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THE METHODISTS ARE PREPARING FOR SWEEPING REVIVAL MEETING

DR. FERGUSON, THE PASTOR IS BUSY ROUNDING UP HIS FORCES AND ORGANIZING FOR GREAT CAMPAIGN

EVANGELIST FISHER WILL DO PREACHING

Is Recognized As One Of the Most Able Preachers of the South—Has Held Many Successful Revivals—Meeting Will Continue For at Least Three Weeks.

The revival meeting under the auspices of the Methodist church, will begin Sunday, July 7th. Arrangements are rapidly being rounded up for the beginning of this great meeting and the pastor is a very busy man these days getting everything in shape for one of the greatest revivals that Lubbock has possibly ever witnessed. In speaking to Dr. Ferguson regarding the meeting, the evangelist, etc., he said:

The revival meeting for the present year will begin July 9th, and continue until August 1st, during which time Rev. Albert C. Fisher, one of the greatest evangelists of the Methodist church, South, will be here and hold two services daily. Rev. Fisher has just concluded a meeting in Plainview and he preached to 2500 persons there on last Sunday night. He has held two meetings for me and in one of these meetings the work of the evangelist and Christian workers resulted in the conversion and reclamation of 500 lives. This was the greatest and most far-reaching revival that I have ever attended. A very great majority of this group lined up immediately with the Church of God and are now engaged in active Christian effort in the community where the meeting was held.

Mrs. Fisher is a remarkable worker with the young people and has rendered splendid service along this line in practically every town that the Fishers have visited. She is a consecrated woman, an excellent speaker, a talented musician, and a competent leader in directing the efforts of the young people in the meeting and in interesting those outside of the church.

The City of Lubbock is in great need of a revival of religion. And yet, great as the need may be, there can never be the type of revival that is needed without extensive and intensive preparation upon the part of the Christian people. A revival can only reap what has been sown. There can be no harvest until the ground is prepared, the seed sown, the grain planted.

At a meeting of the official board last Wednesday evening, it was agreed that seats would be arranged on the church lawn west and adjoining the church building on the west for open air services at night, and possibly for the day services also, but it is expected that the night services will far exceed the seating capacity of the church, and for the general comfort and convenience of the people it is believed the open air arrangement will be more satisfactory.

Rev. Ferguson is very earnest in his desire to have a great, sweeping revival in Lubbock, and he invites the co-operation of all the pastors and Christian people of the city, and the entire community. He wants a great choir and every musical instrument that can be used in making music, and urges that all singers of the town, regardless of their denominational affiliations, come and join in making the song services of the meeting a real, live feature of the meeting all during the meeting, which is scheduled to continue not less than three weeks. Get ready for the greatest revival meeting that has ever been held in our city.

Evangelist Fisher and wife have held the most sweeping revivals ever heard of, and they are coming to Lubbock with a full realization of the conditions that exist here, and they will no doubt bring about a general shaking up of the church membership, and get those who have been laboring under a spell of indifference to awaken to a keener realization of their duty which is sure to result in great good for the community.

LOCAL UNDERTAKER GROWS FINE FRUITS, HE ADMITS

What will they do next? A Lubbock undertaker, H. H. Griffith, of the Rix Company, has designated himself "fruit grower" as a package of nice Plains, home grown plums gathered from his orchard, were sent his father at Big Spring Thursday, properly addressed, with the return of the box reading somewhat as follows: "Return to H. H. Griffith, Fruit Grower, Lubbock, Texas. While Griff is a fine fellow, and we would not want to discredit him in the least, we have serious doubts as to the correctness of the title, but will admit that if a box of the juicy fruit is left at this office before another issue of the paper goes to press we will square off even. Come across, old man."

J. E. Parker, Jr., of Post City, was called as a witness in District Court this week, and while here was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. Moore.

Mrs. P. W. Walker and daughter Frances, returned to their home in Littlefield recently, after having spent several days in Lubbock.

30 Bushels Per Acre Not Bad For Spring Wheat Near Lubbock

This is a season of exceptional conditions, at least the Avalanche is getting accounts of many exceptional crops, plants, etc., which mark progress on possibilities of extraordinary merit.

Now comes J. I. McDonald, of the Caldwell community, who visited the Avalanche force Saturday to renew his subscription to the paper, and announced that he had forty acres of fine spring wheat, which looks mighty good to him, and all his neighbors join him in the opinion that he will harvest thirty bushels of fine grain from each acre.

Spring wheat in this section is a little exceptional, but we have not made up our minds as yet that it can not be made profitable, and Mr. McDonald substantiates the belief that it can be raised both economically and profitably.

The crop is ripening at this time, and before the middle of July we are sure things will be humming on that farm, and while we are not at all sure, we believe Mr. McDonald will be able to put the stubble land in sugar, or other hay crop, and gather a fine cutting before the visit of old man Jack Frost.

Stay with the wheat raising in this section Mr. McDonald. We are for you.

Child Falls Into Oil Well and Dies 180 Feet In Heart

Wichita Falls, June 26.—The body of little Randall Gandy, 4 years old, who fell into a well at Electra late Sunday afternoon, was recovered this morning by 3 o'clock, grappling hooks being used to pull the body from the 12-inch hole.

Fort Worth, June 26.—Randall Gandy, four, met death 180 feet below the surface of the earth in the McKinzie oil well, two miles east of Electra last night while 5,000 frantic people vainly tried to rescue him.

The little boy, who lived in the neighborhood, was playing in the vicinity of the well. A friend had a glimpse of him as he fell feet first into the hole. A moment later his voice could be heard from the bottom pleading "daddy" and "mother" to come and get him.

The mother lies in a Burkburnett hospital with an infant a few days old. She does not know of the lad's tragic death. The father, Lee Gandy, for hours directed a citizenship in its efforts to devise some method by which a rescue could be effected.

Water Encroached

The boy fell in the well at 8:30 o'clock. The last faint cries from him were heard at 11 o'clock last night. Water had encroached and already faint from his long lodgment the lad was forced to watch the slowly creeping waters engulf him and exterminate his life. Grappling hooks could not be used for fear they would mangle the body.

Several young men volunteered to be lowered head first into the hole but none was small enough to reach the body. The hole at the top was ten inches.

At midnight when it became definitely known that the boy was dead efforts to reclaim the body were abandoned until this morning when the work was resumed.

FISHING TRIP TO POST ENJOYED BY LOCAL PEOPLE

"An' it's fine to go fishin' in the good ole Summer time," just about expresses the sentiment of more than a few Lubbockites, who have already made their summer trips to lakes, rivers, and wherewithal in search of the finny tribe. According to Raleigh Martin, of the Martin & Wolcott Grocery, there is real sport attached to getting out in the great outdoors at this season.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin, grandson Billy, J. A. Phillips and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Young and children, Mrs. J. T. Smith and wife, Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Branch of Tennessee, and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Haves, returned early Thursday morning from a two days outing to Post City, where they enjoyed fishing in the well known lake near that city.

Enough fish for two fine feeds were caught, and the pleasant coolness of the great outdoors made the trip a most wonderful rest and recreation period.

Mr. Martin is at home again at the store, working with a little more vim and vigor, feeling mighty glad to have taken such an enjoyable trip, and no doubt all other members of the party feel the same way about it.

The Lubbock County Democratic League Meeting Saturday

Of interest to women, will be a meeting at the court house Saturday at three p. m. This is the regular meeting hour and date of the Civic League of Lubbock. The meeting will be conducted in interest of the Lubbock County Women's Democratic League.

A very interesting program is arranged. An address along the lines of women in politics, and the duties attached thereto, will be given by W. C. Wright, evangelist, who is holding the meeting here for the First Christian church. Mr. Wright is well informed on the subject, and will no doubt have many interesting things to say to his hearers.

The fact that the Women's leagues spoken of above are conducting this meeting does not in any way mean that the men voters are not also urged to attend, for they are, special emphasis being placed on urging the ladies to attend, by every voter in the county.

A special invitation is hereby extended all church, civic and community organizations of women, and we insist that the members avail themselves of the opportunity to hear the main political issues discussed by such an able speaker and competent politician as is Mr. Wright.

Politics are not one bit worse, nor one bit better than the mass of the voters, and it is up to the ladies to show their willingness to keep things pertaining to the general welfare of the state in mind, that the very best and most practical solution to all political problems might be worked out.

Remember the date, Saturday; the place, courthouse; the hour, 3 p. m.

NEW FRUIT CANNED TO BE PUT ON DISPLAY

The office of the County Home Demonstration agent, and the County Agent will convince one that Lubbock Chamber of Commerce officials will not have to display old fruit to show their visitors what can be grown in West Texas, as these people are canning specimens of the fine fruit in glass containers in a manner that appeals to anyone who has not lost their sense of taste.

Fine cherries, still on the limb where they grew, are shown, which will prove to anyone that there is something to the plains being a fruit country, as the cherries are of the large variety, which look mighty good indeed.

The County and Home Demonstration agents are doing great work for Lubbock county, and we are glad indeed to know these officials are maintained in Lubbock.

JOHN HARRIS ACQUITTED OF HI-JACKING CHARGE

The case of the State of Texas vs. John Harris, alleged hi-jacker, charged with being connected with the hold-up near Post City last October, was acquitted in the District Court of Lubbock County, Tuesday of this week.

Harris was tried for the same offense last December, and the result was a hung jury, some of the jurors contending at that time that the evidence was insufficient and at the latter trial this was unanimous. There are two other defendants implicated, one of which was convicted at the last term and his case is now on appeal, being Tom Rutledge, the other against M. B. Pruitt, an accomplice, has been continued awaiting a decision in the Rutledge case.

SEMINOLE TO CELEBRATE THE FOURTH OF JULY

From Seminole Sentinel. It has been decided that instead of having a barbecue on July 4th, that a basket picnic would suit best, owing to the fact that at this time the farmers are busy with their crops, but it is understood that later on a barbecue would be considered.

However, Seminole is extending a hearty welcome to everybody in Gaines county to come with a well filled basket and help in making this day a good one. This occasion promises to be the best opportunity for the "dear voters" to hear your favorite candidate present his views on the big campaign issues, as arrangements are being perfected to have all candidates make a speech, presenting their platforms personally. We are sure from what is being rumored, that several masterpieces will be delivered. Each candidate has been allotted 15 minutes time, with the understanding that if any candidate who fails to use his full time will be fined \$25.

At a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee held Monday afternoon the usual business was attended to, among which was the decision to have a second primary between the two leading candidates for each office in case it was needed to give any candidate a plurality. The second primary will be held according to law, on the 4th Saturday in August, which is the 26th. The same judges and clerks will preside at both primaries.

John P. Hardesty, Jr., son of the Baptist pastor at Slaton, was in a local hospital Thursday and Friday, where an operation for throat trouble was successfully performed.

Douglas Bodenhamer of Dallas, was here Tuesday, looking after business for the American Alliance Insurance Company. His home is at Dallas.

NEW BUILDINGS ALONG BROADWAY ARE ADDING MUCH TO LUBBOCK

RESIDENTIAL SECTIONS DEVELOPING IN PROPORTION—GENERAL BUILDING BOOM IS ON

ALL BUILDINGS ARE VERY SUBSTANTIAL

Lubbock Trade Territory Being Developed Also, Which Will Not Permit the Town to Become Top Heavy Because of Increased Number of Businesses and Population.

Lynn Co. Farmers Elect Henderson to Sell Their Cotton

Joe Henderson, of the Lakeview Community, in Lynn County, left Monday for A & M College, where he will take six weeks course in cotton grading.

Mr. Henderson is a brother of J. E. Henderson, of the Avalanche, and we are sure he will make good in the cotton grading work.

He has been in the cotton business from planting and growing to marketing, and we are indeed glad to know that he is going to go deeper into the work. He is a typical plainman, a broadshouldered, bronzed farmer of the pioneer type, who is after the cotton raising on the plains with the determination to make more of it than a matter of scratching the soil and cursing because the weeds out-grow the cotton.

We are mighty glad to know he is taking advantage of the opportunity to know more about cotton, and is elected to represent an organization of Lynn County Farmers in all their cotton selling, and we heartily congratulate them for being able to secure his services.

CANDIDATES SPOKE AT CALDWELL WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The candidates of Lubbock county met with the people of Caldwell Wednesday night, where a most entertaining candidates' pow-wow was enjoyed.

Through the courtesy of the speakers the meeting was made very snappy throughout, as none of them spoke very long, but said a whole lot in a few words, which is a very favorable way to conduct any meeting.

A local wit has an old saying, "no man is converted after the first twenty minutes," and maybe there is something to it, and those candidates realize that brevity adds power to words.

Space forbids publication of the names of the participants, but we will assure our readers that a goodly number of office seekers attended the meeting.

SANTA ANNA SCHOOLMAN INTERESTED IN PLAINS

J. B. Burselson of Santa Anna, Texas, was here the first of the week looking for a school to teach another year. He is ambitious to come to the plains, believing possibilities for the success of a young man abound here in superior quantities than in his section, and expressed a desire to become associated with the people of Lubbock.

He is a broad-minded, thoroughly experienced school man of exceptional abilities, and we are indeed glad to have him interested in Lubbock county.

BURLESON'S RANCH HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE MONDAY

J. W. Burselson, who spent several days in Mineral Wells last week, received notice that his ranch house near Redland, New Mexico, was destroyed by fire, together with its entire contents. The house was occupied by his son-in-law and family, H. J. Gibbs. The building was insured for \$1,000, which was a very small portion of the loss. No insurance was carried on the contents. Mr. Burselson returned to Lubbock Tuesday and left immediately for the ranch, where he will make arrangements to have a new building erected.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY GORDON B. McGUIRE HAS BEEN VERY BUSY THIS WEEK

District Attorney Gordon B. McGuire has been very busy this week looking after criminal matters. Several cases set for the latter part of the present week, but due to the fact that several important witnesses were unable to be present, the cases are continued indefinitely. However, next week will be given to the trial of criminal matters, and it is very evident that the criminal docket will be a light one when court convenes next term.

G. E. Lockhart, attorney of Tahoka, was a business visitor in Lubbock, Wednesday of this week. Judge Lockhart is one of the attorneys for the defense in the criminal case of State of Texas vs. Meadors, on trial at Barstow, Texas, for the murder of a man by the name of Rawls.

Frank Long was here Tuesday, from his home in Dallas, looking after the interests of the Niagara Insurance Company, of which he is special agent for Texas.

And still the builders keep building! Never before in the history of Lubbock's development have brick business buildings been put under way of the builders force to such a noticeable degree as at this time. Broadway is alive, throbbing with the industrial clatter of the workman's trowel, the atmosphere is filled with the spirit of the times, and even a pedestrian is so enveloped with the spirit that to walk along that busy thoroughfare without quickening step would seem altogether out of place, as no where is there an opportunity to catch the glimpse of the restful come-easy and go-easy attraction which would pull one from the inspiring realization that things are humming in that part of the city.

George W. Pickle is the leading factor in that building, as he has rushed work along mighty well on the nice brick buildings adjoining the Joe Baldrige Grocery, and already they have assumed a substantial appearance that would attract the attention of the most listless, or quicken the pulse of anyone interested in Lubbock's development.

The Morrow buildings, across the street have been rushed to a noticeable degree, and it is regrettable indeed that work was held up until the arrival of more material. Those buildings will be a credit to Lubbock, and in their construction stands out a lasting monument to the progressiveness of the owners.

The Bush building, which has attracted much attention, inasmuch as it was so beautifully constructed that a prominent banker said a few days ago in the presence of the writer that "That building would do credit to any bank, and is indeed a credit to Lubbock," has been completed, and "moving day" has come about to several local business people. Dr. R. B. Hutchinson, dentist, has moved his dental offices into the building, and will be ready to serve his customers there within a few days. He is a live wire, and it was through his efforts that Lubbock can now boast of the most beautiful and convenient dental parlors in West Texas.

While K. Carter has been mighty busy taking care of his thriving dry goods business, he has had time to take a few looks into the future, and plans for the erection of a fifty by one hundred and fifteen feet brick to be erected on his lots on the west side of the quarter block on which is located the Bush building, are being made, and if nothing happens the contract will be let within two weeks.

Adjoining the Bush building, Geo. W. Pickle will build a brick building for McLomere & Bass, of Abilene, leaving only one lot in that quarter block vacant, which is owned by J. A. Hodges, of the Hodges Brothers Mercantile Company, who will no doubt fill the gap before many weeks have passed.

We are proud of the work our people have been doing along building lines, and are sure that thru their efforts Lubbock will soon be one of the biggest and best towns on the plains, for an accurate count of the building activities will prove that there are more residences going up every day than business houses, and we are sure that every home counts for as much as a business house when the true development of Lubbock is concerned.

There may be some who would think there is a possibility of Lubbock becoming top heavy through this exceptional building boom, but the trade territory adjacent to the city is developing as rapidly, or even to a greater extent than is the city, and the people of that territory are back of Lubbock "tooth and toenail," boosting like regular fellows.

RENT-A-FORD COMPANY ESTABLISHED IN LUBBOCK

The A. & M. Ford Rental Company, under the management of Lloyd Matthews, of Rotan, Texas, brother of the Avalanche Printing Salesman, A. J. Matthews, will be operating here within a few days, with a sufficient number of Fords to supply the demand.

The A. & M. people are filling a long felt need in this section, the automobile rental business having never been followed here, and people from other places who have enjoyed the conveniences offered by such institutions are certainly glad to welcome the new company to Lubbock. A deposit will be made on the rental of each car, and anyone enabled to make the deposit may take the cars, do their own driving, and return them at the desired time, paying an hourly rental on same.

The Matthews brothers have proven themselves hustlers of the first class, and we are indeed glad to have another one of them make his home here.