the Huntington Red Devils on Jan. 10 at Huntington for the first game of the Soth Zone, District 22-A schedule.

Bennis Frank's Axemen fell to Livingston 46-37 last Tuesday night at Lumberjack Gym in a hotly contested game which saw the Lions get revenge for an early season defeat by the Lumberjacks. Diboll's only other loss came at the hands of the powerful Central Heights, which has only one to the dynamic demon of Class AA, Buna. The locals now boast a 10-2 record, and must go into district play with either a 10-3 or 11-2 slate.

Jolly Jim Bobbitt whipped out an 18-point production Friday night to continue his point supremacy for the Jacks. Jim was good for 14 in the Livingston game for top honors there also.

He was closely followed in both halves by Harold Burchfield, a master ball-handler.

The Jacks, who are long on experience and techniques and very short of stature, face their toughest schedule in years against Central and Hudson. Of the three, defending Class B State champion Center 1 will give the Jacks their most trouble. In fact, Diboll's chances to beat Central at all this year are so slim that odds aren't even being considered. If the Jacks do beat Central they should be given a grand banquet and the state Class A crown right then.

At any rate, the Lumberjacks are resting and thinking about the hardwood wars that lie close ahead.

'LIGHT ISSUE TODAY; VACATION IN PROGRESS

A four page paper is being issued today so that we can enjoy the leisure of Christmas Day.

The News-Bulletin went to press early, but is being issued today on schedule in order to avoid mailing mixups. Our regular eight pages of Diboll news and features will be resumed next week.

—The Editor.

Two More Injured; Total Of Nine Today

Two more local people were injured last Tuesday, making a total of nine Dibollians and four out of town persons involved in four separate auto mishaps within a week.

The last accident involving injuries took place at 12:30 p. m. on Hwy. 59. Two Diboll men in a 1953 sedan, John Raymond Macias and Francisco Ornelas were attempting to cross the highway from a side road. In doing so, they were smashed broadside by a 1952-sedan driven by Huey W. Meacham of Shreveport. Both Mr. Macias and Mrs. Ornelas were taken to Memorial Hospital in a Gibson ambulance. Nine stitches were taken on the right side on the forehead of Mr. Macias. Ornelas received a bruise on the head. Both men were released after receiving emergency treatment.

Highway patrolmen who investigated the wreck listed the damage to both vehicles as total.

Three other Dibollians were involved in a traffic mishap near Ryan's Chapel last Sunday afternoon. Injured were Lamar Burch and Donald Pinkerton. Admitted to Village Hospital for observation, all have been released.

Miss Geneva Hallmark was released from Memorial Hospital last Wednesday, following a week's observation concerning facial injuries in a wreck 200 yards south of the intersection of Hwy. 59 and F. M. 58.

Windham, Saxton, Day Named Winners In Merchants Xmas Lighting Contest

Little "D"

Our page 1 makeup last week had Brother Tanner's picture laid out next to the story containing two of the recent traffic mishaps, which caused many calls to our office from people wanting to know the pastor's condition, where the accident occurred, etc.

Bro. Tanner was not involved in any of the accident, but had been named to the post of vice-moderator of the Unity Baptist Association. We feel sure the story was well read because of the mixup.

An election on the Angelina Water Improvement District No. 2 will be up-coming during the first week of 1957. The News-Bulletin has been invited to sit in on all director meetings and hearings concerning the district in order that everyone in Diboll can be well informed on this somewhat complicated subject.

Also in the coming weeks a new series on the huge insulation board plant under construction will be carried in this news paper.

We think the new plant will develop the economy of Diboll more than any project yet undertaken in the history of our town. Consequently, a running account of the functions of construction and techniques of operation would seem to be of interest to all of us. We will work with general manager Don Cleaves on the intermittent series.

Still another forthcoming story will be the completion of expansion program at Temple-White Company, Inc., which also will be published in due time.

Many compliments on the new Burke Methodist Church have been heard during the past few weeks. Methodists at Burke have done a wonderful job with their new building. It is a credit to the fine people of that town and will garner many an approving glance from passers-by on Highway 59.

Speaking of expansion programs taking place in Diboll, plans by this writer to inaugurate a Sunday paper in Diboll in addition to our Thursday issue, have come to a standstill.

There are too many difficulties connected with such an operation for us to think more about it for possibly another six months. Things could change, of course, but business establishments in Diboll must first become more closely acquainted with our population. In other words, we have the population in Diboll to warrant a bi-weekly paper, but lack the necessary amount of advertisers.

When this advertising comes along, a Sunday newspaper, with local news only, will be our project.

Now, it is our wish that all our friends, here and everywhere will enjoy the richest of blessings during the coming new year. Be careful on the highway and you'll be around to read this same column again next year.

—Paul Durham.

A 6-lb. 7-ounce girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Junious Weisinger of Diboll at 1:58 a. m. last Friday. It was the Weisingers second child.

Angelina Baptist Churches Gain 1,046 Members In '56

After Deadline . . .



Time for New Year's resolutions.

Doubtless many of them will contain long-winded, self-addressed speeches to attend church more often, smile more often, give of our time to worthwhile projects, and above all, be kinder to our fellow man in general.

It's surprising what a single unforced smile can do to brighten up the day of a close acquaintance, or even a stranger. The New Year will really be a 'new year' if we all make a sincere effort to be of more value as well-liked, respected citizens.

That's our resolution for 1957.

Report Given For Second Six Weeks

Seniors: All A's: Evie Nell Bell; Betty Fay Brown; Larry Bourque; Barbara Camp; Prentice Carter; Freddy Courtney; Donnie Weeks. All A's and B's: Gene Daker; Jimmy Bobbitt; Bobby Glover; Jerry Hall; Billie C. Saxton; Lavern Sides; Judy Smith; Betty White; Harold Kurchfield.

Juniors: All A's: Billie Myrle Howard; Glenn Scott; Nanree Turner. All A's and B's: Eddie Courtney; Carolyn Kelly; Cynthia Salmon; Betty Ann Wilkerson; Shirley Williams.

Sophomores: All A's: Billie June Camp.

All A's and B's: Jerry Breazeale; Judy Jordan; Calvin Lawrence; Travis Parker; Billy F. Pate; Alice Rains; Shirley Smith.

Freshmen: All A's: George Wilkerson.

All A's and B's: Billie Jean Baker; Dicy Bowman; Margaret Ferguson; Johnnie Sue Fox; Don Hendricks; Juanita Henderson; Geneva Sides; and Louise Neyland.

Eighth Grade: All A's: Joan Breazeale; Jo Ann Hendricks; Carol Nelson; Carolyn Brown; Virginia Taylor and Dale Staton. All A's and B's: Ruth Busby; Henry Perkins; Betty Tims; Ellen Singleton; Regera Patrick.

Seventh Grade: All A's: Sharon Christian; Landa Sue Baker; Sandra Powell; Gloria Taylor; Tommie Ann Lewis; Paul Murphy; Charlene Weeks; Joan Wells; Jim Gleaves; Billy Bowman.

All A's and B's: Larry Benge; Jimmy Burke; Darwin Smith; John Ralph Poulard; Andy Kerr; Shirley Mosley; Sandra Barte; Donna Burrely; Betty Jean Hendricks; and Joe Paul Stovall.

Robert T. Ramsey, Prin. Diboll High School.

Decision Not Made By Booster Club

The Boosters Club apparently did not reach a decision on the fieldhouse project at their meeting last Thursday; other than has already been reported in the News-Bulletin.

A bid from Temple Associates on the project was not completed at time of the meeting and further discussion was withheld pending notification from that firm reliable sources said today.

The thirty-eight Southern Baptist churches in Angelina and Polk Counties gained 1,046 new members in the church year that closed recently, contributed \$465,957.00 to all causes and received two new churches into its fellowship, according to the minutes of the last annual sessions just published.

The churches mostly rural in number, from the Unity Baptist Association. They baptized 336 new converts and received two other new members raising the total membership to 11,097.

This figure includes non-resident members and is slightly above the total of 10,996 for the previous year.

There are 7,249 persons enrolled in the Sunday Schools, which average 3,992 in attendance each Sunday. Of the 3,361 persons enrolled in the Training Unions, which meet on Sunday night, an average of 1843 were present each week.

The report made in the minutes of the annual meeting held at Burke, revealed a total property evaluation of \$634,161.00 with \$72,742.00 having been spent during the past year on new buildings and equipment.

Total gifts by the members for all purposes amounted to \$465,957.00, with \$88,760.00 going for missionary causes.

At the annual meeting, two newly formed churches were admitted into the fellowship of the Unity Association, bringing the total to 38. The two new churches are the Faith Baptist of Lufkin, Rev. R. E. Nadeau, pastor, with 50 members; and the Lakeview Baptist Church of Diboll, Rev. A. D. Kyle, Jr., pastor, which has 42 members. The Lakeview Church also received the "Five Star Church" Award recently for meritorious work in 1956.

The officers of the association are Wade Hopkin, Livingston, Moderator; Don Turner, Diboll, Vice Moderator; John F. Garrett, Happy Hour, Clerk; Weldon Viertel, Redland, Assistant; Guy Lee, Lufkin, Treasurer; John McLaughlin, Lufkin, Sunday School Superintendent.

Karl Bozeman, Lufkin, Training Union Director; Carmen A. Cook, Lufkin, Brotherhood President; Mrs. Earl Allen, Providence, WMU, President; and Wiley Kirkland, Clawson, Music Director.

The next annual session of the association will be held October 14 and 15, 1957, at the First Baptist Church in Lufkin. Rev. H. E. Small, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Lufkin, will preach the annual sermon, and Rev. George Dodson of Huntington, will serve as alternate.

Hello World!

A girl, Diane born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pavlic at 3:14 a. m. Thursday morning last week at Memorial.

It's two in a row for Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dubose. A boy, Stephen, was born in Memorial last Wednesday at 11:14 a. m. They have another son, 3-year-old David.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Flowers at Memorial at 10:43 p. m. last Wednesday.

Mrs. and Mrs. Jimmy D. Russell proud parents of 7-lb. 13-ounce girl, born last Wednesday at 9:50 a. m., also at Memorial.

Rev. and Mrs. D. Townes Windham, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Saxton, and Mrs. Orleta Day were named winners of the Christmas Lighting contest, announced Bob Scoggin, president of the Diboll Merchants Association, sponsors of the event.

Out of town judges were not secured by the association, as was previously reported by The News-Bulletin. Decisions were made final as of 9 p. m. Sunday night, Dec. 23.

Rev and Mrs. Windham of the First Methodist Church were awarded the \$15. prize for first place. Their outdoor nativity scene, with all figures individually drawn and cut out by Mrs. Windham, immediately caught the eye of the judges.

Second prize of \$20 went to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Saxton and family for their work in decorating the front of their home and for putting the names of each member of their family in the decoration theme.

Third place of \$5 went to Mrs. Onita Day for her outside decoration. Featuring multi-colored lights around her doorway, Mrs. Day also was in contention for second place honors with her decoration work.

Also given honorable mention but no cash prize were Mr. and Mrs. Burt Hutto and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rector. Both were in contention for all three prizes, but lost out in final balloting, judges said.

"Diboll people have this year done more towards decorating and beautifying their homes than ever before," said Retail Merchants Association president Scoggin. "We hope that this contest has been help towards promoting the decoration theme, which in turn promotes the true Christmas spirit. Speaking for all members of the Association, I can say we are proud to give these cash prizes for the second consecutive year and sincerely hope that Dibollians will continue to make Diboll a brighter and happier place to live at Christmas time in years to come", Scoggin said.

Suspended Sentence Given Local Man

A five year suspended sentence was set in Lufkin last Monday for a 27-year-old local man who pleaded guilty to murder by accident and mistake while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Crockett A. Luce entered a plea of guilty to the charge in District Court before Judge James H. Moore.

Luce was charged in connection with the death of Bobby Lynn Criger, 18, of Houston. Criger died August 3, 1956, following a two-car collision on Hwy. 59 about six miles north of Diboll.

Witnesses who testified in the case were Justice of the Peace Charles Marberry and Patrolman Harold O. White of the Texas Dept. of Public Safety. Judge Marberry held a coroner's inquest and the mishap was investigated by Patrolman White.

District Attorney Bob Murphy recommended the five-year suspended sentence. In announcing the judgement, Judge Moore referred to the sentence as "most liberal punishment for this type of offence".

Luce told the court that he does not intend to ever drink again and will not even have intoxicating liquor in his auto.

Another Diboll man, Arriol also died in the head-on crash last August.

The W. D. Jordans visited Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Jordan in Houston Sunday and Monday.



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Factions Say Pawns Will Rebuke Commie

The naming of a new Premier in Hungary, following the purge of pro-Soviet Communists in Poland recently, is unmistakable evidence that the Russian grip on its satellite empire is loosening.

Restored to power in Hungary was once-urged Imre Nagy who is again Premier of Hungary. This action followed demonstrations riots and some blood shed in Hungary — much of it caused by students who sought more freedom from Russian domination.

The fascinating part of the developing picture in Eastern Europe is the fact that Russia hesitates to use troops to regain the power over her satellites once held by Joseph Stalin. To do so would be an admission of the failure of the Communist system — and Communists fighting Communists would be a spectacle the Russians would like to avoid at all cost.

Moreover Russia's major allies China and Yugoslavia, have supported Poland and Hungary in their demands for freedom and Russian military action would split the Communist world wide open. Perhaps the greatest deterrent to military action, on the part of the Russians, is the fact that Communist China, with six hundred million inhabitants, sides with the satellite countries in this critical showdown.

If the Western powers can ever divide China from Russia, which may be far away in the future, they will have created the largest crack in the iron curtain, and in the Communist front yet achieved. It may well be that the reaction in China to Russian military domination of Eastern satellites is one of the major reasons Moscow leaders have not ordered the Red Army into Eastern European satellites, such as Poland. Hungary it is reported, requested Soviet troops but it is doubtful if this official plea was favored by the populace.

In Washington, there is tempered optimism that the satellite system is at last starting to crumble, and certainly discontent, unrest and riots in several Russian-controlled nations is good evidence that complete Russian domination of so many Communist allies may be a thing of the past.

Rev J. D. McNeal and family are spending Christmas holidays with relatives in Montgomery, Alabama.

Ft. Worth To Install Nurse For Gorilla

A gorilla nurse stars on Texas in Review next week. The story of this unusual occupation, along with films of fireman training in San Antonio and the making of pogo sticks in Houston, will be highlighted on the Humble Oil and Refining Company's interesting TV program. "Gorilla Nurse" is the story of a registered nurse in Fort Worth who is employed by the municipal zoo to care for a baby gorilla.

Firemen in San Antonio go through an intensive and realistic training program from the stepping into "quick hitch" at first sound of alarm to fighting a realistic fire.

For what may be the next national craze, a firm in Houston manufactures pogo sticks.

Viewers will get an inside look at ups and downs at the factory.

Of interest to sports fishermen will be films taken at the Inks Lake, near Burnet, Texas. There, the State Game and Fish Commission undertakes a large-scale project to eradicate shad and other rough fish from the lake.

"Rock Hounds" will show the members of the Archaeological Society on a hunt for arrowhead and ruins. This group is quite active in Dallas.

Texas In Review can be seen Monday, Dec. 31: KFDL-TV, in Beaumont, 10 p.m.; KRLD-TV, Dallas, 7:30 p.m.; KPRC-TV, Houston, 9:30 p.m.; KTRC-TV, Lufkin, 9:30 p.m.;

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Scoggin and family spent last weekend at their farm in Houston County. Mrs. Virginia Wimp served as an extra clerk in the Diboll Dept. Store during Christmas.

Milwaukee. — Four concerts, arranged for teen-agers alone, to be given this season by the Milwaukee Pops orchestra, will not admit adults. No one over 19 will be allowed to attend.

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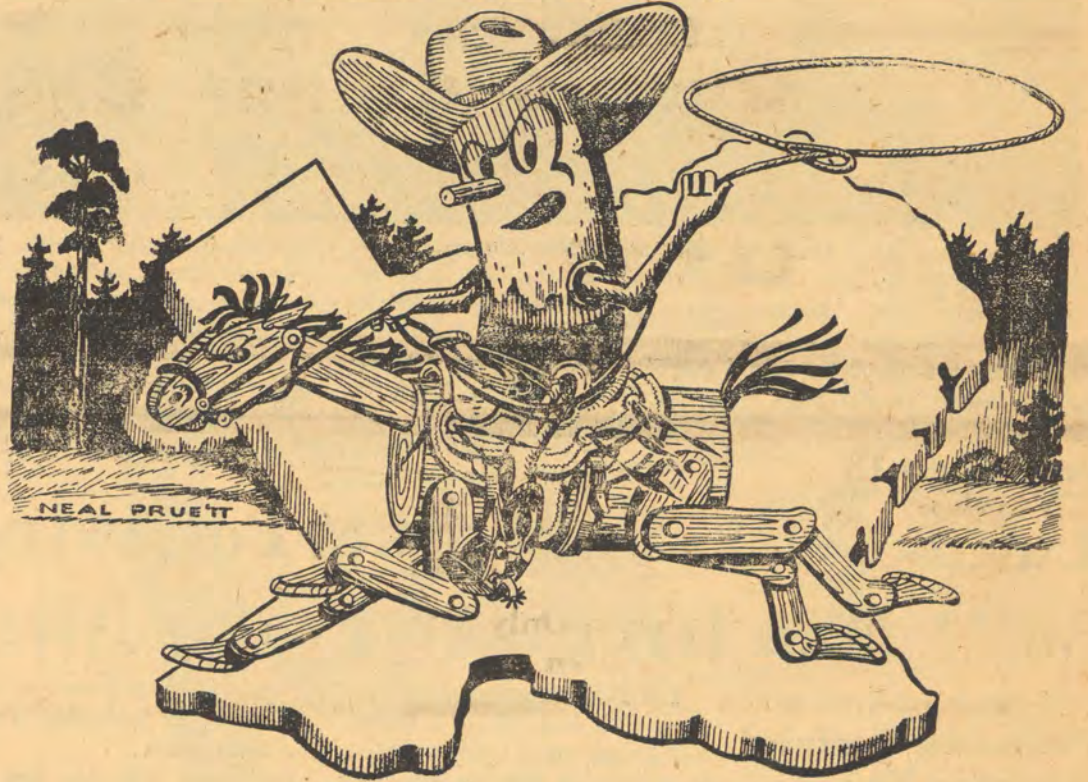


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Diboll News-Bulletin

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Bedroom Suites	\$129.95	\$79.95	\$5.00	\$1.75
Bedroom Suites	\$249.95	\$189.95	\$5.00	\$3.50
Bedroom Suites	\$139.95	\$99.95	\$5.00	\$2.00
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STORY NO. 2

Duval's Background For Dictatorship Is One of Violence and Sudden Death

By-FREDERICK HODGSON

SAN DIEGO, TEX.—To know the history of Duval County is to understand the power of George B. Parr. To know the county's people is to know Parr himself.

Parr's power, and that of his father before him, is based on the Latin-American, by tradition an easily led "follower." Almost 90 per cent of the people in Duval are "Mexicans," so called even though their families may have lived on this land since the days of the Conquistadores. Most of them are desperately poor. Many are illiterate. Many speak no English at all.

Perhaps half the population of this little county town, 4,397 at the last official census, live in miserable "jacales," unpainted huts built with scrap lumber.

The town, officially a city, is typically Mexican, with a mission-style church and a central plaza with a band stand. The line separating Duval from Jim Wells County runs through the town, and through the center of the San Diego Cafe, meeting place of the anti-Parr forces. Across the street, Highway 44, and catty-corner to the West is the Court-house and the Windmill Cafe, headquarters of the Parr brigade.

The "Mexican" in Duval is small, dark-skinned, Catholic by religion.

George Parr is an "Anglo" and by all rules of deep South Central Texas he and his followers should be as different as day is from night.

The average "Anglo" in Duval is a big man, taller by inches than the general run of Americans. By religion he is Protestant. He speaks little or no Spanish. He is apt to wear fancy, high-heeled Western boots and a Western hat.

Even though his skin may be burned by the sun to the shade of old copper he thinks of himself as "white"—in contrast to the Mexican-American who is patronized as a peon, as part Indian. The "Anglo" speaks of "good Mexicans" and "bad Mexicans" but always of "Mexicans." He doesn't think of the Latins as Americans at all.

More than a trace of the frontiersman still remains in the Duval "Anglo." There are men still living who can tell truthfully of pulling trigger on yelling Apaches.

It is more than a bit startling to the outsider to get the "feel" of the small towns in Duval, Jim Wells, Brooks, Webb and other counties of the area. A man from north of the Nueces River is a

"Yankee" and an alien.

The feeling, the psychology, the atmosphere, is that of the frontier, of violence and of sudden death.

It would give a man from Austin, from Dallas or from Chicago quite a jolt to sit in a man's office as I did and ask a casual question about another man and have your host slam a loaded .45 on the polished desk so hard that it left a dent.

"One of these days the blankety blank so and so is going to walk in here and I'm going to kill him."

Or to hear a peace officer say very seriously that if he were such and such a man—naming him—that he wouldn't fool around waiting for the law, he'd just up and kill the fellow who had named a relative.

Or to hear another man tell of visiting a friend in jail for murder, a friend who was acquitted quickly when the case went to a jury. I asked for the circumstances.

"Oh, he was throwing out of a bar when said 'Go ahead, why don't you kill me?' My friend said 'Alright, if that's what you want.' Bang!"

It's not so many years ago that these same men were killing Mexican raiders from across the Rio Grande on sight—and asking questions afterward.

George B. Parr's father, old Senator Archie Parr, and the son after him, put the anti-Mexican, patronizing psychology of the "Anglo" into reverse. They then parlayed the gratitude and adoration of the Latins into one of the most cynical, most ruthless dictatorships in American political history.

Old Archie, then a red-necked, cocky little \$25 a month cow puncher, arrived in San Diego at the turn of the century and took the side of the "Mexicans" against the "Anglos."

The "Anglos" in Duval were then split into two factions, led by the Robinsons and the Hoffmans. Archie shrewdly moved in between the two groups, voted his Mexicans as a solid unit and before a dozen years had passed he owned the county as a private barony. He knew every political trick in the book and added some of his own. The title "Duke of Duval" was no empty honor.

Old Archie was a small man, pot-bellied in his later years, who spoke Spanish like a native and thought like a Mexican. He apparently sincerely loved his followers, loved them as a man might love a faithful dog. He punished them when they were

naughty, fed them when they were hungry, led them like a flock of sheep, robbed them blind, tended their hurts—and used them so adroitly that no man dared oppose him. He made alliances with political leaders in adjoining counties. His power was vast.

Old Archie sat in the State Senate for twenty years, ran a rip-roaring wide open county back home in Duval where not a dog barked without his permission. He controlled the courts, the police, the schools, the rackets, everything in the county. He manipulated elections with the dexterity of a gambler with a deck of cards.

There were sporadic revolts against his rule, of course, but these were put down ruthlessly. On primary day in 1912, for example, three men were shot to death in the street in front of the Courthouse. Two years later a determined attempt was made by Parr foes to clean up Duval by the simple expedient of abolishing the county altogether. It didn't work. In 1915 the Texas Supreme Court ordered an audit of the county's books and the Courthouse burned down after the auditors had worked only one day, destroying the records.

In building his power, and in consolidating it, Old Archie had one powerful force operating in his favor—the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Ironically, that much-amended Constitution of 1878 was framed deliberately to give counties the greatest possible measure of home rule. Behind the solid rampart of that document the Duke of Duval ruled with the absolute authority of a Medic.

Thus it was the Constitution, as much as Parr himself, that posed the serious obstacle to Attorney General John Ben Shepperd in his march on the Duchy of Duval. He had to stay carefully within its obsolete framework while fighting against forces that cared not one snap of the fingers for all the law in Texas.

Old Archie's son, the present Duke of Duval, grew up in this atmosphere of corrupt politics. He knew of the liquor-laden pack trains that came into the county during the lush days of prohibition. He knew of the other things that went on, and he learned well. His playmates were the Latin children of San Diego. Spanish, not English, was his mother tongue.

Among his playmates was Manuel "Meme" Marroquin, now Parr's most bitter enemy, editor of a militant little bi-lingual newspaper "New Duval." Other articles in this series will tell more of Marroquin, a man who has suffered much, including physical beatings, at the hands of the Boss and his henchmen.

Television Aids Law Enforcement

Television is the latest addition to law enforcement says Constable Dan Fenely.

Fenely said today that this peculiar circumstance helped him carry out an important duty last week: While watching a program on KTRE-TV last Thursday night the constable noticed a man's picture on the screen which looked familiar. Looking a bit closer he saw that this was the man for whom he had been carrying a warrant for the past two months.

Fenely said tracers on the man showed he had moved to another town in East Texas. He promptly drove to Lufkin Friday morning and served the warrant to the man, who was employed by a Lufkin firm.

"Think I'll start watching TV a little more," said Fenely. "It might make my job a lot easier".

Booster Baskets Are Distributed Here

Baskets of food, toys and clothing were distributed to needy families in this area Christmas Eve night, according to the Boosted Club. Several members of the club attended to proper distribution, the president said. The collection program of items listed in this newspaper for the past four weeks is strictly for families who cannot afford to buy these items at Christmas-time, Magill said.

The club made a house to house survey last Thursday evening between the hours of 6 and 9 p. m. to pick up toys and clothing for the drive. Announcement of the house to house pickup was made in the Lufkin Daily News and on KTRE-TV, but very little response or cooperation was offered, it was reported.

The baskets placed in retail establishments for the third straight year by the Boosters Club were filled with items, however.

ple's sewing club had a party with 18 present last Tuesday night; H. E. Eetes had the monthly meeting of Humble Oil dealers last Tuesday at P. B. also; the Livingston Lions basketball team of 18 dined following their win over Diboll last week; Mrs. Burt Lively entertained 11 at a luncheon last Wednesday; the Beta Sigma Phi sorority entertained guests last Friday; and Mrs. Emory Atkins of Lufkin entertained 14 guests at the popular restaurant on Dec. 19.

WCSH Holds Regular Meeting Monday

The beautifully decorated home of Mrs. Charles J. Weimer was the scene of the regular W. S. C. S. meeting last Monday, December 17th. Theme of this meeting was the society's annual Christmas party, and the program was in keeping with the theme, being entitled "Christmas At Home".

Program sponsor was Mrs. Joe Carter Denman, Jr. and scripture reading was offered by Mrs. Melvin Currie. Following the interesting and informative program, the 14 members present exchanged gifts and enjoyed refreshments of cookies and punch.

Mrs. Weimer and Mrs. Durham were hostesses for the occasion.

Temple Associates Awarded Contract

Temple Associates of Diboll was awarded a contract for construction of the 12-classroom and cafeteria Garrett Elementary School and the six - classroom and cafeteria addition to the Brandon Elementary School in

Lufkin. The contract was awarded the local construction firm last Wednesday afternoon during a special meeting of the Lufkin Board of Education.

Temple Associates submitted a low base bid of \$272,767 on the two school projects. Inclusion of two alternate items in the contract resulted in a total bid of \$273,163.

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PERSONALS

Lamar Burch, Sill Bunch, and Donald Pinkerton are feeling well after release from Village Hospital. They were involved in an auto mishap recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Wells visited in Bossier City, La., with son John Henry during Christmas holidays. He is stationed

with Air Force at Barksdale AFB.

D. D. Burke, D. M. Clarke, Mrs. James Johnson, are among 100-odd people to take advantage of the 75c Christmas subscription recently offered by the News Bulletin.

Mrs. Annie Shivers spent the weekend in Abilene with relatives.

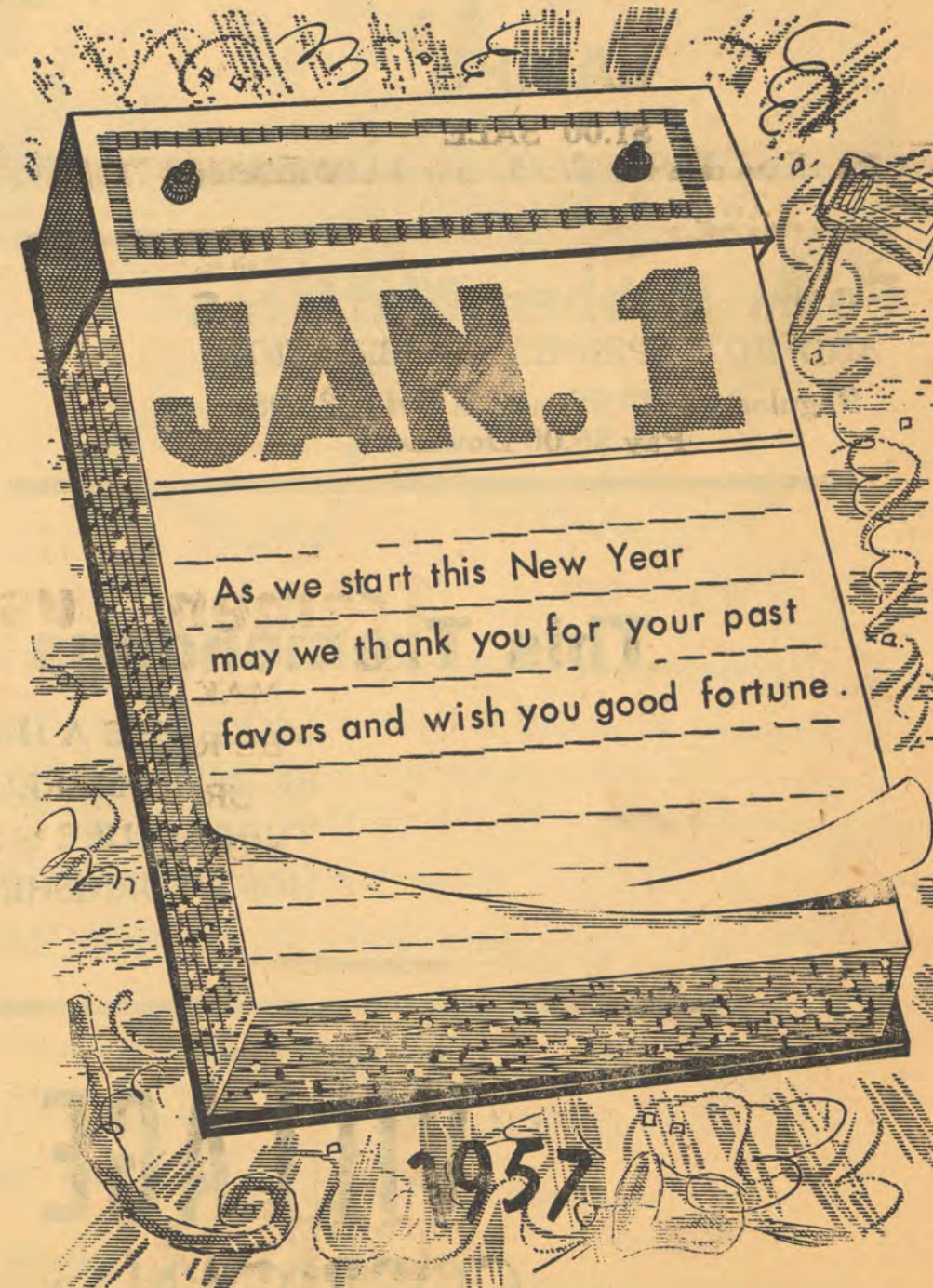
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh C. Weber and family of Canoga Park, California, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Weber this week. Son Larry is also home from A and M. College for the holidays.

Recent holidays parties at The Pine Bough restaurant include: Mrs. Gus Boesch entertained Lufkin Garden Club with 22 attending Monday night; young peo-



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