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## 4 Sanitation Problems To Be Discussed The General Was Displeased Going

Forward With Eastland

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### By Bob Moore

Eastland Daily the cooperate one to cent for the growth of the city. In policy, it is some to hold publication of until an opportune not publish it at all. Crtainly, the Telegram will not in a practice of publishumors and using an official's as stating the rumor, thout his knowledge.

Bear that in mind, when you go port a newspaper with your items, subscription and rtising dollars, and you will made an investment that not cause you regret.

first annual Eastland Old Horned Toad Derby is getpublicity in some unexpected

Bop Latham, who operates an South Bassett Street, has been a lot of fun talking with ham operators over the about the Derby. Some of ams" live in areas where horned toads are practically unto enter toads and come from the Foundation School Prothe Derby. So, if you tune in on the short d hear a lot of "frog talk", ill know that it's a result am's fine work in helpablicize our race.

pating in the two-day conference, which close today are: Dale Dougttman, city mail carrier, las, superintendent of Pleasant that his brother-in-law, Hudson who operates a store in Rome, Ga., was Grove School at Dallas; and Ray Grove School at Dallas; and Ray a recent visit and took at Athens. specimes of Eastland toads and one of the

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Major General Harry Vaughn, right, military aide to President Truman, arrived in Washington from a trip to Guatamala, to be greeted by a battery of newsmen. He was displeased with reporters questions and irked by photographers. He asked one of the photographers, "how would you like a poke in the nose?" At center is Col. Cornelius Mara, assistant to Vaughn. (NEA Telephoto)

## teur radio station, W5-OFN SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S TO **CLOSE CONFERENCE TODAY HERE**

Approximately 75 school ad- | conference include: Eastiand, ministrators from 11 counties in Comanche, Hamilton, Erath, Somthis area attened the opening of formation that Le hem can a conference Friday at the East-on toads and the Derby. of them have fold Latham ium to hear field representatives in the opening of a conference Friday at the East-ford, Stephens, Hood and Mills. Supt. W G Womack of the Eastland Public Schools served as ervall, Brown, Callahan, Shackel-Supt. W G Womack of the Eastland Public Schools, served as host for the group, who are meetgram Division of the State Aud-

ing in one of 32 conferences being itor's Office discuss and interpret conducted over the state. the Foundation School Program Following a general discussion

went home, with a few remaining Child's station wagon. over for individual talks with Douglas and Lo- today. Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins of East-

land, member of the State Board and had them as guests for a lawn Counties represented at the party last evening. Assisting her

in serving refreshments were her her daughter Mrs. C. Keith Revet

## Victim Of July 4th Wreck Dies

WICHITA FALLS, Tex. July (UP)-Injuries suffered in a July 4 highway crash at Mankins near here proved fatal last night to Billie M. Childs, 20, Duluth, Ga.

The body was sent to Leukens burg, Ga., for funeral Sunday. Meanwhile, Archer County Attorney O. N. Wylie said charges of manslaughter would be filed against J. W. Harkins, Winfield,

La., truck driver whose vehicle Friday most of the administrators was involved in collision with Harkins was held in jail at Archer City on a charge of assault

with motor vehicle. of Education, met with the group College Building

## **Bonds Awarded**

## **Blazing Cotton Train Races For Houston Stop**

having completed a survey of the State's Justice of the Peace Courts has announced eight recommenda-HOUSTON, Tex, July 8 (UP) -A blazing, 80-car freight train carrying a valuable cargo of val-courts. ley cotton sped into Houston like They included: Creation of the office of cor-

firey comet early today while fire trucks raced to meet it. oner in more populas counties to Only one car was destroyed with relieve Justices of the Peace of inloss of \$3,500, including a \$2,quest duties.

00 box car. Abolition of the fee system of The Missouri-Pacific train left ompensation. Authorizing the commit Olmita yesterday with \$15,000 in courts to determine the number of otton aboard. Near Mykawa about Justices in each county. 1:30 A. M., Newmen spotted a few whisps of smoke sifting from a car in the middle of the train. Transferring of civil and crim-inal jurisdiction from Justice of

The engineer wired ahead of the the Peace to county courts. Improvement of physical facilidanger and summoned the Houson Fire Department. As the train ties of courts handling traffic caswhipped along, the smoldering fire es. Promotion of the use of traffic

was fanned into a mass of flames. Firemen met the train at Griggs schools for violators. Abolition of the practice of tick-Road and Long Drive. The Blazet fixing. ing car was cut loose and volun-teers stretched hose some 3800 Promotion of conferences between the lower court judges to feet from the nearest plug. It was discuss problems and interpreta-toins of traffic laws. extinguished in a matter of min-

District Fire Chief M. Schlutz said the cotton was consigned to the George McFadden Co., of Galveston, and was due for overseas delivery. Chief Schultz believed a spark

from the rails may have caused partment store sales in the four night. the blaze.

### **Rites Held For Eastland Infant**

Services were held at the grave- cent.

Home of Ranger was in charge of services. Cent. Dallas was off 11 per cent, Houston eight, and Fort Worth

July 6, 1949, and died July 7. virtually unchanged.

## **GENEROUS-HEARTED CITIZENS RALLY TO AID OF GRAHAMS**

Generous-hearted Eastland cit- Mrs. Finis Johnson (Route1) izens have rallied to the aid of the

dist)

## **CITY COMMISSION MEETING TONIGHT ON VITAL PROBLEMS**

today

Mystery Killer

Sought In Death

Midland authorities

an oil scout.

the family dog.

MIDLAND, Tex, July 8 (UP)

were confronted with their second

murder mystery in less than 18 months as they sought last night's

layer of Homer A. Stillwell, 28,

Stillwell, employed by Stanolind

Oil and Gas Co., was shot to death

in his front yard about 9 P. M.

as he stepped outside the house to

nvestigate a commotion raised by

She said she thought it was

eighborhood children. Then she

When her husband failed to re

turn to the house, she went into the yard where she found his body

near the sidewalk. Stillwell was

dead of two gunshot wounds in

Slight Omission

Jack Whipps' expectant wife de-

cided it was time to go to the

hospital, he went to the garage,

stowed her bag in the car and

sped off. He had to turn back

when he realized he had forgotten

something - his wife.

Henryetta, Okla. (UP) --- When

ed like firecrackers.

the chest.

was killed.

1.00

\$38.00

You Feel Better, Pop

Four vital sanitation problems will be discussed at a call meeting of the Eastland City Commission tonight at 7:30 o'clock, with businessmen and other citizens urged to attend, City Manager I. C. Heck stated.

The meeting will be held on the lawn at the south side of the City Hall, because of warm weather. In the event of rain, the meeting will be inside.

 Included in the sanation proi lems is one dealing with having vacant lots cleared to eliminate a mosquito menace. Despite a recent campangn conducted, with Boy Scouts offering their services, many vacant lots in Eastland have not been cleared.

Another problem to be discus sed will be a proposal for twice a week garbage pickup in the resi denital section without charge. instead of the one pickup a week schedule now being maintained without charge. Twice a week service would cost the city \$500 to \$5,000 a year more than the present one time a week service. The twice a day pickup service in the business area, with a fee assessed would be unchanged.

Raw sewage is presently seep Stillwell's roommate, also a Saning into the Leon River, instead of following the route to the sewerolind oil scout, was shot to death under equally mysterious circum-stances in March of ast year as age disposal plant, and the dispos al plant is considered inadequate. The city dump, located at the was reading a newspaper at

southwest corner of Eastland, The roommate-Dick Erickson should have trash buried as it is -was shot through the head by an assailant who fired through a With the health of the citizens The weekly report of the Fed-eral Reserve Bank of Dallas on window. The body was found by at stake, the city officials

such sales showed that sales in 21 Stillwell upon his return to the urging civic-minded persons to be are at the meeting and advance their with sales in the corresponding than a year—told authorities that where and Dallas sales more than a year—told authorities that improved and financed.

### **Light-Fingered** Cab Driver, Girl Friend Rob Man

HOUSTON. Tex., July 8 (UP) - A visitor from the Rio Grande Valley complained to police today that he arrived here with \$360, but had to borrow a dime a few hours later after a talk

Police Chief Dick Ellington said a head injury and also wounds on his arms and knees indicated Stillwith a light-fingered taxi driver well had scuffled with his assail- and the driver's girl friend.

ant before being shot. Neighbors told Ellington they said he met the cabbie at the bus heard what sounded like several station, and asked him for an shots at about the time Stillwell

Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon at 5 o'-

The baby was born in Eastland [was up 10. San Antonio sales were

stores were off an average of four room.

week of 1948.

side in the Eastland cemetery where the baby, John Campa, Jr., was interred. Morris Funeral sales were off an average of 5 per



Houston and Dallas sales were house, she heard loud talking and clock for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Campa of Eastland. and San Antonio each up 5 per She sa For the month of June, 1949. said she heard a noise that sound-

Total

Susannah Wesley Class (Metho-

FURNITURE

CLOTHING

Mrs. Smithan

Mrs. H. S. Lewis

Mrs. Parks Poe

Mrs. Alice Hanson

Mrs. Finis Johnson

**Department** Store

DALLAS, July 8 (UP)- De- he

major Texas cities continued their

Sales Show Drop

downward trend last week.

osters publicizing the Derby, to chibit to Georgia folks. Seems ey never saw a toad before in Clark, representing

Helena Clark, representing tation KRBC of Abilene, was stland Thursday afternoon a 15-minute program to broadcast over the station in near future about the Derby. Tanner, manager of the er of Commerce, was outtown on business and her visit as unexpected. for some ason or other, Miss Gark seem-to think this error was some-ing of a concerning an error with her to having an error with her to comprise rview with her to comprise program. While this scribe more at home in front of a riter than a microphone, the play-back of the recording for us didn't sound too She is to let us know the day time the interview will be east, and we will pass the nation on in the Telegram. you folks can listen in.

W. Williams of Amarillo, visiting his son, Silas Wilwas a welcomed visitor at elegram this morning. Wilwas a printer's devil on the stland Anchor, back in the when the city was just a e place in the road. A retired on forman, with 40 years of Williams' father was first settlers in Easts many interesting exto relate about old

> \* \* \* orsett tells this:

the Creator had made things, it seemed there and editors. some dirty work to do, made the beast and the les and the poisonous insects. A. Bandeen on the West Texas He had finished, He still old scraps left over that bad to put into rattlehyena, the scorpion dations. So He put all these

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Good Used Cars s on the new Olds)

### **Mexican** Planes **Patrol Border**

The two representatives partici-

MATAMOROS, Mexico, July 8 (UP) Newspaper reports today indicated that the Mexican government was augmenting its Border Patrol forces along the Rio Grande with airplanes. The daily newspaper, El Rocks Along Rio Grande with airplanes. Regional, said Bernado Itturriaga, Director General of Customs, Mexico City, had ordered planes to the border.

**Oil Activity** Oil activity continues to "rock

along" in the Eastland area, with They were expected to assist no speculator results, but with

soldiers and secret immigration encouraging signs. and customs agents in curtailing Zieffel Well No. 1 on the Hague heavy migration of Mexican located three miles east of the laborers to the United States. city on the south side of U. S Radio-equipped vehicles and Highway 80, was down to 2,600 soldiers details already were on feet this morning, with plans to the lookout for consumer goods test the Ellenberger at 3,800 or entering Mexico which recently 3,900 feet, if necessary.

were placed on a restriction list. Sorrells Oil Co. No. 1 Jones They also were watching for located two and one-half miles cotton, leaving Mexico for the United States. Mexico has an ex-dry and abandoned at 1,550 feet, port tax' on the product. recently.

**WTCC TAKES WATER RIGHTS FIGHT TO NATIONAL CONGRESS** 

ABILENE, July 8.— A cam-paign to take the West Texas Texas Water Shortage Damages municipal water fight to the Na- and Application of the Hoover tional congress has been activat-Commission's Domestic Water Reed by the West Texas Chamber of

ed by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, with a series of letters to national and local officials, Chamber of Commerce manager. "The report is an effort to show Chamber of Commerce managers that lack of demestic water is

truly a menace to public welfare The letter accompanies a report equivalent to flood damages and just made by WTCC Manager D. that the adoption of your recommendation would certainly conwater shortage damage, under ap- tribute greatly to the welfare of plication of the Hoover Commisour people everywhere, including sion domestic water recommen- municipal corporations.

"There is widespread and militant support in this Texas terri-"In support of your Recommendation No. 1 on priority of tory and all of Texas of your use of multi-purpose reservoirs -as contained in your Commission's and our purpose is to campaign report to the Congress on Federal in Washington for the adoption or Company, Eastland Business Enterprises - the enclos- Continued on page four

AUSTIN, Tex. July 8 (UP)te of For. Worth, and her daught er-in-law, Mrs. Robert Perkins. Some \$8,825,000 new college build in bonds for new college building construction During the informal entertain- in Texas have been awarded ment, the group inspected the miniature "little Red School York.

house" in Mrs Perkin's back yard. The construction will be apportioned as follows:

North Texas State College, Denlege for Women, Denton, \$2,000,-000; Texas College of Arts and Industries, Kingsville, \$825,000; Texas College of Arts and Industries, Kingsville, \$825,000; Texas Western College, El Paso, \$820,-000; and three branches of Texas A. & M. \$2,985,000. The branches are Arlington State College, Arlington Prairie View University,

Prairie View, and John Tarleton State College, Stephenville.

### Indicted Man Found Unconscious

WICHITA FALLS, July 8 (UP) -David Beck, 40, indicted for murder in the slaying last March 4 of a Wichita Falls State Hospi-

tal inmate, was found unconscious in his jail cell late last night. Beck was revived at a hospital, where nursese said he apparently had taken an overdose of sedative. Beck and T. C. Saucier were in-dicted in the slaying of Thomas H. Gibbons of Sulphur Springs. Gibbons died after he was beaten and kicked shortly after being admitted to the State Hospital where Beck and Saucier were attendants. Saucier still is in jail awaiting tcome of an appeal from a death penalty imposed last May by a

N. A. Graham family, who had their home and possessions destroyed by a recent fire, with to Phelps-Fenn and Company of New total of \$38 in cash, and a large amount of clothing and furniture donated.

Following an appeal by the "Go ing Forward With Eastland" colton, \$2,195,000; Fexas State Col- umn and a drive launched by the Eastland Daily Telegram, the response has been splendid.

In behalf of the Graham family, Bob Moore, editor of the Telegram, has stated appreciation to everyone who has contributed. He urged citizens to make a last minute rush with donations to bring the campaign to a successful close.

In addition to the official Telegram drive several citizens, including the Rev. L. M Chapman, pastor of the First Baptist Church where Graham formerly worked as a caretaker, have gone "all out" to help the fire victims. Through the efforts of the Rev. Chapman an additional \$6 in cash has been donatel as well as cloth-

ing and furniture. The Grahams have purchased a house to move to the site of the burned home at 103-East Burkett Street, and will soon be ready to resume housekeeping. Anyone desiring to help the family, should do so as soon as possible. CASH

Balance \$26.00 Mrs. H S. Lewis 2.00



Randal Vincellette, 2, of Jefferson parish, Louisiana, checks the heart of his father, Lt. Anthony Vincellette at Charity Hospital in New Orleans. The little boy almost gave his father heart failure when he fell through a hole in the attic and landed on the cement porch just a few feet from his astounded parent. The yongster was uncon-scious for about 30 seconds, but soon recovered. (NEA Telephoto.) (Photo by Binyon)

inexpensive place to sleep. Instead, Solis claimed, the driver picked up some bottles of beer with Solis' money "at 50 cents each." and then got his girl friend.

The driver and the woman together escorted Solis to a tourist court. Not until later in the morning, after a few hours sleep, did Solis examine his pocketbood. It was empty.

A 33-year-old taxi driver was arrested and was being held at the county jail on a vagancy charge for investigation.

### John D. Harrison **Rites Held Today**

Last rites were conducted this afternoon at 4 o'clock at Hamner's Chapel for John Dee Harrison, eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Harrison of Lone Star Camp No. 108-2 near Ranger. Interment was in the Eastland Cemetery. The lad died Wednesday, July 6

at the Ranger General Hospital of burns received in a Fourth of July accident. He was burned when fire crackers which he was shooting ignited a can of gasoline in the backyard of his home and in attempting to extinguish the fire the gasoline was upset on the the

Survivors besides the parents are a sister, Dorothy, 10, and two brothers, James, 9, and Joe Wayne five months old.



EAST TEXAS-Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Satur day. A few scattered thundershowday. A few scattered than portioners in north and central portions Saturday and in extreme extreme east portion noon and early tonig hange in

- Considerable diness with scattered thundershowers this afternoon, tonight and Saturday. No important change in

Make A Date With The "88" Oldsmobile's "New Thrill" Osberne Motor Co., Estimated

M. L. Maynard (Carbon) 5.00 Sussannah Wesley Class (First Methorist Church 2.00 Mr. and Mrs. Parks Pue 2.00

Age.

### OFFICIAL ENTRY BLANK **Old Fiddler's Contest**

No Entry Fee Required \$25, First Prize, \$15. Second, \$10, Third,

Eastland Old Rip Horned Toad Derby

Saturday, July 16; 4 P. M. On Courthouse Lawn

Name

Address

Mail As Soon As Possible To: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, EASTLAND, TEXAS Enter Your Toads, Also. \$5 Entry Fee Required

distrit court jury.

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EASTLAND, TEXAS

# •• Eastland County Farm And Ranch News ••

**Regular Feature Each Friday of Your Friendly Eastland Daily Telegram** 

Prairie Princess In Rodeo

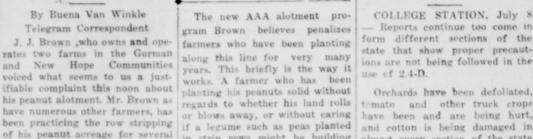
Queen Contest

## **Gorman Farmer Has Complaint Regarding Peanut Allotment**

By Buena Van Winkle Telegram Correspondent

and New Hope Communities voiced what seems to us a justifiable complaint this noon about have numerous other farmers, has of his peanut acreage for several years because it was recommended first by the government agensummers here will not allow to 8 rows of peanuts. Then after another grop to be planted until the 25 per cent is deducted, then, the following spring, so that with- the farmer is given his regular field or 1 is left of his fertilizer which he to 44 acres." had applied the preceding year,

and also what of stubble & chaff that may have been left of the within the short time of early spring and until planting time to build his peanut land up to where it will grow anything at all. Well, as we said, Mr. Brown is through y sold of the idea of strip crop-



bare and ito, the mercies of the is taken and that cut back high winds until another crop is amounts to abut 25 per cent, planted. So often, the hot dry since they plant 2 rows of strip

out the strip rows there remains 22 pericent reduction on his reabout three or four months for maining acreage. That amounts the farmers' land to be lifted and on a 200 acre farm to about 83 deposited across the fence, out in-to the road, or over in neighbors' had been planted solid to peanuts, sture. There goes what the reduction would only amount

To provide a place for the hot peanut crop he havested, and he is from and to keep the ironing faced with the task of building board cover from being scorched, tack aspiece of asbestos paper on and use pressure below 40 pounds the ironing board where the iron per square inch. Do not apply is sually placed.

> ceriously damaged if left in the are within 1/2 mile downwind o hot sun after they are harvested. 1/4 mile upwind.

COLLEGE STATION, July 8 Reports continue too come in form different sections of the state that show proper precautions are not being followed in the use of 2.4-D.

**Caution Urged** 

In 2.4-D Use

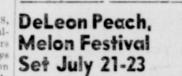
Orchards have been defoliated, in strip rows might be building almost every section of the state his soil sufficiently to pay for cut says M. K. Thornton, extension ting down his peanut acreage to agricultural chemist of Texas A. ies, and then because after he had give space to the strip crop, that & M. College. The users of 2.4-D tried it out he found that it cer- farmer is only cut the basic 22 must remember, he adds, it will tainly was beneficial to his land. per cent on his alotment. But, the not only kill the weeds that are The strip crop help to hold this farmers who have been using the objectional but may also damage rolling blow sand after the peanut strip crop practice are cut off the desirable plants around the house are havested and the land is left strip crop before the alotment cut and farm.

Here are some precautions that should be followed by every user of 2.4-D, as worked out by a committee of Texas A. & M. College research and extension workers for your protection. They say don't use 2.4-D dusts under any conditions. They drift easily and far. Ester forms of 2,4-D are not recommended because they give off fumes readily. Small liquid spray particles may drift in air current and delayed ift effects may occur following

nges in direction of the wind. ground sprayers, use nozzles producing coarse spray particles wind velocity greater than 5 mile



Miss Marilyn Roberson, 19- year old daughter of Mr. and 2.4-D with ground equipment in Mrs. J. T. Roberson of Breckenridge, who is competing with five other contestants for the title of queen of the Fruits and vegetables may be per hour when susceptible crops stephens County Rodeo July 6 through 9. Marilyn is rep-Southwestern University at Georgetown, Marilyn has already established a reputation as a beauty. She was recently chosen as "Dream Girl" of the University chapter of



NEWS FROM Nesdeniona

DESDEMONA, July 7 (Spl) Robert Brown of A. & M. College visited throught the holi- and Mrs. R. H. Abels. Also Paul days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Qoinn and days with the R. H. Abels family. small daughter, Danna Francis of Kermit visited during the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Quinn and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Read.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ayers of Andrews were here last week and Cisco, recently. visited Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Lane, who accompanied them to Fort Worth to visit friends and relatives.

Don Wittie is visiting at Gates-

Bob Womack is a patient-in the hospital at Gorman, suffering with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Tidwell last erruption was in 1894.

are the proud parents of a fine Hens in the laying flock that baby boy born a few days ago in show a shrunken, dried-up comb, the hospital at Gorman. Both yellow beak, new feathers, mother and son are doing fine. yellow shanks and yellow vents should be culled and sold. A continuous culling job will pay any Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Walker of

poultryman good dividends. Goldsmith visited her parents, Mr. Baker and children, and Mr. and Cotton and cottonseed last Mrs. Robert Abel, all of Oil year brought in about one-third Center, visited through the holiof the South's total cash income. Lint brought in 11/2 billion dollars, and cottonseed another

#### CARBON RURAL NEWS ITEMS

Several men of the Carbon Community attended the regular monthly meeting of the Eastland County Dairy Association at Most of the planting and

in the county this week.

Feed and young peanuts are growing and doing good in this warm weather. The fruit harvest is beginning

to get into full swing for summer. In 1873, Mt. Rainter erapted for a period of seven days. Its

quarter billion. A Man Must Eat SAPULPA, Okla., (UP) Asked his occupation when he was booked for carrying a gallon jug of whiskey, Ray Wyatt of Mannford, Okla., told officers he harvesting of grain will be over "worked as a mooonshiner."

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## **EVERYBODY FROM EVERYWHERE COME TO THE HORNED TOAD DERBY** SATURDAY, JULY 16TH





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### EASTLAND, TEXAS



