

NEWS FROM

YOUR COUNTY HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT
TEXAS EXTENSION SERVICE



By GERALDENE SUMMERS
Mills County Home Demonstration Agent.

MEATS FOR THRIFTY MEALS

There's nothing more tasty than a piping hot, perfectly cooked stew. And the toughest and cheapest cuts of meat make excellent stews, says Hazel Phipps, specialist in food preparation for the A. and M. College Extension Service.

Some stews are made of meat only, and some are part meat and part vegetable. Vegetables are at their best when cooked quickly, so they should not be added until the meat is becoming tender, the specialist says.

To give the stew gravy a rich taste, flour and then brown the meat in fat before you add water.

Miss Phipps says stew can be served in a number of attractive ways. "Serve it in a border of potatoes or flake rice, or with dumplings," she suggests. "Or serve it in a filling for hot biscuits in meat short cake; scalloped with spaghetti or macaroni; or as a plain meat pie under a lid of biscuit or pie crust or mashed potatoes.

Savory Brown Stew

For a stew, select beef or veal neck, plate, brisket, flank, or shank; or lamb shoulder, neck, flank or shank. Cut about two pounds of lean raw meat into inch cubes and sprinkle with salt, pepper and flour. Brown in 2 to 3 tablespoons of fat and add a sliced onion. Add water to cover, put a lid on partly, and cook slowly until the meat is tender. Lamb or veal will probably cook tender in 1 1/2 to 2 hours; beef may need 2 1/2 to 3 hours. If the stew is not thick enough by the time the meat is tender, mix 1 to 2 tablespoons flour to a smooth paste with an equal quantity of cold water. To the paste add several spoonfuls of the stew, then stir the mixture into the rest of the stew and cook until smooth and thickened. Season to taste with salt and pepper, and add chopped parsley if available.

Ragout of Beef

Two pounds lean raw beef, salt and pepper, flour, fat, 1 onion, chopped, 1 green pepper chopped, 1 cup celery and leaves, 2 tablespoons chopped parsley, paprika.
Cut the beef in inch cubes and sprinkle with salt, pepper and flour. Brown well in 2 to 3 tablespoons of fat, and while browning add the onion, green pepper, celery, and parsley. Sprinkle with paprika, add water to cover, put on a lid, and cook slowly for 2 1/2 to 3 hours or until the meat is tender. If the stew is not thick enough, mix 1 to 2 tablespoons of flour to a smooth paste with an equal quantity of cold water. To the paste add several spoonfuls of the stew, then stir the mixture into the rest of the stew and cook until smooth and thickened. Season to taste with salt and pepper, adding, if desired, tomato catsup, or chili sauce, or grated horseradish.

Fricassee of Veal With Dumplings

Two pounds of lean raw veal, salt and pepper, flour, fat, 1 onion, sliced.
Veal breast, shoulder, neck, flank and shank meat are all good for a fricassee. Cut the meat in inch cubes, sprinkle with salt, pepper and flour. Brown in fat and add the onion. Add water to cover, put on a lid and cook slowly for 1 1/2 hours or until the meat is tender. Then remove the meat to a serving platter and keep hot. There should be 4 cups of good-flavored broth. To thicken it very slightly, blend 2 to 3 tablespoons of flour with an equal quantity of cold water. Stir in several tablespoons of the hot broth, then add the mixture to the rest of the broth. Season to taste with salt and pepper. The gravy is now ready for cooking the dumplings.

Dumplings

Three-fourths cup sifted flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1-2 teaspoon salt, 1 egg, 1-3 cup milk.

Sift the flour, baking powder, and salt together. Beat the egg and add the milk. Then mix all the ingredients together just enough to moisten the flour. Drop the dumpling batter by spoonfuls over the boiling gravy, cover tightly to hold the steam, and boil gently for 15 minutes without opening the pot. By this time the dumplings should be light and fluffy. Serve at once with the meat and gravy.

IMPROVING GROWTH OF GARDEN PLANTS

The benefits obtainable from composts used to improve the growth and production of garden plants are dependent upon the physical and chemical properties of soil.

According to T. E. Denman, horticulturist, substation 29 of Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Stephenville, the humus, or partly decayed organic matter, added to the soil furnishes food for millions of helpful bacteria which are essential to plant growth.

Composts are desirable to use in many ways on account of their comparative freedom from weed seed and injurious plant disease organism. The decomposition of such materials can be hastened, and the value increased by the addition of chemical fertilizer element during composting. A mixture consisting of 67 1/2 pounds ammonia sulphurate, 66 pounds fine limestone, and 22 1-2 pounds superphosphate per ton of dry matter used has been found satisfactory. Among the many materials which have been successfully composted are peanut hulls, sawdust, cotton burs, cottonseed hulls, straw and hay.

In preparing composts, a shallow bin or pit not more than two or three feet deep makes a satisfactory container. The dry fertilizer mixture should be added to the whole kept moist and stirred often.

Well-decayed compost may be incorporated into the soil according to the purpose for which it is used. In preparing flower beds and small garden plots, a layer may be spread and worked into the soil with a spading fork. One gallon of compost per plant has been used successfully when thoroughly incorporated with the soil around the roots of transplanted rose bushes. When the transplanted as the compost likely will be rather dry.

For lawn improvement, apply cottonseed meal at the rate of 25 pounds per 1000 square feet. Plant vetch or Australia winter peas in beds for annual flowers to give nitrogen. Let grow till January, February or March, turn under for humus and nitrogen.

Do not neglect watering shrub sets the previous winter. This is often a critical period, partly because it is the home stretch and partly because the gardener feels that anything surviving thus far will be all right.

Iris (bearded, beardless, and bulbous) may be planted or divided to advantage as soon as possible after the first good rains this month. Among other bulbs, rhizomes or tubers that may be planted are: lily-of-the-nile, anemone, narcissus, day-lily, freesia, grape hyacinth spider lily, guernsey lily and snowdrop. Plant sweet peas.

Avoid planting nursery stock having galls on the roots or crowns. If it is necessary to set healthy plants into areas from which infected plants have been removed, the soil should first be drenched with formaldehyde (1 pt. in 6 gal. water used at the rate of 1-2 gal. per square foot) and then allow to aerate for several days. Prune from trees and shrubs dead or diseased limbs.

Mrs. Grover Dalton went to Austin last Friday to be with her mother, Mrs. D. D. Kemper.

Mrs. Bedford McBride and Mrs. R. O. Brandenburg of Arlington spent part of last week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Keese.

ROCK SPRINGS

By MRS. EULA NICKOLS

We extend sympathy to Mr. John Roberts in the passing away of his cousin, Mr. Samp Ray, who lived in Georgia, also to Mr. W.P. Weaver in the loss of his brother.

Bro. Clyde Wilton a student at Howard Payne College, preached Sunday morning and night. We all enjoyed his sermons. It was so that Bro. Sparkman could not come.

Our paper had letters from more of our home boys and men who are in the Army. We are glad to see their letters in the paper, but it breaks our hearts when we think of what is ahead of some of them all we can do is just trust in our Lord for help in this sad time.

To my surprise Saturday night about ten o'clock, Ruben Brown and wife from Fort Worth made me a short call, and Sunday afternoon about five. I got another surprise when Sam Cooke and family from Winters stopped a few minutes. He brought their uncle, Will Stark's home. Mr. Stark isn't at all well. We hope he gets to feeling better.

Mrs. James Nickles and son spent Saturday night and Sunday in the Tyson home in Williams Ranch.

Shirley Nickles and wife from Dallas visited their mothers and other relatives last week-end.

V.D. Tyson and wife, Marvin Edwards and wife, Mrs. Elliott and J.T. Stark set until bed time in the Nickols home Wednesday night. The men played 42 while the ladies talked about their chickens and turkeys.

S. S. Jobs and son from Plains, Texas, and Mrs. W. W. Parker and children from Harper, Texas, were guests of their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Keen, last week.

Ellis Sutton and wife from San Saba, Olgie Nobles and wife of Brownwood, Claudis Wilhelm and family of Bend, and R. D. Towerton and family from Colony visited in the Sutton home Sunday.

Bill Alexander and wife and son from Center City and Arlie Davis and family from Brownwood spent Sunday in the Davis homes.

Laverne Wilhelm and Clara Dean Sutton from San Saba, Will Fox and wife from Live Oak and Mrs. Eula Nickols spent Sunday afternoon in the Ballard home.

Bro. Clyde Wilton from Brownwood spent Saturday night in the Cooke home. He dined Sunday with Woodie Traylor and family. He spent Sunday night in the Roberts home and M. R. Circle took him to Brownwood Monday morning.

Mrs. Addie C. Davis and boys spent Friday night and Saturday night with her mother and brother, Mrs. Stark and J. S.

Harry Palmer bought Mrs. Pearl McClary's farm last week. They have already moved. Mrs. McClary will move to Fort Worth.

Leon Ballard from Waco is spending a few days in the Ballard home.

Mrs. W. A. Daniel went to Big Valley Sunday to church. She visited in the Robertson and Dennard homes after church.

I was glad to hear Haskell Gatlin, who is in California in the army, stood his operation fine. He reads our Eagle. Can't blame him from wanting to read what happens in Mills County. Good luck to you. Write to mother often. This boy has spent lots of hours in my home with my boys, and we all love him.

I was proud to hear from our friend, Reginald F. McDermott, who spent a seven-day furlough with his parents in Decatur, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McDermott. He was one of the first boys from Decatur to leave for the Air Corps. He was born in Mills County. We friends are very proud of this boy. He received his scholastic education as a graduate of the Goldthwaite High, and three years as an engineering student at Texas Tech. He enlisted November 9, 1941, and received preliminary training at Kelly, Arlington Field, Houston, and Albuquerque, N. M. air base. In May Lt. McDermott was moved to Lowery Field, Denver, Colo., where he received his commission on Oct. 10, 1942.

SCALLORN—

By MRS. OBA BLACK

With the beautiful fall weather we've had for the past week, it is really giving us an opportunity to make hay while the sun shines. Some are sowing grain, some breaking land, while others are getting a supply of wood for the cold spell we've been expecting for some two weeks.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ford were Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ford of Belton and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ford and little daughter Sylvia Ann of Florence.

Last week-end guests in our home were Mr. and Mrs. C. Moseley and Pat Davis of Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blake and C. H. Black and family.

John Harris spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. Dutch Smith, and family.

Visiting Monday in the home of Mrs. Frank Hines were Mmes. Nelson Knuckles, W. A. Knuckles and Joe Knuckles of Lampasas, and Mrs. J. D. Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Swinney and son of Lometa, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Evans and two sons, William and Virgie, and Mrs. Lila Crawford of Goldthwaite were Sunday guests of Mrs. R. D. Evans and family.

We're sorry to report Mrs. Evans has been confined to her bed for the past three weeks.

Mrs. Earl Blake and mother attended church in Lometa Sunday and later called on Mrs. Dee Jones.

Miss Greta Sue Hines met Mrs. Nelson Knuckles one day last

week in Lampasas and the two ladies motored from there to Waco, Justin and Fort Worth for a visit with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Leo Maurach of Coleman is visiting with her brother, Homer Eckert, and family.

Mrs. R. D. Evans was happy to have with her the past week a brother, Frank Yarborough, and Mrs. Yarborough of Houston whom she had not seen for 14 years, and four of her sisters, Miss Sudie Yarborough and Mmes. Smith Jackson, and Johnston of San Saba.

Earl Blake spent the week-end here after having been for the past two months in Ardmore, Okla. He is now located in Silver City, N. M.

Mrs. W. E. Stevenson and Jim Hunt called Sunday afternoon in the home of the writer.

A message from Alva Johnston who for some time has been stationed in California, stated he was leaving there for West Virginia.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Brown of Fort Worth spent part of last Saturday with Mrs. Eula Nickols at Rock Springs.

Mrs. T. B. Rodgers of Burnet is visiting this week with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Townsend, and her sister, Mrs. Dow Hudson, and family.

Miss Christine Renfro of San Antonio spent last week end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Weathers.

Mr. and Mrs. Branson Casbeer and family of Lampasas were Sunday visitors of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Harris, and other relatives.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Berry returned the first of the week from San Antonio, where they had been called to the S. M. Hospital to see their little granddaughter, Barbara Nell Leverett. At last report she was getting along nicely.

O. Z. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Berry and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Berry made a business trip to Llano Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Berry have not heard from their son, Troy, now in several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Yarborough left Sunday morning to be present at the graduating of Harold Yarborough, who received his commission as Second Lieutenant at Fort Benning, Georgia. Mrs. J. C. Mullian accompanied them as far as Tyler for a visit with her son, Gaylord.

Mrs. Nan Killpatrick of San Angelo is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. H. Frizzelle, in this city. Mrs. Ariene Berry of Leona spent several days the first of the week with Mrs. J. D. D. Berry and other relatives.

Sunday guests in the Roy Wilkins home were his sister, Mrs. E. D. Stringer, and family of Sonora.

Miss Louise Skipper of Howard Payne College spent last Saturday and Sunday with homefolks here.

Miss Virginia Veit and Pat Bohannon of Grand Prairie were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bohannon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilkins received an announcement this week that little Sarah Kathrynne will make her home at Welmar with Supt. and Mrs. R. H. Mayfield. Her parents will be remembered here as they formerly lived in Goldthwaite. Mr. Mayfield was principal of the High School.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Kirby are now living in Dallas. They moved one day last week.

Cpl. Weidon Summy of Camp Bowie had a five-day furlough last week visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Summy. While here he accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Earl Summy to Fort Worth on last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Cloninger and family of Mason spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Rudd.

Mrs. Edgar Hanes of De Leon spent from last Thursday to Friday with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Jesse Lowe.

Mrs. B. T. Rich of San Saba was among those who attended the Methodist zone meeting Tuesday. She also visited with Mrs. John A. Dellis and family.

Miss Myra Nell Johnson left Tuesday for Midland where she visited her sister, Miss Joyce Johnson.

Misses Alta Cook and Mary Robnett spent the week-end with homefolks near Coleman.

Mrs. James Harvey and son and Miss Bobbie McWhorter of Dallas and Mrs. D. D. Tyson of Brownwood visited over the week-end with their mother, Mrs. Will McWhorter.

Mrs. D. K. Worthington of Temple spent last week with her brother, Tom Toland, Mrs. Claud Encott, and other relatives.



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METHODIST NOTICE

As was announced, we preached the first of a series of sermons on "What It Means to Be a Christian" last Sunday morning. The first message was on the text, "Ye Must Be Born Again." It should be evident to all that the first step in being a Christian is to become a partaker of the divine nature through the new birth. However, in our thinking the first sermon should be a message on the "Ground of the New Birth," or "Why We Must Be Born Again." This will be our subject next Sunday morning. We were greatly pleased with the size of our audiences last Sunday both morning and evening. May we urge upon all who want to understand better what it means to be a Christian to hear these messages. Especially we most urgently invite all Methodists and their friends to attend these services.

In our evening services, we want to feature good congregational singing. If any one has a song they would like to sing or have sung, ask for it, and we will be glad to sing it if we know it. Our messages are not long at the evening service. We shall endeavor to make this service interesting to all by having all take as much part in it as possible. Evening service will begin promptly at 7 o'clock.

B. A. MYERS, Pastor.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Sunday School, 9:45. Preaching, 11:00. N.Y.P.S., 7 p.m. Preaching, 7:45.

Monday, Junior Society, after school.

Wednesday prayer meeting, 7:45.

Friday—Cottage Prayer Meeting, W. T. Keese's home.

We appreciate the cooperation our church and friends are giving in carrying the work at Goldthwaite forward. Our Sunday School is under the efficient leadership of Bro. W. T. Keese. Each teacher and officer feels their keen responsibility. If you are not attending any Sunday School, come with us. We have a class for every age.

Our young people are taking on the responsibility of carrying on their department. They are rendering inspiring and helpful programs each Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. A hearty welcome awaits all the young people that attend.

Miss Emma Harrison is leading the Junior Society forward in a very encouraging way. The Juniors are doing good work. Don't forget! Meeting, Monday after school.

The Woman's Missionary Society under the able leadership of Mrs. E. F. Williams, is functioning in a very commendable manner. They meet each Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15, at 3 p.m., Rev. Burgner preaches at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. French. They live seven miles northwest of Goldthwaite. Last Sunday afternoon we had a very helpful service there. Let all the neighbors in that community attend.

Rev. BUFORD BURGNER, Pastor.

TWO MILLS COUNTY MEN ENTER ARMY AT WOLTERS

Alva M. Ford, son of Mrs. Cora Ford of Scallorn, and Bernard M. Perry, son of G. C. Perry of Goldthwaite have been accepted for military service in the Army of the United States and have been sent to Camp Wolters Reception Center for processing.

Midway H-D Club

The Midway Home Demonstration Club met Oct. 16 with Mrs. Colie Sevier. Miss Summers was with us, and gave a very interesting demonstration on canning chicken that will be good for all of us to know. Those present were Joe Ruth Lindsey, Imo Wicker, Lennie Horton and two visitors, Mrs. Steve Denmon and Mrs. Junion Denmon.—Reporter.

Mrs. Letha Hardwicke and Mrs. Dixie of San Antonio spent Sunday night with Mrs. Hardwicke's nephew, Arthur Cline, and family.

LOCAL BOY SCOUTS IN MEMBERSHIP 'BLITZ'

Local Boy Scouts will join with Scouts and Cubs all over the Comanche Trail Council in a "Membership Blitz" which starts on November 1 and continues through December 15, according to Dr. T. C. Graves, District Chairman. Plenty of prizes and fun will mark the effort of local boys and leaders to bring in more members to help with the active program in which the Boy Scouts of America are engaged.

Each Scout or Cub who recruits and trains a new member will receive a colorful button which he may wear on his uniform. Each Scoutmaster and Cubmaster has received samples of these and they are being displayed at troop meetings. In fact a Scout or Cub may earn more than one button if he desires, it was pointed out.

Each unit which adds six new members during the "blitz" will receive a white streamer as a "Dive Bomber" unit, each unit which adds eight new members, during the contest will receive a red "Flying Fortress" streamer, and the crowning award to units will be the "General Douglas MacArthur" streamer for adding 12 members during the six weeks.

In addition, points received for new members, plus points or "Bullets" received for having a full Troop, or for organizing a new Troop or Pack will be added up and the unit in this District which scores the most "Bullets" will receive a handsome flag desk-set, stated local Scouting officials.

Local Scouts and Cubs, and their counterparts throughout the nation, are busily engaged in all sorts of work on the home-front. Carrying out their normal activities of meetings, hikes, camps, special projects, advancement and physical skills, the boys are being encouraged to participate fully in the many calls which come from government officials for service vital to the war effort.

The first report on this "blitz" contest will be mailed to local leaders on November 15, and all are determined to "win or bust."

CARADAN

By MRS. W. W. REYNOLDS

Last Sunday was church day. Bro. Nalley brought us a great message at 11 in the morning, and we served lunch at the church and enjoyed the fellowship with each other in the afternoon. Bro. Deward Reynolds was ordained as Deacon in the church. Bro. Bryant, pastor of the Goldthwaite church brought us another great sermon. There were several from out of the community at church Sunday, and we were all very glad to have each one with us and extend a cordial invitation to all to come and be with us next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hill spent the week-end in Cleburne visiting relatives.

W. W. Reynolds received a box of nice fish last Friday from his son, W. O. Reynolds, of Los Angeles, Calif.

John Philen purchased a brand new tractor with implements last week.

Frank Poer was taken to a hospital in Galveston last week. We all hope and pray for a speedy recovery.

The church house is looking good as the men folks have it about painted. Miss Laura Petrick gave the paint and the painting has been done by donated labor. This is a very worthy cause, and we thank each one who has helped us.

Mrs. Lillian Holcer, Nancy Glary, D. L. Reynolds, of Dallas. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Williams of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Platt and daughter, Lola Gene of Gatesville, Deward Reynolds and family, Lloyd Reynolds and family all visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Reynolds, through the week-end.

Also Lev and Miss Margaret Sparkman of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. John Philen visited in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Nickols visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Manning, at Stephenville. They were accompanied by Billy Collier, who visited his brother Glynn, who is a student at Tarleton.

W. C. Frazier, Harmon Frazier, J. W. Mooney, C. D. Bledsoe, R. C. Atkins, and O. O. Lester attended a Conoco oil meeting at Brownwood last Wednesday whose birthday was Nov. 6.



FRIENDLY TIPS ABOUT THE SCORCHED EARTH POLICY—BY SIMMONS

"We must not apply the scorched policy to our farm lands," W. H. Simmons, Chairman of the board of supervisors of the Brown-Mills Soil Conservation District said. "Burning pastures, woodlands, and fields destroys plant food and organic matter needed in production of food and war materials. Burning also increases soil erosion and causes more rainfall to escape before it has put in its blow against the Axis.

"Our enemies, if they could, would set fire to our pastures and our woodlands," continued Mr. Simmons. "For destroying our grasses and our woodlands would be a serious blow to the production of Food-for-Freedom and war materials. At the same time, burning also reduces production of grass to feed our allies when the war is won. We should remember that a match used carelessly can do as much damage to a pasture as an incendiary bomb dropped by our enemies.

Burning crop residues, pastures, and wooded areas destroys very few insect pests, according to John R. Stough, work unit leader assigned by the Department of Agriculture to the Brown-Mills Soil Conservation Service District.

MILLS COUNTY MAN ENLISTS IN NAVY AT BROWNWOOD

En route to a training station for Naval service is Apprentice Seaman J. T. Richard Absher, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Absher of Mullin. Young Absher will go through a three-weeks' period of indoctrination, a short period of military training, and then qualify for a ship or trade school, as seaman, second class or fireman (artificer) third class, in approximately two months' time.

Absher was one of the twelve men who enlisted at the new Navy Recruiting Station at Brownwood, which serves Mills County, and which is in charge of Yeoman Van Nichols. Lt. L. H. Ridout, officer in charge of the North Texas Recruiting district, has advised that of all the one-man stations in North Texas the Brownwood office had sent in more men and attained a higher percentage of its quota.

Nichols asserts that he is anxious that all men—not just those who will soon be called through Selective Service—know the Navy, and make their choice while there is still opportunity. Any man between 17 and 50 years of age, no matter what their trade, who are physically able and mentally alert, are urged to call at or write the Navy Recruiting Station, located in Memorial Hall in Brownwood. Office hours are 8:30 a. m. to 6 p. m. except Sunday.

Mesdames Frank Rahl of Lomita Calif., J. A. Youngblood of Dallas C. A. Encott, Mary Winsor, Walter Fairman and Jon Schooler enjoyed an all-hostess luncheon at the Goldthwaite Inn Friday of last week.

Mrs. Lee Dyas was called to San Marcos last Monday evening on account of her daughter, Miss Gloria, who was quite ill and was in the student hospital. Mrs. Dyas brought Miss Gloria home to recuperate. She returned to SWTSTC Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Nickols visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Manning, at Stephenville. They were accompanied by Billy Collier, who visited his brother Glynn, who is a student at Tarleton.

"Instead," quote Mr. Stough, "burning does destroy harmless or beneficial insects, as well as discourage birds that eat harmful insects. By driving away or destroying the natural enemies of insect pests, burning naturally gives them a better chance to survive and to increase."

"Research investigations (at the Red Plains Conservation District Experiment Station at Guthrie, Okla.) showed that burning woodland every year increased the soil loss 12 times and the water loss 31 times," continued Mr. Stough. "In one rain more than 51 per cent of the water ran from the burned area while only two per cent was lost from unburned woods."

Not only this, but the same experiment showed that 26 pounds of nitrogen, absolutely essential to the successful production of grasses, escapes with the smoke from each acre of grassland that is burned. To replace this lost nitrogen to the burned-over land would require 143 pounds of nitrate of soda, 5,200 pounds of wheat straw, or 2,240 pounds of retdop hay. (Wheat straw contains 10 pounds of nitrogen per ton, retdop contains 24 pounds per ton, and nitrate of soda contains approximately 360 pounds per ton.)

Mr. Stough concluded by saying "Nitrogen is most vital to our war effort for the production of Food-for-Freedom. We should all do our part by permitting all the nitrogen in decayed grasses and crop residues to return to the soil."

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