



**Rockwood News**

By MRS. JOHN C. HUNTER



ROCKWOOD, TEXAS

PHONE 1003

Due to my sister's illness, I was in Abilene last week and want to thank Mrs. W. G. Williams for sending our news letter in. Also thanks to Mr. Blake Williams for sending the KSTA radio news items.

Dr. W. G. Williams was in Brownwood two days last week for a check-up. Barney Williams was in Brady hospital Thursday and Friday with food poisoning.

Mr. Bob Johnson was admitted to the Santa Anna Hospital Friday because of pneumonia. Harold Straughan is a patient in the Brady hospital.

Mr. Lee Miller received minor surgery Monday at the Brady hospital and was able to return home.

Mr. Dave Ellis is at Anderson hospital in Houston, where he has recently undergone surgery and is reported to be doing satisfactory.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Buttry and Mr. and Mrs. Lee McMillan were Wednesday evening supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Halmon and Jerry in San Angelo. Mr. and Mrs. Buttry were celebrating their 28th wedding anniversary.

The Rev. H. B. Lloyd, District Superintendent of Brownwood, brought the message at the morning hour Sunday at the Methodist Church. Dinner was served at the church, followed by Quarter Conference.

The Rev. Howard Morgan of Novice will be guest speaker Sunday evening, January 31, at

the Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Uless Maness were business visitors in Brownwood Monday and visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Williams and Donald Lynn.

Sunday afternoon guests with Mr. and Mrs. Drury Estes were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burson and Arline of Brownwood and Mr. and Mrs. Dee Mankin and Gaylon of Coleman.

Lt. and Mrs. W. A. Staub and children of Shaw, S. C., were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Avants, Melvin and Larry. The Staub family are being transferred to San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Buttry were visiting Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Buttry.

Mrs. Blanche Smitherman and Mrs. Billy Smitherman of Fort Worth, spent Friday and Friday night with Mrs. Kate McIlvain.

The W. M. S. met at the Baptist Church Monday afternoon in Bible Study, using the text, "Women of Destiny". Mrs. F. E. McCreary directed the study.

Mr. George Ryan of Big Spring is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Blackwell. Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Ryan of Comanche were Sunday guests in the Blackwell home.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hyatt Moore were Miss Lizzie Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Fowler and Charlie Moore and a grandson.

Woodrow Estes, who has employment in Bovina, was home for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Steward, Kay and Sony, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pearson and boys at Eola.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cooper took Mrs. N. V. Bolton and daughter, Connie and Miss Martha Wreiling of Fort Pierre, S. D., to Perrin, to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Kenneman and children. Enroute they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sanderson at Breckenridge.

Mr. Charles Ing of Pinkston, S. D., was a business visitor during the week-end.

Dolores Wise, a student in Southwest State Teachers College, San Marcus, was with home folks during the week-end.

Mrs. Claud Box was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Campbell and Johnny Pat in Santa Anna.

Jack Cooper reports his aunt, Mrs. Eunice Hampton of Florence, Miss., who suffered a stroke about the first of December, is being taken to a Fort Worth

hospital by air. Mrs. Hampton will be remembered as the former Eunice Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Estes and Sunny Ann of Sweetwater, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Estes and Raymond.

3/GM and Mrs. Olin Horton and Johnny Wayne, went to Austin Monday to visit Mr. Horton's parents. Mr. Horton will report in Philadelphia February 1 and Mrs. Horton will resume her studies at the University in Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Rehm of Utopia, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Steward and James. Mr. and Mrs. Mac Rehm of Brownwood were Sunday guests in the Steward home.

Mrs. Carl Buttry, Mrs. Tony Rehm and Mrs. Johnny Steward will be hostesses to a bridal shower honoring Mrs. Rolan Deal, the former Patsy Rehm, Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 p. m., at the luncheon.

Mrs. John X. Steward, Mrs. Douglas Avants and Jackye Lynn and Mrs. Minta Scoggins and Billie Ed, were business visitors in San Angelo last Tuesday.

Guests with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Steward are Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Allen of California, Mrs. Ida Mae Wamsley of Wichita Falls, Mrs. Charm Cullum and Mrs. Frankie Hardee of Dallas.

Mrs. Allen was admitted to the Santa Anna Hospital Friday, suffering from an allergy.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Bryan and Mrs. C. W. Hunter spent last week in McLean, visiting Mrs. Bryan's sister, Mrs. Carl James, Mr. James and Randy. Mrs. James returned home with them for a week's visit.

Miss Billie Wise and Mr. Jesse Echols of San Angelo, were luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rutherford and children on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Valcek of San Antonio, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Evan Wise over the week-end. All of them visited in San Angelo with Miss Billie Wise and Mr. and Mrs. Allie Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Brooks of Eldorado visited with Miss Linnie Box Saturday afternoon.

**MY HOME TOWN — ROCWOOD**

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shuford have been rather "under the weather" this winter, but last week they were really surprised when a group of neighbors, led by Mr. and Mrs. Jack McSwane, took tractors and plows and broke land for them. The men plowing were Jack and Aubrey

McSwane, Laurence Brusenhan, Jr., Lefel Estes, James Sluder, John Kemp and James Townsend. The ladies serving dinner were Mrs. Jack McSwane, Mrs. Aubrey McSwane, Mrs. James Sluder, Mrs. Kate McIlvain, Mrs. Blake Williams and Miss Linnie Box.

It's fellowship like this we are thinking about when we say we wouldn't trade our Home Town.

The Shufords say "Thanks a Million".

Gale Stevens came in early last week from Anchorage Alaska with his discharge, having served there for about a year with the Air Force. He said it was 37 below zero when he left Alaska, but found our cold

weather here was about as uncomfortable, because of the wind. He is at present staying with his mother, Mrs. D. W. Stevens, where he will probably remain.

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Granville England had a message from his father, Mr. Ernest England, stating that Mrs. England was in a hospital at Friona with pneumonia. A later message indicated she was somewhat improved. Her daughter, Mrs. McRay Gregory of Ft. Worth, was with her.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. White and family of Lubbock visited in the M. W. Powers home Saturday and Sunday.



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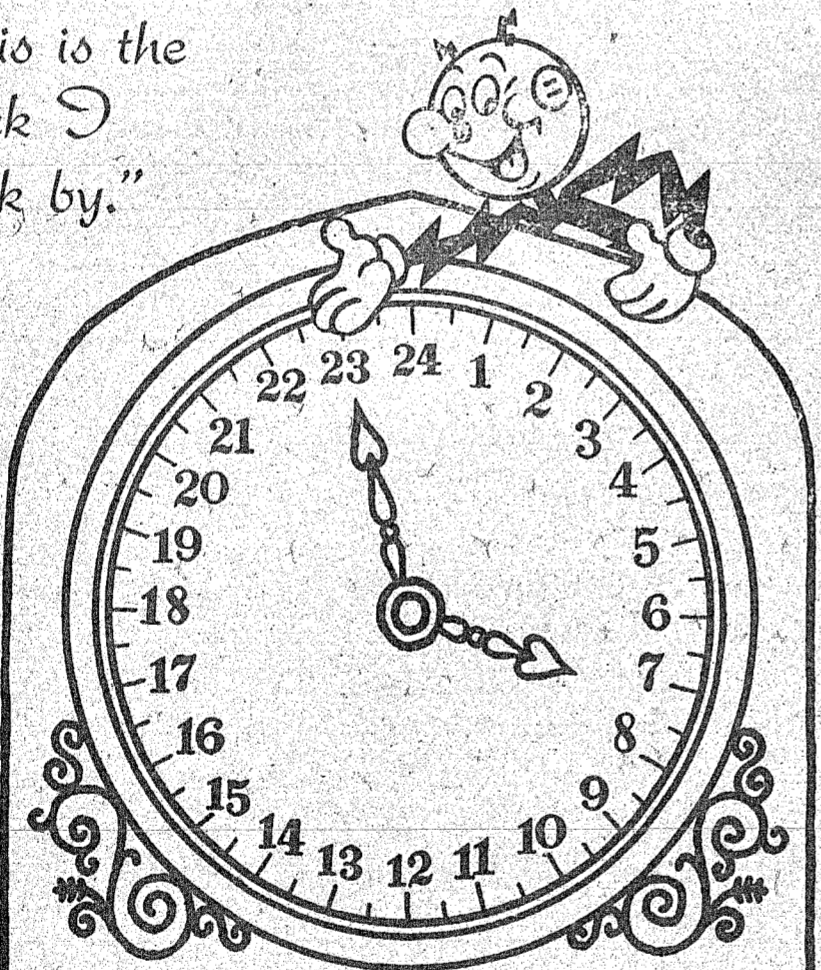
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**Our WASHINGTON LETTER**

By Congressman **O. C. FISHER**

Washington was blanketed with a foot of snow last week. It was the second snow storm to hit the capital this month. When people fuss about the snow to me I tell them we would be more than glad to have it — or any other form of moisture — in west Texas. There's an old saying around here that if you don't like the weather in Washington, just be patient because it always changes every few days anyhow. That has been the case this year. With a foot of snow and 10 degree weather which held on for a week early in January, folks were saying they never saw such a long seige of cold weather at one time. Then came the swinging weather pendulum. Warm weather set in, the thaw was complete in three days, and shirt sleeve weather took over. But today it's all snow again.

On Capitol Hill business has been dull, a normal condition in the early stages of a session. The cotton acreage bill was enacted into law. It will help our area some but there will still be many inequities. The details will be publicized to the farmers in the near future. Any one desiring a copy of the new law may have one by writing me.

The President's budget message was really the big news of last week. The printed budget, on thin paper, in two columns, weighs 7½ pounds. The budget is simply the breakdown of sums of money which the Administration feels should be appropriated to carry on national defense and the various functions of the government during the next fiscal year, beginning July 1. Over-all, it whacks about \$5 billion from the amount being expended this year. There will still be a deficit,

however, estimated to be about \$3.3 billion for the present fiscal year and \$2.9 billion deficit for the next year.

Actually, when account is taken of social security and other trust funds, the cash deficit this year will be, according to present estimates roughly 200 million dollars. In the next fiscal year, beginning on July 1, according to the President's message, the amount of cash taken in will exceed outlays by 100 million dollars. President Eisenhower, in his budget message, recommended certain tax reforms which, if enacted, will provide about \$1.5 billion in additional relief to taxpayers.

**Heart Fund Drive To Open Monday; Cooperation Urged**

Monday (Feb. 1) will mark the opening of the annual month-long Heart Fund drive of the Texas Heart Association and affiliated local Heart Associations throughout Texas. Governor Shivers has proclaimed February as Heart Month in Texas and has called upon all Texans "to cooperate wholeheartedly in the activities of American Heart Month."

The governor, who for the third consecutive year is serving as co-chairman of the Heart Fund, along with attorney general John Ben Shepperd, also a co-chairman, reminded Texans in his Heart Month proclamation that "in a single year, diseases of the heart and blood vessels caused the deaths of 771,000 Americans — and affect one out of every 16 residents of the United States." He also termed heart and circulatory system diseases "the most important medical problem affecting the health and life of citizens in the state of Texas and throughout the nation."

Dr. W. R. White, Baylor University president and chairman of the 1954 Texas Heart Fund, and Governor Shivers are scheduled to officially open the drive for funds for heart disease research and education in a radio broadcast over the Texas State Network at 7:15 p. m. Monday (Feb. 1).

In accepting the chairmanship of the 1954 Heart Fund, Dr. White pointed out that funds contributed to the Heart Fund

are used to support medical and scientific research projects, a nation-wide public education program and community heart programs.

"Sole purpose of these programs is to stamp out heart disease — the nation's greatest killer," Dr. White declared. "If the present death rate continues, more than half of the 160,000,000 Americans now alive will die of heart or artery diseases. It is up to us to do our part to prevent this."

Dr. White pointed out that contributions to the Heart Fund may be made to local Heart Association, or may be mailed to "Heart", care of your Postmaster.

Mrs. H. O. Norris of the Liberty Community is reported to have been on the sick list for the past two weeks. Her condition is reported improved early this week.

Charles Chaney, pastor of the Liberty Baptist Church and Bud Griffin, James Smith and Vernon Penny, went to Mullin last Monday night to help that church organize a Brotherhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hunter and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hunter and Edd Lee of Coleman visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Brownlee Hunter and Anne in Austin. They saw other members of the Hunter family and report that Mrs. Roger Hunter is recuperating from a recent attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hardy, Mrs. Billy Joe Robnett and Sandra Shields were in Dallas Sunday for the wedding of Reba Hardy to C. A. Tubbs, Jr., which went off as planned. The write-up of the wedding will appear next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith are building them a new home on their farm in the Plainview community, into which they hope to move soon. While the home is in the process of erection, they are living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hensley.

Mr. and Mrs. Donel Kirkpatrick and children of Abilene visited Saturday with his aunts, Misses Jettie and Dora Kirkpatrick. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Kirkpatrick of Zephyr.

Mrs. M. D. Pinkerton went to Junction Tuesday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Henderson.

Murrel Spence came in Saturday night from a trip to Chicago, left for California Monday, being accompanied by his parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Taylor.

David Pinkerton and Kenneth Grant, students at Tarleton State College, were here for the week-end visiting with their parents.

Mrs. Lois Henderson went to Abilene Monday and brought Ellen Richards home from a two

weeks stay there, where she had surgery in Hendricks Memorial Hospital. She is getting along fine and stood the trip quite well.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner Oakes and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hoyt went to Abilene Sunday afternoon to visit Mr. and Mrs. Will

Hoyt, formerly longtime residents of this vicinity. Mr. Hoyt, who had surgery recently in an Abilene hospital, was moved home Saturday and was getting along very well.

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Doctor Speaks On Civil Defense At Auxiliary Meeting

The Santa Anna Hospital Auxiliary met Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 26, at the hospital, the meeting having been postponed from the Tuesday previous.

The highlight of the meeting was a talk by Dr. Charles Henner, who gave understandable advice on what to do during emergencies and disasters, including tornadoes.

He stressed the need of training programs so people will know how to care for minor accidents or afflictions in their homes.

He stressed that 1954 will be a training year for the Santa Anna Hospital. This should be of great benefit to our people. Three training programs are planned: Red Cross, which will include First Aid; Home Nursing; and Licensed Vocational Nurses.

The Red Cross Training program will begin in one or two weeks and will take 3 months to complete. Mrs. West and helpers began working toward this at close of meeting.

The Home Nursing program to start later, will require from 2 to 3 months to complete.

The Licensed Vocational Nurses Training will require one year for completion. Registered nurses will be in charge of all the training. Dr. Henner hopes to double the number of blood bank donors this year. He stressed that all who have had their blood typed should carry it in their wallet at all times.

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demonstrator, brought the program on Selection of a Pattern for each individual.

Mrs. Evan Wise introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Wimpy Watson. She talked on her trip to Galveston, as a THDA delegate from Coleman County, District 7. The talk was enjoyed very much and Mrs. Watson was presented a gift from the club.

Mrs. Tom Bryan, hostess for the meeting, served refreshments of cookies, mints and punch to Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Evan Wise, Mrs. Lon Gray, Mrs. Aubrey McSwane, Mrs. Jack Bostick, Mrs. Jake McCreary, Mrs. F. E. McCreary, Mrs. Marcus Johnson, Mrs. Harold Straughan and Mrs. Blake Williams.

District Meeting Of ESA Held Sunday

A United Nations theme was carried out at the District Seven meeting of Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority, Sunday, January 24, 1954, with the Delta Omicron Chapter of Santa Anna, Texas, as host.

The meeting was held in the new Santa Anna school lunchroom and began with the registration and coffee at 11:00 a. m. About 50 girls were present, representing chapters from Stephenville, Brownwood, Brady, San Angelo, Ozona, Coleman and Santa Anna. Before the luncheon, Mrs. Ione Caton gave the invocation, followed by a welcome by Mrs. C. D. Bruce, the Educational Director of the chapter. Lois Ann Shields then sang the French National Anthem and asked the group to join her in singing the "Star Spangled Banner". Lera Guthrie accompanied her.

Carnation corsages were presented to Mrs. Bruce, Neil Starnes, District President and State Vice-President, of Coleman, and to Monty Burns, District Coordinator of Brady. The table was centered with a beautiful arrangement of red and white carnations, blue Dutch Iris, stock and greenery. This was given to the club for the occasion by Mrs. H. L. Markland, Social Sponsor. Silver candlesticks with white candles were on each side of the centerpiece and placed down the two rows of tables.

Other decorations were the blue and white United Nations flag, made by the Rockwood Home Demonstration Club, red roses and azaleas. The programs were gold metallic cardboard globes with blue maps.

Immediately following the luncheon, Neil Starnes presided over the business meeting. The main topics of discussion were the Polio Fund, which is the State Project, and the nomination of Neil Starnes for State President and her campaign which every chapter in the district will take part in. Ozona made and won a bid for the next district meeting which will be in April.

Members who prepared and attended the luncheon were Mrs. C. D. Bruce, Mrs. Markland, Ione Caton, Daphne Dockery, Billie Guthrie, Sylvia Herring, Sammie McCreary, Lera Guthrie, Sadie Richardson, Patricia Davis and Jo Ann Allen. A former member, Theola Stewardson, of San Angelo, also attended.

Miss Kirkpatrick Hostess To Self Culture Club Friday

The Self Culture Club had an interesting and well attended meeting in the home of Miss Dora Kirkpatrick on Friday, Jan. 22nd, notwithstanding the slush and lingering ice on streets.

Mrs. J. C. Mathews, president, presided over a short business session. In the eighth program in a travelog series, Countries of Europe were discussed.

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Mrs. C. D. Bruce had Germany for her subject and contrasted the mode of life in East and West. Mrs. Mathews discussed Italy's Culture (Musical and Art).

Mrs. M. D. Pinkerton will be hostess for the next meeting Feb. 12th, which will be in her home.

Adams - Arrant Vows Exchanged In Lubbock Friday

A double ring ceremony read at 8 o'clock Friday, January 22, united in marriage Miss Walter Jo Adams and Garland Walker Arrant. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Abe Hester in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Adams in Lubbock. Vows were exchanged before a mantel decorated with white gladioli.

The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Virgie Arrant of Lubbock, formerly of Santa Anna.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a two-piece white fanta-faille dress. The full skirt featured inverted pleats and the jacket was styled with

dolman sleeves and covered buttons down the front. Navy blue shoes and a white hat, trimmed in blue velvet accented the bride's costume. The bride, wearing white tulle mitts, carried white orchids on a white Bible.

Miss Juanita Adams attended her sister as maid of honor. Her dress of forest green shantung taffeta was styled with a pleated skirt and a short bolera with kimono sleeves. She carried yellow chrysanthemums surrounded with daffodils.

Kenneth L. James served the groom as best man and Foy Patterson acted as usher.

Before the ceremony, Larry Tonroy played "I Love You Truly", "Because", and "Always". Miss Millie Hay and Miss

Francene Hart served at the reception which immediately followed the ceremony. The bride's table was decorated with her chosen colors of green and yellow.

For traveling, the bride wore a brown wool gaberdine suit with a brown and gray poodle cloth top coat. The bride's hat and gloves were pink and her shoes and bag were brown.

The bride is a graduate of Lubbock Senior High School and Draughton's Business College. The groom is a graduate of Santa Anna High School and Texas Tech.

After a short wedding trip to New Mexico, the couple will be at home in Amarillo where the bridegroom is employed.

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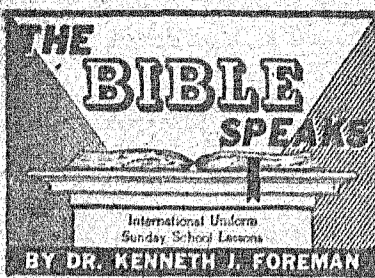
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BY DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

Scripture: John 1:13-17. Devotional Reading: Romans 12:1-13.

Religion and A. A. Lesson for January 31, 1954

SINCE this week's Bible study has to do with temperance, this is a good place to call the reader's attention to a notable little (108 pages) book, "A Sober Faith," by G. Aiken Taylor...

The Problem Drinker

The Alcoholic Foundation figures that in America, between three million and four million persons are "problem drinkers." A problem drinker is not yet an alcoholic...



Dr. Foreman of the Alcoholic Foundation runs into the week till toward the bottom of the slide he would regard himself as fortunate if all he had was a mere "week-end." He may not be quite an alcoholic, but he is a problem drinker...

The Alcoholic The alcoholic is more than a problem drinker. He is a thoroughly sick man. No effort of will, no sanitarium, no advice, no fear...

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Horseman of Rockwood were pleasant callers at The News' office Monday. Their home is at Durant, Okla., but they are spending the winter with her father, Mr. J. A. Estes. Mrs. Horseman's health...

of disgrace or pain or death—nothing short of sheer force will keep him from getting drunk and staying so. These are the people with whom AA works and of whom in fact AA is composed...

The Twelve Steps

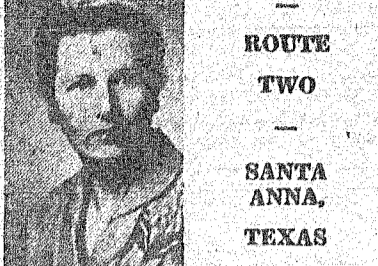
Mr. Aiken's book goes through the "twelve steps" which are both the creed and the practice of AA, shows how they work, and calls special attention to the genuinely religious quality of the program...

AA and Religion

Questions will occur to every one interested. What exactly does the AA group do to help alcoholics? Is the religion of AA the same as Christianity? Why don't the churches have as good a record for saving such cases?

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Buffalo News By MRS. JOHN LAUDER



ROUTE TWO SANTA ANNA, TEXAS

Most of the members of the Methodist Church were out Sunday night to hear their new pastor, Rev. H. J. Johnson of Lingelville, near Stephenville, and to meet his wife and two sons, Forrest and Bert. His address is Route 1, Box 79, Stephenville, Texas.

Mrs. E. O. Rider and children of Cisco, and Miss Thelma Casey of Coleman were Sunday afternoon callers in the E. D. Bouchillon home.

Mrs. A. N. Lovelace was called to Beaumont to be with her daughter, Mrs. Norvill Wade, who is ill again.

Mrs. Fannie Pike spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. A. K. Grimes.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Knotts and children of Hillsboro spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Grimes.

Miss Thelma Casey of Coleman visited Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Grimes.

Mrs. Leona Graves and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Bell had his sister, Mrs. Lee Weatherall and daughter, of Petrolle and Mrs. Weatherall's daughter, Mrs. Haney and granddaughter, Betty of Abilene, to visit them last week. Mrs. Bessie Baker of Bangs visited the Bell's and Mrs. Graves on Sunday.

Mrs. George Warren of Fort Worth, visited over the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Graves.

Mrs. Leray Curry and Mr. W. Curry attended the singing in Coleman Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Powell were Saturday evening visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Curry.

Mrs. A. N. Lovelace visited Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. W. J. Curry.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jackson of Brownwood visited Sunday in the home of Mrs. Leona Graves.

Those who came to work Monday on redecorating the Methodist Church were: Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Curry, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Curry, Mrs. Bill Archer, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Fuller and Mr. John Lauder.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Gaines of Coleman visited Saturday evening in the John Lauder home. The Lauder's were in Bangs Sunday visiting Miss Myrtle

Gaines and Mrs. J. W. Lauder. While in a cafe at Bangs we met Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Byler and daughter, Mr. Byler and daughter have been sick.

Cleveland News By MRS. MANLEY F. BLANTON



TRUCKHAM ROUTE PHONE 3705 SANTA ANNA, TEXAS

Mr. Julius Wagner of San Angelo, visited several days the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Silas Wagner.

Miss Ada Ferguson of Santa Anna, visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Martin and children of Bangs, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Cupps.

Mrs. C. T. Moore and Mrs. Sam Moore visited last Monday with Mrs. Benjy Allison in Brownwood.

Patsy Wagner spent Saturday night with Mrs. Harold Cupps.

Mrs. M. F. Blanton and Mrs. Bob Clifton spent Monday with Mrs. Drisco Woods and Mrs. T. P. Neve. We are sorry to report that Mrs. Neve has not been feeling well lately.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Moore, Patsy spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Moore.

Mrs. Sid Blanton and son were shopping in Brownwood Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Leonard visited Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Cupps. On Sunday night Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Cupps visited with them.

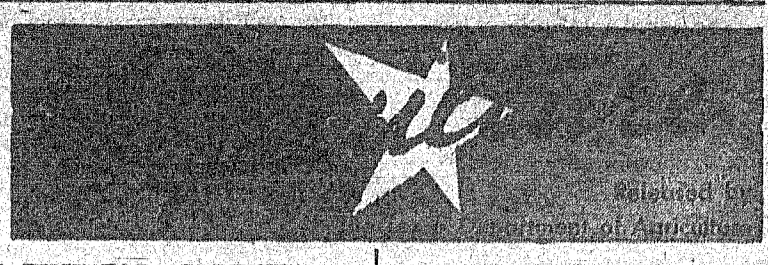
Sgt. Otis Woods, who has been stationed in Mass. came home Tuesday to visit with his daughter and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Drisco Woods. After a visit of about 10 days, he will return to Ft. Hood, where he is stationed.

Mrs. C. T. Moore spent Tuesday in Santa Anna with Mrs. Maude Phillips.

Mrs. Manley Blanton, Tommy and Anne, were shopping in Brownwood on Saturday.

Those visiting with Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Cupps Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Casey Herring and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Williams, Mrs. Bill Martin and Mrs. Verge Cupps.

Several from this community attended the band concert at the



A TIME FOR ALERTNESS

Any program as extensive as the recent drouth relief hay shipments to Texas can have mixed results. It can do a lot of good and yet still have some harmful after-effects.

One danger lies in the spread of noxious weeds or plants to areas where they did not exist before. When hay is brought in from distant points, it is inevitable that some foreign plants are mixed with that hay. And they can be real bother if they get a foothold in Texas fields.

There are several precautionary measures a farmer or rancher can use to prevent this spread. When practical, only one area of the pasture or barnyard should be used as a feeding site.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON-SERMON

That the inexhaustible resources of divine Love are available today to bless those who understand the unlimited good that God has provided for man will be brought out at Christian Science services Sunday.

The Lesson-Sermon entitled "Love" includes the following verses from the Bible:

"Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not, and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. If then God so clothe the grass, which is today in the field, and tomorrow is cast into the oven; how much more will he clothe you, O ye of little faith?—Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom" (Luke 12:27, 28, 32).

From "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy the following correlative passage will be read: "Divine Love always has met and always will meet every human need" (494:10).

The Golden Text is from Psalms: "The Lord is gracious, and full of compassion;—The Lord is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works" (145:8,9).

On Saturday night, Jan. 23rd, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Hutcherson, Jim and Johnny, of Early gave a chili supper, honoring several members of the family who have birthdays in January. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Tucker and Davis of Crossroads, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Norris, Edna, Patsy, and Fletcher of Indian Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Price and Harold of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Tucker, Tony and Billie, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tucker, Roy, Linda and Danny, Mr. and Mrs. William Rutherford, Don, Joe and Larry, all of Santa Anna.

Mrs. George Etheredge and son, Sherwood, of Brownwood, visited in the Vernon Penny and J. D. Howard homes in the Liberty Community Sunday.

Yankee Stadium in New York City is known as "The House That Ruth Built."

Large advertisement for 'The Santa Anna News' printing service. Text includes: 'We Offer A Complete Job Printing Service!', 'NO JOB TOO SMALL — NO JOB TOO LARGE', 'Your Printing Supply Headquarters', 'The Santa Anna News', 'TELEPHONE 45'.

Advertisement for Coleman Butane Gas Co. Text includes: 'USE BOTTLED GAS', 'Clean and Safe', 'Best For Heating', 'Higher BTU Rating', 'Best For Cooking', 'Approved By Architects', 'No Mess', 'No Fuss', 'Prompt Delivery', 'PHONE 8371', 'Coleman Butane Gas Co.'

Advertisement for Freeman Tractor Co. Text includes: 'USE BOTTLED GAS', 'mounted Disc Plows master Stubborn Soils', 'Wherever disc plows are preferred, Allis-Chalmers offers outstanding performance...', 'WD 2-disc plow', 'CA 2-disc plow', 'SNAP-COUPLER makes hitching a SNAP!', 'ALLIS-CHALMERS SALES AND SERVICE', 'Freeman Tractor Co.', '117 East Pecan — Coleman'.

**Whon News**

By MRS. TOM RUTHERFORD



WHON, TEXAS

PLEASE LEAVE NEWS ITEMS AT WHON POST OFFICE

Earl Wright Gill had charge of services at the Baptist Church here Sunday.

Mr. Howard Lovelady of Gateville and son, Howard Lee, visited one day last week briefly, with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cozart.

Mr. and Mrs. Granvil Hext and children of Gouldbusk, visited his mother, Mr. and Mrs. Babe Gardalner, Sunday.

Patsy Cupps spent Friday night with Francis Ann Bryan. Mrs. Bryan took the girls shopping in Brownwood, Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Wagie Montgomery and son, of San Angelo, was home over the week-end. Her son remained with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Rutherford this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene James and children of Trickham, visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Tackett and family Saturday night.

T. J. Adkins of Lexington, N. Carolina, formerly of Whon, is visiting around in our community this week and attending the Brownwood show, then on to the Fort Worth show. T. J. is accompanied on the trip to Texas by cattlemen from North Carolina and attending the Brownwood and Fort Worth shows.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley McFarlin spent Saturday night with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Wheatly. Sunday the group visited Riley's brother and family in Comanche.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Will Fowler and son, Joe Earl of Austin, spent

Saturday night with Mrs. Fowler's mother, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cozart.

Mrs. Etelle Cozart returned home from Angelton Saturday night, where she had been for two weeks with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Ray Cozart and family. Her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Deal and family accompanied her home, returning to their home on Sunday.

Mr. Perkins is visiting his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morris and boys.

We are sorry to report Mr. Bob Johnson in the Santa Anna Hospital. His daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cozart were with him Sunday and reported his condition improved. Mr. Johnson has pneumonia.

**Trickham News**

By Wilma and Winona Bradley

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Cemetery Association, plans were made for the annual Association meeting. The Fourth Sunday in April was selected as the time for the next meeting. At the first meeting the time was set for the third Sunday, later they remembered this was Easter Sunday, so the time was changed to the Fourth Sunday. Bro. J. W. Burgett was called for the guest speaker. Remember, the time is the Fourth Sunday in April.

Mrs. Tom Rutherford visited Mrs. Kingston Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny McIver and boys, Miss Winnie Paul Ham of Howard Payne College, Delray Stacy and Miss Pat Hammonds of Coleman, Peggy Ford from Abilene, Lea and Bettie Mitchell, were visitors at Sunday School and church. Bro. J. H. Martin brought the morning message. Mr. J. E. Eustis the night message. There was 77 out for Sunday School.

Mrs. Zona Stacy visited over the week-end with Mrs. Sammie

Harris of Mozelle. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Stephenson and Rilda, also Glenn Birgman, was dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Boenicke Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Vaughan were bedtime visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dockery and boys Sunday night.

Delray Stacy and Miss Pat Hammonds, Royse McIver and Peggy Ford were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stacy Sunday.

Graveside services were held here Sunday afternoon for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Dupree of Coleman. Bro. Wallace had charge of the service. Mrs. Dupree is the former Dorothy Nell Stearns.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stacy and Mrs. Kingston visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. James Ford and family.

Mrs. C. F. Shields writes she received 40 birthday cards on her 82nd birthday. She said "many thanks".

Mrs. Alice Wells and Barbara visited Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Fellers Sunday.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Dean Sunday were the J. R. Haynes family.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady McIver and children visited in the Bernice McIver home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Standlee of Dallas spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Key Bradley.

Mr. Joe Clark, Bobble and Robert visited his sister, Mrs. J. S. Laughlin and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson Sunday.

Miss Dixie Jo Baugh of Santa Anna spent Sunday with Mary Ford.

Visitors in the Gene James home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Holland of Fort Worth. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bowden of Brownwood and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Tackett of Whon.

Mrs. Paul Mathews of Fairbrough, California, visited his uncle, Mr. Dock Mathews, last Friday, also visited with John and Lou Featherston and Mr. and Mrs. Bond Featherston.

Sunday dinner guests in the Buck Mitchell home were Mr. and Mrs. H. B. James and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Craig.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Dean spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Fellers.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Boenicke and Mrs. Kingston attended the band concert at Santa Anna Saturday night.

Miss Lea Mitchell has accepted employment as a teacher in one of the Santa Anna school rooms.

Mrs. Jesse Earl York called on Mrs. Gene James today, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morris and family, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Boenicke, were afternoon visitors in the Ed Jones home Sunday.

Mrs. Melven Stearns of Brownwood, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernice McIver.

Mrs. A. L. Cozart has spent several days last week in Novice with her sister and at the bedside of her father. Mr. Ford's

condition is very serious.

Mrs. J. E. York spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Rankin McIver and Mrs. Key Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Wells and Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Cupps visited in the S. M. Fellers home Sunday.

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### Life Expectancy Now Near Three Score Years and Ten

"Texans are living longer than ever before," declares Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. A baby born in 1937 had a life expectancy of 59 years. This has increased during the past 17 years until now a baby born in Texas today can reasonably expect to live to the age of 69, or very near the Biblical prophecy of three score years and ten.

Many things have contributed to this extension of life, such as early diagnosis, new methods of treatment and medicine, immunization and the intensive public health program conducted by the Texas State Department of Health and local health agencies. This program has stressed education and demonstration.

Dr. Cox points out that the greatest strides in disease prevention has come about in diseases of infancy and childhood. Since 1937 infant mortality has been reduced 54 per cent, diarrhea, enteritis and dysentery 68 per cent, whooping cough 83 per cent, diphtheria 92 per cent, and other childhood diseases. During the past 17 years, tuberculosis deaths have dropped 76 per cent, malaria 99, syphilis 74, appendicitis 93, pneumonia 72,

and typhoid fever 93 per cent. Smallpox has all but disappeared.

Dr. Cox warns against any feeling of complacency or reduction in efforts to prevent disease. Those listed above could, if not guarded against, again become a definite menace to health. Some diseases have increased, especially among those over forty years of age. Two of these are heart disease and cancer whose toll continues to mount. More emphasis must be placed upon them as well as the so-called degenerative disease because as our population ages, they are becoming more common.

### Whitewash For Farm and Home

There's an old saying a little paint covers a multitude of sin, but a fresh coat of whitewash, applied properly, helps enhance the beauty of any farm or home. Oftentimes poultry houses, tree trunks, fences and posts are whitewashed for neatness and protection.

A longer lasting, better looking paint job may be obtained by first removing all old whitewash materials, says W. S. Allen, extension agricultural engineer. Allen suggests filling the rough places with putty before applying a new coat if a smooth finish is desired.

Whitewash "sets" better, he points out, if the surface is dampened prior to painting. This allows the new materials to dry more slowly.

Apply each coat thin and quickly. The first application should be thoroughly dry before a second is added, he says.

In a bulletin recently issued, Allen lists several formulas for concocting whitewash at home. The bulletin may be obtained from county agricultural agents or by writing for L-190, Whitewash For Farms and Homes, from the Agricultural Information Office, College Station, Texas.

### Liberty Baptist Church Sun. Services

Sunday School ..... 10:00 a. m.  
Preaching Service .. 11:00 a. m.  
Night Service ..... 7:00 p. m.  
—Charles Chaney, pastor

Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Moredock went to Oklahoma City Saturday and visited until Sunday with their son, Kenneth Moredock and family. They brought their little two year old grandson, Steve, home with them to visit this week, while Kenneth and wife are moving to Houston. They will come for Steve next week end.

Austin Keefer of Burkett, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Keefer of Santa Anna, was inducted into the Army on Jan. 13th, at Ft. Bliss, where he will receive basic training.

### Post Office Dept. Improving Mail Delivery Service

Rural America no longer is the "forgotten zone" of mail delivery according to Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield. Millions of citizens now are getting better mail service because of a new emphasis on rural free delivery, Mr. Summerfield said, pointing out that the Post Office Department is modernizing service everywhere to deliver the mail faster and at less cost.

In a report on operations for the past year and plans for 1954, the Postmaster General declared:

"Just a year ago, a new term of executives took over the management of the Post Office Department's \$10,000,000,000 a year business with a directive from President Eisenhower to provide better mail service while reducing costs and the postal deficit.

"We are undertaking one of the largest reorganization projects ever made in the United States, and the dangerous trends towards poor mail service, poor employee morale and ever-mounting deficits have been reversed.

"For example, the Department closed about 600 out-moded fourth-class post offices and substituted modern rural free delivery service.

"We intend to proceed with this policy of improving rural delivery. It is badly needed, not only by agricultural families who deserve better service but also in the rapidly growing suburban communities around our cities. More and more people are moving into these areas and they must have modern, fast mail delivery six days a week."

One of the big tasks facing the new postal administration was cutting the deficit to help balance the national budget and put the Post Office Department on a more nearly break-even basis, Mr. Summerfield pointed out.

"Already we have reduced the estimated postal deficit for the current fiscal year to about \$40,000,000. That represents a reduction of the deficit by about one million dollars every working day," he said. "But we still are running behind. In the eight years since World War II, the postal deficit totaled \$3,800,000,000. The interest alone on this huge debt costs the American taxpayers over \$100,000,000 a year.

"We believe that Congress should recognize that economies already made and to be made by the new management of the Post Office Department cannot by themselves bring the postal deficit into balance.

"We have asked the Congress to raise the cost of our out of town letters by one penny from three cents to four cents. That rate hasn't been raised in twenty-one years but meanwhile the cost of operating the Postal Establishment has doubled in that time.

"We have asked the Congress for a modest raise in second-class mail rates for newspapers, magazines and periodicals to bring in added revenues equal to less than nine per cent of the present loss on this class of mail.

"Second-class mail rates are lower today than they were in 1925; in fact our revenues at present rates are barely sufficient to cover our bills for transporting second-class mail, with nothing left over for the enormous expense in handling, distribution and delivery.

"We have also asked the Congress for an increase in third-class mail — comprising advertising matter — circulars, and packages up to 8 ounces. We lost 191 million dollars on this class of mail in 1952.

"Our taxpayers should know the size and extent of our losses on both second and third-class mail.

"Since 1936 through the fiscal year 1952 the losses on second-class mail with magazines comprising 68 per cent of the total, were two billion one hundred and twenty seven million dollars.

"In contrast we are told, published statements indicate this sum is over twice the realized losses of one billion forty-nine million dollars in the price support program given to the farmers of the country by the Commodity Credit Corporation.

"We believe it unconscionable that this postal deficit should be passed on to succeeding generations to pay. Instead we believe the cost of operating the postal service should be distributed fairly among the actual users of the mails."

Postmaster General Summer-

field pointed to these significant improvements in service this past year:

Later pick-ups from mail boxes in most cities now speed deliveries by a full day.

Air transportation is being used as an experiment in speeding first-class mail and is working out very well at no increased cost.

Merit is the primary criterion for promotion of postal employees to supervisory positions.

Performance standards have been introduced and a savings

of \$10,000,000 a year already has been recorded in large post offices.

Longer hours of post office window service are in effect in 200 larger cities.

Regional offices are being established to decentralize management and provide closer supervision over operations.

Administration has been reorganized and simplified to eliminate duplicate functions and functions and save money.

"Much progress has been made in this first year under

the new management," Mr. Summerfield said. "Much more can and will be done in the days ahead to assure better mail service.

"Dramatic proof that our citizens are getting better mail service at lower cost is evidenced by the recent holiday mail season when the Department handled more Christmas mail than ever before at lower operating costs. It did so efficiently and promptly so that the Christmas mail was delivered by Christmas Day."

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