



Ewing Fire Chief Frank Noffke (left) discusses fire damage with Dr. William H. Ross, pastor of United Presbyterian church at Ewing. Doctor Ross said it was the first fire loss suffered at any church he had served during 46 years in the ministry.—The Frontier Photo.



Gaping holes in the roof over the sanctuary illustrates damage done to the main portion of the Ewing church, severely damaged by Friday's early morning fire. Firemen battled flames in subzero temperatures.—The Frontier Photo.

Sidelights On Ewing Fire

During the past summer members of the United Presbyterian church parish had done considerable renovation and repair on the interior of the building. Work was done in the choir room, lecture room and vestibule.

Plans were in the making for a new heating system at the church. This improvement was to come later.

Doctor Ross, church pastor, served a parish in Colorado before becoming a United Presbyterian missionary. For 36 years he and his wife were missionaries in Pakistan and India. Although formally retired, he preferred to keep busy and came to the Ewing church three years ago—shortly after returning from abroad. He told "Voice of the Frontier" listeners Saturday (WJAG, 780 kc., 9:30 a.m.) that Friday's fire was the first in his many years in the ministry.

United Presbyterian church was in use Wednesday evening, November 26, for union Protestant Thanksgiving services. Parishioners of First Methodist

church joined in the service. The kitchen, however, was not in use. Doctor Ross said to his knowledge nobody was in the church Thanksgiving day except himself. He had made a routine check.

The Methodist church officials and Church of the Nazarene officials immediately offered facilities to the virtually "homeless" Presbyterians. Bible school and worship were held Sunday afternoon at the Methodist church. A missionary, Miss Aleta Matthews, scheduled to speak at the Presbyterian church Wednesday, December 3, spoke to the parishioners instead at the Methodist church.

Three photos of the fire damage were telecast Friday evening by KTIV, Sioux City, channel 4. The photo coverage was supplied by The Frontier special events unit. The Frontier also supplied radio station WJAG (Norfolk) with an on the scene report at 9:45 a.m. the day of the fire while the building was still smouldering.

The Frontier reporter, Cal Stewart, blended with picture equipment and a portable tape-recorder, lost his hat in the debris. He was wearing headphones at the time. By the time he unloaded the paraphernalia and went back to hunt up his hat it had disappeared. "Probably

water-logged and ice-caked by that time," he muttered.

Fixtures and equipment destroyed in the annex will be allowed a total loss. The \$700 insurance coverage on the contents will be taken payment. The insurance adjuster visited the scene within a few hours after the fire and is to return again sometime this week to make a settlement. Five days after the fire nothing further had been determined as to the cause of the blaze. The responsibility, apparently, rests on faulty wiring.

Walls of the main portion of the building appeared to have weathered the fire okay. Lionel Gunter said "they're sound". But the roof and attic damage will take money.

Ewing News

Mrs. Dorothy Vaughn of Omaha spent a few days with her mother, Mrs. Grace Briggs, during the holiday weekend, returning home Saturday.

Holiday weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Borden were their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Borden and daughter, Beverly, and also their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Burnett, all of Rapid City, S. D. They returned home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Gunter of Odebolt, Ia., and their daughter,

Miss Doris Lou Gunter, of Lincoln and Mrs. Anna Pollock of Ewing were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Gunter Saturday for a delayed Thanksgiving dinner.

Sunday callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Gunter in the afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Switzer of Clearwater, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hord of Ewing and Paul Gunter of Norfolk.

The Church of Christ of Ewing was filled to capacity Sunday afternoon for the singingspiration led by Richard Brown, minister of the Orchard Church of Christ. Peilbert Biehle, minister of the Clearwater Church of Christ, was guest speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bartak were hosts at a Thanksgiving dinner at their home. Guests were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bartak, and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Regan and sons, all of Ewing; Dr. and Mrs. L. Spittler and family of Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Denver and daughter of Valentine. Afternoon visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Funk and children of Ewing.

Guests from Tuesday, November 25, to Saturday, November 29, at the home of Mrs. Laura Spittler were her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spittler and daughter of Valentine. Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Hobbs were Sunday guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Weirich.

Riverside News

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hord and the Robert Montgomery family were Friday night guests at the George Montgomery home.

Mrs. Z. H. Fry, Mrs. Archie Johnston and Mrs. Lionel Gunter met Monday evening with Mrs. R. A. Hord to plan a shower for Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bennett, newlyweds.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kallhoff and family of Clearwater were Thursday evening guests at the Johnny Miller home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Napier and the Richard Napier family were Thursday evening guests at the Z. H. Fry home.

The Grant Mott and Bill Lofquist families were supper guests Friday at the Walter Miller home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Switzer and the Leo Miller family left Thanksgiving morning to spend the holidays at the Dan Robbins home at Rochester, Minn.

Mrs. Beulah Napier is visiting at the Web Napier home.

Keith Biddlecome and Valonda were home over Thanksgiving vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Vorhes Mott and family of Sioux City were guests Saturday night at the Grant Mott home.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Clauson went to Bassett for Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Gunter and Paul and Mrs. Earl VanOstram attended the Leola Cary-Lloyd Heese wedding in the Immanuel Lutheran church at Coleridge Saturday evening.

Mrs. Dale Raasch and Renea of Omaha visited last week at the Dave Pollock home. Dale joined the family Wednesday, November 26, for Thanksgiving holiday.

The Willie Shrader family visited Sunday evening at the Lynn Fry home.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Miller were dinner guests Sunday of Mrs. Juanita Miller and family.

Jackey Fry was an overnight guest Friday and visited Saturday with Larry and Gary Montgomery.

The Alvin Nelson family of Plainview visited Thursday evening at the Dewitt Hoke home.

Jackey and Bruce Morrow spent the weekend at the Wilbur Bennett home.

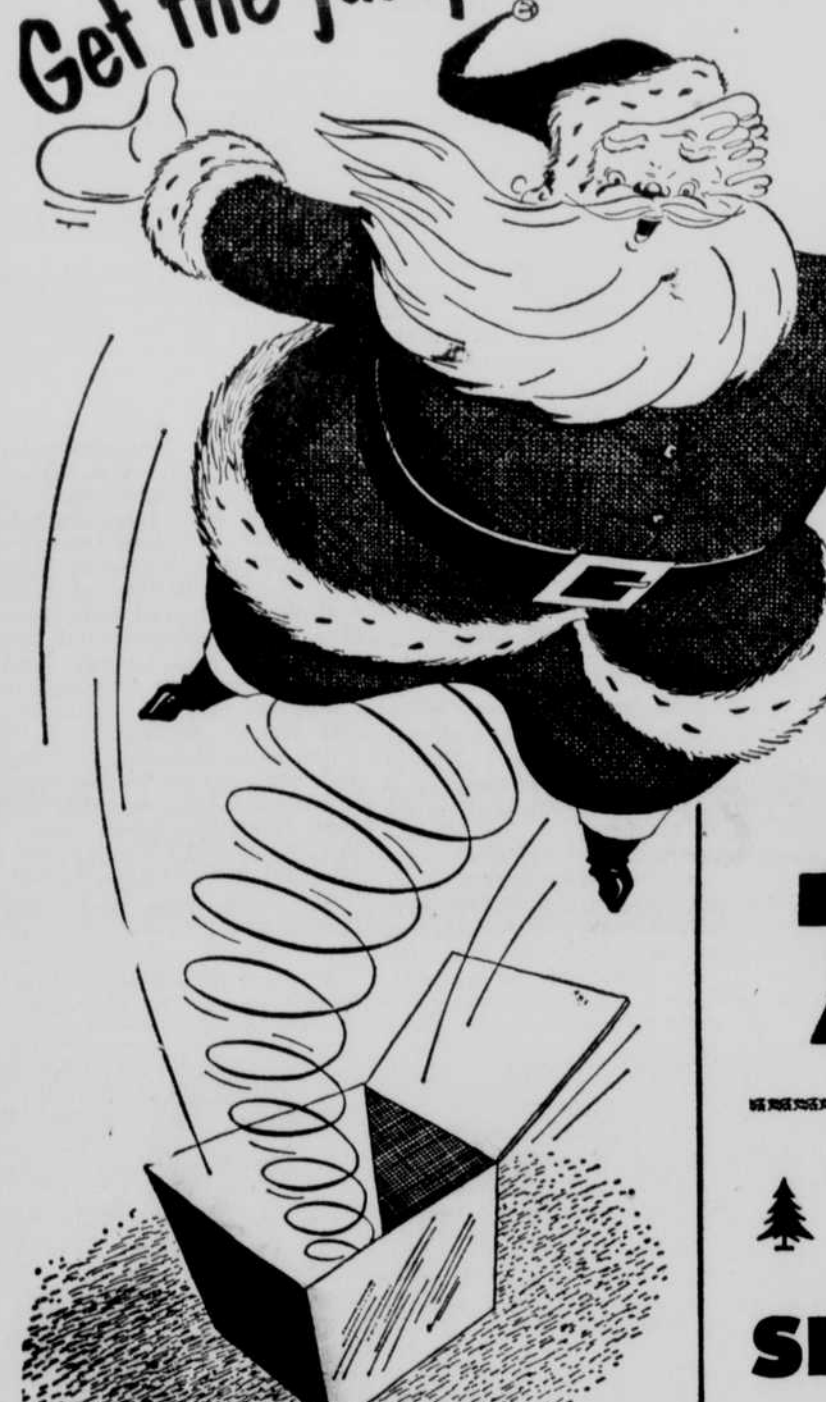
Larry and Russel Larson left Sunday afternoon for Sterling, Kans., where they attend college.

Ronnie Mott and Wayne Turner went to McPherson, Kans., to school; Sandra Shrader to Wayne state teachers college, and Paul Gunter to Norfolk junior college.

The Charles Rotherham family were supper guests Sunday at the Billy Lofquist home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hord called at the Dewitt Gunter home Sunday afternoon.

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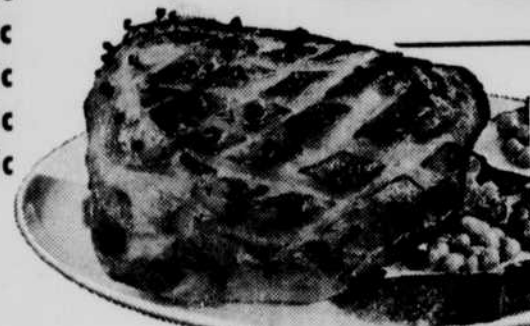
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