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ABOUT  
Eastland

By VIRGIL E. MOORE

All the publicity we got over our little swim Saturday morning can be credited to Norman Wright, the Ranger scribe. The minute we stepped into the Times building Saturday, dripping wet from toe to nose, Norm was on the phone telling Abilene Reporter-News all about it. The boys in Abilene (who have been waiting to get a shot at us every since we gave their Fred Sanner a hard time during the football season) took advantage of the situation. They not only ran it themselves but put it on the Associated Press wire.

To avoid further questioning here's how it happened. We had forded this little creek a couple of times in the past when water got high. So when it was again across the road we didn't think anything about it. About half way water started coming in with us and about that time the old car gave up the chase. We pulled off our shoes, put them in one hand and our copy in the other and climbed out. Unfortunately we were right in the stream itself and the current knocked us off balance. The news copy we were carrying fell into the water and started floating off. We started after it and stepped into a hole over our head. The current took us on down stream and we lost a shoe. About that time we decided to forget the copy and the shoe and swim out. The current didn't vote for that, however. It carried us downstream a bit and then threw us against the bank where a tree made a handy handle. We climbed out and ran all the way to the Times building where we got help in getting our car out.

Johnson Smith says that we wouldn't have floated off down the creek in the first place if we hadn't been so empty headed.

Sings Of The Times—Moss growing on sidewalks in down town Eastland.

That old copy of the Desdemona Gusher Dr. Jim Whittington came up with the other day contains some interesting writing, to-wit:

"The institution of Home Brew, although it is not mentioned as being an asset in the Texas Almanac, is quite a factor in Eastland County. For instance, in Cisco, which according to 1920 census has a population of 7422, the merchants disposed of six car loads of malt extract which amount is sufficient to make nearly one million bottles of Home Brew and would indicate to one who had not gone thoroughly into the matter that each 'population' was consuming 125 bottles each. This, however, is not the case, and is explained by the fact that Cisco is headquarters for several wholesale grocery houses who vend their wares over a large territory."

Still another interesting bit is this tale.

"It was only after several of the other towns began to kick about the courthouse that Desdemona and Eastland voted to build that this column resorted to the unprecedented plan of merging the counties of Eastland, Erath and Comanche, which merger would cause the expenses of county government to be paid by three counties instead of one and having one set of county officials instead of three. It was only through sympathy for certain other Eastland County towns that an aggressive campaign was not launched. Now if these three great goober and gasoline counties are merged, Desdemona, due to the fact that it is already in all three of them, will be the logical location for the new courthouse, but whether this vast merger of these three petroleum, (Continued on Page Two)

**Weather**  
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High Yesterday	72
Low Last Night	59
Rainfall	51
Total for Month	11.26
Avg. for Month	4.08
Total for Year	21.59
Avg. for Year	25.83
Lake Leon Level	77'
Total Above Avg.	10.30
Forecast	Scattered Showers

## Freyschlag Is President Of United Fund

Charles Freyschlag became president of the Eastland United Fund organization Monday afternoon at the annual meeting held in the Texas Electric Conference room.

Joining Freyschlag in the roll of officer was John Goode, vice president, and Veon Howard, secretary - treasurer.

In addition, 15 new members of the board of directors were elected at the open meeting. New directors, who will serve two year terms, are Johnson Smith, John Goode, Herbert Ekrut, Willard Griffin, Willis Moore, Larry McGraw, Billy Frost, Jack Germany, Larry Kinard, Bob Perkins, Wendell Siebert, Frank Crowell, Veon Howard, Mrs. Tom Stamey and Mrs. Jack Frost, Virgil E. Moore of the Telegram and Hugh Neeld

of the radio station KERC were named honorary members of the Board.

Retiring members of the Board are Carl Johnson, Mrs. Horace Horton, Hood King, Charlie Lucas, Parks Poe, Henry Pullman, Frank Sayre, Virgil Seabery Jr. and R. M. Sneed.

Holdover members of the Board are Mrs. Myrtle Anderson, Charles Freyschlag, Ben Hamner, Bernard Hanna, Bill Hoffmann, M. H. Perry, Grady Pipkin, Homer Smith, Hubert Westfall and Tom Wilson.

The United Fund here is the only such organization in Eastland County which has always met its goal. The Fund has, in fact, always exceeded the goal set by the Board. Last year the Fund turned over \$1800 to the Boy Scouts, \$1500 to the Red Cross, \$1250 to the YMCA \$900 to the Salvation Army and \$338 to the USO.

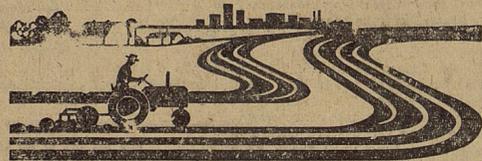
Outgoing President is Frank Sayre, Freyschlag served as vice president last year and Mrs. Anderson was secretary - treasurer. Before turning over the duties of president to Freyschlag, Sayre praised all workers, and especially John Goode, who headed the fund drive last year. Goode in turn thanked the division chairman and workers. Goode gave credit to "the wonderful people of Eastland for always giving generously to help others and in so doing furthering God's great kingdom here in Eastland and on earth."

## Eastland Man's Brother Dies

Wiley C. Bagley passed away at Canyon Saturday. Funeral services will be held in Canyon with burial at Roaring Springs Wednesday.

Survived by four sons, W. L. of Collings Miss.; W. K. of Canyon; W. E. of Shreveport, La. and W. C. of Boston; and one daughter, Mrs. John Young, Los Angeles, Calif.; two brothers, Will Bagley of Big Springs and W. M. Bagley of Eastland; and one sister, Mrs. Lous Templar of Carrizo Springs.

## SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS



### OUR SOIL ★ OUR STRENGTH

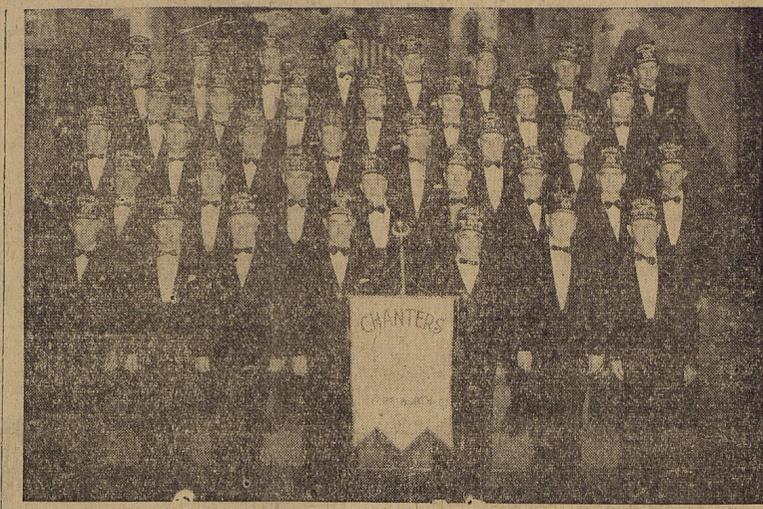
Prolific grass is the basic heritage in our area. At the same time it has been a most neglected resource.

With the advent of summer and after a prolonged drought, we are at a turning point in grass production. The conservation farmer knows that his range management in the next few months may determine his grass production for a long time to come. All grasses are not the same, some produce heavy, others light, some are deep rooted, others have shallow roots, some survive drought while others die out. Most grow only in a certain season and most are liked by cattle although stock will always prefer certain grasses at certain seasons. Some are eaten by cattle only when they have nothing else for forage.

The conservation rancher knows and watches his grasses along with his livestock. Certain grasses are indicators on the range, and point the way as to whether the range is going uphill or down. At the present time annual wintergrass, such as rescue and little barley are making an abundant seed crop and are competing their life cycle. Perennial winter grasses like Canada wildrye, Western wheat, and Texas winter grass are also nearing the end of their growing season. For the next few weeks, especially on ranges in poor con-

dition, short life summer grasses will dominate the landscapes.

Such grasses as Texas grama, threeawns, hairy tridens, various minor love grasses, and many weeds will seed quickly, and be gone before the weather gets too hot and dry. All the more desirable grasses, such as side-oats grama, Indian grass, little bluestem, and buffalo have also begun growth, but will grow all summer (Continued on Page Two)



**FREE PROGRAM**—The famous Moslah Shrine Chanters of Fort Worth will appear in the "Shrine Chanters Musical Festival" to be held in the Will Rogers auditorium in Fort Worth Friday, June 7. The Festival will be the main musical entertainment open to the public during the Texas Shrine convention.

## Whittington Says 'Road Back' Depends On They

Cooperation between towns and a training program to teach young people "how to make a living" were listed as the two chief hopes for Eastland County on "the road back" by Dr. Jim Whittington Monday.

Speaking before Eastland Rotarians, Dr. Whittington used as his subject "They, and the Road Back." He said, "They is us. And only they, are us, can bring Eastland County back."

The speaker used an old Desdemona newspaper, the Gusher, to show how far back Eastland has to come. He read the following article from the paper: "Eastland County is the eighth county in wealth in the State of Texas, having an assessed valuation of 38 million dollars. It has an altitude of 1500 feet and an annual rainfall of 28 inches. It is the second gasoline reducing county in the state and Desdemona has the distinction of producing 22 percent of that amount. The richest casing-head gas in the world is obtained by means of vac-

uum from its 1700 oil wells. The Texas-Grice well in the city limits of Desdemona is among the richest wells in the county yielding 23 gallons per thousand feet.

"Last year the county produced 6700 bales of cotton and every year it is a consistent producer of fine-flavored peanuts.

"It has 43 manufacturing establishments which add more than one million dollars of wealth to the county each year.

"It has 9391 scholastics and a system of schools unexcelled by any similar county in Texas. Some of the rural schools are using large busses and furnishing free transportation to the students.

"It has the distinction of being the only county in the state with three Class A football teams. Ranger, Eastland and Cisco are Class A teams.

"The county population is 38,505.

"The county is healthy, the average death rate last year being only five persons in one thousand. The national average is 11.

"There are 13,000 homes in the county and last year 529 marriages were recorded as against only 126 divorces. This does not indicate as one might think that about a third of the weddings were unsuccessful, due to the fact a lot of the folks out here have been married for years."

Dr. Whittington pointed out that the county's population has greatly decreased and that gas and oil production is much smaller today than it was then.

He said the answer to our problem of how to go back is to "get together." He said Eastland, Ranger and Cisco must think of themselves as an economic unit and not as small separate towns.

Pointing to the county's young people, he said after graduation from high school "we lose them." He said for 30 years we have tried to teach industrialization to our adults "but not to our young people."

Dr. Whittington proposed a Junior Achievement program and showed a film prepared by the Humble Co. showing how the program works.

Junior Achievement is a youth training program giving teenagers actual business experience in their own miniature corporations. (Ed's Note: The Telegram Thursday will publish a more complete story about the Junior Achievement program.)

Those interested may contact Vaden at the city hall in Eastland June 10 and 24 or contact the Abilene Social Security District Office at 766 Cedar Street in Abilene.

However, a person of any age who feels he can meet the following requirements should get in touch with the Abilene Social Security Office before July. If he has not already done so,

1. Be disabled to the extent he can not engage in any substantial work.

2. Have been disabled for a period of at least 6 months.

3. Have worked in work covered by Social Security for 5 of the 10 years before he was disabled and one and one half years of the 3 years before he was disabled.

4. Have a physical or mental disability that is medically determinable.

5. Disability must have begun at least 6 months before age 65.

If a person who meets the above requirement does fail to contact us before July 1, he may forever forfeit many right Social Security rights, said Vaden.

## Final Rites for Mrs. Blair Set

Mrs. Mildred Blair will be buried Wednesday morning in Cisco. Services will be held in the First Baptist Church in Cisco at 10:30. Mart Agnew and Benny Hagan, pastor of the Cornett Baptist Church will officiate.

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## High Water Causes Some Area Damage

Heavy damages to private property at Lake Leon resulted Saturday and Sunday when the lake level reached an all-time high of 81 feet.

The record high, which was six

feet above the "morning glory" spillway, lacked only one foot of going over the emergency spillway. Water was above some cottages on the lake and numerous ones had water as high as the windows. No estimate of damages could be made until the area could be investigated.

Rainfall in Eastland for the month now totals 11.26, which is an all-time high for the month of May, which is the traditional rain month in Eastland County. "The area has received 21.59 inches this year, which is 10.30 inches above normal. Heaviest rainfall ever recorded in May before this year was in 1920 when 9.40 inches fell.

Water was over three highways leading to Eastland at one time Saturday. Highway 6 to Carbon and Gorman was closed at one time and Highway 6 north to Breckenridge was inundated. U. S. Highway 80 east to Ranger was under water for several hours. A number of homes along Highway 6 north had water as high as the porches Saturday and several families left their homes. Both of the churches for the Colored in the area also had some water damage.

In Coleman Roy Croff was a drowning victim of high waters. He was the uncle of Mrs. M. G. Key of Eastland, who is deputy district clerk in District, Clerk Roy Lane's office.

State Highway Department workers, who labored around the clock to help motorists, drew special praise, as did law enforcement officers in the area. An Abilene newsman termed Eastland as the best organized town in the entire area, which was afflicted by high waters.

Some damage to stores along Highway 6 was reported and on Highway 80 water forced R. M. Sneed, contractor, to evacuate all of his heavy equipment. Water got into the basement of the Majestic theater, but firemen pumped it out and little damage resulted.

## Hankins Normal College Re-union Set for Sunday

Ex-students of Hankins Normal College will hold their annual homecoming in Gorman Sunday, C. E. Sims, president of the ex-students, announced today.

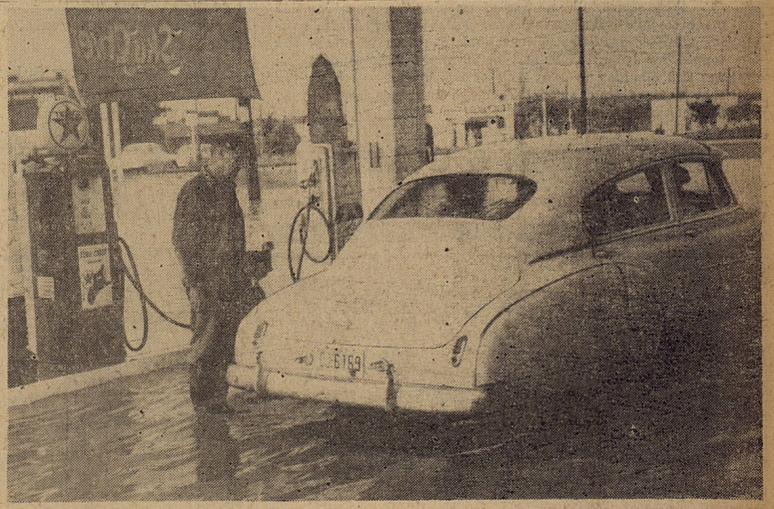
Hankins College was open from 1903 through 1912 and many ex-students now live in and around Eastland, according to Sims.

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. Sims will call the meeting to order at 10 and the group will then sing "God Bless America." At 10:10 Claiborne Eldridge will lead the invocation and Graydon Baze (Continued on Page Two)

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**TYPICAL SCENE**—This particular flood scene was taken on U. S. Highway 80 in Ranger (where the Telegram editor spent most of his time during the high water spell,) but it could well have been Eastland. Water from the two tributaries of the Leon River reached the highest points they have in years. In Eastland, two new levies were credited with saving the town from more flooding.



REV. HARVEY KIMBLER  
... Association president



REV. ROY TURNER  
... Named vice president



REV. W. E. HALLENBECK  
... elected secretary-treasurer

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## Turnabout Within Single Year: House Votes to Kill Soil Bank

Appearances at the moment are that one of the Eisenhower administration's major legislative accomplishments will enjoy the shortest life any new program of such magnitude ever had. Thus Ike and the Republican Administration continue to crumble to pieces.

The House vote to kill the soil bank at the end of this year would give it only about a year and a half of life. However, sudden death of the soil bank still has to be approved by the Senate and the upper house is likely to want to give the plan a trial of at least one more year. Also, it is to be noted, House action was by an exceptionally close margin, 192-187.

The plan, for which there were considerable hopes when it was approved last year, undoubtedly has proven disappointing. It was aimed at cutting surplus farm production and encouraging soil conservation practices. It may have succeeded fairly well in the latter endeavor. But as opponents remarked in the House Wednesday, output is not down "one single bushel" despite the expenditure of hundreds of millions on the program.

Besides, widespread abuses have been uncovered. Waste and mismanagement of the \$1,200,000,000-a-year program have been charged, with such abuses cited as farmers being paid not to plant corn when they could not have done so anyway because of other federal restrictions. Some farmers collected federal insurance for crop failure upon the same land put into the soil bank.

As passed by the House, the Agriculture Department bill provides \$3,692,889,750 appropriations for the next fiscal year, a reduction of \$272,566,860 below the budget request.

Questions now are whether the Senate will restore a substantial amount of the reduction and insist upon continuation of the soil bank for at least another year. Proponents claim that the plan was inaugurated so late last year that it has not yet been given a fair chance.

Meanwhile, Secretary Benson admits that little progress has been made toward solution of the overproduction problem. Surplus stocks are being reduced gradually, through foreign giveaways and below-market sales, but as they decline the secretary of agriculture is required by law to raise support prices. This escalator clause will continue to cost the taxpayers heavily as long as it is in effect.

It is impossible for a person to put his finger on one thing that has been attempted by Ike and his Republicans and call it an accomplishment for the good of the American people.

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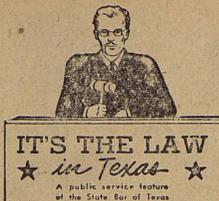
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The other day it made news when it was reported almost becalmed in mid-Atlantic, having covered only thirty sea miles in 24 hours.

Besides its 102 Pilgrims and 25 sailors, do you know one of the most precious things the original Mayflower carried to America? The idea of government by contract, by the consent of the governed, the basis of our Constitution.

Men have always wondered just what claims to obedience the laws have on us.

From earliest times in ancient Greece some have thought that men entered a contract to set up laws among themselves and obey them to keep the peace. But not until 1620 had anybody ever actually written out and signed anything like the Mayflower Compact—the granddaddy of all written constitutions.

Said they: "We... do by these presents solemnly and mutually in the presence of God, and one another, covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil body politic, for our better ordering and preservation... and by virtue hereof to enact, constitute and frame such just and equal laws, ordinances, acts, constitutions, and offices from time to time as shall be thought most meet and convenient for the general good of the colony, unto which we promise all due submission and obedience. In witness whereof we have subscribed our names at Cape Cod on the 11 of November..."

In 1788 in the same spirit the world's first, oldest, and most successful written constitution came into being, starting out by saying: "We, the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union... do ordain and establish this Constitution of the United States of America."

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## Pecan Crop Can Be Ruined By Nut Casebearer

rains have greatly improved the prospects for a good pecan crop in 1957. But, warns Extension Horticulturist B. G. Hancock, pecan nut casebearers can cut the promising crop by millions of pounds if they are not controlled. Now is the time to begin the control job.

The three essentials in obtaining satisfactory control of the casebearer are listed by Hancock as correct timing of spray application, proper application of spray material and use of the correct insecticide.

To be sure of the timing, the specialist urges pecan growers to check the nut clusters closely at regular intervals for the appearance of casebearer eggs. The eggs are usually deposited singly on the tip or blossom end of the small nuts; are pearly white with a bluish cast and about a third the size of a pin head. They hatch in four to five days. After hatching, the small worm moves down below the pecan cluster and feeds on the buds in the leaf axil. The buds are hollowed and the tell-tale webbing and black frass around the bud can be seen. After four or five days of bud feeding, the worm now much larger, moves back to the nut cluster and bores a hole at the base of the pecan and enters to feed.

Because of the short period of time the worm is exposed, timing of control measures is of utmost importance, says Hancock. Sprays made of long residual insecticides can be applied when a number of eggs are found in the orchard. If insecticides with fairly short residual period are used, it is best to wait until some of the eggs have hatched and the worms found feeding in the buds.

Proper application of the insecticide must include a thorough wetting of the nut clusters and the stems immediately below.

Hancock urges pecan producers to check with their local county agent on the details of a good control program. Ask for a copy of L-245, Guide for Controlling Insects and Diseases on Fruits and Nuts in Texas.

### Soil Conservation-

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and generally not make seed until fall. The conservation rancher will be watching these long life summer grasses in hope they will bear a seed crop this fall. He knows that a good seed crop will mean more grass in the years ahead. These better grasses hold the key to "drought proofing" the range.

For this reason many are now making plans for pasture deferments from June until frost. At the present time this is our greatest treatment need on practically all range land. With our present good moisture and cover, we have an opportunity for real progress in range improvement. Deferment is the only method of allowing the better grasses to dominate less productive grasses.

To be most effective a deferment should be complete. Even one animal in a pasture while grass seed is in the dough stage will top an enormous number of seed heads.

Have you invited an ex-student to be a guest in your home during the Eastland High School homecoming, June 8-9? If you haven't, do so today. Make this Texas' biggest Homecoming of 1957!



HONOR FOR A SCOUT—With his feet up as befits a top railroad "executive," 11-year-old Cub Scout Phillips Amerman of Sewickley, Pa., reaches for a glass of water being poured by one of "his" men, Morton S. Smith, vice president and regional manager of the Pennsylvania Railroad. The young Scout was one of four to win a contest sponsored by the Pittsburgh unit of the Eastern Railroads Conference. His prizes included stock in one of the local railroads and appointment as its "general manager" for a day.

## Hankins College - Moore About—

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Superintendent of Gorman schools, will then make the welcoming address. Millie Slaton of Breckenridge will give the response. A nominating committee will be named at 10:40 and Clyde Garrett of Eastland will give the memorial address at 10:45. Dr. George Richey of Itasca will then speak. The speeches will be followed by music.

Following lunch Sims will issue the call to order at 2 p.m. The report of the nominating committee will then be heard. Ed Layton of Eastland will lead a period of reminiscing and short talks will then be made by Mrs. J. H. Hankins and Mrs. J. F. Hankins.

Report of the resolution committee will then be heard. J. F. Hankins will give the closing address and Robert Palmer will lead the benediction.

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### Mrs. Gill And Mrs. Perkins Are Party Honorees

Mrs. R. L. Carpenter and Mrs. Frank Sayre entertained with a morning coffee Wednesday in the Carpenter home at the Pleasant Place Motel which honored Mrs. Joseph Perkins and Mrs. Howard Gill.

The house was beautifully decorated with roses from the home garden. The table was laid with a Quaker lace cloth and the centerpiece was a crystal vase covered with fillet of silver. The vase was filled with radiance roses.

The house party were Meses Joseph Perkins, Howard Gill, Grady Pipkin and Donald Kinnaird. Mrs. Sayre attended to the coffee serving.

Lucy Gill, who is three years old, did the entertaining with three baby songs which were nice and sweet. Mrs. Gill received a parting gift from the Music Study Club members. Mrs. Perkins was remembered by Mrs. Carpenter.

The members of the Music Study Club and the First Christian Church Choir (Mrs. Gill is a member of both) said that the member had a pleasant time. Mrs. Roy Turner and Eric were also

present. Club members expressed best wishes to the Gill family on their journey to their new home. And best wishes went to Mrs. Perkins as she leaves for her summer home in the North, and also to the Pipkins as they leave on their trip to Hawaii.

### Hospital News

Patients in the Eastland Memorial Hospital are:

Mrs. Luther Hatfield, Strawn, Surgical.

Mrs. Minton Meroney, Odessa, surgical.

Mrs. Hugh Ma Haffey, Olden, Medical.

Mrs. M. P. Herring, medical

Miss Cordia Walker, Cisco, medical

Sammy Fossett, surgical

Mrs. Ruby Parmer, Cisco, surgical

Dismissed were:

Mrs. R. L. Jones, Mrs. Wanda Hamilton, Mrs. David Gaines.

Patients in the Ranger General Hospital from Eastland are:

S. H. Peel, medical

Mrs. Ethel Gray, surgical

Bill Reeves, medical

Mrs. V. T. Moser

Mrs. Hollis Woolsey

Dismissed were: Jimmy Eldson and Mrs. E. M. McCoy.



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Polston . . . to live in California

Nancy Jane Brown and Charles Polston Are Married In Olden

Miss Nancy Jane Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Brown of Olden became the bride of Seaman Charles Alton Polston of the Naval Training Station in San Diego, California recently in the home of the bride's parents. Rev. Carol Herring of the Olden Baptist Church performed the double ring ceremony.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Polston of Ranger.

Miss Judy Brown was her sisters maid of honor and Miss Patsey Fox attended as brides maid. Kenneth Brown, brother of the bride served as best man and Tommy Alford was the groom's attendant.

Mrs. Travis Hilliard played the wedding march and accompanied Jimmy Everett who sang "Be-

cause" and "Always." Baskets of white glads flanked the wedding alter.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her gown was of white nylon lace with taffeta underlay accented with French lace madellians and seed pearls. Her jewelry was pearl studded with diamond ear screws. She carried a white Bible covered with white carnations and stephanotis. She carried out the traditional something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue.

A reception was given in the home of the bride's parents. The couple will make their home in San Diego where Polston is attending Navel Mechanics School.

### Mrs. Taylor To Presents Pupils In Recital Fri.

Friends, relatives, and the public are invited to the student recital of Mrs. A. F. Taylor which will be given Friday at 8 p. m. in high school auditorium.

Pupils will present piano duets, duos, solos and quartets.

Pupils are as follows: Jo Ann Marren, Jan Robertson, Carolyn Key, Shelia Sneed, Jeanne Marren, Marcia Petty, Terry Treadwell, Dianne Petty, Deborah Earnest, Susan Coleman, Sarah Earnest, Karen Green, Marsah Treadwell, Patricia Ann Liles, Georgia Bess Faircloth, Linda Huckabay, Phyllis Phillips, Jeannie Wright, Marilyn Huckabay, Mary Ann Manning, Janice Dendy, Lela Lee, Linda Ann Perry, Joyce Robertson, Susan Johnston, Suzanne Butler, Sherry Jo Butler, Donna Kay Ford, Joyce Joyner, Ruth Miller and Lupe Paramo.

### Jewelry Gifts Favored For Attendants

Some of the most sentimental of all wedding gifts are those exchanged within the wedding party from the bride to her bridesmaids, the groom to his ushers—as lasting mementos of a great day shared together.

The tradition of gifts from the bride and groom to their attendants is almost universal, according to the Jewelry Industry Council. Personal jewelry is the gift most highly rated, for if it is properly chosen it can best reflect the taste and sentiment of the giver as well as the recipient. According to the Council's research, the bride spends an average of \$30 on each bridesmaid's gift and the bridegroom about \$21 for gifts to his ushers.

Jewelry to compliment the bridesmaids' costumes is a favorite choice for the bride to give, with necklaces, earrings, pins and bracelets leading the list. Many brides enlist the services of a good jeweler and has her pieces engraved to give them higher "remembrance" value.

Rings are a relative newcomer to the list of attendants gifts, the Council reports. The popularity of beautiful colored stones such as aquamarines, gives these rings a special fashion role in complimenting the soft, glowing colors of bridesmaids' gowns.

The bridegroom, too, picks jewelry for his ushers in close to 90 per cent of the cases, said the Council. Cuff links, tie pins, tie clasps and belt buckles are the top gifts, but here also rings are growing in popularity, according to the Council. Stone rings, or signet or initial rings, which have become such important men's jewelry items, have found a big place on ushers' gift lists.

### Jess Meroney Is Improving Slowly

Jess Meroney of Albany, former secretary of the Chamber of Commerce in Ranger, is improving slowly, following two recent heart attacks, according to Dr. E. R. Green who, with Mrs. Green, visited the Meroneys Sunday.

With Mrs. Meroney doing the driving, Meroney is able to work about two hours a day and has been told by his doctor that he might possibly make a full recovery if he continues to take it easy.

The doctor warned him, Meroney be one too many, said, that one more attack would

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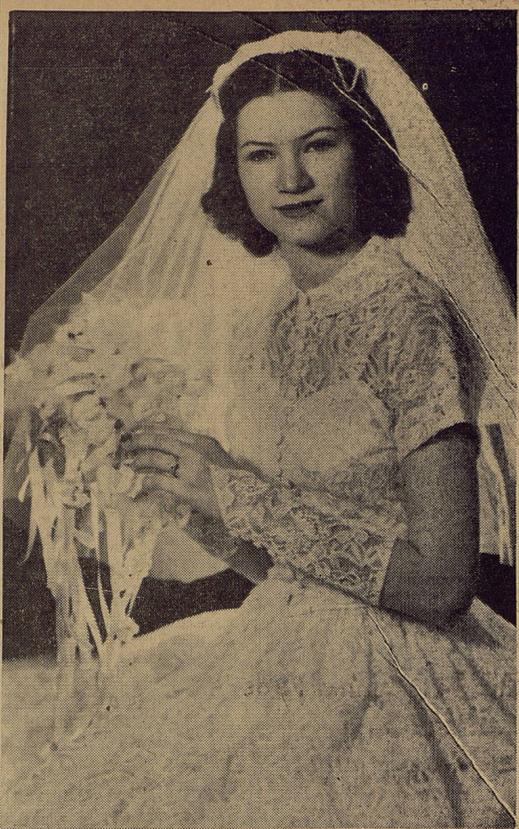
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MRS. JOHNNY ROBERSON

Nelda Deane Stroud Becomes Bride of Johnny D. Roberson

Nelda Deane Stroud of Abilene and Johnny Dale Roberson of Ranger exchanged double ring wedding vows Saturday evening in a ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Stroud, 1701 Cottonwood St. Mrs. W. H. Davis of Andrews is the mother of the bridegroom.

M. L. Vaughn, Church of Christ minister, officiated. An improvised altar was created by baskets of white gladioli and stock banked in greenery and arched in candles. Sibyle Jeanette Phillips and Martha Smith of Dallas, both cousins of the bride, lighted the tapers.

Claude Roberson, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Mrs. Claude Roberson, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. She wore a blue crepe dress with a pink carnation corsage. Harry Nelson, uncle of the

bride from Dallas, gave her in marriage. She wore a ballerina length dress of white chantilly lace over taffeta. The Peter Pan collar of the lace bodice was seeded in pearls. Her waist length veil was held by a lace medallion cap decorated with seed pearls. The bride carried a white orchid atop a white Bible.

At the reception, Shirley Morrison cut the cake, Miss Smith ladled punch. Miss Phillips registered guests and Mrs. Harry Nelson, aunt of the bride from Dallas, showed the gifts. The table was laid in white lace over pink and centered with an arrangement of pink and white roses.

The wedding trip included points in South Texas and along the Texas Coast. For traveling, the bride wore a blue linen sheath with matching jacket and white accessories. She attended Abilene High School and the bridegroom attended Ranger High School and Ranger Junior College.

They will live at 458 Pine St., Ranger, after June 2. Roberson is employed in the mechanical department of the Ranger Times.

Piano Recital Is Presented By Mrs. F. L. Dragoo

Mrs. F. L. Dragoo presented her pupils in a recital Tuesday, May 23, at The Woman's Club. One hundred and nineteen guests were registered.

The register table held a bouquet of pink carnations and gypsophila which was a gift from Mrs. Rudolph Little, Mrs. James Horton gave a beautiful arrangement for the center table. Mrs. Billy Frost and Mrs. Cyrus Frost Jr. presented Mrs. Dragoo with two baskets of gladiolas which were used on each side of the piano.

The students were as follows: Cheryl Brown, Mary Ann Turner, Linda Dickey, Ben. Little, Sharon Johnson, Janice Stephens, Connie Koch, Lois Ann Sims, Sharon Sayre, Cy Frost, Collin Cagle, Layne Gregory, Clara June Smith Jennifer Proyor. Weldon Broussard,

Doris Jumper, Sue Koch, Julie Frost, Kimberly Hailey, Judy Phillips, Marsha White, Mike Seibert, Nora Jean Jordan, Janet Kimbler, Linda Clarke, Mitzi Davis, Barbara McCullough, Judy Hassell, Danye Sherman, Shirley Smith, Gretchen Hailey, Carol June Hilliard, Josie Hernandez, and Alice Frazer

TRAVELING

Mrs. W. W. Wendland of Dallas arrived on the noon train Monday. Mrs. Wendland accompanied her grandmother, Mrs. F. L. Dragoo, to San Angelo to attend the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra Wednesday.

On Thursday Mrs. Wendland and Mrs. Dragoo will go with Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Beall to attend the graduation of Bobby Drago Beall, son of Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Beall. Bobby Beall will receive medical doctor degree from the medical school at Galveston. Mrs. Dragoo will return home in two weeks.

School Calendar

May 28-29: Final Examinations  
 June 2: Baccalaureate Services, 8 p.m., High School Auditorium. Rev. James Fleming, speaker.  
 June 3: Senior Commencement, 8 p.m., High School Auditorium. Tentative plans for seniors also include a Hobo Party, Ice Cream Supper and Junior - Senior Slave Breakfast.

Shirley Matlock And Carroll Lee Nelson Will Wed

Mrs. W. E. Matlock of Olden has announced the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter Shirley Jane to Pvt. Carroll Lee Nelson, son of Rev. and Mrs. Alfred H. Nelson of Bay City and formerly of Olden.

Miss Matlock is a graduate of Olden High School and attended Howard Payne College in Brownwood and Ranger Junior College. Mr. Nelson is a graduate of Van Vleck High School and is now stationed with the U. S. Army at Fort Eustis, Va.

The wedding date has been set for June 9 at 3 p.m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Everett of Olden.

No invitations are being sent but all friends of the couple are invited to attend the ceremony and reception.

Attends Convention

Dr. R. G. Verhetsel of Eastland is expected to be among the more than 500 Texas chiropractors attending the 42nd annual Convention of the Texas State Chiropractic Association in El Paso June 13-15.

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SOCIAL CALENDAR

**Wednesday, May 29**  
 12 noon — Members of the 50 year Pioneer Club will meet with Mrs. O. M. White at her home at the Leon Plant at this date rather than Tuesday, May 28 as previously planned.

**Friday, May 31**  
 8 p.m.—Mrs. A. F. Taylor will present all of her piano pupils in recital in the Eastland High School auditorium using two pianos.

**Sunday, June 2**  
 8 p.m.—Baccalaureate services will be held in the Eastland High School Auditorium with Rev. James Fleming as speaker.

**Monday, June 3**  
 8 p.m.—Senior commencement exercises will be held in the Eastland High School Auditorium.

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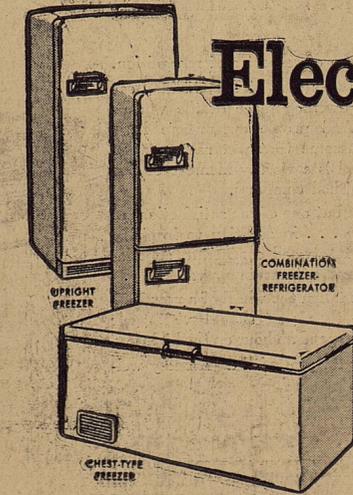
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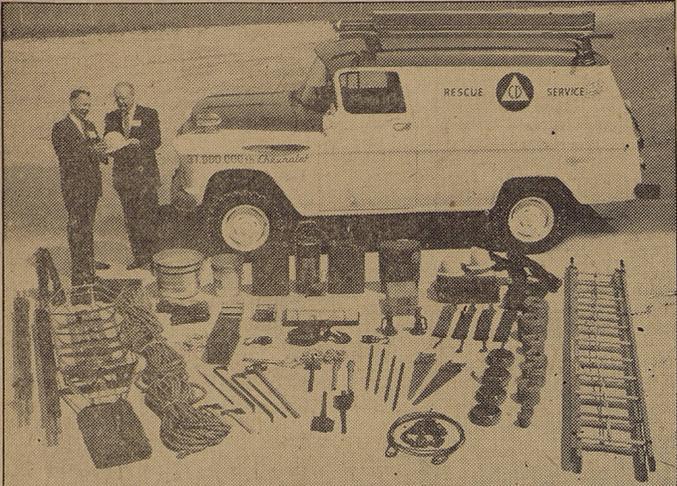


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**TV LOG**

**WBAP-TV WEDNESDAY**  
 7:00—Sunup  
 8:00—Home  
 9:00—The Price is Right  
 9:30—Truth or Consequences  
 10:00—Tic Tac Dough  
 10:30—It Could Be You  
 11:00—Kitty's Wonderland  
 12:00—High Noon News  
 12:30—Channel 5 Movie Club  
 4:00—Kit Carson  
 4:30—Home Edition  
 5:00—Mickey Mouse Club  
 6:00—Superman  
 6:30—Disneyland  
 7:30—The Navy Log  
 8:00—Wednesday Night Fights  
 8:45—Sports with Sherman  
 9:00—Ozzie and Harriet  
 9:30—Ford Theater  
 10:00—Texas News  
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 7:00—People's Choice  
 7:30—Ernie Ford Show  
 8:00—Lux Video Theater  
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 10:00—Tic Tac Dough  
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 11:00—Close-Up  
 11:30—Club-60  
 12:30—Tenn. Ernie Show  
 1:00—Matinee Theater  
 2:00—Queen for a Day  
 2:45—Modern Romances  
 3:00—Comedy Time  
 3:30—Command Performance  
 4:50—Crusader Rabbit  
 4:55—Hiram Sneezweed  
 5:10—Gene Autry  
 6:00—News  
 6:15—Sports  
 6:25—Weather  
 6:30—Xavier Cugat  
 6:45—NBC News  
 7:00—Kraft TV Theatre  
 8:00—This Is Your Life  
 8:30—On the Farm  
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 5:10—Roy Rogers

**Speaker Named For Texas Univ. Commencement**

AUSTIN — University of Texas commencement speaker for the June 1 exercises will be Dr. Detlev W. Bronk, National Academy of Sciences president and also president of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research.  
 The exercises will be held on the Main Building south terrace at 8 p.m.  
 The Rt. Rev. John E. Hines of Houston, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, will speak at the baccalaureate service, scheduled

for 11 a.m. in Hogg Auditorium. Graduating ROTC cadets and midshipmen will be commissioned in exercises scheduled for 9 a.m.

**In Waco**

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Weaver went to Waco on last Thursday to attend the Baylor University President's Reception given in honor of the graduating students and their families, and the commencement exercises of their daughter, Miss Jana Weaver, on Friday. They were accompanied by Miss Weaver's grandmother, Mrs. W. P. Weaver of DeLeon, and Miss Weaver's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Sims of Stamford.

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**Aaron Williams Rites At Ranger Sunday, May 26**

Funeral services for Aaron F. Williams, longtime Ranger resident who died in El Paso Thursday night, were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Ranger Church of Christ, with Lonnie Braman, minister, officiating. Burial was in Evergreen cemetery under direction of Killingsworth Funeral Home.  
 Mr. Williams was born in Hill County Jan. 13, 1875, and moved to Ranger with his parents when he was a small boy. A member of the Church of Christ, Mr. Williams had been a resident of Ranger for 60 years, spending the past 20 years living with his children. Mrs. Williams died in 1937. She was the former Mackie Lee Ames and the couple was married on April 28, 1901, in Ranger.  
 He is survived by a son, M. Sgt. William Williams with the Army in Berlin, Germany; five daughters, Mrs. J. G. Wheat of Odessa, Mrs. John Kim of Brownfield, Sgt. Mashia H. Williams with the Army in Heidelberg, Germany, Mrs. Loyal E. Clarke of Phoenix, Ariz., and Mrs. Roy Booth of El Paso, eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.  
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by W. H. McNally, Manager

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While visiting in a friend's home several nights ago, our conversation drifted into a discussion of the utility business. We got into a comparison between having simple telephone service—that is, having one telephone in the house—and having what we in the telephone business term "complete telephone service." A family needs talking outlets just like it needs electrical, gas, or water outlets.

To have a well rounded telephone arrangement as far as talking outlets are concerned, a home needs a minimum of three—one in the sleeping area; one in the working area, the kitchen for example; and one in the living or relaxing area. Such an arrangement certainly helps take the "run" out of running a home.

WHY NOT PERSONALIZE IT?

"Telephone service is telephone service", a friend of mine said the other day. "What's so different about it now than before?"

I was glad he asked me. It gave me a chance to bring him up to date about complete, convenient telephone planning.

"Look at it this way," I said. "A Model-T will still get you from here to there. But you wouldn't want one for your family car. You have the latest model. And before you bought it, you looked over all the models, styles, special features—even colors—and picked out the one that suited you best."

"And it's the same way with phone service these days. You can select a telephone arrangement that exactly fits your own needs."

Here's what I meant: Enough telephones so you don't have to run to answer (or walk halfway through the house to make a call).

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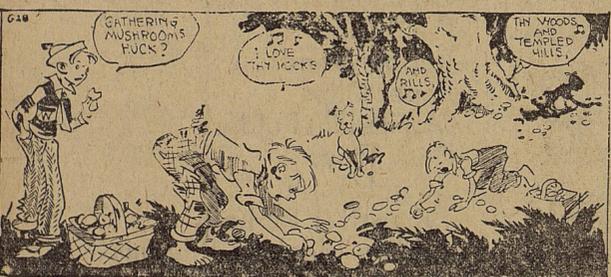
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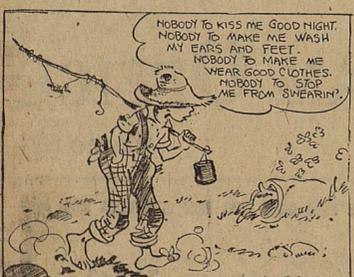
No matter how far away your vacation takes you, it's always easy to phone home and make sure everything's okay. Or to stop at a road-side booth and call ahead for hotel or motel reservations.

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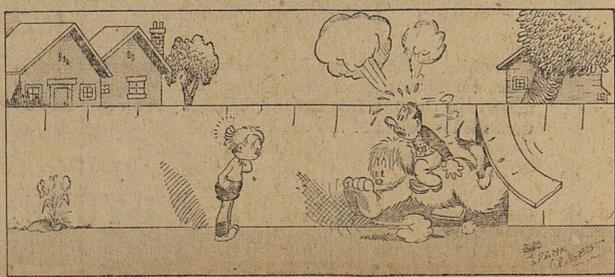
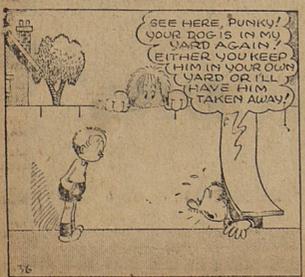
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Handling Chiggers Is Discussed As Redbug Season Gets Under Way

COLLEGE STATION — "Take the bitter with the sweet" might easily have been phrased to help Mr. and Mrs. Texan put up with chiggers during springtime. It's an unfortunate fact that although nature exerts herself to make the countryside beautiful

during spring and early summer, anyone who walks through that beautiful grass or among those wildflowers can expect to pay the piper with itching currency. For wherever the wanderer goes—whether on business or pleasure—he finds chiggers (also known as redbugs).

In past there wasn't much that could be done except put up with the burning itch of the bites—or avoid the places where chiggers dwell. Now, however, there are several things which can be done to avoid this penance.

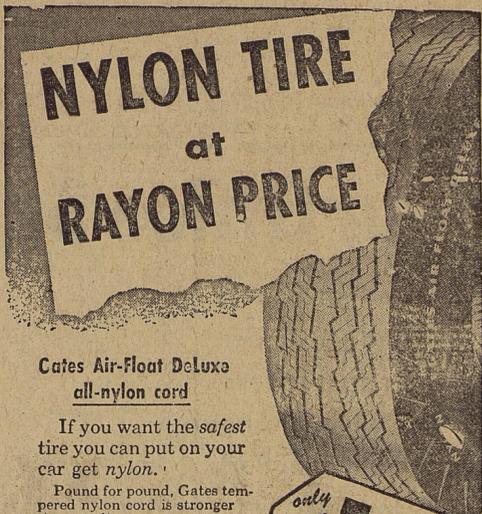
First, let's ask, What is a chigger? Well, M. A. Price, who is an assistant professor in the Entomology Department at Texas A & M College, has given considerable thought to this ornery critter.

"He's the larval stage of a mite—scientific name, Trombicula alfreddugesi, sub-genus Eutrombicula," he says. "That's just one of many parasitic mites we have, but he's the one that bothers most of us."

"He's a much-misunderstood little imp with a bright orange-red color and a big appetite. When he gets a chance, he eats himself all out of shape. Before he gets on you he's about 150 microns long (which means that a squad of them could hold drill practice on the head of a pin with room to spare) and after he feeds for three to eight days he's apt to increase his own length as much as four times.

"Actually," Professor Price says "the chigger is not a blood-sucker at all. He's a tissue feeder. He attaches to the skin wherever he can—especially where clothing is tight—and then uses a proteolytic enzyme to pre-digest your tissues. That means that he puts a material on the skin which partially liquefies the cell tissues; then he sucks up that juice. It's this pre-digestion process which causes that itchy feeling. You're literally being eaten alive.

"There's nothing to the idea that he buries himself in your skin and dies there after feeding. He stays on the surface while he feeds, then drops off on the ground where he finds shelter and molts to form his nymph stage—the next step in his metamorphosis. Both the nymph and the adult feed on plant juices or decaying organic matter, so they pose no problem. They winter in adult form, and lay their



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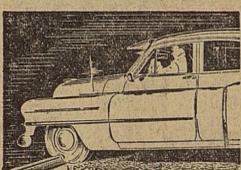
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eggs in spring in this area." Now, suppose they take over your lawn. What can you do about it? Well, there are several good chemicals you can spray with—such as toxaphene or chlordane in spray form at the rate of one to two pounds of technical material per acre; or you can use a lindane dust at the rate of a quarter-pound of technical material to the acre.

To keep them from getting on you, there are several good repellents. Some of the chemicals which repel them without being too repulsive to use include dimethyl thalate, dimethyl carbate, benzyl benzoate, and sulphur. Dimethyl thalate or benzyl benzoate can also be used to treat clothing to make it repellent to chiggers.

If you want to treat clothing, dissolve about two ounces of either material in water, and soak clothing in the solution—this amount is good for one suit of work clothes, and should remain until the clothing is washed. After that you'd better treat it again if you want maximum protection.

For temporary protection, use plain sulphur. Just rub the sulphur powder on the tops of your shoes, your socks and the ankles, and calves of your legs. It's also a good idea to put a little extra sulphur in the cuff of your trousers.

If you're careless enough to get into chigger-land without protection, then there isn't much that can be done for you; you'll just have to grit your teeth and take it, unless you can get a hot, soapy bath quickly.

For treating the bites, there are a number of home remedies—none of which seems very effective. These include rubbing alcohol, kerosene, or a salt-saturated vinegar solution. Almost anything which will prevent secondary infection will be useful.

But if you don't want to itch, you'd better get a good repellent—or stay out of chigger-land.

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