

Ewing News

By Mrs. Harold Harris

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Eacker of Ewing will observe their forty-fifth wedding anniversary on Christmas Day at their home with a family party. Expected members of the family are: Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Fuller and family of Grand Island, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bredenkamp and son of York, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ruby and family of Sioux City, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Eacker and family of Ewing, Robert, their youngest son, and his family of KallsPELL, Mont., will not be here.

Mr. and Mrs. Eacker have sixteen grandchildren. They were residents of Boone and Wheeler counties all their married life until 1939, when they moved to Ewing where they still reside. Mr. Eacker is an active hay dealer and does trucking. He was born at Albion and reared on a farm at Primrose. The couple was married December 24, 1914 at Albion.

Mrs. Eacker was born at Oakland, Ia., and reared at Cedar Rapids. She taught school in Boone, Wheeler, Antelope and Holt counties. In later years she resumed teaching in Holt and Antelope counties.

The 13th wedding anniversary of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ruby will also be observed the same day. They were married Dec. 31, 1946 at Ewing.

Mrs. Anna Savidge will be hostess at a family party on Christmas eve at her home. Her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Savidge and family of Minnesota will be weekend guests at her home. On Christmas Day, the family will have a gathering at the home of Mrs. Savidge's daughter and husband, Mr. and

Mrs. Bud Bartak and family. The Christmas program of the Bible school of the United Presbyterian church was presented Tuesday evening with a good attendance of parents and friends. Mrs. Pearl Tuttle, superintendent of the Bible school, was in charge. Miss Sandra Shrader was pianist. "I Heard The Bells on Christmas Day" was the opening number sung by the congregation. "Happy Birthday" was an exercise by pre-school children from two to four years of age. Mrs. Richard Napier and Mrs. Wendell Switzer are the teachers.

Other numbers included in the program were "I Wonder" by the kindergarten and first grade, Miss Alice Shrader, teacher; "A Strange Christmas Gift," by the third grade boys and girls, Mrs. Alfred Napier teacher; "Seeing Christ in Christmas" and "Christmas Who's Who" by the fourth and fifth grade, Mrs. Archie Johnston, teacher; "Star of the East," a piano solo by Dianne Shrader. The sixth graders, taught by Mrs. Lynn Fry, presented a play "The Youngest Shepherd" which included the song, "O Come All Ye Faithful" and "The Lamb's Christmas." "The First Christmas Gift" was a playlet presented by the sixth grade, Mrs. Wayne Frey teacher. They also sang, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" and "Christmas Boxes" "Silent Night" in which the congregation joined was the closing number. Dr. William H. Ross gave the benediction.

Festivities continued as the congregation and children of the Bible School went to the annex for an informal hour. There was a Christmas tree and an exchange of gifts and treats was scheduled. Bob Knapp who attends Brookings College in S. D., is expected home for the holiday vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Grover Shaw and daughter are moving into their

home this week, which was formerly occupied by Mrs. Daisy Wilson. They have done considerable remodeling.

Mrs. L. M. Carter and Mrs. Helen Grim, both teachers in the Orchard public school, entertained the faculty at a six p.m. dinner Saturday at the school house. Tables were decorated in a holiday theme. There were twenty guests present.

Mrs. Elmer Grim, Mrs. L. M. Carter and Mrs. Melvin Rexine attended the operetta "The Red Candles" presented Monday evening by the Orchard public school.

Various methods of transportation are being used by many Ewingites to reach their destination for the holidays.

Mrs. Bertha Urban left Friday for Omaha to attend a meeting of the Massage Association. Sunday evening she left by plane for Portland, Ore., and on her arrival will go to Kalamazoo, Wash., to spend the holiday with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Payder and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Cloyd and son, Ron left by car early Friday for Mesa, Ariz., to be guests at the home of their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. David Cloyd and family and their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. George Garhart and family. Enroute they were overnight guests at the home of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Napier at Sterling, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Butler left Saturday for Omaha where they will leave by train for Ft. Benning, Ga., to visit at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Lt. Col. and Mrs. E. D. McDonald, Douglas and Suzanne. They expect to be gone about three weeks.

Thursday, Dec. 24th, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ruby will leave for Long Beach, Calif., to be guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Ruby and family. Mr. Ruby is in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Wood left

Tuesday by car for Newcastle, Wyo., to spend the Christmas holiday with her sister and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Shrader and family plan to spend the Christmas week end with her mother, Mrs. Ruth Waples at Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dunaway, unable to get reservations, have postponed their trip to California until a later date.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Funk, George Burke and Dave Burke went to Rapid City December 13th where they attended the military funeral for William Roemerma held Monday. Burial was made in the Black Hills National cemetery. Mr. Roemerma was the son-in-law of Frank Burke, formerly of Deloit county.

School District 46 presented a Christmas program Friday evening, with a large attendance of parents and friends. The entertainment consisted of songs, recitations and a play "The Pot of Gold." Mrs. Martin Van Conet and Mrs. Wayne Elliot are the teachers of the two room school with thirty-two students.

A Christmas party will be held Wednesday afternoon for the children prior to being dismissed for the holiday vacation. Mrs. Doris Neal who teaches the Forslund school also presented a Christmas program Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Dierks went to Omaha on Wednesday to spend a few days at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Waters.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Davis and children are planning to spend Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Van Creager at Norfolk.

Preparations are being made at the home of Dr. and Mrs. William H. Ross for their expected guests during the holidays: their daughter, Dr. Margaret Ross of Rochester, Minn., and their daughter and son-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. C. Emerson McBane, George and Peggy Lou of Sterling, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Grim, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Lizzie Gram, spent Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Becky Butterfield at O'Neill. She was celebrating her 82nd birthday. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gosse and family of O'Neill.

Miss Bernadine Rotherham is a weekend guest at the home of her parents. She is employed in Lincoln.

The Ewing Public School presented its annual holiday program Thursday evening at the school auditorium to a capacity crowd.

The seventeen piece uniformed band played a prelude of marches and carols under the direction of Supt. D. G. Ryan, followed by a number by the girls' glee club in a colorful Christmas tree arrangement.

"Have A Heart, It's Christmas" was the operetta presented by the grades, with the first act representing a richly furnished home and the second, a home very plainly furnished. In the leading cast were: Eddy Hobbs, Kay Hutton, Eddie Rotherham, Kay Hahlbeck, Myra Pruden, Richard Kropp, Shirley Funk, and Brenda Rotherham.

Other grades participating were the kindergarten, Ann Bergstrom, Cheryl Boies, Debra Bowling, Mary Lynn Eacker, Lovia Lee Funk, Max Kropp, Dale Miller, Mike Regan, Eddie Rockey, Beth Rotherham, Peggy Schroeder, Davis Shrader, Kenneth Snyder, Laura Spangler, Merri Louise Tuttle, sang "Away In A Manger."

Representing dolls in costumes were Diana Hamilton, Sandra Hill, Linda Juracek, Deloris Latzel, Patty Munn, Rita Kay Snyder, Mary Sanders, Roberta Eppenbach, Viola Parks, Leigh Ann Pruden, Lyne Rotherham, Lavonne Thrumer and Debbie Yelli. Representing toys in costume were Ronnie Funk, Mike Munn, Dennis Napier, Bob Pruden, Randy Rockey, George Van Conet, Jerry Yelli, Steve Boies, Paddy Regan, John Sanders, Calen Tuttle, Roger Miller.

The dancing popcorn drill and song was presented by Gwen Spangler, Charlene Miller, Linda Eacker, Gloria Hamilton, Carolyn Bergstrom, Kay Fleming, Carolyn

Hill and Mary Sharon Munn, the Cranberry March, by Larry Blunt, as drummer, David Woeppel, Jerome Miller, LeRoy Napier, Russell Tuttle, Francis Bergstrom, Ronald Sisson, Thomas Hutton, Ronnie Sisson, in the Lollipop Chorus were Bob Black, Steven Bowling, Maurice Hahlbeck, Glenda Napier, Anita Parks, David Rotherham, David Shrader, Mary Bergstrom, Barbara Johnston, Vicki Miller, Monic Munn, Joe Rotherham, Jim Schilousky, Richard Shan, Geraldine Snyder, Leon Spangler, Linda Thrumer, Linda Yelli.

The chorus composed of seventh and eighth graders, sang selections in connection with the operetta. They are: Karen Woeppel, Florence Black, Judy Spangler, Larry Mlinarik, Marilyn Johnston, Sharon Spangler, Sandra Tellender, Joan Spangler, Mary Karen Funk, Evelyn Truie, Kenny Brion, Dick Wanser, Terry Wright Rita Rotherham, Frank Eppenbach, Julian Sojka, Kitty Wanser, Lois Spangler, Lonnie Eacker, Evelyn Snyder, Janelle Tams, Jim Kropp, Sheila Ryan, Andrea Bowling, Donna Tams, Barbara Schilousky.

Teachers in charge of the operetta were Mrs. Helne Grim, kindergarten, Mrs. Ruth Hansen, first and second grade; Mrs. Neva Bergstrom, third and fourth; Mrs. Fern Rexin, fifth and sixth; Mrs. Buelah Black seventh and eighth. Mrs. Wilbur Spangler was pianist for the evening entertainment. Miss Sharon Johnston accompanied the trio for their selections.

Wednesday December 23 was the last day of school before the holiday vacation. Parties will begin at one-thirty in the afternoon for the individual grade rooms, each having some entertainment, lunch and an exchange of gifts. The high school will have their party from 2 to 3 with exchange of gifts before being dismissed for the Christmas vacation. The faculty members are planning a quiet vacation at their homes in Ewing.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dunaway, who left Tuesday to visit relatives at Hastings and Omaha, were expected home Saturday. During their absence, their daughter, Mrs. Wilmer Mosel and Mrs. Josephine Elston had charge of their cafe.

"Christmas Centerpieces" was the lesson for the Try and Do home extension club when they met Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Floyd Butterfield. This was presented by Mrs. Merline Meyers.

At a brief business session, plans were made to install the new officers at the January meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Ivan Wright was also a covered dish supper. There was a gift exchange, names of mystery sisters revealed and names drawn for another year.

The lunch, served by Mrs. Butterfield, was a colorful demonstration in the art of baking, learned from home extension club work.

New members are: Mrs. Stanley Dairs, Mrs. Gary Tessmer, Mrs. George Keller and Mrs. Weldon Alexander.

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian church met Tuesday, December 15 for an all day session at the annex. Mrs. Richard Napier was hostess for a chicken dinner. The tables were colorful with Christmas decorations. The program included a candle lighting service

in which six very small girls sang "Away In A Manger."

At the business meeting, new officers were elected for the coming year. They are Mrs. Wilbur Bennett, president; Mrs. Pearl Tuttle, vice-president; Mrs. Laurel Gunter, treasurer; Mrs. Ralph Shrader secretary with Mrs. Willie Shrader alternate, Mrs. Wendell Switzer, Thank Offering secretary.

Saxes were packed and delivered to shut-ins and the elderly people.

The WSCS held their Christmas party on Wednesday at the parlors of the First Methodist church. Sixteen members attended.

A six o'clock covered dish dinner was served. Table decorations were carried out in Christmas greens featuring holiday pixies by Mrs. Henry Fleming and Mrs. Earl Van Ostrand.

"The Merry Years of Christmas," read by Mrs. H. R. Harris, told of the origin of many of the Christmas traditions in America

today. This was followed by each member telling of some Christmas experience concerning themselves or their families. Gifts were exchanged by drawing numbers. Many received gifts from their secret pals.

Mrs. Willis Rockey and Mrs. James Tinsley were in charge of the entertainment.

Larry Wanser, who attends Regis College at Denver, Colo., came home Saturday for the holiday vacation which he will spend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Wanser. Miss Judy Wanser is expected to arrive on Christmas eve from Omaha. Other guests on Christmas day at the Wanser home will be Jerry Wanser of Peru and Mrs. W. E. Wanser of Page.

A family gathering is planned for Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rotherham. Guests expected are Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Rotherham and family, of

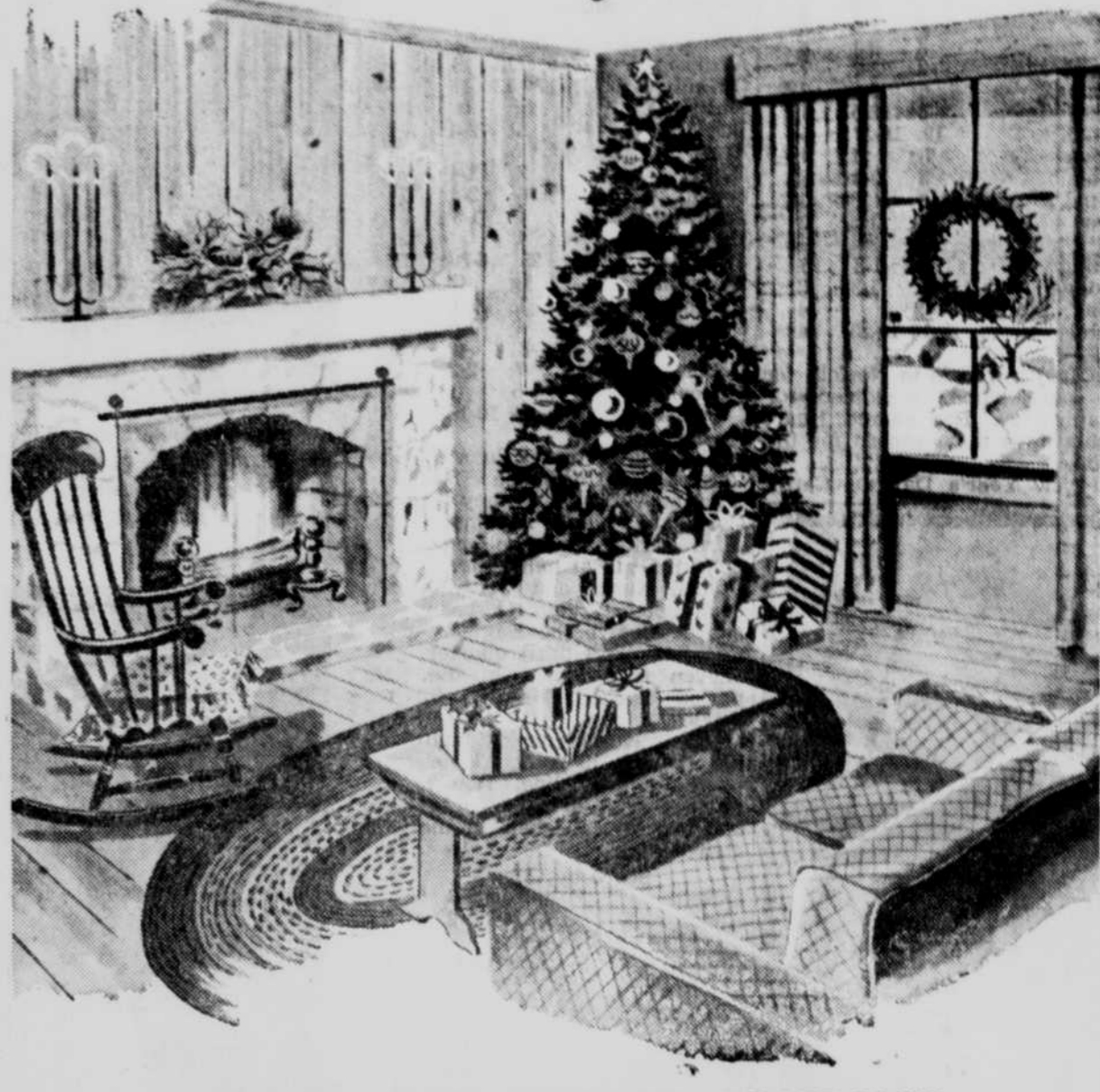
Ewing. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Rotherham and family of Niobrara, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Gragert and family of Albion, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Rotherham of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Miss Bernadine Rotherham and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wood and children who will be weekend guests. Another plan added to the holiday activity of the holiday season is making preparation for moving to O'Neill, where Mr. Rotherham is on the police force. They operated the Green Lantern for the past thirteen years.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Carter entertained the following guests at their home during last weekend: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thompson of Page, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Rexin, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Grim of Ewing.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Carter are making plans to spend part of their holiday vacation with relatives at Chadron.

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