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WHITTLIN'

BY DOLPH MOTEN

In newspaper work, as well as many others, you occasionally get strange requests. If we hadn't received such a request recently, we wouldn't be mentioning the fact now, of course.

Early one morning last week, Nat Read, almost out of breath, called us. He said, "Come quick over on the highway. Possum Richards is cutting weeds!! . . . and we want you to make a picture of this—it's never happened before and probably will never happen again."

Ordinarily, we'd try to talk our way out of such an assignment, but Nat sounded so sincere and excited we grabbed our camera and were across the tracks before he could get the phone back on the hook.

When we arrived where the crowd was gathered—on the west side of the building which is the new home of Lester Rhinehart's Butane Gas Co.—Possum was giving the knee-high weeds down the river with a borrowed gooseneck. He was, however, quite willing to stop long enough for us to make his picture. We did. And that ended Possum's career as a weed-chopper.

Almost as soon as the shutter was closed, he hurried to put the hoe up and be on his way. Here's the picture:



Before he left, though, he told us that Nixon had just the night before received the Republican nomination for president. And if Nixon is elected, Possum figures, he (Possum) is going to have to go to work for sure and he wanted to get in practice.

Lester was put out with us to a certain extent. "I knew he'd quit cutting weeds if you made his picture," the man who was benefiting from the work complained.

Last week, O. W. Rhinehart, the real estate man, was watching the Republican convention on TV. He noticed a swelling in his left jaw. Wondering if he was catching the mumps, he decided to see a doctor the next day.

And did. The doctor found nothing wrong. But Mr. Rhinehart, a good Democrat and precinct Democratic chairman for years, figured out what was wrong.

He said he'd been listening to and watching the Republicans for two or three days. And he just couldn't swallow all the things they were saying. This inability to swallow the stuff caused the swelling in the jaw.

After the Republicans took their propaganda and got off the TV screen, the jaw returned to normal.

Republicans affect different people in different ways.

We've taken up for Vernon Estes for the last time. No longer will he receive any sympathy from us.

Several weeks ago, some one accused him of being Parmer County Republican chairman. He denied this and asked us to help him set the public straight about the matter.

We complied with the request, but we aren't sure we set our readers straight. Vernon has been showing sympathetic actions toward the Republican cause lately. He hasn't been doing to suit us at all.

As a matter of fact, he's been picking on the Democrats. Says Nixon has a better farm

IN ASSOCIATION--

City Joins Bindweed Battle With County

City of Bovina has joined Parmer County Weed Control Association to battle bindweed on city property and help promote individual interest in controlling the damaging herb. A committee from the county-wide organization met with city commissioners Thursday to ask for Bovina's cooperation in control measures.

Efforts will be made to eradicate any bindweed found growing in alleys, around city wells or any other city property.

The control group is made up of vocational agriculture teachers, members of Farm Bureau, county agent Joe Jones, soil conservation men and others. Farwell and Friona already have plans in progress to wipe out bindweed in those cities.

Bindweed is a perennial plant which develops an enormous root system. It can survive any degree of dry weather and will eventually form a solid cluster of roots and leaves that renders the land useless.

Roy Crawford, agriculture teacher in Bovina High School, is a member of the county control organization. He recommends sodium chlorate or trysben 200 chemical solutions for bindweed control here because both can be purchased locally. Both are soil sterilants, preventing anything from growing on the treated area for three growing seasons usually.

Crawford also stressed the need for cooperation by individual property owners within the city limits to complete control plans.

Currently the association has a plan working that will theoretically treat all land in the county when cities and

citizens have joined the fight.

Texas Highway Department is working to control bindweed on its right of way as is Santa Fe Railroad. Rural roads and ditches are controlled by farmers applying chemicals paid for by commissioner's court.

Control of bindweed on crop land is left to farmers.

Sodium chlorate is a powder and should be used as such, Crawford advises. He feels trysben is better for individual property owners. It is safer because it is in liquid form.

"If an individual has bind-

weed in his lawn, he probably won't use a soil sterilant because it will make a bare spot in his lawn. Solutions that kill only broad leaf plants can be used without injury to the grass," Crawford explained.

"Such treatment would have to be continued over several growing seasons to kill the weeds," he said.

These solutions, which go under various trade names, contain either 2-4D or 245-T.

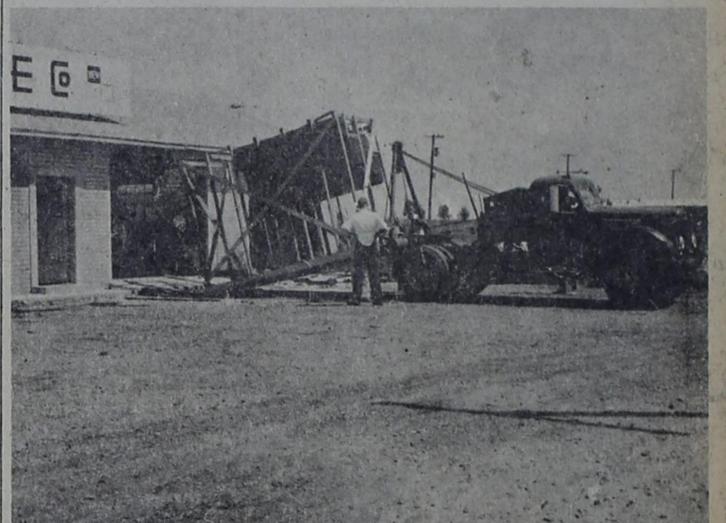
Bindweed reproduces and spreads mostly by seeds but also by roots and rhizomes. A small area adds about one-

third to its size during a normal growing season.

"We don't think there is much bindweed growing on city property, but we are going to try to kill all that is," said City Secretary Henry Minter.

Minter said if anyone isn't familiar with bindweed and what it can do to farm land, he should examine some land in Curry County New Mexico, where bindweed has taken over hundreds of acres.

"The land is worthless now. It would take more to kill the bindweed than the land was ever worth," he said.



GLASS FIRM MOVES--Bovina Glass Works began moving into its new location on Highway 60 last week. Here a winch truck sits down a heavy piece of equipment.

FRIDAY NIGHT--

Crops Chopped By Hail Stones



THESE WERE ERECT--This young grain sorghum on a farm northwest of Bovina was stripped of most its leaves and battered almost to the ground by Friday night's hail storm.

A small but violent storm, packing high winds and spotted heavy hail, dumped almost an inch of rain on Bovina Friday night.

Heavy crop damage was inflicted to a strip north and west of town, where several acres of cotton and some young grain sorghum was destroyed.

Harold Hawkins, who has farmland north of town, reported 35 acres of cotton was "stripped of everything but a single stem."

Rain gauges in Bovina registered .80 of an inch in about 20 minutes. The heavy runoff almost forced Highway 60 to be closed but the cloudburst didn't last long enough to pose serious high water threats.

The storm played itself down on Bovina proper and the small strip north of here. Only very light rain was reported south of town and none of any consequence fell at Oklahoma Lane.

Neither did the rain extend far to the north.

Hawkins said his older grain sorghum would probably recover. Some in the area that already had headed out appeared to have greatest damage.

Driving Privilege Taken

Two men were fined \$100 and court costs and had their driver's licenses suspended for six months in two separate Parmer County court cases Monday.

The two men, Nathan Brown, 60, and Refugio Castora, 40, were both arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Department near the Hub community Sunday morning. They were charged with driving while intoxicated.

In addition to being fined and losing their driving privileges, the two men were sentenced to three days in jail by Judge Loyde A. Brewer.

Dies In Mobeetie

Mrs. A. R. Meeks of Mobeetie passed away recently. She was the mother of a former resident of Bovina, Mrs. George Trimble.

Mrs. Meeks was 79 years old and was survived by two daughters, Mrs. Clarence Dyson of Mobeetie and Mrs. George Trimble of Alamogordo, N. M.

Attending the services which were in Mobeetie last week were Mrs. Emmett Tabor, Mrs. Joe Wilson, and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Trimble.

Mrs. Clifford Leake and Janice and Mrs. Joe Pesch attended the wedding of Shirley Thane, niece of Mrs. Leake, at Stamford, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Odis White visited in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Kelly of Earth, over the weekend. While there they attended the rodeo.

F. W. Ayres Funeral Monday

F. W. Ayres, 77, died Saturday morning at 5 in Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona. He was a victim of a heart attack.

Funeral services were con-



F. W. AYRES

ducted in Bovina Church of Christ Monday afternoon: Ebb Randol, minister of Church of Christ in Farwell, officiated. He was assisted by Alfred White, Bovina minister.

Mr. Ayres moved to Bovina area in 1916 and had lived here since that time. He came here from Frederick, Okla.

Frank Wesley Ayres was born in Elk City, Okla., March 16, 1883.

He was baptized into Church of Christ as a young man and had been a faithful worker since that time.

Survivors include his wife, Bertha, of Bovina; one son, Wesley, of Topeka, Kan.; two daughters, Mrs. Velta Turner of Staline, Calif. and Mrs. Mable Ellison of Bovina; one brother, Ed, of Austin; one sister, Mrs. Jessie Givens of Oklahoma City; two half-brothers, Clyde Hendrickson of Elk City, Kan.; one half-sister, Mrs. Mollie Barnes, of Turpin, Okla.; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Interment was in Bovina Cemetery.

Claborn Funeral Home of Friona was in charge of arrangements.

Children To Camp

Seven Church of Christ youngsters left Sunday afternoon for Blue Haven Camp at Las Vegas, N. M., where they will enjoy camp activities for a week.

Those going include Randol Jones, Beverly Pinner, Carolyn and Dennis Johnston, Billy Lynn and Joyce Marshall and Jo Beth Wassom.

Crawford Sets Trip

Roy Crawford, vocational agriculture teacher in Bovina High School, will attend the state conference of vocational agriculture teachers in Corpus Christi August 9-12.

The annual workshop is designed to help teachers keep pace with the fast-changing agriculture of the state. Workshops, lectures and panels will discuss subjects designed to equip participants for improved instruction.

In addition to educational features of the four-day conference, teachers will participate in several meetings of the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association. Activities will include an evening of entertainment on August 9, an Awards Breakfast on August 10, and an annual membership meeting following the breakfast. New officers will be elected and newly elected members of the board of directors will be installed.

Dr. Scotty Young of General Motors will be principal speaker for the first general session Tuesday. Additional meetings will be held in smaller groups divided by districts, areas and subject matter preference.

Tom Anderson, publisher of Farm and Ranch Magazine, will be main speaker at the business session on Wednesday.

More than eleven hundred teachers and friends are expected.

Attend Coach School

Bovina High Coaches Hallie Gee and Malcolm Kennedy are attending 28th annual Texas High School Coaching School at Dallas this week.

The school opened Monday for a five-day run.

Practice of 1960 season will begin here August 15 with some 40 prospects expected to report for workouts.

First game is tentatively slated for Friday, September 2, with Springlake there.

In an advertisement in the issue of The Blade, the complete schedule for '60 season is listed. It is sponsored by Three Way Chemical Co. Sports fans are urged by the sponsoring firm to clip and save the schedule.

O. M. HAMMONDS--

Fire Chief Will Move

O. M. Hammonds, a Bovina businessman for the past 25 years, will move soon from the city that has been his home for the past 38 years.

Ill health of a son was the reason given for the move. Hammonds said he and his wife decided to move to another city to be nearer facilities that may improve his health. They haven't decided where they will go.

"We regret to leave Bovina," Hammonds said. "We have our

home, friends and business here."

He operates an electric repair and installation firm here which he has had since 1935.

For the past 10 years Hammonds has served as fire chief of Bovina Volunteer Fire Department.

Hammonds moved here with his parents and family in the 1920's.

"There have been lots of changes in Bovina since I've

WITH FARWELL--

Teams Split Two Games

Bovina boys' baseball teams ended their season Monday of last week splitting a double-header with Farwell.

Little Leaguers dropped their third game in five decisions and Pee Wees won their first game of the year. Little Leaguers were shorthanded with several regulars gone to a church camp.

Bovina led until the final inning when Farwell scored three runs to take a 9-7 win. Pee Wees won by an 11-8 margin.

It was the first meeting of the year between Farwell and Bovina although several meetings had been scheduled. Weather hampered some of the games and others weren't played because of player shortages.

Lazbuddie, Farwell and Bovina made up the three-team league.

The program was sponsored by Bovina Lions Club. Darrel Read, student at Texas Christian University where he was an outstanding pitcher, coached both teams.



CLOSING SHOP--Otho Hammonds relaxes in his office after announcing he and his family will leave Bovina. The Hammonds haven't decided definitely where they will go. Health of their son is reason for leaving.



THE BOVINA BLADE

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Sue Moten, Women's News

Second-Class Privileges Authorized at Bovina, Texas
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Let's Organize

Bovina needs a chamber of commerce. A chamber has existed here in the past, but it died just about the time it could have really begun to prove valuable to this community. Since it passed away, growth and progress here has continued at a steady, though not outstanding rate. Some may point to the coming of vegetable packing sheds and increased cantaloupe acreage as accomplishments of this city, but these things have happened more in spite of local efforts than because of them.

The outstanding natural resources of this area must be credited vegetable business growing here.

There are plenty of individuals here that are sincerely for promoting the community and its products. Without organization, their efforts avail very little.

Bovina may be in a critical period in its competition with other nearby towns for factors that can either make it boom or bust.

This city appears to have reached a plateau in its progress chart. It is still a long way from growing stale, but without an organized group to prod the advancement curve upward, Bovina can very quickly become just another small town on the Amarillo-Clovis Highway that "grew well for a while, then settled down to just being a little place."

Every time a new business or new family moves here, you the citizens are benefited.

More people mean better consumer service, better schools and cause city property to be worth more. More people mean more consumer dollars and greater business volume.

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Party Honors Rhonda Barbee

Rhonda Barbee was honored with a party on her fifth birthday Thursday afternoon in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Barbee.

Following recreation of games the children were presented with favors of hats and whistles.

Refreshments of cake and ice cream were served to guests.

Attending were Regina Kelly, Candy Turner, Chris, Cathy, Honey and Buzzy Mast, Bobby Englant and the honoree. Mrs. Barbee hosted the party.

Party Fetes Kathy Jones

Kathy Jones celebrated her 14th birthday Wednesday afternoon with a swimming party in Clovis. Following the swimming party the group enjoyed a picnic in the park.

Attending were Kay Embree, Mary Ann McKinney, Jeanie Ivy, Paula Kay Kerby, Judy Roach, Patricia Patton, Mrs. Reggie Jones and Regina, Mrs. Owen Patton, Mrs. H. L. Riddle, Brenda Jones and the hostess, Mrs. O. H. Jones.

Shower Honors Recent Bride

Mrs. Carroll Burnam was feted with a bridal shower Friday afternoon in the fellowship hall of First Baptist Church.

Preceding presentation of gifts, Marilyn Brandon sang "If I Give My Heart To You" and Judy Roach furnished piano selections.

Refreshments of finger sandwiches and punch were served from a table laid with a white cloth over yellow. Centering the table was an arrangement of yellow and white gladioli furn-

ished by Mrs. Lee Sudderth. Corsages were presented to the honoree, and her mother, Mrs. Dennis Williams, and Mrs. Erith Hawkins, and Mrs. Fannie Burnam.

Attending were Mrs. W. W. Wilcox, Mrs. H. J. Charles, Harriette Charles, Miss Brandon, Gay Caldwell, Judy Roach, Mrs. P. A. Adams, Mrs. J. D. Stevens, Janet Gooch, Mrs. Tom Ware, Mrs. Tommy Williams and Leslie, Mrs. Hawkins, Mrs. Burl Spears, Mrs. Burnam, and Mrs. Norvell Strawn.

Hostesses were Mrs. Connie O'Brien, Mrs. Bill Bradshaw, Mrs. Vernon Ward, Mrs. Mary

Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Pritchard of Anton announce the engage-

Ruth Martin, Mrs. Alva Hudson, Mrs. Bob Johnston, Mrs. Ed Patsch, Mrs. Clarence Gauntt, Mrs. Dolph Moten, Mrs. C. R. Brandon, Mrs. Lee Sudderth and Mrs. P. A. Adams.

ment and approaching marriage of their daughter, Karen Sue, to J. Vernon Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Stewart of DeLeon.

The couple will be married in the home of the bride's parents August 18 at 4 p. m. Stewart is news editor of The Blade.

Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO ON THE BALLOT

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO BE VOTED ON AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 1960.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6 proposing an Amendment to Section 49-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas, increasing to three and one-half percent (3-1/2%) the maximum permissible interest rate on bonds hereafter issued by the Veterans' Land Board, providing for an election and the issuance of a proclamation therefor.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 49-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas, be amended by adding thereto the following:

"The foregoing notwithstanding, bonds hereafter issued by the Veterans' Land Board pursuant to the authority of this Section 49-b of the Constitution may bear a rate or rates of interest not to exceed three and one-half percent (3-1/2%) per annum.

"This Amendment shall become effective upon its adoption."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the first

Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1960, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

"FOR the Amendment to Section 49-b of Article III of the Constitution of Texas by adding thereto a provision authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue the bonds authorized under such Section to bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed three and one-half percent (3-1/2%) per annum."

"AGAINST the Amendment to Section 49-b of Article III of the Constitution of Texas by adding thereto a provision authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue the bonds authorized under such Section to bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed three and one-half percent (3-1/2%) per annum."

If it appears from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast were in favor of said Amendment, the same shall become a part of the State Constitution and be effective from the date set forth in said Amendment, and the Governor shall issue a proclamation in keeping therewith.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election, and shall have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of the state.

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One of Bovina's friendly businessmen, who recently bought a cleaning business which is now called Barbee Cleaners was born in Bovina, Dec. 14, 1925. He attended Bovina High School and West Texas State College.

For a number of years, S. A. was identified with the grain business and Southwestern Public Service Co.

February first, he bought the cleaning business that now bears his name and his whole purpose is to give the best in this line of endeavor--good service, quality workmanship, alterations, and careful attention to the needs of his customers.

As the business develops, modern facilities will be added such as moth proven storage, new equipment and whatever he deems best to give the same kind of service that is only available in much larger cities.

S. A. married the former Doris Sanders, in Clovis, New Mexico, June 23, 1951. They are the parents of two girls, Rhonda Diane and Sheila Gay.

Barbee served with the U. S. Army from June 26, 1944 to May 14, 1946 in the Pacific area.

He is a member of the First Baptist Church and fishing and hunting are his forms of recreation.

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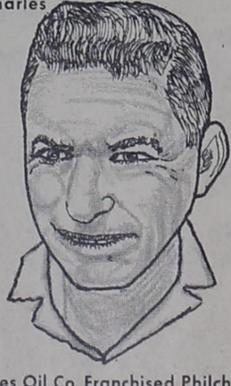
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Hammonds Home From Vacation

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hammonds and Carole returned recently following a vacation to

California. They visited with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jones of La Habra, Calif. While there they stayed at Newport and saw points of interest including Exposition Park, Farmers' Market and Knotts' Berry Farm.

Junior G. A.'s Have Trampoline Party

Several Junior G. A. girls enjoyed a trampoline party last Monday afternoon.

After the entertainment the girls adjourned to the park for a picnic.

Those present included Sheryl Lane, Kathy and Elaine Minyon, Martha Adams, Carol Kirkpatrick, Carol Mast, Margie Carter, Patsy Cumpston, Suzanne Ferguson, Gail Boyd, Teresa Paige, Sherry, Beth and Roxie Hutto, Debra Edens and Margret Jo Venable. Visitors were Dala Boyd and Stevie and Kerry Lane.

Sponsoring the group were Mrs. Ovid Lawlis, Mrs. Bill Lane and Mrs. Earl Dean Boyd.

Ladies Attend School Of Missions

Mrs. John Dixon, Mrs. Leon Ware, Mrs. Mable Newberry, Nita Beth and Verna Marie Estes and Penny Lloyd attended School of Missions in Lubbock last week.

The school is primarily the study of courses to be presented to the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Dr. Chess Lovern directed the Bible study. Other activities were clinics for the officers of both Guld and W. S. C. S.

There were approximately 500 girls and women enrolled. The classes were conducted at St. John's Methodist Church and dormitory facilities were provided at Texas Tech.

Young Couples Have Barbecue

Young Married Couples of First Baptist Church enjoyed a barbecue supper Thursday evening on the church lawn. Mrs. John Ferguson's class and Travis Dyer's class were the hostesses.

Following the barbecue supper, the group played volleyball.

Enjoying the outing were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Heard, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Moody, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Harmon, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Garner, Mr. and Mrs. James Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Burl Spears, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Holcom, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Owens and Rev. and Mrs. John Ferguson.

Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Oral Speed of Edna, and Mrs. Frank Bass of Kress. They were also visitors in the home of the pastor.

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Potato Harvest Near Completion

Kenneth Neill of Friona Growers and Shippers reported early this week that potato harvest in area served by his firm was about 60% complete. With favorable weather most growers should wind up the 1960 harvest by the end of the week.

Excessive moisture early in July proved to be unfavorable to potato growers in two ways. First, at that time the market price was \$6 per hundred. Then, the moisture at that particular time lowered the quality of the potatoes.

Neill expects the Friona processing plant to handle about

20% less acreage than was handled in 1959.

Several varieties are being processed by the local concern, but the most popular variety is La Soda, which is a red potato.

One of the best yields reported this year came from the Bill and Bud Stengel farms northwest of Summerfield.

No onions are being processed locally this year. Early carrots should begin coming in within the next 30 days.

At the present time the going price for number one potatoes runs about \$2.40 to \$2.50 per hundred.



Shown here is Miss Judy Billingsley who participated in the District 4-H Dress Revue which was in Amarillo Thursday. Miss Billingsley won Sweepstakes in Farmer County to make her eligible to enter the district revue.



FEED IS HEADING OUT all over the Farmer County area. In fact, some of the earlier-planted fields will soon be starting to "turn" as they approach maturity stage. But the stage shown above is typical of the biggest part of the crop, which is right in the middle of heading. This stage demands peak water use by the plants.

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS



OUR SOIL ★ OUR STRENGTH

Bobwhite quail were present, but not abundant, in Texas before white men arrived in this country. Our early farming methods improved food supplies for quail, therefore the birds increased rapidly for a few years. Today the bobwhite quail population is lower than it has been for many years. Reason for this decline is the "progress" of civilization with its ever-increasing use and exploitation of the land.

Under the very best conditions in West Texas natural wildlife cover is limited. To increase our quail population we must provide three essentials of life. These essentials are cover, food, and water. It does very little good to provide one without the other two. If cover is provided without food or water the birds will range in search of these elements. One of two things may then happen to the birds.

They may fall victim to predators or they may remain where they found food and water.

Grasses are required for best results for quail food and habitat. Some important grasses for quail food are Texas bluegrass, Little barley and rescuegrass. Many other grasses will serve the same purpose. They include Snow-on-the-mountain, Western ragweed, buckwheat, sunflower, and pigweed (careless weed).

Many cultivated plants also provide food for quail; some of the most common in West Texas are wheat, grain sorghum, and sesame. If every farmer in Farmer County would leave one acre of any of the grain crops mentioned above this would provide approximately 1200 acres of food for wildlife. This would be sufficient food to greatly increase our quail population.

A plant that grows in West Texas that provides both food and cover is Osage orange. If this is planted where it can receive extra water, such as around an old lake or tailwater pit, it will provide adequate cover for a covey of quail.

Quail are declining in Texas primarily because modern farming is reducing the supply of food and cover. To compensate for the loss certain habitat improvements should be made.

Hunger Stopped Only With Food

Few persons in the Texas Panhandle have been on the verge of starvation. Those who have will tell you nothing else satisfies but food.

Sir John Boyd Orr of England but well known in the United States as an informed agri-

culturist made this statement, "The most urgent material needs of the world today is food. Prolonged hunger causes social and political unrest. Unless people are fed, the best treaties and agreements can come to nothing. Hungry people cannot be satisfied by anything but food. The ill-fed out numbers the well-fed by nearly two to one. If people are chronically hungry, it cannot be expected that they will always remain passive. Desperation will sooner or later lead them to seek extreme solutions."

Thinking people will not doubt the above statement. Those who wish proof, should ask a seasoned welfare worker, a minister serving across the tracks or an experienced peace officer.

H. D. AGENT'S CORNER

Jimmie Lou Waincott

Now that hot weather is on us, Marshall Miller, extension poultry marketing specialist, warns egg producers that special attention must be given to gathering and processing eggs to keep quality high.

"Gather eggs 5 times daily in hot weather," says Miller. "Do most of the gathering in the morning as most eggs are laid between 6:00 a. m. and noon."

Miller says a high percentage of eggs produced under commercial conditions are either AA or A quality when laid. Proper gathering, processing and holding methods will retain much of this original quality.

Miller believes temperature control is the most important factor in maintaining this quality and recommends that eggs be cleaned and cooled as quickly as possible after gathering. They should be held between 50 and 55 degrees F., with a relative humidity of 80 to 85 per cent.

Don't forget if you are a floor producer that litter must be kept in good condition. Turn the litter frequently, remove wet and mouldy spots and add new litter as needed. Cage producers must keep roll-out trays dusted off. Also, use plenty of spray on the droppings to control flies.

A new device, developed by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, has possibilities of mechanizing the tedious job of pocket gopher control, according to Milton Caroline who is in charge of Texas operations for the Service.

This machine fits on the tool bar of a tractor, and is designed to construct an artificial runway which is baited with poisoned material as it is made. Caroline says the effectiveness of the machine depends on adjustments so that the artificial runway intersects natural burrows so the gopher will find the poisoned bait. He reports better than 90 per cent effectiveness in trials where care was taken in operation. In the past, the job of pocket gopher control consisted of probing for the individual runways and placing bait by hand.

The current issue of Texas Agricultural Progress has an article describing operation of the new barrow-building, along with detailed drawing for construction. This may be seen at your County Agent's office.



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The 1960 yield data from two wheat fertilizer tests were released by Delbert Langford, associate agronomist, of the High Plains Research Foundation. The two varieties used in the tests were Early Triumph, a standard high yielding variety, and Tascosa, a new hard red winter variety with exceptional adaptability for the High Plains area.

The following observations were made in these tests: (1) nitrogen alone increased yield an average of 19.08 bushels per acre above no fertilizer; (2) phosphate alone gave an increase of 16.66 bushels per acre; and (3) potash in combination with nitrogen and phosphate did not increase yield.

While the phosphate alone was not the most profitable fertilizer application, this is the first time at the Foundation

that phosphate alone has given a significant increase in yield. This indicates that as these Pullman clay loam soils are cropped heavily year after year, there is a greater need for phosphate fertilizer.

The average yield of the Tascosa variety in fertilized plots was 61.56 bushels per acre and the Early Triumph averaged 52.17.

The fertilizer treatment which produced the highest yield in the test was not the most profitable. The fertilizer treatment giving the highest average yield was 120 lbs nitrogen and 80 lbs. phosphate. This returned \$23.99 per acre above the cost of the fertilizer, but with only 40 lbs. of nitrogen alone, the yield was almost as high and the net return per acre was \$30.55.

This year's wheat fertilizer data at the High Plains Research Foundation are good indications

of what results can be expected from fertilizing wheat on Pullman clay loam soil. The application of fertilizer on winter wheat is indicated to be a profitable practice, but additional research is required to determine specific fertilizer recommendations.

Nurseries Offer "Package Plan" for Garden Living

Some nurseries and garden centers supply all the requirements for garden living in the summer months, including landscaping, flowering and shade trees, flowering shrubs, roses, annuals and perennials, grills, garden furniture, and whatever is needed to make summer living and entertaining outdoors most enjoyable.

The "package plan" is an outgrowth of the trend in recent years to supply all the home owners' outdoor needs, according to the American Association of Nurserymen. Under the package plan, the nursery draws plans and also executes the landscaping, supplying plants, outdoor furniture, grill and other necessary equipment from its regular stock with easy payment plan if desired.

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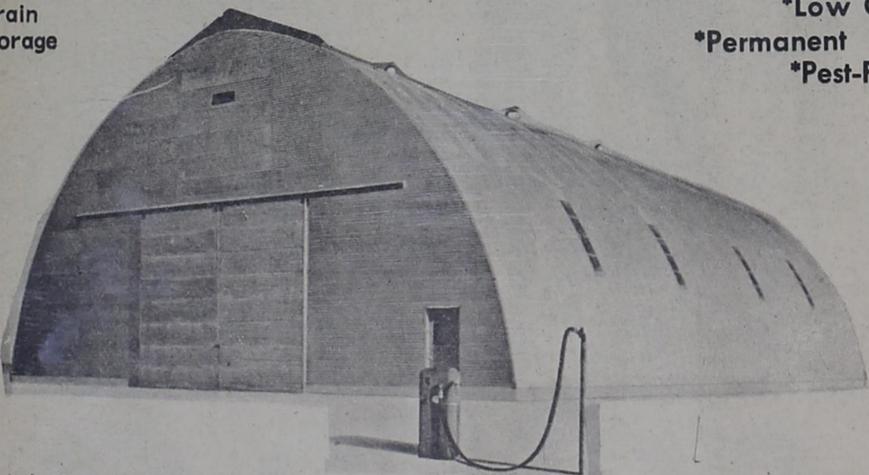
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TALKING THINGS OVER prior to leaving for the annual 4-H camp Monday morning were these three Farmer County 4-H boys and their adult sponsors. The group left Monday morning and they were scheduled to return Thursday night.



GETTING SUPPLIES READY TO LOAD for the jaunt to Holy Ghost Canyon Monday morning were these Farmer County 4-H boys and their adult sponsors. The supplies included water cans, pots and other cooking utensils, groceries, tents, bed rolls, and other items necessary for getting the group through the four-day outing at the New Mexico camp site.

TAES Figures Out Beef Production Cost

Exact average costs per mother cow to produce beef in Texas in these days of high expenses have now been figured out by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in East Texas.

The experiment station comes up with an average cost of \$99 per mother cow per year to produce an annual average of 378 pounds of beef, taking into account all such items as interest on investment, operator's labor, depreciation and all other annual expenses.

With the average production of 378 pounds of beef per year, it figures that the operator must receive slightly more than 26 cents per pound for the beef produced if he does nothing more than to break even. It goes without saying that many Texas operators, particularly those in the smaller brackets, seldom take into account all of the essential bookkeeping entries when estimating profits and losses.

If no charge is made for the production of a bale of quality hay than just planting and mowing a field of forage. George McBee, extension specialist, says that hay quality is affected by harvesting, curing and fertilizer use. The crop should be harvested before it reaches the mature stage, cure as rapidly as possible and fertilize just the same as other crops.

operator's labor, the average cost per mother cow per year comes to \$82. In such case, the operator could cover all cost if he obtained 21.5 cents per pound for his beef, but he would be throwing his labor into the deal with no actual return.

Then, cutting the bookkeeping still further, if interest on investment should be excluded the cost of production would come down to \$65 per cow. With a return of slightly more than 17 cents per pound the operator would be receiving a fair wage for his labor, but would not be getting enough to cover any return whatever for interest on his monetary investment.

If labor and interest costs both should be excluded, the annual cost for producing 378 pounds of beef each year would

come to \$47 per mother cow. This means that over a short period of time the operator could receive 12.5 cents per pound for the beef produced and still manage to stay in business. However, what he would be receiving would be the bare costs of replacement for the beef he was marketing.

Many Texas cowmen, who have watched the losses pile up in time of drought and in days when the markets were glutted, could show the bookkeepers where they have managed to remain in business with considerably less return than the average indicated requirements. At the same time, however, they would be the first to admit that they were not actually making any money and knew it all the time even without any expert bookkeeping or accounting systems.

Keep Up On Social Security Bookkeeping

"If good weather continues the farmers in the Panhandle may enjoy a profitable year in 1960," Hal Geldon said today.

Geldon is the manager of the Amarillo Social Security office. Keeping a watchful eye on trends is one of his many duties. One trend he observed is that farmers in this area are hiring more extra hands this season than they have in the past several years.

"It is important," Hal Geldon stated, "that these farm workers show their social security cards to their employer and it is equally important that the farmer keep accurate records of the wages that he pays each worker and the num-

ber of days these people work."

This is important because the farmer must report each individual to whom he pays cash wages of at least \$150.00 a year, or cash wages of any amount of the worker performed some work on at least 20 days in the year on a time basis (i.e. by the hour, day, week, etc.).

Geldon remarked on the need for good record keeping on the part of farmers and their employees all during the year, but especially at this time when attention is centered on getting the crops 'in'. People forget things when they are busy, but good records will always tell an accurate story.

Cotton Quiz

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Average Texas Farm Workday Was 10.1 Hours On June 1

Texas farmers and ranchers had an average workday of 10 hours, 6 minutes on June 1, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

That's a half-hour less than the average for farmers in all states of the nation, more than two hours less than the Wisconsin farm workday, but a full hour more than Nevada and Florida farmers put in.

This was brought out in the farm labor report issued by USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service, based on reports from federal-state Corp Reporting Service offices in each state.

The national average was 10.6 hours. Wisconsin led with 12.2 hours, while Nevada and Florida were lowest with 9.1 hours. Colorado farmers averaged 11.2 hours; Kansas, 10.9; New Mexico, 10.7; Oklahoma, 10.2; Texas, 10.1; Arkansas, 9.8; and

Louisiana, 9.3 hours.

Farm operators in the nation averaged about an hour more each day than their hired hands.

Seasonal length of the farm workday has changed very little in this area during the last three years, although a slowdown in the crop season was evident in some locations when the June 1 survey was made. The June 1 average for Texas in 1950 was 11.6 hours. In the war year of 1943, it was 12.8 hours.

Weather at this season seems to have little effect on the amount of time the farm operator works, even when he can't be in the fields. The number of seasonal hired workers is more sharply influenced by weather conditions, but the workday length for regular hired help is more consistent, even in undesirable weather.

That Old Cow Needs Chlorophyll

The green in grass means green backs in the livestock producer's pocket. Green color in plants is caused by the presence of chlorophyll, the quantity of which is an index to the amount of carotene present. Carotene, which is formed only in plants, is an important source of vitamin A, an indispensable ingredient in beef production. Loss of green color in hays or fodders means that a large per cent of the carotene is lost.

If cattle are not provided with green forage or a vitamin A fortified ration, vitamin A deficiency will occur. This deficiency is characterized by night blindness, watery eyes, swollen joints, rapid breathing, a staggering gait and a general loss of vigor. If the condition is not remedied, the cattle will become unmarketable and eventually will die. Time required for cattle to become

deficient varies. Young animals, which have not had enough time to store up a supply, become deficient faster than older animals.

A sufficient supply of vitamins A, C, D, E, K and the B vitamins is as necessary for normal growth and reproduction as proteins, carbohydrates, fats and minerals. Vitamins A, D and E are normally found in natural feeds, and vitamins C, K and the B vitamins are produced inside the body. U. D. Thompson, extension animal husbandman for the Texas A&M College System, has prepared an interesting and informative publication in which "Vitamins For Beef Cattle" are discussed. This publication may be obtained from the local county agent or from the Agricultural Information Office, College Station, Texas. Ask for MP - 415.

Profits From Swine Production Depend On Management

Two important factors point toward higher potential profits for commercial hog producers during the months ahead. They are, according to C. H. Bates, extension farm management specialist, more favorable prices for pork and abundant supplies of grain.

Texas hog raisers reduced their spring pig crop 20 percent below that for 1959, due to slim profits through last fall and winter. Spring pig output for the nation was down 16 percent, Bates said.

Breeding intentions of Texas producers reflect a 5 percent cut in fall farrowings compared with 1959, while the drop nationally is estimated at near 4 percent. So, Bates points out, fewer animals will be moving to market through the spring of 1961 if farmers carry out their earlier intentions.

But even with higher prices and ample grain supplies, higher net profits are not assured, Bates says. Important management considerations must be met in pork production as in other livestock operations, and he lists well-planned

facilities which minimize labor needs and maximize animal comfort; a careful program of sanitation to control losses from diseases and parasites; the use of breeding stock which will produce the favored lean cuts; and good production records on the operation as among the more important.

It has often been said that a farmer must be business-like in his operations. Today, more than ever, he should know how his business is doing. Adequate records can aid the hog producer in planning improvements which will boost profits. It's no time to be farming by guess, Bates adds.

Help and guidance on management practices including record keeping is available from local county agents. Bates suggests a visit with him.

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Keep Cattle Shrink Low

The heavy fall livestock marketing period is only a short time away, and producers are beginning to think about the returns they will get on their investments. Lloyd Bergsma, extension livestock marketing specialist, points out that selling price alone does not determine whether or not the producer will show a profit. A combination of selling price and pounds sold determines how much money a producer can put in the bank—or how much he must borrow to continue operations for another year.

Cattle shrinkage can cut down on profits or, in some cases, it can even mean the difference between profit and loss.

Bergsma offers the following

tips for keeping shrinkage low:

Keep physical activity of cattle at a minimum during marketing.

An overnight stand, or at least a few hours, off feed and water before loading results in less shipping shrink. Make full use of the feed and rest stops for cattle shipped long distances.

Plan the loading job so that there are no unnecessarily long delays.

Feed hay before shipping. Animals accustomed to hay will not only shrink less enroute, but will take hay at sales yard or rest stops much quicker than those not used to hay.

If you are shipping long distances, make sure your animals have a chance to feed and rest before sale time. It will pay to allow from 24 to 36 hours for a refill.

Plan your marketing job so that you can avoid conditions that increase shrinkage. Exposure to wet, cold weather and really hot weather, and improper bedding and footing increase shrinkage.

Avoid excitement. Don't rush and crowd cattle into cars and through gates. Don't overload or underload shipments.

Attend your cattle at the market. Make sure they have fresh hay and plenty of clean water.

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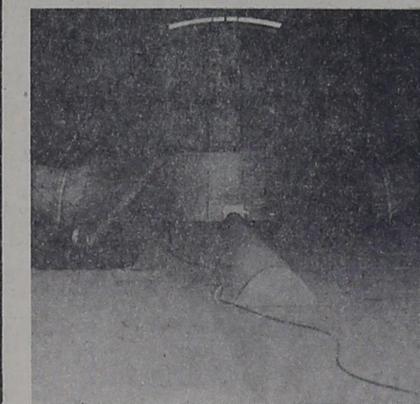
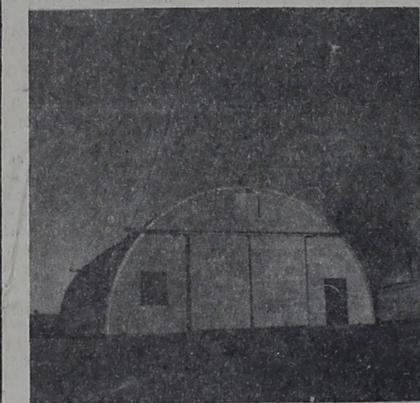
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A FORM OF ALGAE is what they call this sticky matter which is becoming more and more prevalent in irrigation wells around the Friona area. So far, the algae has not noticeably interfered with the output of water, but there is a growing concern in the area that it could eventually do so. Here, Stan Benge of Farmer County Pump Company tries to clean a pump covered with this adhesive form of plant life.

Growth Showing Up In Wells

A sticky form of plant growth, better known as algae, has been showing up in irrigation wells around Friona, but it has not yet noticeably affected the output of water.

This underground plant life, which apparently grows in the water-bearing sands, makes its way through the slits of well casings and corrodes both the casing and pump. The algae has been discovered only when a pump is pulled for one reason or another.

First discovering the plant life about three years ago, farmers have made some attempts to control it with chemicals, but they have not been very successful.

The algae has also been discovered in other isolated areas of the High Plains and it has

been brought to the attention of the High Plains Water District. Representatives of the district, who have investigated the situation, say this bacterial growth does not present a health hazard.

However, they say it is a potential obstacle to continued normal operation of the mechanical pumping equipment. The district reported one incident where the algae became so concentrated inside a pump that it was completely clogged and prevented operation.

"It could even clog the well casings and pores of the water bearing formation, thereby preventing water from entering the well," according to a report in a recent edition of the Cross Section, a monthly publication of the High Plains Water District.

District representatives are trying to interest various groups in research programs to study methods of controlling this foreign growth and to keep it from spreading to uncontaminated wells.

It is not known whether the presence of this foreign matter will ever become a serious problem, but as it continues to show up in new locations, there is a growing concern that it might someday interfere with irrigation practices in this area.

Accidents to farm residents claim more than 11,300 victims and injure about 950,000 persons annually, according to the National Safety Council.

THE PARMER FARMER

By W. H. Graham, Jr.

The Graham family finally got around to doing something they have been wanting to do for a long time, and that was to go out West and see that part of the country. This trip included, naturally, several days in California, the most fabulous of the western states.

Anyone interested in agriculture can't appreciate California's reputation as an agricultural state unless he sees with his own eyes what is going on out there. Nature has truly blessed California with its Mediterranean-type climate and generous endowments of soil and water.

Citrus groves, grape arbors and every imaginable vegetable grow in profusion. It really is hard to imagine what the Californians manage to do with all that production. How in the world could we EVER use that many olives, for instance? There are miles and miles of these trees.

It is no surprise to see California as such a heavy exporter of agricultural products. In their specialty lines, they clearly produce more than could ever be consumed in that state, populous as it has become. They make good use of lines like The Santa Fe, Southern Pacific and Union Pacific to haul their produce out to the inland states by the trainload. The highways are filled with refrigerated trucks, too.

All in all, it is quite a sight to see. More than anything else, we were most impressed with the fact that by far the biggest part of what we were looking at and being staggered with was farming that was outside the sphere of government influence. Acreage controls, price supports, and subjects of a like nature have little to do with the biggest part of this tremendously productive agricultural area.

Not that they don't raise some of the same crops we do out here on the Plains, because they do. Certain parts of big Kern County and Fresno County, in the San Joaquin Valley, remind us very much of a scene on the High Plains. They have a lot of cotton, raise a lot of alfalfa and the land is flat and irrigated.

Instead of making a dull travelogue out of this column, we'd like to pass along a few notes we made during the trip, which we made whenever we saw something that seemed unusual or especially interesting. They are sort of disorganized, but do help build a mental picture of what's out there: We saw irrigation wells within 100 yards of the Pacific Ocean. Don't ask us why they don't pump salt water.

The temperature in July on the beach was a pleasant 75 degrees most days. Nearly anywhere along the coast, you could "enjoy" a 20 to 30 degree jump in temperature by just driving inland 10 miles. Altitude didn't have a thing to do with it. It was the influence of the ocean.

The smog in the Los Angeles basin is everything it's reputed to be. And then some.

In California, some farmers think nothing of spending \$1,000 an acre just GETTING READY to put in some of their high-priced crops.

Fruit and produce is plentiful and inexpensive, but beef is high. Tip: let's ship 'em more red meat.

Also, they can't afford to raise grain sorghum on that high priced land. Let's ship 'em more grain if we're not going to ship 'em more beef. California has a wonderful system of highways.

Lo, the Lowly Spud

The potato was introduced to Texas soil by the early Anglo-Americans and today has become one of our most important vegetable crops grown for home consumption. Probably no other vegetable is included in the housewife's meals as often as are potatoes. Prepared in many different ways -- mashed, boiled, baked -- approximately 400 million bushels are consumed annually by the American people.

Potato production is reported by growing seasons which include early spring, late spring, early summer, late summer, fall, and winter. Texas produces potatoes in the early spring, late spring, and early summer seasonal groups.

Florida and Texas are the only two states which grow early spring potatoes with Florida being the major producer. In 1959 Texas produced 60,000 cwt. of early spring potatoes from 500 acres which yielded 120 cwt. per acre. The indications for 1960 are for 900 acres to be harvested at an expected yield of 60 cwt. per acre which would produce 54,000 cwt.

In 1959 Texas harvested 8,000 acres of late spring potatoes which yielded 62 cwt. per acre and produced 496,000 cwt. Indications for 1960 are that 9,000 acres would be harvested -- which is a 12.5% acreage increase over 1959 -- at a yield per acre of 65 cwt., a 4.8% increase over 1959. At this rate 585,000 cwt. of potatoes will be produced in 1960. This means a 17.9% increase in production of late spring potatoes over 1959. The 1949-58 average production for Texas is 489,000 cwt.

Of the 11 states which pro-

duced late spring potatoes in 1959, California ranked first in production and North Carolina second. Arizona and Alabama ranked third and fourth respectively while South Carolina was the fifth largest producer. Texas ranked sixth.

Texas also is an important producer of early summer potatoes. In 1959 Texas harvested 11,800 acres of early summer potatoes yielding 170 cwt. per acre and producing 2,006,000 cwt. The 1960 indicated production is somewhat less than production in 1959 but well above the 1949-58 average. This year Texas growers of the early summer crop are anticipating a production of 1,864,000 cwt. from 11,300 acres yielding 165 cwt. per acre. The 1949-58 average production in Texas is 957,000 cwt. The leading growers of early summer potatoes in 1959 were Virginia, California, Delaware, Texas, Tennessee, and Kentucky, in that order.

On the national level the production of early spring potatoes is set at 3,287,000 cwt. Although the expected 1960 production is 5% larger than the 1959 crop, it still is 6% below average. At present the late spring crop is placed at 26,995,000 cwt. If these indications are correct, the 1960 production will be 15% greater than the 1959 crop and 10% above average. Early summer potato production is forecast at 14,461,000 cwt., which is 2% above 1950 production and 16% above average. In most areas in the nation, potato prospects in 1960 are very good to excellent.

In 1959 there were 242,998,000 cwt. of potatoes produced in the nation. This is an 8.6% decrease from 1958 production, but is still 5.7% above the 1949-57 average. All 48 states in the United States proper produce potatoes -- ranging from a 1959 production of 153,000 cwt. in Illinois to 40,222,000 cwt. in Idaho. Ranking second after Idaho in 1959 production was Maine with 34,606,000 cwt. California ranked third while producing 27,528,000 cwt., and New York was fourth with a production of 15,937,000 cwt.

Other leading potato producers were North Dakota, 12,000,000 cwt.; Minnesota, 11,674,000 cwt.; Colorado, 11,575,000 cwt.; and Washington, 10,520,000 cwt. Texas' production in 1959 of 2,562,000 cwt. ranked nineteenth in the nation.

The top eight potato-producing states accounted for over two-thirds of the 1959 national potato crop. The 1959 national production had a value of \$495,734,000 and sold at an average price of \$2.03 cwt.

In Texas the early spring crop is grown principally in the Lower Valley area in Cameron, Hidalgo, and Wilbacy counties. The crop usually is planted in late December and early January and is harvested during April, although in some years a portion of production remains for May harvesting.

The late spring potato crop is grown primarily in Frío and Webb counties in the Winter Garden and Laredo growing area, Bexar County, and the

Knox-Haskell area in West Texas.

In addition, a small acreage is grown in scattered counties in central and eastern parts of the state. In the San Antonio area the crop is planted in the last half of January while planting in the central and east Texas areas starts in the latter part of February and continues into March.

Planting in the Knox-Haskell growing area begins in mid-March and continues into early April. Harvest of the crop in the Winter Garden area begins in early May while harvest in the San Antonio area begins in mid-May. Harvest of the east and central Texas crops begins in the latter part of May, and harvest in West Texas begins in early June.

The early summer crop is grown primarily in the Panhandle area. The principal producing counties in this area are Bailey, Castro, Crosby, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Hale, Hartley, Lamb, Lubbock, Parmer, and Swisher.

Planting in the Panhandle growing area usually begins in the last half of March and continues through April. The majority of the harvest extends from the middle of July to the middle of August.

According to the 1954 Census of Agriculture the top-ranking counties and their production of potatoes for home use or for sale were Deaf Smith, 391,073 bushels; Cameron, 114,928 bushels; Castro, 104,987 bushels; Parmer, 95,860 bushels; and Bailey, 95,113 bushels. These five top-producing counties accounted for 43.8% of production for home use or for sale in 1954 in the state.

The principal varieties of potatoes grown in the state for fresh market use are Sebago, Red Lasoda, Kennebec, and Red Pontiac. When seed potatoes are

planted, five to eight pounds should be planted per 100 feet of row at a depth of three to five inches. The rows should be approximately 30 to 36 inches apart while the plants should be approximately 12 to 15 inches apart. The potatoes are usually ready to be harvested in 75 to 100 days from the time of planting.

Almost every type of crop-producing soil will produce potatoes profitably with exception of very heavy clays. The type of soil best suited for potato production is a deep, friable, rich, moderately acid sandy loam that is high in organic matter. Another essential is a field with adequate drainage.

Irish potatoes are definitely not a poor-soil crop. Increased yields require an abundance of plant food, thus fertilizer becomes an important part of potato production. A satisfactory fertilization can be obtained from an application of well-rotted manure supplemented with muriate of potash and superphosphate at approximately four to ten tons per acre. The seed used for planting also should be thoroughly treated before being planted.

It has been said that the potato can be attacked by more than 100 different types of insects as well as virus diseases, fungus diseases, and bacterial diseases. Thus the potato may fall prey to many different kinds of diseases and insects if not

properly cared for. Some of the more common insects which attack the potato are the aphid, Colorado potato beetle, flea beetle, leafhopper, blister beetle, and potato psyllid.

Today the potato is grown in almost every country in the world although it is better adapted to countries located in the north temperate zone. Over 90% of the world's annual potato production of approximately eight billion bushels is grown in Europe. As the years go by more potatoes are being produced on a smaller amount of land. A quarter of a century ago a yield of 100 bushels per acre was considered a good crop; however, today the same acre will produce 250 bushels.

Potatoes should be stored in a cool, dark place in order to retain their value and flavor. Because most of the potato's calories and vitamin C are located near the skin, they should not be peeled deeply or these valuable food production will be lost.

About two-thirds of the annual potato production is consumed fresh while the remainder is canned, frozen, made into potato chips, or used for non-food purposes, such as potato starch and alcohol. Although per capita consumption of potatoes had been in a downward trend before 1956, it is now moving upward and at present, consumption is over 100 pounds per person annually.

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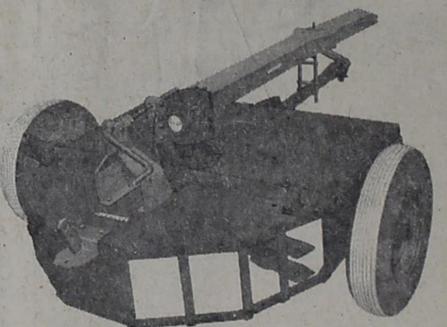
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Engagement Revealed

Mrs. Gene Rea announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Barbara to Terry Merriman, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M.



Mrs. Scott Gober, far right is shown at serving table along with members of Town and Country Club. From right to left are Mmes. Joe Moore, Glenn Hromas, Charles Embry, David Haber and Charles Vickers.

Town And Country Club Hosts Tea

Woman's Club House was the scene of a tea honoring young women of the community Thursday afternoon. Town and Country Jr. Women's Club hosted the occasion.

The room was graciously adorned with arrangements of fresh garden flowers featuring daisies and gladioli.

Receiving and greeting the guests were Mrs. Joe Moore and Mrs. Charles Embry.

From a table laid with a white cloth covered with lace

Mrs. Glen Hromas and Mrs. Charles Vickers served refreshments of tea sandwiches, cookies, nuts, rosebud mints and punch. Centering the table was an arrangement of coral gladioli with a crystal punch bowl completing the setting. Approximately 25 ladies attended the tea.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burnam returned Sunday following a vacation in Truth or Consequences, N. M.

Young Peoples Training Union Class Entertained

Miniature Golf provided entertainment for the Young Peoples Training Union Class of First Baptist Church Tuesday evening.

Following the recreation the group had refreshments of sandwiches, chips, Cokes and cake in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kirkpatrick.

Loy O'Brien presented a devotional to the group.

Attending were Marilyn and Buddy Turner, Pat and Loy O'Brien, Janet Gooch, Nancy Cumpston, Lynn Hudson, French Crook, Jimmy Wright, Jackie Turner, John Sikes and Jimmy Collum, who is visiting with the Kirkpatricks from Lovington, N. M.

Sponsoring the evening were Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kirkpatrick and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wiseman.

Mrs. J. T. Jones and daughter and family, Mrs. Jerry Rogers, Joni and Jana, visited with relatives in Edinburg and Corpus Christi recently.

W. M. U. Elects New Officers

Mrs. Ovid Lawlis presided at a meeting of W. M. U. Tuesday afternoon at First Baptist Church.

Following the Stewardship devotional presented by Mrs. J. W. Gooch and reports from chairmen, the ladies elected officers for the ensuing term.

They are: president, Mrs. Don Murphy; vice president, Mrs. P. A. Adams; sec.-treas, Mrs. Bobby Englant; program chairman, Mrs. S. A. Barbee; community missions chairman, Mrs. H. N. Turner; mission study, Mrs. Johnny Horn; prayer chairman, Mrs. Travis Lloyd; stewardship and home life, Mrs. Charles Hawkins; jubilee chairman, Mrs. J. W. Gooch; social chairman, Mrs. Henry Minter; circle chairmen Mrs. John Ferguson, Mrs. Vernon Ward, Mrs. Bill Hutto; Y. W. A. director, Mrs. John Ferguson; counselors, Mrs. Bobby Englant and Mrs. Terry Adams; G. A. director, Mrs. Ovid Lawlis; counselors, Mrs. Bill Lane, Mrs. Earl Dean Boyd and Mrs. J. D. Kirkpatrick; Sunbeam director, Mrs. Jim Russell; counselors, Mrs. Travis Dyer, Mrs. Jesse Sisco, Mrs. Jim Russell and Mrs. Joyce Parkey; pianist, Mrs. Charles Embry; and song leader Mrs. Allen Cumpston.

Nominating committee to select officers for the next term are Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Cumpston and Mrs. Englant.

Gene Halls Have Boy

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hall on the birth of a 7 lb., 15 oz. boy born July 22 at Cannon Air Force Base Hospital. He was named Wesley Howard.

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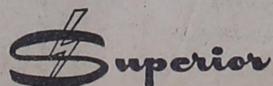
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Everywhere you go the present topic of conversation is the coming election and the candidates. Many of the conversations center around the fact that Kennedy is Catholic. It seems some people will vote Republican due to this one fact, and others are vacillating from one party to another due to the religious issue.

Another thing which is often mentioned is the fact that one candidate is from an average family while the other is the son of a millionaire. For my part, I can't hold this latter fact against anyone. Something about

the religious issue which constantly amazes me is the fact that few of us know the exact doctrines of our own religion much less that of another. Think this is significant that people listen to hearsay rather than read or contact direct persons in order to get the true picture.

It seems the Paris fashion showings are about to come to an end. The fall trend varies greatly from the sack to the sleek-well fitted lines. Have noticed that skirts are going to be about as short as they were in 1948 and '49. Hats are made of beautiful velvets fashioned similar to the Russian Cossack hats and some even have the

mushroom look. Furs are used to trim many of the coats and suits. An Italian designer brought back the sack in modified form while Castillo of Paris shows the hand span waistline with tear drop skirts being the greatest change. It seems these skirts are full over the hips coming very close about the knees and banded but are still comfortable to walk in. These fashions won't affect us greatly but it is still interesting to know what high fashion is going to be like in the 60's.

Have decided that gossip, not money, is the root of all evil.

Engagement Revealed

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Brito of Bovina announce the engagement and approaching marriage

of their daughter, Donna Cervantes of Portales, to John F. Higgins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Higgins of Hereford.

The wedding will be Saturday, August 20, at 3 at St. Hden Catholic Church in Portales. Friends of the couple are cordially invited to attend both wedding and reception.

**Junior Classes
Have Joint Party**

Juniors One of First Baptist Church hosted a Sunday School party for the Junior Two class Thursday evening at First Baptist Church.

Game leaders for the evening were Carol Mast and Rex Cumpston.

After an evening of exercise the group enjoyed refreshments of cookies and punch.

Present were Teresa Paige, Vickie Short, Carol Mast, Carol and Darrel Kirkpatrick, Rex and Patsy Cumpston, Pam Webb, Elaine and Kathy Minyon, Margie Carter, Suanne Ferguson, Roxie and Beth Hutto, Martha Adams, Rodney and Lynn Murphy, Vickie Hawkins, Bonnie and Jerry Morris, Linda Williams, Gail Boyd and two visitors John D. Ferguson and Debbie Hawkins.

Sponsoring the party were Mrs. Bobby Englant and Mrs. J. W. Gooch.

Locals

Patsy Lloyd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Lloyd, was released from Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona Sunday. She will convalesce in Oklahoma.

Bill Burnam was hospitalized at Parmer County Community Hospital Monday afternoon.

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Following the supper the group participated in a game of volleyball.

Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Oakley Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Charles, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Baxter, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Bushnell, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Glenden Sudderth, Mr. and Mrs. Burl Spears, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Clements, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hardin, Mrs. C. E. Trimble and the classes teacher and husband Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ivy.

CARD OF THANKS
I wish to express my appreciation to our many friends who were so thoughtful to me and my family during my recent illness. To the blood donors I especially want to say "thank you". The prayers, cards, flowers and visits were all appreciated. May God bless all of you.

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Lady Armstrong

**Free Family
Has Reunion**

The home of Mrs. Elbert Kelly of Childress was the scene of the Free family reunion recently.

Among the four sons attending were: Troy and family from Los Angeles, Calif.; J. D. and family of Redding, Calif.; Walter of Denver, Colo.; and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Free and family of Dumas. Three girls attended, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stone and family of Pomona, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Rouel Barron and Jerry of Bovina; and Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Kelly of Childress. Mrs. Free, mother of the children, a local resident, also attended.

**Bridal Shower For
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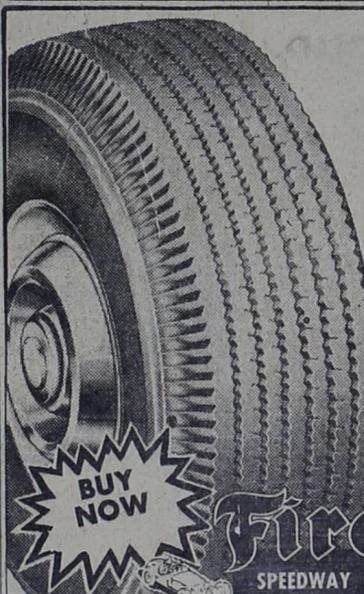
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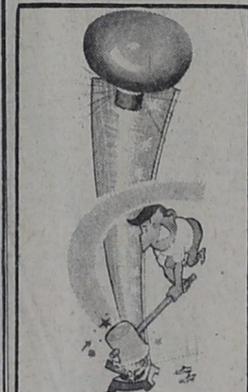
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