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Hail Hits Devastating Blow

Whittlin'

By Dolph Moten

Following Monday night's hail, the talk and wit from hail-saddened farmers was plentiful around coffee shops.

Top comment of the day, in our opinion, was made by a smart aleck farmer whose name shall not be mentioned here for obvious reasons. His statement: "The hail beat up everything I had except my wife and I think I'll go home and do that myself."

He replied with an emphatic "No!" when asked if he could be quoted. Talk's cheap, you know.

The hail was terrible. No question about that. But, as could be expected, it'll get worse the more it is talked about. Size of the hail stones grew from moth ball size to golf ball size and then to baseball size. By now they should be as large as softballs, at least.

Seriously, golf ball size hail was plentiful. We doubt, however, that there were any as large as baseballs.

According to stories, the number of windows which were broken in the school building by hail increased rapidly, too. First, it was six. Then "something over 20." Next came 47 and then if you listened close it was "nearly all of them."

In this issue of The Blade, Bovina Wheat Growers has an ad soliciting wheat storage.

It was laid-out and purchased prior to the storm, of course. We talked with Manager James Russell following the hail. He wondered if there wasn't some way we could let the people know that the ad should read "hail-damaged" wheat as well as just plain wheat.

Actually, we doubt that this is the ideal week to be advertising for wheat storage business . . . because of the hail. Otherwise it was a wonderful time.

Vernon Stewart, the Blade's new newsman tells us this one:

Scott was a cub reporter, fresh from college and sure that he was on the verge of winning a Pulitzer Prize for his literary ability.

His editor was patient with Scott and tried to make him tone down his flowery adjectives and modifiers by kindly suggestions and hints. When it became apparent that diplomacy wouldn't change Scott's style, the editor became blunt and told him to "tell your story as briefly as possible using facts only."

Shortly thereafter, Scott wrote this story of an accident. "John Doe looked up an elevator shaft to see if an elevator was coming. It was. He would have been 35 in July."

Several people have asked us if Bovina would have an amateur baseball team this year.

We don't think so. Reason is, amazingly enough, not a lack of interest. It's that there's no league close enough for a team from here to play in.

Lack of interest might have been what killed the Central Plains League which Bovina's Bulls used to play in. But interest here was certainly high enough for the league to continue operation.

Interest here was kindled by the fact that we had a top team the last two or three years that we had a team at all. It's almost impossible to have a team unless there is a league. When games are not scheduled regularly, interest quickly dies. Too, players don't see enough action to keep them from becoming sore and stiff after each game and that takes most of the fun out of it for them. That's especially true if they're over 21 years old.

We don't think sandlot baseball's dead here forever. It'll

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THIS WAS COTTON--Young cotton took a hail-lashing during Monday night's storm. C. E. Trimble's cotton was in the two-leaf stage before the storm. Now, all that remains is a few small stalks and hail-peppered rows.

Million Dollar Crop Damage

Hail struck a devastating blow to this community Monday night.

Damage caused by the storm has been estimated at more than a million dollars to crops alone. Homes and other buildings also were damaged by the hail.

The hail, accompanied by high--but not damaging--wind and rain, swept through the area about 9:30 p.m.

In Bovina city limits, the hail was considered by many to be the most destructive in history. Aubrey Brock of Wilson-Brock Insurance Agency and A. L. Glasscock of Bovina Real Estate and Insurance were swamped with claims Tuesday.

While the storm came from the north, areas west and east of town were hurt worse than north and south. Little damage was reported in Oklahoma Lane community, for instance, as the storm ran out some three miles south of town.

Also, there were some areas in the west-east hail strip which received comparatively little damage.

Wheat was the crop which possibly suffered most. For the most part, it was almost mature and on the brink of being ready for harvest. Young cotton was destroyed in many cases though it is hoped that, because it was young, it will "make" in spite of the damage.

In the case of cotton, there's a question of whether it will be better to leave the battered stalks or re-plant at this late date. Both routes will be taken, depending on the amount of damage and the individual farmer.

Grain sorghum was the crop least damaged. Even if it were destroyed, ample time for re-planting exists and farmers will be assured of a reasonably good crop barring further difficulties.

There's a possibility that the destroyed wheat will be plowed under and milo planted on this land. Some farmers will attempt to bale the damaged wheat while still others will simply plow the stalks under and wait for another year. From a crop standpoint, the hail was the most damaging in modern history.

Moisture measured in Bovina totaled .9 of an inch. This is small consolation, however, for farmers who no longer have a crop that needs moisture.

Otto Ables, representative of Gateway Produce Co. says the storm wasn't severe as far as this year's vegetable crop was concerned. No fields of cantaloupes were completely wiped out, he says, and some vegetable fields escaped the storm. Too, it is not too late to plant cantaloupes.

Insurance agents here feel there was as much crop-hail insurance in effect here this year "as usual." However, many farmers do not make it a practice to carry this type insurance.

Euell Hart, who farms west of town, had purchased insurance for his wheat Monday at noon. The 24-hour waiting period before the insurance went into effect had not, of course, elapsed before the storm struck.



HAILED WHEAT---C. E. Trimble, who farms one mile south of Bovina, holds a handful of once-promising wheat which was destroyed by Monday night's hail. The heads he is holding were picked up from near the ground. Note that other stalks which are visible have no heads left on them.

NO LEADS YET --

City Hall Robbery Being Investigated

Robbery investigation continues in the daring daytime robbery of City Hall on May 12 when over \$150 was taken.

City Secretary Henry Minter reports no new leads have been uncovered. "It's like looking for a needle in a haystack, but one thing is

sure, we will keep working on the case until something does turn up," he says.

Fingerprints were taken from the cash box, from which the thief took the money after prying open a drawer, but the box has a rough finish that makes the prints less than perfect.

The robber was apparently well acquainted with the routine and layout of city hall. The robbery took place the one day the back door was not locked. The door was left unlocked because a plumber was installing an air-conditioner in the building and needed the door open while he worked.

Minter was away from the office about 30 minutes but that was long enough for the thief to enter through the back door of the warehouse, open a screen leading into the office, pry open the drawer, take the cash box (Continued on Page 6)

FROM TECH --

Stewart Joins Blade Staff

Vernon Stewart, junior journalism student at Texas Tech, has joined The Blade staff for the summer in a newswriting capacity.

Moore Buys Gulf Station

Bill Moore has purchased the Gulf service station on Highway 60 in Bovina from Elton Venable.

Moore assumed operation of the business Monday.

He has operated Bovina Tire Supply, which featured Good-year tires, for the past several weeks. That business was located in the building with Ed's Auto Service on Highway 86.

Moore's stock of Goodyear tires and accessories has been moved to the new location and will be a part of that business.

Announcement of the station's new ownership is made in an advertisement in this issue of The Blade.

He is working with the Texas Press Association summer internship program through the journalism department of Texas Tech. Stewart's journalism experience includes two years as a reporter for the Toreador, student newspaper at Tech, and assistant to Bill Holmes, Tech's sports news director. He will be head sports writer for next year's Toreador.

Stewart's hometown is DeLeon, in North-Central Texas in the peanut-peach-watermelon growing district. He has lived on a farm most of his life and appreciates farmers and farm problems.

Baseball is one of his major interests and he coached a Pony League team to the championship in the DeLeon Pony League Tournament last August. He lettered four years on the high school baseball team.

Stewart is a member of the Tech chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, national professional journalism fraternity.

PENECOSTAL, METHODIST, BAPTIST --

Churches Launch Summer Schools

Three Bovina churches launch summer training programs for young people this week and next.

Pentecostal Holiness Vacation Bible School opened Monday morning with about 30 young people attending. Baptist school opened today (Wednesday) with a parade at 11 a.m. Methodist Vacation Church School begins Sunday.

Mrs. Darlene Crim is supervising the Pentecostal school. She is assisted by Mrs. Lois McCutchan, Mrs. Barbara Crim, and Mrs. S. W. Blake. Rev. S. W. Blake is in charge of junior boys department. Theme of the school is

"Bible Characters." It is in session from 9 to 11 each morning and is for young people from four to 16.

Rev. Jack Jeter is principal of the Baptist school and Nancy Cumpton is secretary. Ten superintendents are in charge of the various departments. They are Doris Carter, Nursery I; Mrs. C. L. Murray, nursery II; Mina Horn, beginner I; Mrs. Jack Morris, beginner II; Mrs. Lee Kimbrough, beginner III. Dottie Ward, primary I; Earlene Russell, primary II; Mrs. W. W. Wilcox primary III; Mrs. Sid Thomas, junior I and Ruth Boyd, junior II.

Mrs. Betty Hawkins and Mrs. Nancy Kent are in charge of refreshments.

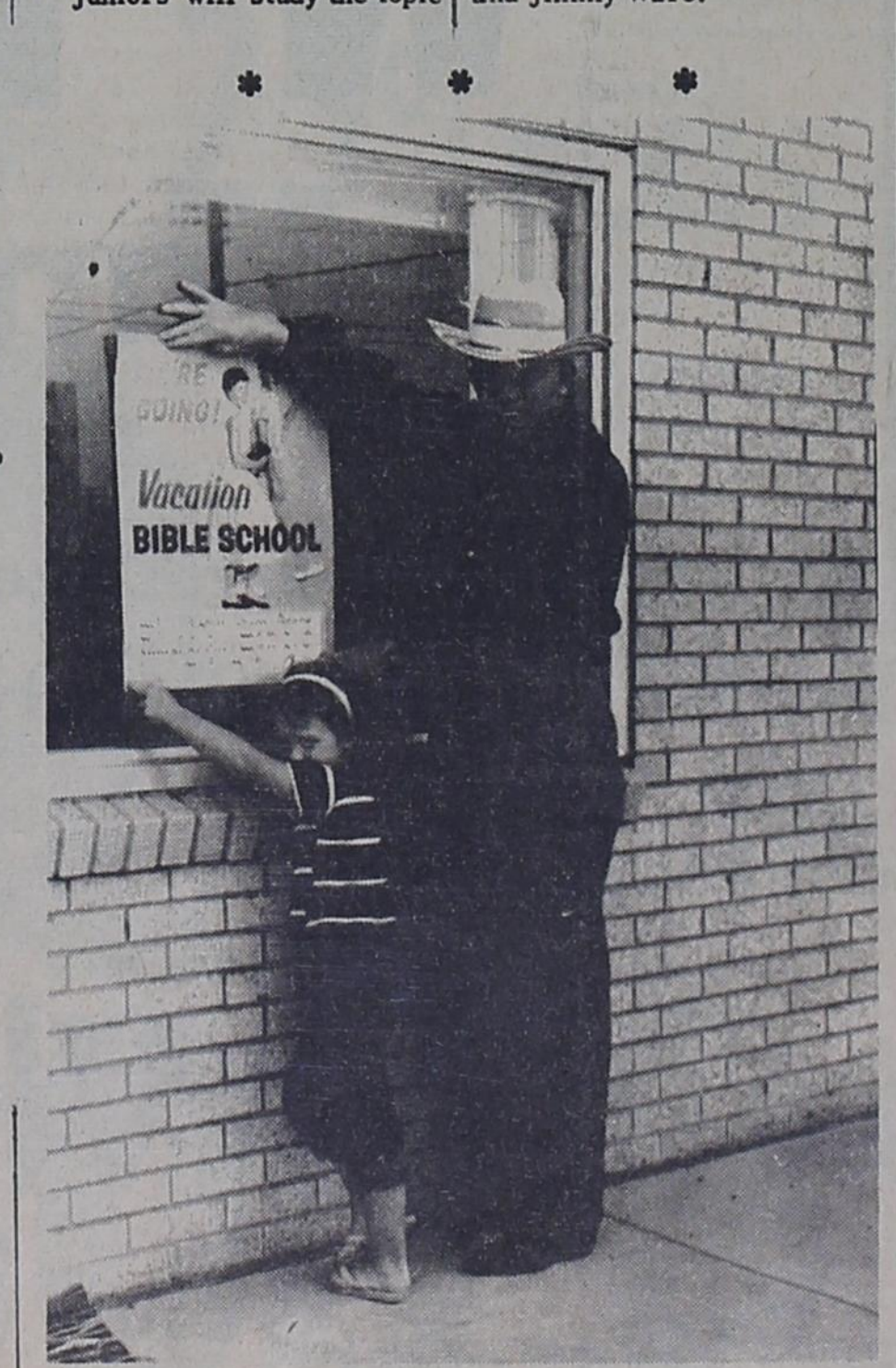
Directors of Methodist school are Mrs. Tom Beauchamp and Mrs. Jimmie Charles.

Topic of study for kindergarten group is "God and His World." Supervisors are Mesdames Leon Ware, Durward Bell, Eddie Redden, D. R. Bushnell and Amos Shockley.

The primary group's topic is "The Earth Is Full of His

Riches." Mesdames John Dickson, Vernon Willard, Pat Terry and Gene Rea are supervisors. Juniors will study the topic

"Praise Ye The Lord." Their supervisors will be Mesdames Bob Wilson, Dean McCallum and Jimmy Ware.



BIBLE SCHOOL TIME---Rev. Jack Jeter, pastor of First Baptist Church, was putting up posters around town Monday advertising Vacation Bible School at his church. His daughter, Joan, was assisting. Summer schools are under way now at Pentecostal Holiness Church and Methodist Church.

AT CONFERENCE --

Methodists Receive Improvement Award

Bovina Methodist Church received an award for outstanding church improvement from Town and Country Commission of Northwest Texas Methodist Conference that met in Abilene

last week. Rev. Davis Edens, pastor of the Bovina Methodist Church, and Vernon Estes attended the conference as ministerial and lay delegates respectively and received the award on behalf of the local church.

Rev. Edens, who has just completed his first year as pastor of the Bovina church, was re-appointed for next year.

Northwest Texas Conference includes Methodist Churches in the Panhandle and South Plains from Bovina to Abilene. It is divided into nine districts with Bovina in the Plainview District. Plainview District was recognized at the conference for having the largest contribution per capita in the conference.

Conference business included reports and summations of the work for the past year and the setting up of goals for next year. Evangelism was selected for special emphasis during the coming year.

The conference heard reports from the Board of Temperance, Texas Mission Home and Training School of San Antonio, Board of Hospitals and Homes, Wesley Foundations, Texas Methodist College Assn., Commission on Christian Vocations, Board of Missions, Board of Education and the Methodist Home at Waco.

Co - Op Elects Directors

A disappointingly small group of approximately 40 persons attended annual stockholders meeting of Bovina Wheat Growers, Inc., Friday night.

Kenneth Lloyd, assistant manager of Producers Grain Corporation in Amarillo, spoke on the procedure for maintaining a co-op.

Raymond Schueler and Harold Carpenter were elected directors. Other business scheduled for the meeting was postponed because of the small group attending. James Russell, manager, said the small turnout was probably caused by the Memorial Day holiday and graduation exercises.



VERNON STEWART

Bud Crump In Hospital

Bud Crump, manager of Parmer County Farm Supply, was admitted to West Texas Hospital in Lubbock Saturday. His condition is not considered serious and he is expected to be released in the next few days.



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Second-Class Privileges Authorized at Bovina, Texas.
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Baptists Ordain Deacons

First Baptist Church ordained six deacons in ceremonies at the church Sunday afternoon. Ordained were Roy Fuller, J. D. Kirkpatrick, Alva Hudson, Wayne Garth, Grady Sorley and Roy Whisler. Bro. Bill Curry delivered the principal address. Twenty ordained men made up a Presbytery with Rev. Jack

Jeter as moderator, Rev. L. A. Sartain, pastor of First Baptist Church of Friona, led the ordination prayer and the charge was brought by Rev. Jeter.

THAT'S LIFE FOR YOU

After years of saving, a wife got her mink stole. Clapping on a cute little \$5 hat, she went proudly to a hen party. But in a half-hour she was back home. Glaring at her husband, she snorted: "Women! The only thing any of them said was, 'What a pretty new hat you have!'"

Parmer County Chapter Expands

Parmer County Chapter of The National Foundation has launched preparations to put into effect in the county a broadened new program of patient aid which has been in the making since last summer, Cary Joe Magness of Farwell, chapter chairman, says.

The revised program will offer assistance not only to polio victims but also to certain young patients with arthritis or birth defects. New targets were first announced last July; since then National Foundation leaders have been studying the best possible approach to the patient aid aspects of the program.

Under the broadened policy, Magness says, March of Dimes help will be offered to children under 19 with certain defects of the brain and spinal cord, with juvenile arthritis, and--as in the past--with paralytic polio. However, he added, payments no longer will

be made for nonparalytic polio. "We would like to make it very clear at the outset of this broadened program that we will continue to fulfill our basic obligations to polio patients needing assistance," Magness points out.

The chairman said that The National Foundation has selected these areas for its broadened program because not enough is being done at present for patients with arthritis or birth defects; further, much of the treatment and therapy needed in the new fields is similar to that used in polio, and thus facilities and personnel already created by March of Dimes funds can be applied in the new areas.

Services for patients with birth defects or arthritis will include limited hospitalization, diagnosis and outpatient treatment, transportation, physical therapy, certain drugs and equipment and other forms of aid, he said, adding that on the advice of medical advisors from all parts of the country it was decided that The National Foundation could not pay doctor bills in birth defects, arthritis or polio if the American system of doctor-patient relationships was to be preserved.

"We do not know yet," he says, "exactly when we will be able to begin offering assistance in these new areas, but it will

Better Be Quiet
"Young man," said the old man severely, "when I was your age I, too, thought I knew all. Now I have reached the conclusion that I know very little."

"Great Scott!" exclaimed the lad in astonishment. "Has it taken you this long to find that out? Why I knew it the minute I saw you."

Too Late
"Am I late for my dinner?" asked the cannibal prince.
"Yes, everybody's eaten," answered the cannibal king.

Cotton Quiz

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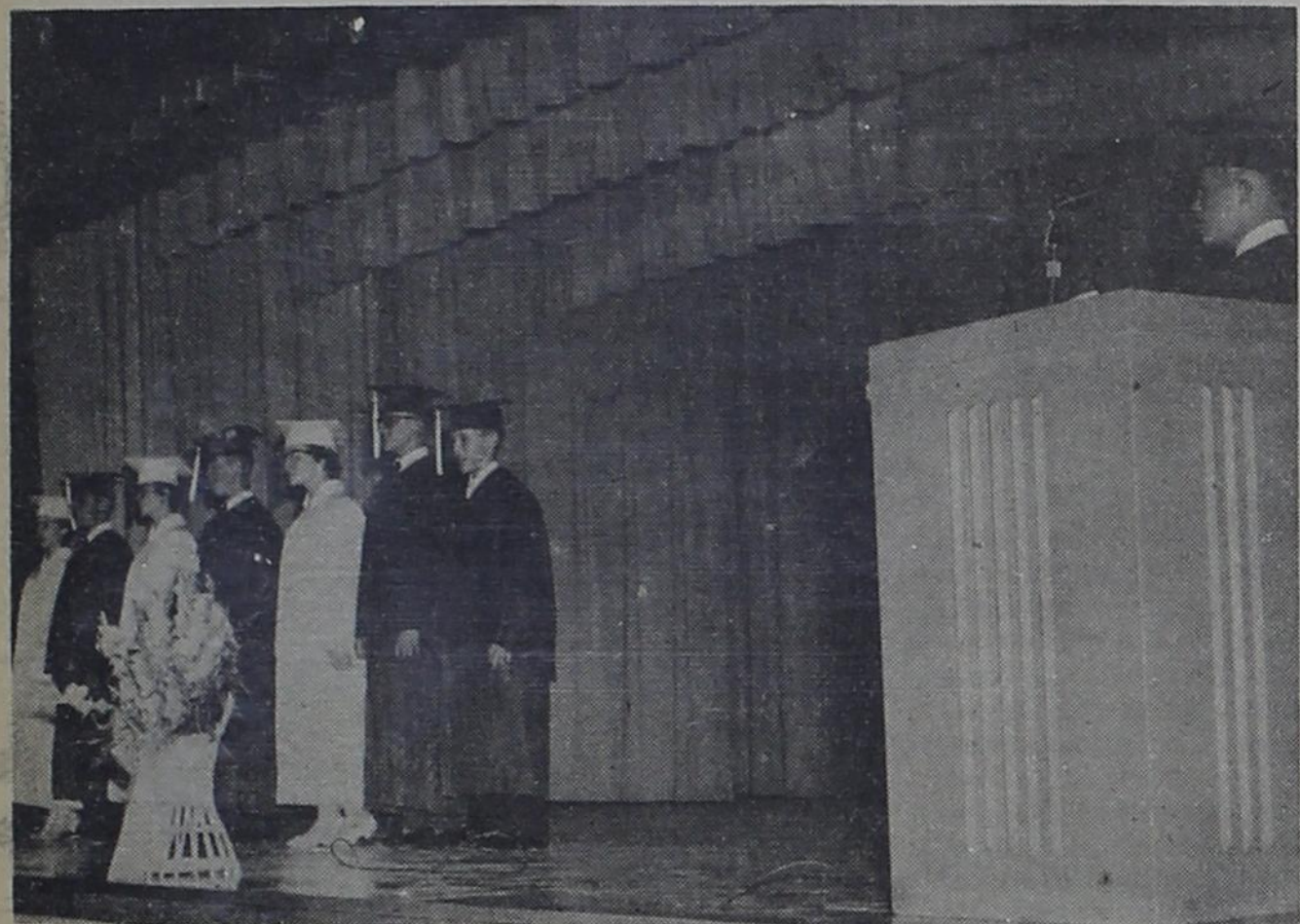
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COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM--A pageant on citizenship was presented by eighth grade graduates at their commencement exercises Thursday night. Don Cumpton, right, directed this portion of the program.

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TYPICAL SCENE-- This was a typical scene in Bovina Monday. Farmers gathered at various places around town to discuss the amount and location of hail damage. Also discussed was, "What are we going to do now?"

Methodists Schedule Fish Fry

Friendship class of Bovina Methodist Church will have a fish fry Friday night at 7:30 at the church. Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Quickel will furnish fish. Friendship Class will cook them and furnish drinks, bread, potatoes etc. Visitors should bring salad and dessert. After the fish fry, Rev. W. R. Ford, former pastor of Bovina Methodist Church will speak. A business session will follow to get pledges to repay the parsonage building loan. A \$15,000, eight year loan has been secured from the Pension-Endowment Foundation at 5 per cent per annum.



COLOR UNDERFOOT—Strips of color are expertly combined in this luxurious cotton area rug by Cabin Craft to give a lift to the floor of any room. In this durable rug, shades of yellow, orange and red have been blended with black and white to capture the excitement of a fiesta. The rug is available also in cool blues, greens and purples.

Official '59 Texas Road Map Released

The new 1959 Official Highway Travel Map will be available for distribution Monday by the Texas Highway Department. Copies of the "travel encyclopedia" of Texas, as it has been called, may be obtained by writing the Texas Highway Department, Austin 14, or at the highway district offices and travel information bureaus. County tax offices have map cards available for requesting copies of the map. The new map is the answer to today's demand for more and more travel information. The steady growth of Texas from a state with a population of slightly over seven million just ten years ago to its present estimated population of more than nine million is reflected by the information appearing on the 1959 map. Nine more cities and towns are shown than on last year's map, making a total of 1,821. The increased mileage in U.S., state, and farm-to-market roads is much in evidence. The map reflects some 1,600 miles of multilane divided highway now completed in Texas, including the completed sections of the National System of Interstate and Defense highways located in the state. The map now shows approximately 61 major lakes and reservoirs, and includes countless rivers, creeks, and streams. Roadside parks, long cherished as rest stops and picnic areas by Texans and tourists alike, now number 1,046 as compared to the 1,026 shown on last year's map. City route maps are provided of the state's 12 largest cities—Amarillo, Austin, Beaumont, Corpus Christi, Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston, Lubbock, San Antonio, Waco, and Wichita Falls. The reverse side of the map, with a theme of "Texas, Land of Contrasts," reflects, in 20 full-color pictures, some of the outstanding scenic, historical, and recreational attractions in Texas. A section entitled "Facts About Texas" gives facts and figures on Texas' natural resources, recreational opportunities, state and national parks, historic points of interest, flora, farming and ranching, terrain features, and climate. The Official Highway Travel Map is used by all state and governmental agencies in the state for determining highway distances, mileages, zones, and like information. The same map is equally as useful to tourists seeking roads leading to good times in Texas.

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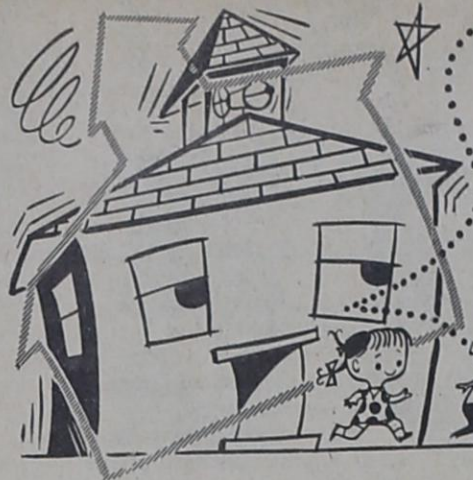
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Of Interest To THE WOMEN

Homemaking Course Underway

The homemaking summer course, scheduled to last through June, began Tuesday morning with about 20 girls and women present.

The school, supervised by Mrs. Dorothy Morton and conducted in the homemaking cottage, is designed for adults as well as girls who will receive high school credit for attending.

Tuesday's session included a demonstration by Mrs. Morton of a basic yeast recipe which makes rolls, a cinnamon rolls and donuts. Donuts were made from the dough prepared for the demonstration and were served with iced tea to those attending.

A series of films, dealing with nutrition and the preparing of food were shown. They were "The ABC's of Baby Feeding," "Fried Food's Magic Menu," "How to Cook Meat by Moist Heat," "How to Cook Meat with Dry Heat," and "Jam Session," a film of instruction in making jams and jellies. Literature was given to help explain the films.

Today (Wednesday) Miss Ernestine Gary of Clovis' Southwestern Public Service Company will give a demonstration on salads and Thursday, Mrs. Sally Whitesides will give a demonstration on plastic flower-making. Mrs. Morton

will direct a short class on flower arrangement.

Next week, June 8-12, an adult sewing class will be conducted. Sewing machines will be furnished in the homemaking cottage. The following week, June 15-19, a crafts course will be offered, including leathercraft, woodcraft and rug making.

Twenty-four girls are enrolled and a good number of adults is expected. A girl who brings an adult gets double credit for the time she and the adult attend the school.

Girls receive one-half credit for the course.



BETTIE MAE STEVENS

Bettie Mae Stevens Installed As Rainbow Worthy Advisor

Shower Honors Mrs. Hawkins

Mrs. Erith Hawkins was honored with a pink and blue shower in the home of Mrs. A. M. Martin recently.

Hostesses were Mesdames Julia Leake, June McMeans, Beverly McCutchan, Ellen Smith, Sandra Ware Byrl Pesch, Edna Estes and Martin.

White net over pink and a stork and cradles were the table decorations. Favors were mint-filled baby bottles.

Rev. and Mrs. R. P. Thompson and children, Patty and Robert, of Oklahoma City visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris of Bovina recently. Mrs. Thompson is a sister of Loy Harris. Rev. Thompson is pastor of South Lindsey Church, near Oklahoma City.

Doctors: Your cough sounds much better this morning. Patient: It should, I've been practicing all night.

Rainbows had installation services for new officers Friday night in the Masonic Hall.

Margaret Charles was installing officer. Assisting her were Mary Looney, Marshal; Julie Leake, Chaplain; Mary Ruth Martin, Musician; and Loucile Foster, Recorder. New officers are Mae Stevens, Worthy Advisor; Patricia Crawford, Associate Worthy Advisor; Judy Meachem, Charity; Verna Marie Estes, Hope; Kay Looney, Faith; Janice Leake, Drill Leader; Vicki Strawn, Religion; Jeanne Ivy, Service; Patsy Richards, Confidential Observer; Harriette Charles, Outer Observer; and Judy Crawford, Musician.

Advisory board members were introduced and Miss Stevens, new worthy advisor, introduced her family and presented them with corsages and boutonnieres. She also introduced her Rainbow Dad, O. W. Rhinehart. Janice Leake presented a

white bible to Miss Stevens and received the pin for Past Worthy Advisor. Mrs. Roy Crawford, Mother Advisor, presented merit badges. The program was dedicated to Mrs. Crawford. It included solos by Janice Leake, Harriette Charles and Kay Looney.

Several masons and members of the Eastern Star were visitors at the meeting.

The meeting was closed with the retiring drill and Rainbow Song. Mrs. J. D. Stevens served refreshments.



Sally Lewis says...

Change of scene to outdoor activities with accompanying attention to gardening and care of grounds around the home also means shifting some of our attention to family safety to areas outside the house. Taking precautions for outdoor safety is just another matter of good housekeeping. Many potential accidents lurk in careless handling of gardening tools.

When working in the garden, take tools you need with you in a container or wheelbarrow. Keep them together to avoid accidents and mislaid tools. See that your garden tools are kept clean and sharp. A thin coating of oil helps keep them in good condition.

Store poisons and insecticides in a dry, safe place out of reach of children. Follow all of the precautions manufacturers give for using power lawn mowers. This season also brings with it a heavy crop of weeds, grass clippings, spent bean and pea plants, etc. If you are among the wise gardeners you add these waste products to a compost pile.

Proper management of your compost pile will give you a steady supply of valuable fertilizer. Make a frame of boards in an out-of-the-way place. Pile refuse to a depth of two feet. To get faster decomposition and an acid neutralization, saturate the material thoroughly with a solution of one can of household lye in a bucket of water. Add about five inches of earth, then another two feet of compost material.

Epsom salts and borax used as a spray will make melons and tomatoes noticeably sweeter, especially if your soil is low on magnesium or boron. Use 6 1/2 tablespoons of Epsom salts and 3 1/2 tablespoons of borax to 5 gallons of water. Epsom salts is also a tonic for azalea and rhododendron plants. Apply one cup of crystals in a gallon of water around the plant several times during the summer.

Bradshaws Have Open House For Daughters

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. (Bill) Bradshaw had open house Sunday afternoon from 3 to 5 in honor of their daughters, Miss Dyalitha Bradshaw, who recently received a Bachelor of Arts degree from West Texas State College at Canyon, and Mrs. Al Rawls.

Mrs. Rawls, the former Ella Bradshaw, was visiting here from her home in Savannah, Ga.

Visitors were present from Clovis, Farwell, Texico and Bovina.

Miss Bradshaw will teach art in Denver Colo. during the next school term.

Of course, every occupation has its terminology, but here's a new list of definitions from the business world:

To Give Someone the Picture - A long, confused and inaccurate statement to a new-comer.

Numerous Surveys Show - It's our private opinion and we don't like to be contradicted.

Almost Overnight - Anything less than a year.

We Are Confident That - We're keeping our fingers crossed.

There is Every Reason to Assume That - It's up to you to make it come true.

Congratulations on a Job Well Done - What do you think you're being paid for?

"This sure is a dull party. I think I'll leave."
"That should help some."

THURSDAY - FRIDAY - SATURDAY

SPECIALS

Children's Playwear Reg. \$1.98 \$1.37

Cotton BATTS Reg. \$1.49 value 2 lbs. \$1.17

Men's Straw Hats 1/3 off

One Group - Reg. 59¢

Girls Panties 37¢

5¢ SCOOTER'S 10¢

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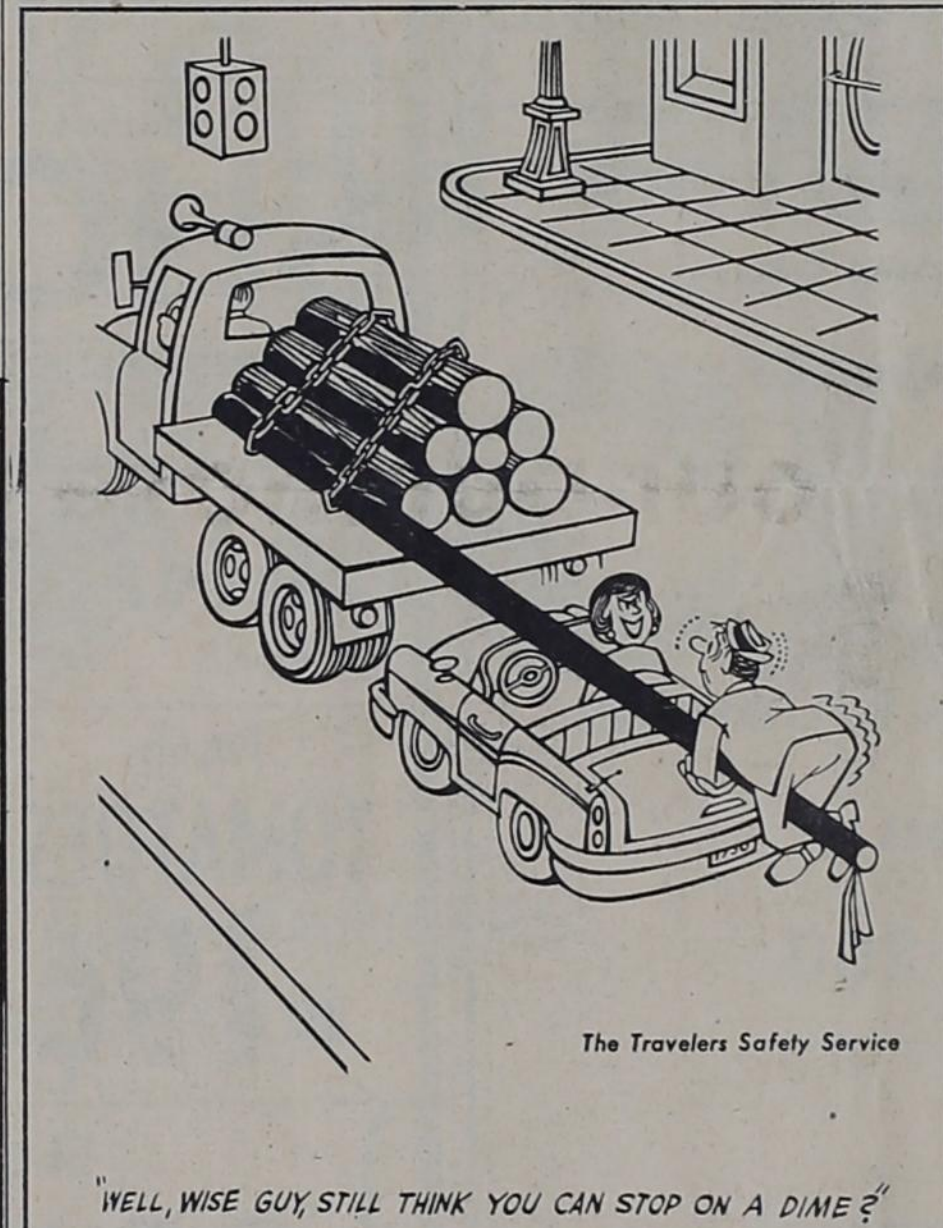
HOW MANY MILES DO YOU GET?

Are you satisfied with your car's Gas Mileage, or do you dread to drive it into a service station?

Thick, gummy oils and greases and poor gas will cause your car to run heavily and require more gasoline . . . but PERFECT LUBRICATION and PERFECT GASOLINE will greatly improve your gas mileage. You'll find them both at . . .

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THURSDAY NIGHT -

33 8th Graders Are Graduated

Thirty-three students were graduated from Bovina Junior High School in exercises at the school auditorium Thursday night.

Butch Woltmon gave the invocation after which the audience pledged allegiance to the flag, Dixi Hartzog, class president, gave the proclamation.

Salutatory speech was given by Carole Jean Hastings followed by the class presentation of "The Spirit of Citizenship."

High School Principal, Roy Whisler and Elementary Principal Grace Paul presented honors to students with perfect attendance records.

Valleigh Steelman gave the valedictory address titled, "On Our Way."

Superintendent Warren Morton presented the diplomas, assisted by Miss Paul.

The class was welcomed to high school by James Clayton. The audience then sang "America." Benediction was by Vicki Strawn. Pianist was Judy Roach.

Students receiving diplomas were Rocky Barber, Julian Berry, Joyce Burnett, Dickie Clayton, Nellie Crook, Glenda Cruse, Donald Cumpton, Wyndol Davies, Armando Del Toro, Benita Diaz, Frances Diaz, Bobby Ellison, Frances Fuller, Mac Glasscock, Peggy Griffin, Dixi Hartzog, Carole Jean Hastings.

Ken Horn, Joe Jones, Laurance Krieger, Delbert Morris, Lucille Morris, Pat O'Brian, Mary Ramirez, Virginia Rea, Earl Riley Jr., Leon Speir, Vi Steelman, Gary Stevenson, Vicki Strawn, Butch Woltmon, Ronnie Wines and Jim Wright. Class sponsor is Cecil Dykes.

Ushers were Ronnie Sudderth, Philip Lloyd, Elaine Fuller and Jeanie Ivy.

Fined After Wreck

Two Stinnett men were fined, one in the county and one in Farwell JP court, after a car-maintainer wreck Friday morning about 8:30 near Friona.

Eddie Barrett, 23, was fined \$50 and costs Monday morning in Judge Loyde Brewer's county court. He pled guilty to a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Edward Williams, 32, his companion, was fined \$20.50 in Judge Roy Thornton's JP court the same morning, on a charge of drunkenness. He also pled guilty.

Dee Ellison Purchases Beauty Shop

Dee Ellison has purchased Bovina Beauty Shop from George Trimble.

Mrs. Ellison has served as operator-manager of the business for the past five years. The transaction was effective this week.

The business is located on Bovina's Main Street. Mrs. Ellison says there will be no immediate change in policies or name of the business.

Operators in the shop, other than Mrs. Ellison, are Carol Dean Huggins and Ellen Smith.

An advertisement in this issue of The Blade announces the change in ownership.

The men, who were riding in a 1949 Mercury, came through Hereford headed toward Friona in a hurry and aroused the suspicions of officers there.

Deputy Sheriff George Reynolds gave pursuit, but when he finally caught up with the men, they had collided with a maintainer doing road work on Highway 60. No one was injured, but the car was damaged in the amount of \$150, estimates Sheriff Chas. Lovelace. The Highway Patrol investigated the accident.

Barrett, who is wanted on a warrant for violation of probation in Borger, is still in the county jail.

"Tis the day before payday and all through my jeans, I've hunted in vain for the ways and the means. Not a quarter is stirring, not even a bit. The greenbacks have left me, the pennies have quit."

"Why didn't you report the robbery at once?" an insurance agent asked the woman. "Didn't you suspect something when you came home and discovered all the drawers opened and the contents scattered?" "Not really," she replied. "I thought my husband had been looking for a clean shirt."



AWARD DIPLOMAS—Superintendent Warren Morton and Elementary Principal Grace Paul awarded diplomas to 33 eighth grade graduates Thursday night.

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Robbery

and flee. The empty box was found in the warehouse behind the office. The thief was probably disappointed with his take if he knew as much about city hall routine as his actions indicate. Minter broke the routine on the morning of the robbery and deposited \$667 in First National Bank. Usually no deposit is made until shortly before the bank closes when the bulk of city business has been transacted and the cash box is fullest. On the morning of the robbery, a lull in business prompted Minter to go to the bank and make the unusual deposit which probably saved the city more than \$600. Minter kept only enough money in the office to conduct regular business. First check indicated the thief took \$171.07 but since then the loss has been set at \$151.07. Parmer County Sheriff Chas. Lovelace and Minter, who also serves as a deputy, are both working on the case.



FRUIT TREES STRIPPED----Dave Wines surveys hail damage to a fruit tree in his yard following Monday night's hail. In his hand, he's holding a bowl filled with golf ball-sized hail stones.

WANT ADS

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WILL DO ironing in my home. Janet Gooch, AD 8-4561. 50-1tp

FOR SALE--Quilt blocks already pieced; different patterns. Mrs. Free, AD 8-4341. 50-1tp

FOR SALE---To be moved. 2-story, 10-room house in Bovina. See Red Boatman. 50-1tc

WILL DO PLANTING. Single or double row. Art Mast, ADams 8-4171. 49-3tp

PLEASE bring home my pruning shears, whether they are borrowed or stolen. Bill Venable, ADams 8-2361. 49-2tc

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FOR SALE---Army barracks-type building in Bovina. 20 by 50 feet. See Red Boatman. 50-1tc

Parmer County at the Court-house thereof, in Farwell, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 22nd day of June, A. D., 1959, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 7th day of May, A. D., 1959, in this cause, numbered 2048 on the docket of said court and styled A. F. MANN, PLAINTIFF VS. ALBERT J. LETTOW, ET AL, DEFENDANTS, wherein A. F. Mann is Plaintiff and the Defendants are those persons first named in this writ and to whom it is directed.

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Plaintiff claims title in fee simple to said tract of land and claims title by virtue of the three, five and ten year statute of limitations and the statute of limitations of twenty-years provided by Article 5519 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as is more fully shown by plaintiff's petition on file in this suit. If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the man/ates hereof, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court

at Farwell, Texas, this the 7th day of May A. D., 1959. Attest: Signed-Hugh Moseley Clerk, District Court, Parmer County, Texas 47-4tc

State Capitol Highlights

By--Vern Sanford Texas Press Association Whether and how the state's tax problem is met now depends largely on the Senate. House members, apparently eager to "get the monkey off their backs," passed out most of the program recommended by Gov. Price Daniel.

Biggest milestone was House passage by a 71-to-56 majority of the governor's "package bill." As finally passed, it would raise about \$150,000,000 in two years -- only about \$10,000,000 short of the governor's goal.

Included in the "package" would be an increased levy on natural gas, a new franchise tax on interstate corporations and bigger taxes on tobacco, liquor, automobiles, utilities, etc.

Some members bitterly criticized the bill as dangerous to Texas' industrial future and a product of the labor-liberal lobby. But most seemed to agree that it is "the only way to avoid a general sales tax or income tax."

Senators showed no apparent desire to set a speed record on the first money-raising bills sent them by the House. Book-keeping bill, designed to erase part of the \$65,000,000 deficit by changing the accounting procedure, was sent off for an Attorney General's opinion on its constitutionality.

A bill to increase the corporation franchise tax for one year only -- also to ease the deficit -- was set aside. Better to wait for the whole program, the Senators decided, than to work at it "piece-meal."

Senate did take one step forward, however, when Sen. Crawford Martin of Hillsboro introduced the abandoned property bill which had bogged down in the House taxation committee.

STITCH-AND-CUT TEAM Ten lawmakers -- five from the House, five from the Senate -- have the difficult task

of making one package out of the different spending bills passed by the two houses. Sen. William S. Fly of Victoria and Rep. Bill Healy of Paducah head the group. House-passed appropriation bill is more than \$20,000,000 larger than the Senate's. Conference Committee's task will be to cut a little off here, tack a little on there until an acceptable compromise is reached. In past sessions, this piecing together process has taken several weeks. Even on a day-and-night schedule, this committee will be hard-pressed to finish its job before the present session ends in mid-June.

More than different spending ideas separates House and Senate. Each house used the bill to express its ideas on how the State Board of Insurance should operate. House says full-time; Senate, part-time. Unyielding views have been expressed on each side. Other members of the committee are Sens. Floyd Bradshaw, Weatherford; Ray Roberts, McKinney; Crawford Martin, Hillsboro; and Wardlow Lane, Center. Reps. John Huebner, Bay City; Truett Latimer, Abilene; B. H. Dewey, Bryan; and Jesse Osborn, Muleshoe. ELECTION CHANGES URGED Study leading toward a complete revision of the Texas Election Code is the goal of a House-passed resolution.

Rep. Harold Parish of Taft is sponsor. If passed by the Senate, the resolution would provide for a 15-member committee to draft recommendations for the 1961 legislative session. Making up the study panel

would be three House members, three Senators, the Attorney General, the manager of the Texas Election Bureau, three persons named by the governor and four persons named by the national committee members of the Republican and Democratic parties.

ALL ONE JOB Two House committees -- taxation and appropriations -- would be merged under a resolution proposed by Rep. Truett Latimer of Abilene.

One committee of 31, called the House Ways and Means Committee, would replace the two 21-member groups.

Latimer declared that since money raised and money spent have to come out even, it would be more logical to have the decisions made jointly rather than separately.

FARM-MARKET ROAD CHANGE State's pressing money shortage may bring about a change in the favored budget position farm-market roads have had for the past 10 years.

Since the Colson-Briscoe Act was passed in 1949, the General Revenue Fund has been automatically nicked \$15,000,000 a year for F-M roads. Goal was to build 35,000 miles of all-weather rural roads.

Rep. Richard Slack of Pecos has introduced a bill to take F-M road spending out of the State Highway funds rather than from General Revenue. It would not cut farm road spending, but would reduce the money available to the Highway Department for state highways.

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Whittlin' come back... here as well as in other nearby communities. Little League programs are creating much more interest in the sport. We have a host of kids in Bovina now who live, so to speak, for baseball. Just a few years ago there were probably only two or three who felt so strongly about this wonderful game. When these boys, who are so interested now, outgrow Little League and American Legion programs, they will still want to play baseball. That'll bring sandlot ball back. School officials, please take note of the above few paragraphs. It's still our contention that baseball should play a more important role in the school athletic program. A lighted ballpark would do much to add to this baseball interest which is already on

the increase. Just this week, we learned that Bovina DOES have a commercial swimming pool. The Lou Marots has opened their pool to the public. It's open six afternoons a week, Mrs. Marot tells us, and people are charged for its use. Though the pool wasn't designed to be used on a commercial basis, it meets state regulations, she says. The Marots pool can do much to fill the gap between now and the time Bovina has a municipal pool. And we hope that time isn't far in the future. THE STATE OF TEXAS TO ANY SHERIFF or any CONSTABLE within the State of Texas -- GREETING: You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Parmer County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

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THE HIGH PLAINS FARM AND HOME

Cotton Off Slow But It's Healthy

Parmer County's 48,000-acre cotton allotment, one of the most prized possessions of its farmers, is up and growing, but its 1100 owners have seen better starts.

The surges of cool air that keep pushing in from north and northeastern weather fronts has kept temperatures at a low level for the better part of the early spring, and this has held back cotton development.

Farmers got their cotton to the ground at a satisfactory date, many of them planting and getting up stands the latter part of April. But this early planting has been offset, to a large measure, by the way the cotton has come up and "squatted" without enough sunshine to pull it on through.

Actually, farmers aren't registering any real concern, they know that everything can't be perfect, and that they would have the advantage of good weather in most cases. They can well remember years when they didn't even have that.

So, while they mumble about how slow the cotton is getting off, if enough questions are asked it usually comes out that things could be a whole lot worse.

Early season cotton insects have been taking a holiday this spring, to judge from most reports. With the county agent out of the area, no large-scale surveys have been made, but indications are that few if any bugs are troubling the crop so far, and that about the only praying going on is on farms where early season insect control is practiced by the calendar instead of by actual bug count.

Rain and hail have crased

or thinned some allotments, as is nearly always the case when cotton is as young and tender as it is at this stage, but wholesale slaughter of the plantings has not occurred. The typical cotton farmer has found it necessary to get out into his field as soon as possible and "scratch" for his stand after a rain crusted the soil, and then he's stood by and sweated out the cotton as it came up. But by and large he's been successful in getting a satisfactory stand.

Seedbed preparation this

year was excellent, and just about everything that the farmer had any control over was made favorable to getting the crop up and off to a good start. This has already paid dividends, in spite of the noticeable, bothersome "squating" of the crop the past two weeks.

It is confidentially predicted that the cotton will "sprint" when warm weather finally comes, as it surely will, since moisture and plant food is abundant in the soil in nearly all cases.

NEWS FROM THE FARM BUREAU

BY RAYMOND EULER

Texas Farm Bureau has, for many years, maintained an office in Austin during legislative sessions to work with those who make the laws of the state of Texas. These laws, many times, affect the destiny of farmers and ranchers in the state. This session, TFB introduced 27 bills through sponsoring legislators. Not all of them—of course, passed, but the majority of them did. Bob Lilly, TFB Legislative Representative, is the regular man who works with Texas Farm Bureau resolutions in hand to get what you, as a member have said you wanted.

Beginning now, TFB is keeping the Austin Office open the year around. There are many committees working around the calendar, appropriating funds, making recommendations, and putting into action those things passed by the legislators. Your representative will be working to see that the intent of such laws are carried out, so far as it is possible.

Right now, during the special session, Farm Bureau is working to keep the rural road program intact and operating under the Colsom-Briscoe Act with which rural road improvement began. Appropriations for extension service work and

money to administrate the new animal health program which was enacted this session are also important aims of Farm Bureau. The natural gas severance tax bill, which FB has worked for for a long time is, we believe, now enacted. Farm Bureau, the only general farm organization with a representative in Austin, works for and gets much of the legislation asked by the membership, as well as working with commodity and livestock groups on bills they are sponsoring, when they are in line with FB policies.

It appears unlikely that the Kennedy Labor Bill, with a watered down amendment from Senator McLellan of Arkansas, will pass this year; and although it now appears that AFL-CIO leaders will not be sent into this area with their labor organizations this year, they are now making their first entry into agricultural labor fields in California. If they are successful there, they say they will cover the field, which means here. Legislation to prevent this will be an important objective of local, state and national Farm Bureau in the coming year.

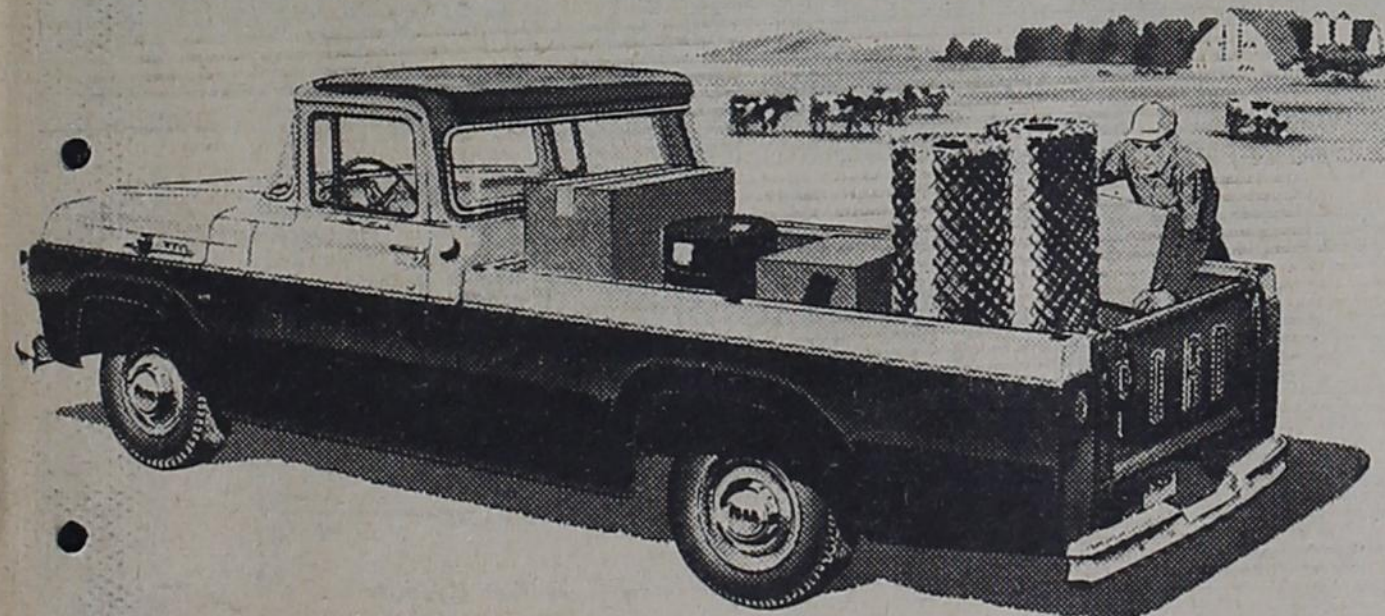
CONSIDER THIS: My son, if thine heart be wise, my heart shall rejoice, even mine. Proverbs 23:15

Explorer: "Does your tribe know anything about religion?" Native: "Well, we had a taste of it when the last missionary was here."

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THE PARMER FARMER

by W. H. Graham Jr.

This column evokes few letters from its readers, and in fact, not a column written for the purpose of seeing how much comment can be aroused from the general public.

But once in a while we do get a communication from someone, and that is always appreciated.

Writing to us this week was Mrs. Tom Rhodes Jr. of Route 3, Friona. We don't know exactly where the Rhodeses live, but presume it's up in the vicinity of Black since that's where the route runs toward.

Anyway, she is commenting on our column of last week in which we raised the question of why is it that more farmers aren't interested in attending special meetings--like the cotton meeting at the Hub two weeks ago, for example.

Here is her letter:

I have read your article in our paper this week and I would like to offer some constructive criticism on your cotton meeting. First, let me say, I did not attend. My husband did.

This was his first meeting since it is his first year of farming since we have been married. The first thing, the meeting was supposed to have begun at 8. Wasn't it closer to 9?

Then, the master of ceremonies (so to speak) was good, but he told jokes a little long. Now, this might have been all right if I had stayed at home with my two small children, but I was sort of afraid to, so I went to a friend's.

When my husband left the meeting, it wasn't over even then. Now, my friends live right at Hub and it was after 11 when he came after us. So maybe the meeting could start more promptly, come to the point more quickly, and then adjourn. Let the county visiting be done after adjourning.

I hope this doesn't offend, as that isn't its point.

Sincerely,
MRS. RHODES

It was very thoughtful of Mrs. Rhodes to write, and we do believe that she is trying to be helpful.

A point or two that we'd like to mention is that so far as we can tell, the only reason why the cotton meeting started late was because there weren't any farmers there on time. Dur-

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Wheat Fields Turning, First Cutting Near

The color of gold is dipping into the lush irrigated wheat fields of the Parmer County area this week, and first cuttings of the 1959 crop are expected within the coming week.

There are about 80,000 acres of wheat coming to harvest in the county this year, reflecting (estimated) a planting of about 95,000 of the 100,000-acre allotment. Of the 80,000 acres to be harvested,

the irrigated acreage is estimated to be around 60,000 acres.

From the looks of things, the wheat, irrigated at least, will nearly all yield well again this year. Parmer County farmers have really been getting the hang of increasing wheat yields under irrigation during the past three years.

This is partly because of the experience they have

accumulated with watering wheat, and partly because they feel the pressure to increase returns from the wheat crop since receipts for grain sorghum are much lower than in years past.

At any rate, the 1959 crop will probably plunk from \$4 to \$5 million into the palms of the wheat growers of the area, and there's no gainsaying that the money will not be appreciated. It will be.

Income from wheat comes at a crucial time, financially speaking, for most farmers. They are well into their crop growing year, and have high investments in fertilizer, water, labor, and a hundred other things. Farmers are usually badly pressed for cash at this juncture, and the income from their wheat crop helps ease some of this pressure. Irrigated wheat is usually not regarded as the easiest money the farmers ever made, but it's the most appreciated.

Dryland wheat has staged

a comeback that has fooled most people, including the writers for Farm and Home. A couple of months ago it was reported in the Parmer County newspapers that the rain falling at that time probably wouldn't do the dryland wheat much good as most of it was too far gone anyway.

Surprisingly enough, a lot of the dryland acreage has rallied and will be well worth the trouble of cutting this summer. With sub-soil moisture reserves much lower than a year ago (there was practically no winter moisture on the Plains) it has been hard to understand how this could happen, but it has.

Generalizing the picture, it may now be said that a large part of the dryland acreage will be cut, and that some of it will yield moderately well. The returns from dryland will not, however, equal 1958, which was the first time dryland had amounted to anything in a long, long time... since 1951, in fact.

ing the spring, when much work is being done in the fields, "quitting time" is usually when it gets dark. And these days it usually isn't dark at 8, so that's a problem.

To be frank about it, Mrs. Rhodes, we ourselves thought that the meeting was a little long and tedious, and perhaps that we had too many speakers on the program. However, if we expected thorough coverage of our subject, I'm not sure we could have gotten along with any fewer speakers.

There may be a lot of people who feel as you folks do, Mrs. Rhodes, so thanks again for bringing these points out.

the previous record holdings in 1956. The stocks total was 5 per cent larger than the record 1958 production with more than four-fifths either owned by the Government or under Government loan. Current stocks were less than January 1, 1959 stocks by 280 million bushels. Off-farm wheat stocks of 1,257 million bushels were a third larger than the holdings a year earlier as stocks increased in all storage positions. Farm stocks at 283 million bushels were more than one-half larger than last year and the third largest of record.

Corn stocks in all storage positions April 1, at 2,992 million bushels, were a new record for the date and 7 per cent above a year earlier. April 1 stocks have increased each year since 1952 at an average annual rate of about 200 million bushels. Stocks in interior mills, elevators and warehouses, at 491 million bushels, were about 91 million above a year ago, but stocks in CCC owned bins at 578 million bushels declined 40 million. Total stocks in off-farm positions were 1,176 million bushels of which about 1,115 million were Government owned or under warehouse loan. Stocks on farms at 1,816 million bushels were 135 million above a year earlier. CCC loans on farm stored corn, including reseals and purchase agreements, outstanding March 31 covered 450 million bushels compared with 360 million on March 15, 1958. Disappearance of corn from all storage positions during the January-March quarter was a record 934 million bushels and well above the 803 million bushels for the same quarter a year earlier.

Figures on surplus inventories published by Cargill are revealing, even though depressing. Here are some that affect us that were taken April 1. We suppose that this is just after maturity of most grain support loans March 31.

Sorghum grain stocks in all storage positions April 1 were 613 million bushels, far above the previous record of 425 million for the date a year earlier. Stocks in interior mills, elevators and warehouses, at 382 million, were 151 million above a year earlier and terminal stocks at 126 million increased 29 million. Stocks in all off-farm positions were 510 million bushels of which 497 million were Government owned or under warehouse loan. Farm stocks at 102 million bushels were 5 million above a year earlier with nearly half under CCC farm loan and purchase agreement. Disappearance of sorghum grain from all storage positions during the January-March quarter was 109 million bushels compared with 93 million during the same quarter in 1958.

Wheat stocks of 1,540 million bushels stored in all positions on April 1 were the largest on record for that date, more than a third larger than

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Soon there will be ripe cherries at the Ervin Johnsons. They are red already. There will also be green beans in Ervin's garden soon.

With school out and our college daughters home and the grandchildren here things are really busy at our house. Pretty soon the girls will be in summer school in Lubbock. For real peace at the McFarland home the boys should be in summer school instead of the girls.

The biggest trouble with success these days is that its recipe is just about the same as that for a nervous breakdown.

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Mrs. Fay Reeve had company at her house Sunday. Her mother, Mrs. Pinkney from Merkel, and her sisters, Mrs. Elmo Collins and her husband from Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Morgan and family from Perryton are visiting.

The seven daughters of L. M. Crow were all in Friona last week and just left their families motherless Friday night and drove to Clovis for supper and a show.

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Two of Friona's pre-school citizens suffered painful injuries last week. Both to their fingers. Mary Beth Kelley got her fingers crushed in a car door and Eddie Bainsum cut the end off his finger when he caught it in a sec-saw his brother was using.

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There's a new member in the Parmer County Implement Company family. He's the new son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Connelly--born Sunday morning. He weighed 6 lbs. 9 ozs. and was named Brent.



TREE LINED DITCHES pull tail water and rainfall into the lake on the Joe Jesko farm in the Lazbuddie community. At right, Jesko rests for a moment and checks over his project.

Lazbuddie Farmer Has Own "Reserve"

Joe Jesko, who farms a section of land 3 1/2 miles northeast of Clay's Corner, is using his tail water and elbow grease to good advantage. He is building a game and fish reserve.

Jesko has set aside five acres of his section for the project. The five acres lie on the west end of his section and receive nearly all the tail water from a good portion of his row crops. Jesko began thinking last year that it was a shame for all that water to serve no useful purpose, so he came up with the idea of putting it to work.

The five acres is electrically fenced on three sides. One side is left open only to allow cattle to the water tank. Even then, the cattle cannot get to the grass or tree area. The water tank is situated at the west end of the five acres and directly east of the water tank is Jesko's pride of the project. He has transplanted nine large-elm trees in a semi-

circle running north and south. Approximately 15 feet west of this row of trees, he has transplanted nine smaller elm trees.

Jesko transplanted the trees on February 15. He obtained the trees from E. T. Ford, who was clearing some land about two miles from Jesko's property. The trees are all approximately 25 feet high or higher and a winch truck was used to carry the trees to the project site. Jesko and his son Pete used shovels to dig the necessary holes and the winch truck to hold them in position while they shoveled the necessary dirt around them.

The trees were carried one at a time and Jesko says they started with the first tree at 2 p. m. and finished transplanting all nine the same evening. He explains, "I wanted to get those things in the ground."

Jesko hired a grader to build a small dam and depression large enough to hold a sufficient amount of water for the trees. He says he will have no trouble watering the trees as necessary steps have been taken. He has dug a ditch running from his irrigation pump to the base of the trees. This, coupled with the fact that the trees will receive the tail water from his row crops, will be an ample supply of water.

Last year, Jesko stocked the tank with yellow catfish. He doesn't know how many there were but says it was quite a number. He plans to add to the fish in the future, as soon as his tank becomes larger. To help the tank grow larger and to keep a good supply of water in it, Jesko used the same method employed in watering the trees.

There is a ditch on the northwest corner of the tank that carries all the tail water from that section of row crops into the tank. There is another ditch running from the bar pit off the county road into the tank and Jesko explains that when it rains, the water from the county road will run into the tank.

The part of the five acres not covered by trees and water tank is in grass and he intends to let it grow as it will. He

has built a brush pile on the west dam of the tank with the trimmings from the large elm trees. He believes that the grass and brush pile will draw quail and pheasant. He has seen a number of pheasants around his place and hopes they will multiply.

Jesko says that everything is going good with the project so far. Every tree he transplanted and trimmed is still alive and growing. He does not believe any of them will die. He says the project will take a long time and further says, "I know it

will sure be worth it. I believe this place is going to be real pretty besides being a place of enjoyment to me and my family. And I know those trees will offer a lot of shade on those hot days when we're plowing."

When the project is completed, not only will it live up to Jesko's expectations but will be added improvement to his land. He will have turned a weeded pasture into a pretty piece of land for rest and recreation, not to mention putting his tail water to good advantage.

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HD Council Has Monday Meeting

County Home Demonstration Council met last Monday in the Bovina Home economics building for a regular monthly meeting. Twenty members and three guests were present with all clubs in the county being represented. Mrs. Lee Renner, chairman, opened the business session which was composed of reports from different committees.

The yearbook committee handed out questionnaires to the vice-president of each club on suggestions for future programs. Reports of Texas Home Demonstration Association work were handed to presidents of the clubs to be filled out and returned by the next meeting.

Plans were made by the Health and Safety Committee to secure a first aid instructor. Further plans included making rules for choosing the "woman of the year" in Home Demonstration Club work.

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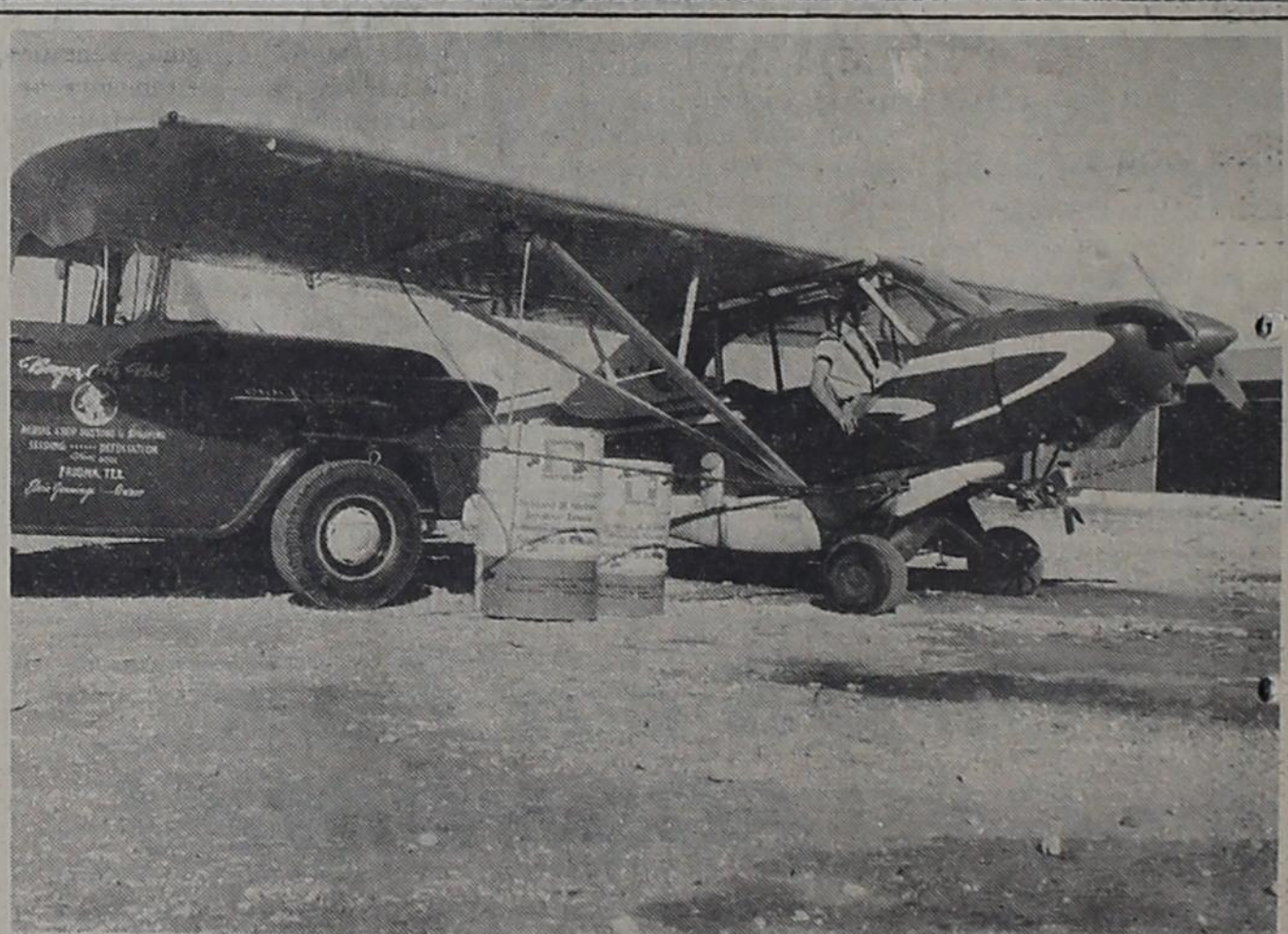


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Jimmie Lou Wainscott

I have had lots of questions asked me lately on buying carpeting and haven't had many of the answers. I have just received "Carpet Questions and Answers" by the Carpet Institute, Inc., and Miss Charlotte Tompkins, specialist in housing and home furnishings.

- Q. I want to buy good carpeting which will last a long time. Can you tell me which fiber is best for durability?
- A. Carpet's durability cannot be determined on the basis of fiber content alone. Three things mainly account for the service you will get from a carpet or rug: basic quality, the use it receives and the care you give it.
- Q. What is the best way to determine carpet quality?
- A. Several factors should be considered, but probably the best single clue to carpet quality is the density of the pile surface—the height of pile in cut-pile designs, the closeness of the tufts in other designs. In other words, look for "yarn coverage" in greatest density for good quality.
- Q. I have heard about various carpet weaves—Wilton, Axminster, etc. Is one better than another?
- A. No. At one time, weaves indicated certain qualities. Today, manufacturers produce carpets by varied construction methods suited to a broader range of design. Carpets may be produced on traditional looms, such as Wilton, velvet or Axminster. Or they may be knitted or tufted. Any construction method may be used for good quality—so look for the design and appearance you prefer, not for a specific weave.
- Q. Are the man-made fibers used for carpets the same as those used for clothing and other household furnishings?

A. No. Fibers must be engineered for carpet use, generally in a heavier weight because of the wear imposed on them. They may be of the same generic type but not of the same construction.

Q. My wall-to-wall carpet shows wear only in a few spots—at the entrance to the living room and around chairs where we sit to watch TV. How can I avoid this extra wear?

A. You might protect such areas with a soft-backed area rug over the carpet. Or shifting furniture, even slightly, will change the traffic pattern in a room and help avoid wear in the same areas around chairs and tables.

Q. We have small children and would like to buy a practical carpet. What should I look for?

A. Color and texture are important factors to consider. A medium shade or color combination, a close texture or pattern design—all are available in great variety and all will do a good job of disguising daily soil and traffic.

E. E. Teel of Southern Union Gas Company came by my office the other day and gave me some information on the research done on the effect of natural gas on the growing of house plants. So I want to pass on this information to you:

The American Gas Association staff undertook a literature search to find how the questions had been answered in readily available textbooks and articles. This survey showed that there was widespread difference of opinion. The various authors, with one exception, did not furnish specific experimental evidence based on natural gas. It was this exception which has furnished what we believe to be a rather complete answer to the question—"What effect does natural gas have on house plants?"

The work of Felix G. Gustafson of the Department of Botany, University of Michigan, is a thorough technical study covering a variety of plants and exposures to natural gas. His findings were reported in University of Michigan Bulletin No. 737 and also in the Journal

of Plant Physiology.

It is a well-known fact that manufactured illuminating gases are injurious to many flowering plants. With the extensive use of natural gas it has become increasingly important to know what its effect upon plants. These investigators found that tomato, potato, sunflower, castor bean and geranium plants were not injured by concentrations as high as 50 per cent of natural gas in air over a period of 72 hours.

Cut carnations were not injured by a concentration of 2 per cent during a 96-hour exposure. Fuchsia plants had the leaves browned very slightly during a 96-hour exposure to a 50 per cent concentration of natural gas in air. These tests were made in Wyoming and the source of the gas is unknown.

The plants were exposed to the natural gas in air mixture under bell jars. The bell jars varied in size from 3 to 5 gallons. Each bell jar was set in a metal pan partly filled with water, thus making a water seal.

The injurious action of manufactured gas has been shown to be due to ethylene and carbon monoxide. The natural gas used in these experiments is composed of 74.6 per cent methane, 14.2 per cent ethane, 10.9 per cent nitrogen, 0.2 per cent oxygen and 0.1 per cent carbon dioxide. As this gas contains neither ethylene nor carbon monoxide it is easy to see why it should be non-injurious to plants.

Concentrations of natural gas in air as high as one per cent were non-injurious to all plants tried and higher concentrations were injurious only to Bougainvillea and Swainsonia. If these results are translated into situations found in the home or commercial greenhouses we find that there never should be any injury from natural gas to the plants grown in them. Concentrations of gas in homes or greenhouses are so low that it has been impossible to determine them by accurate chemical methods.

It has been shown that natural gas in air is not injurious to yellow green Coleus, sunflower, snapdragon, stock, and tulip plants in concentrations of one per cent; higher concentrations were not used with these plants. Tomato, Cyclamen, marigold, sensitive plants, Kalanchoe tubiflora, and carnations were not injured by concentrations of two per cent; higher concentrations were not used. Bougainvillea and Swainsonia were not injured by one per cent natural gas in air, but they were injured by concentrations of two per cent. Seeds of lupine, radish, wheat, squash, and sunflower germinated as well in 1.5 to 5.0 per cent natural gas as in air.

HD Training Meeting Held

Mrs. J. C. Claborn, owner of Claborn florist in Friona, gave a demonstration on making floral arrangements with fresh as well as artificial flowers, when a home demonstration training meeting was held recently.

She spoke on arrangements, containers, and how certain types of flowers need special containers. An "oasis," a unique flower holder, was introduced to the group by Mrs. Claborn. She stated that the oasis would soak up water until it was three times as heavy as without water. Flowers are simply stuck into the plastic material which composes the holder.

The meeting was in the community room of the Friona State bank and all home demonstration clubs in the county were represented.

THE HAPPY HOMEMAKER

BY JUNE FLOYD

Seeing cherries turning red around town reminds us that it will soon be time to make jams, jellies and preserves. A lot of homemakers do excellent jobs canning fruits and vegetables yet feel inadequate to tackling a jam, jelly or preserve making project.

Most homemakers prefer commercial pectin for any of the above. About the only thing necessary for anyone to do is to follow the instructions on the package.

Here are thirteen basic steps that will serve as a good guide to making any kind of jam, jelly or preserves.

1. Select a mixture of ripe and slightly under ripe fruit and prepare small proportions at a time.
2. Wash thoroughly, drain, hull, stem, cut out spoiled parts and cut or crush fruit before measuring. Do not remove the skins, cores and seeds unless the recipe directs since they contain pectin.
3. Cut the hard fruits into pieces and slightly crush the berries.
4. Add enough water to barely cover hard fruits (about one pint of water for each pound of fruit.) Currants, grapes and berries need only enough water to start them

cooking (about 1/4 cup water for each quart of fruit.) Boil until the fruit is tender.

5. Pour the hot cooked fruit into a jelly bag and let it drip into a deep bowl or pan. Be sure your jelly bag is thick enough to give you clear juice.

6. Examine, wash and rinse jars or glasses and lids; cover with hot water and just bring to a boil.

7. Cook only 6 to 8 cups of juice and sugar at a time.

8. Remove jars and lids from hot water and drain, inverted, on a towel.

9. Bring juice to a boil; add the sugar and boil rapidly until the jellifying point is reached.

10. Remove jelly from heat and skim off any foam if necessary. Pour the hot jelly into glasses or jars; allow 1/4 inch head space.

11. To cover with paraffin, let jelly stand until thoroughly cooled. Pour on a layer of hot paraffin and turn glass so paraffin touches all sides. Make it a thin coating; thick heavy paraffin will pull away from the sides. Do not reuse paraffin; it will cause a musty flavor.

12. To test for the jellifying point, dip a spoon in the syrup. When the jelly is nearing the jellifying point it will drop from the side of a spoon in two drops; when the drops run together and slide off in a sheet the jelly is finished and should be removed from the heat immediately.

13. Any combination of juices may be used to make jelly so long as each juice by itself would make good jelly.

One of the most charming persons it has ever been our pleasure to meet is Jo Helen Cabbell, home service advisor for Southwestern Public Service Company. In a recent conversation with her she advised staggering for layers of cakes or pies when baking in an electric oven.

The pans should not be

placed directly over one another. Even circulation may be obtained if at least two inches of clearance is left around each pan.

Another hint she gave us was on cooking sponge or angel food cakes. She said it was very important to lower the rack so that the top of the cake was not too close to the heating unit.

Next time you're having a party, try the following method for making an attractive dessert:

Toast pound-cake slices and then put them together sandwich-fashion with fresh applesauce tinted pink. Top with peppermint ice cream; garnish with sprigs of fresh mint.

A dish that can easily be prepared ahead of time for

serving at an indoor or outdoor meal is:

- BARBECUED BEANS**
- 2 cups dried red beans
 - 1/3 cup salad oil
 - 2 or 3 minced cloves of garlic
 - 1 large onion, minced
 - 1 six ounce can tomato paste
 - 2 to 4 tablespoons chili powder
 - 1 tablespoon catsup
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - dash of cayenne pepper
 - 1/2 pound pork and beef mixed or hamburger
- Soak beans over night and cook slowly until almost done.

Brown onion and garlic insalad oil, add meat and brown. Add to beans and cook until done. The meat can be made into small balls and browned. Simmer all about 15 minutes.

A castaway from a wrecked ship was captured by cannibals. Each day, his arm was cut by a dagger and the natives of the island would drink his blood. Finally, one day, he called the king.

"You can kill me and eat me if you want," he said, "but I'm tired of being stuck for the drinks."

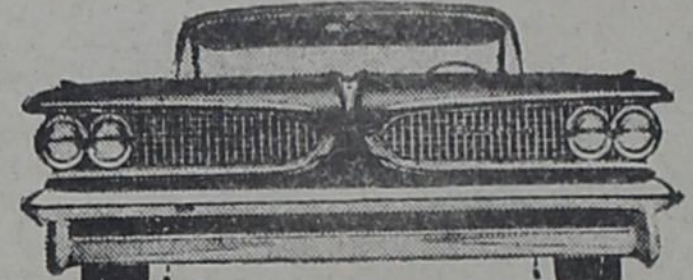
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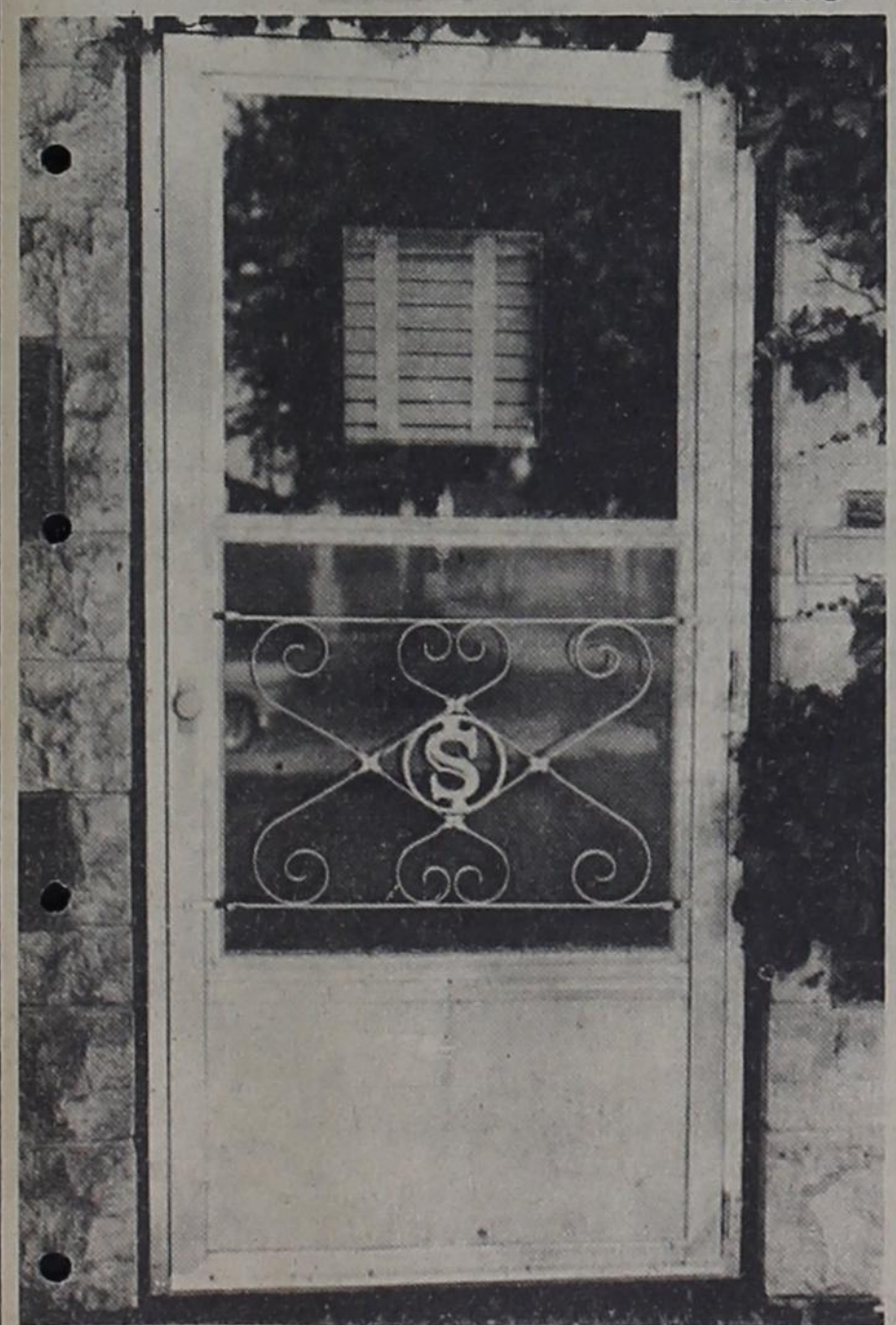
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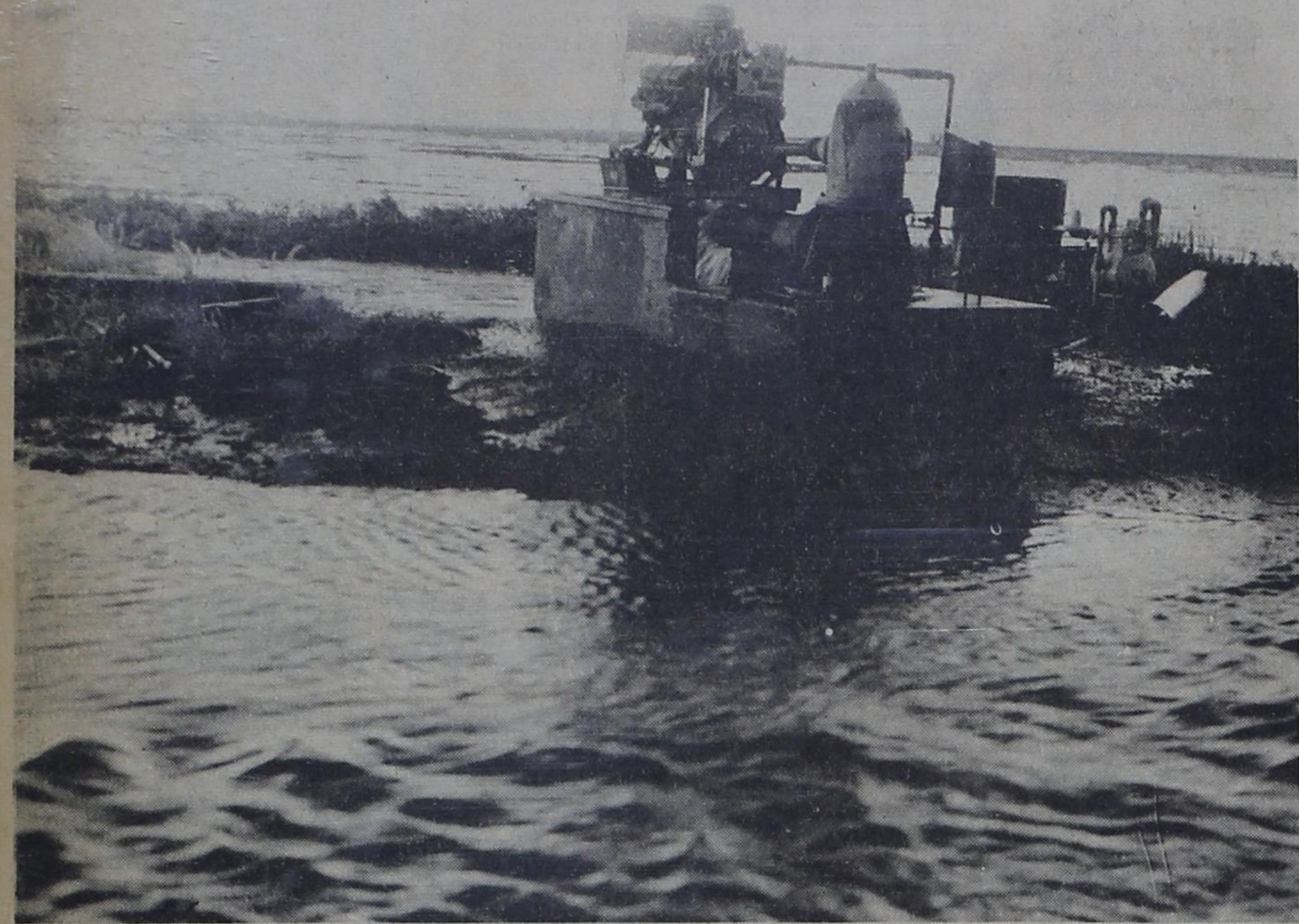
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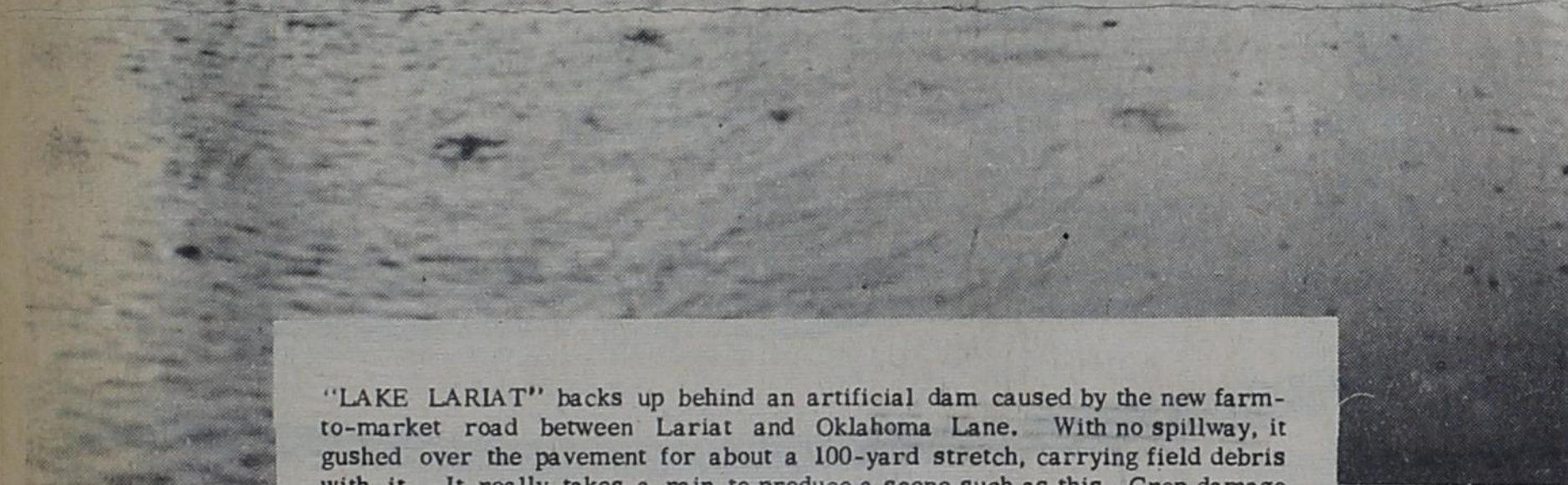
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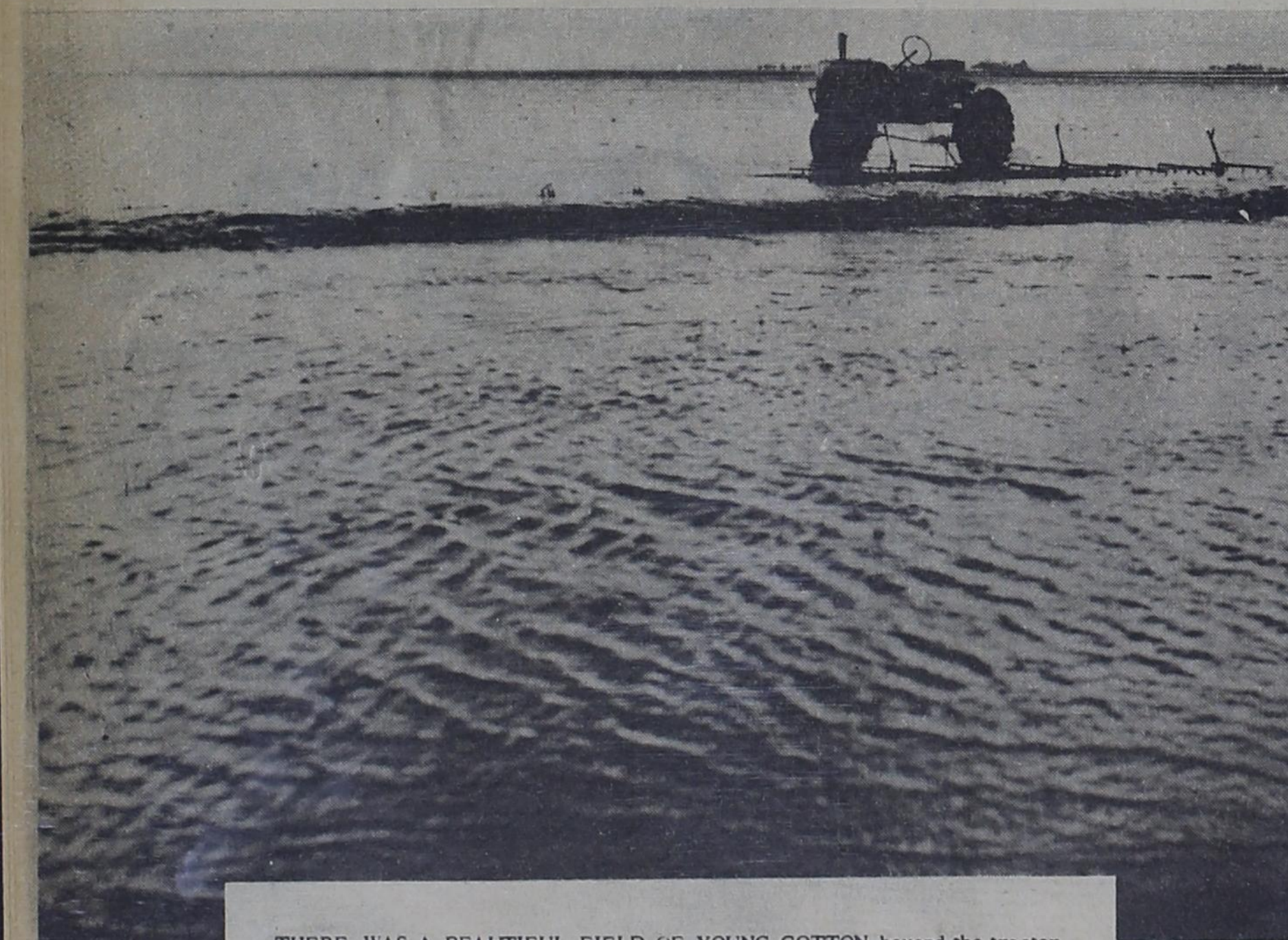
And Then the Bottom Fell Out



WORLD'S MOST RIDICULOUS SIGHT is this irrigation well pumping its feeble eight-inch stream of water as a flood swirls around it. Thirty minutes before this picture was made the running irrigation well made good sense: the land was thirsty.



"LAKE LARIAT" backs up behind an artificial dam caused by the new farm-to-market road between Lariat and Oklahoma Lane. With no spillway, it gushed over the pavement for about a 100-yard stretch, carrying field debris with it. It really takes a rain to produce a scene such as this. Crop damage was heavy in a localized area.



THERE WAS A BEAUTIFUL FIELD OF YOUNG COTTON beyond the tractor, still attached to cultivation equipment, an hour before this picture was made. This is another scene in the Lariat-Oklahoma Lane area after Friday's sudden downpour.

Rains, Hail Visit

In the typical "shotgun" pattern of weather for the High Plains in the spring, rain and hail in widely varying amounts have again visited the farms of the area.

Most of the rough weather activity was Friday, but few points were severely damaged (see pictures for exception). A cool front came in from the northeast Monday night, bringing about a quarter of an inch of rain to nearly all farms.

This moisture has been welcome in most cases, and farmers are thankful that hail damage has been so scattered. The cool weather isn't wanted by the cotton farmers, but aside from that, the weather's acceptable from most standpoints.

The pictures appearing with this story show the typical behavior of a localized spring storm. It occurred in the Lariat-Oklahoma Lane section late Friday, and was really a rough one for a while.

As near as five miles from the field shown covered with water, stood farms that didn't receive a sprinkle. That helps explain why some farmers have a complete washout during the farming year because of adverse weather, while the bulk of their neighbors make out just fine.

At any rate, it's pretty easy to agree that if your farm happens to be in the path of a storm such as this, it seems for a while that the whole world has caved in.

One of the biggest troubles with success these days is that its recipe is about the same as that for a nervous breakdown.



A TERRIFIC RUN-OFF occurs during hard rains such as these, in spite of the fact that this country is supposed to be a "level plain." The rain, which measured up to two inches and fell in about 30 minutes, simply could not be absorbed that rapidly and had to seek its own level. The result: a gully-washer such as is shown here.

Four County 4-H Clubbers To Attend State Roundup

"4-H Leads the Way" is the theme of the 1959 Texas 4-H Roundup to be held on the campus of Texas A&M College on June 9-10. An estimated 2,000 4-H members, adult leaders, county extension agents, friends of 4-H and others are expected to attend. Those going from this area are Barbara Rea, Janice Hillock and Gary Foster.

While major emphasis and activities of the Roundup will be devoted to determining state winners in 25 different judging and team demonstration contests, plans have been perfected for other features. The feature of the general assembly on the evening of June 9 will be an address by Dr. Kenneth McFarland, educational consultant and lecturer for General Motors, Topeka, Kansas.

Always a highlight of the Roundup, the Chuckwagon Barbecue sponsored by the Texas 4-H Club Recognition Committee, will be the opening feature of the second evening's program. A general assembly will follow the barbecue and will

feature an address by President M. T. Harrington of the Texas A&M College System. Entertainment for the evening will be provided by 4-H members when selected acts from the Share-the-Fun program will be presented. Members of the State 4-H Council will participate in both general assembly sessions.

June 10 will be a day long remembered by the 4-H members. They will be competing for state honors, and in some cases, the right to represent Texas in national contests. All contestants won the opportunity to participate in the state contests by winning first place in their county and then by placing first or second in their respective district contests.

The youth phase of Agricultural Extension Service work in Texas is now in its 51th year. Last year 106,239 boys and girls were members of the State's 4,026 local clubs.

Keep smiling. It makes everyone wonder what you've been up to.

County Agent Due Back Soon

County Agent Joe Jones, who has been in Italy for a month under a program sponsored by the Grain Sorghum Producers Association, scheduled to return home this week.

The purpose of Jones' visit to Europe has been to promote the consumption of High Plains-produced grain sorghums in that part of the world.

Farmer County people anxiously await a report on his travels from the popular county agent. His wife anxiously awaits his return, also. She says she is planning spaghetti and meat balls for his homecoming dinner.

INEBRIATED

Two hollow-eyed, bleak-looking Scots were discussing the party of the night before. "Dye ken," said one, "Mac fell in the river on his way home last night?"

"Ye dinna mean tae say he was drowned?" asked his friend.

"Nae, nae," replied the first, "not drowned . . . but sadly diluted."

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Storm Damage Severe Over Wide Section

LATE NEWS

The story appearing in connection with these pictures is misleading. It was written before reports came in from the many farms that were pummeled by wind, hail, and hard rains Monday night.

The Monday night storm takes the severe damage reports out of the "scattered" category into the "widespread" category. Thus, the luck of many Farmer County area farmers has played out at an early date. Most of the damage has been

in a north-and-south swath running through the central part of the county.

Total losses on both cotton and near-ripe wheat have been reported in a number of instances, and many farms have received rains that pounded lister beds flat and washed the lower ends of planted fields.

This is the most general hail damage since the June and July storms of last year which were considered some of the worst in the history of the area.