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Tell-Tale Fe-Mail

By M. L. G.

I've been reading about April, the month that usually ushers in warmth and sunshine—brrr-r-r-r. Seems that April has been regarded as a good time for beginning wars. The American Revolutionary War, the Mexican War and the War between the States and the entrance of the United States into World War I occurred in April. I would like to say now, for the record, that there will be another added to that list if things don't get wound up around this house.

Paint—everywhere you look there is paint. Every time the Do-It-Yourself Boy takes out the paint brush something catches his eye that needs painting before he gets to the house. The little red wagon has a new coat of paint, the barbecue pit is newly painted and the roof has splashes on it that don't belong there. He did get it at it fast and furiously one afternoon. He wanted to impress his mother-in-law who was arriving that night.

Speaking of husbands, have you heard the one about the time the Army wanted to be absolutely sure a rookie was perfectly normal? A prying psychiatrist asked suspiciously: "What do you do for social life?"

"Guess I just sit at home and read mostly," the man replied awkwardly.

"Hmmm—never go out with girls?"

"Nope."

"Do you ever want to?"

"The man still felt ill at ease."

"... well yes, sort of."

"Then why don't you?"

"My wife won't let me."

That reminds me of another one: "My family thinks there's something wrong with me," a woman complained to the psychoanalyst, "simply because I like buckwheat cakes."

"But there's nothing wrong about liking buckwheat cakes," the doctor murmured, puzzled, "I like them myself."

"Oh, do you?" The woman was delighted. "You must come up some day. I have seven trunks full."

Speaking of buckwheat cakes, the Band Parents Club is going to have a pancake supper on April 30 with proceeds going for—you guessed it—the band trip.

By the way, if you want to help the band and treat yourself to an eight page extravaganza each week for a whole year, buy a subscription to the Merkel Mail from a band member.

I saw some bluebonnets today and wished again we could have some of the state flowers in the star shaped flower bed in our yard but the rabbits won't let us. They even wait for the little leaves to come out on the newly planted rose bushes and then nibble away. They are so intent on satisfying their green tooth that they keep nibbling until you get right up to them and then the little cowards run like mad. They evidently weren't bothered with rabbits in Cleopatra's day because it is said that she covered the floor of her palace with roses a foot and a half deep when she entertained Mark Antony.

Did you know that four states—Georgia, Iowa, New York and North Dakota—and the District of Columbia have adopted the rose as their state flower? You probably did know that but I'll bet you didn't know that the strawberry and the mountain ash are among some 2,000 species of trees, shrubs and herbs that comprise the rose family.

It is our daughter's 16th birthday today. Such an important birthday and we couldn't do anything about it—celebration-wise. No member of the family should have a birthday on press day, especially not a 16th birthday. Her little 8-year old sister shopped for special gifts to make up for the lack of celebration. Among the gifts was a little doll about two inches high. When I asked her if she didn't think a 16-year-old was too old for a doll she said, "I didn't get it for her to play with—I got it to let her know she's a doll—get it?"

Merkel Students To Stage Band Concert April 27

Music students of Merkel schools will be featured in a spring band concert in the high school auditorium at 8 p.m. Monday, April 27.

A varied program, designed to entertain both young and old, will include marches, folk music and Broadway musical hits, said W. G. Reed, band director.

Participating in the concert will be fifth grade beginner's band, sixth, seventh and eighth grade elementary band, high school band and the high school swing band.

Price of admission for the hour and twenty minute program will be fifty cents for adults and twenty-five cents for children.

2 Trent Students In NTSC Future Teacher Training

Public schools in 35 Texas cities are cooperating with North Texas State College this semester in the training of prospective teachers.

The NTSC School of Education has placed more than 450 college students in these cities as student teachers. Most of them are assigned to schools in Denton, Dallas, and Tarrant Counties.

Students enrolled in the program include Kay Beasley and Jerry McWilliams of Trent.

Miss Beasley, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman L. Beasley, Rt. 1, Trent, is teaching the first grade at Carrollton.

The son of Mrs. Lena E. McWilliams, McWilliams is teaching physical education at the Denton Senior High School.

Under the guidance of the classroom teacher and school principal, the students assist in planning and carrying out the regular instruction program as part of their work toward earning teaching certificates.

New Subscribers

Members of the Merkel High School Band sold Merkel Mail subscriptions to the following:

Joe Horton
J. T. Anderson
L. J. Gray
Bryan Dunagin
Mrs. L. H. Reeger

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Whisenhunt, Jeff, Cindy and Bart, Mr. and Mrs. Wray Whisenhunt and Janice, Miss Joan Malone and Mrs. Tommie Neal and son, visited with Dink Whisenhunt at Camp Hood Saturday. Dink expects to be shipped to Germany this week.

Mrs. Oran Hodge has moved to Abilene where she is employed at Thornton's Department Store.

MERKEL CEMETERY FUND

The following persons have contributed to the Merkel Cemetery Association fund:

Mrs. A. C. Rogers
Paul Orsborn

Look At Your Mail Box

The week of May 18-23 has been designated "Mail Box Improvement Week."

During this week you are urged to look at your mail box—everyone else does—and ask yourself the following questions:

1. Is your mail box painted and your name inscribed on the side of the box?
2. Is the box securely fastened to the post?
3. Is the post firmly planted, erect, and the right height?
4. Is the approach kept free of nettles and the ruts filled in?

Properly erected mail boxes reflect your pride and interest in the community, provide a safe place for the mail, and help the postal employees to give you better service, stated Postmaster Wrenn Durham.

James Winter Heads Reporter-News Retail Advertising Department

James Winter, former Noodle and Merkel resident, has been named retail advertising manager for the Abilene Reporter-News.

The appointment was announced by Publisher Howard McMahon.

Winter, member of the Reporter-News advertising staff since 1951, succeeds the late G. D. Triplett, who died in June, 1957. The post had been vacant since that time.

As retail advertising manager, Winter will have immediate charge of the sales staff handling accounts of Abilene retail businesses.

J. T. LaRoe is advertising director who coordinates the efforts of the three sections making up the advertising department: retail advertising, classified and national.

Winter was born on a farm near Noodle, the son of the late J. M. Winter and Mrs. Winter, longtime farm family of that section. His mother lives at 906 Oak St. in Merkel. After attending school at



JAMES WINTER

Noodle, he transferred to Merkel where he finished high school in 1942.

Winter went from high school into the Army in World War II, serving in the 164th Infantry. His unit saw combat at Guadalcanal, Bougainville and the Philippines.

Released from the Army in 1945, he spent two years with an oil field supply company before beginning his college education. He entered Abilene Christian College in 1947 and completed his degree work at Hardin-Simmons University. He took a B.A. degree in journalism in 1950.

Winter began his newspaper career while in college, working in the H-SU publicity office, and for the Anson Western Observer.

After graduation he was employed by the Winters Enterprise as a reporter and advertising man. He went from there to the Rosenberg Herald, then to the Reporter-News in June, 1951.

Winter, 34, is married to the former Nita Nelson of Dilley. They live at 3149 S. 19th St., Abilene, with their two children, Norman Lee, 8, and Susan Jo, 13 months.

Pancake Supper Set For April 30

A pancake supper, sponsored by the Band Parents Club, will be held in the high school cafeteria from 5:30 to 8 p.m., Thursday, April 30.

This will be the last of a series of fund raising projects for a band trip to Corpus Christi. Band students raised \$71 washing cars last week, and a bake sale by the Band Parents added \$48 to the trip fund.

"We would like to thank everyone for their support of our fund raising projects last week—the car wash, bake sale and hiring the students for odd jobs," said W. G. Reed, band director.

Joe Gibsons Move Here From Odessa

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gibson, natives of Callahan County, recently moved here from Odessa and are making their home at 1201 S. 10th Street.

Gibson is employed by Phillips Petroleum Company and is pumping the Phillips' lease north of town.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Bartlett visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jeffries and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Moore of Fort Worth over the week-end. They were joined there by their daughter, Mrs. W. M. Dunagin and sons, Tom and Dane, of Jacksboro.

Thompson Named Office Manager

Turret Thompson has been named office manager and bookkeeper of Palmer Motor Co., according to an announcement by Nolan Palmer, owner.

Thompson, a graduate of Merkel High School and Draughn's Business College, has been working in Hamlin for the Carl Murrell Motor Co. Prior to going to Hamlin, he was office manager and bookkeeper for Taylor Telephone Cooperative in Merkel.

Thompson and his wife, Murell, have one son, Wayne, 11.

Goodman HD Club

Mrs. Cal McAninch was hostess when the Goodman Home Demonstration met in the Community Center April 10.

Roll call was answered with "Something new I have just learned."

Prayer was by Mrs. D. R. Butler and games were led by Mrs. H. H. Windham.

The program on "Health Insurance" was presented by Mrs. C. H. Butler and Mrs. D. L. Butler. Members of the Goodman Club fed the Lions Club in Merkel April 7 and plans were made to feed them again on April 21. Eleven members and one child were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Baylor Amason of Graham visited in the homes of their parents, Mrs. J. K. Ayers and Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason Monday.

Employment Group Choose Abilene For Convention

The Southwest Employment Board will hold its 1960 convention in Abilene, Joe E. Lassiter, second vice president of the organization, announced Monday.

Abilene was chosen site for the group's 12th annual convention at the concluding 1959 session Saturday at San Antonio. It will be the first time the board has elected to hold its convention at a location west of Fort Worth.

The delegation from Abilene to the San Antonio convention, composed of J. W. Mayfield, Mrs. Vivian Ragsdale and Joe E. Lassiter, organized the drive to bring the meeting to Abilene in 1960.

The body selected the site unanimously over the invitations from six other cities.

Sixty-eight employment agencies were represented at the convention coming from as far west as El Paso, east to Houston, north to Amarillo and south to Corpus Christi.

Between 100 and 150 persons are expected to attend the Abilene meet. Exact date has not been set, but it will be in April, Lassiter said.

Mrs. Mary Clark Dies Here At 80

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Clark, 80, died Friday at 9:30 a.m. at Star Rest Home here.

Funeral was held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Starbuck Funeral Chapel with Bob Canon, Merkel Church of Christ minister, officiating. Graveside services were held Monday at 10 a.m. at the South Park Cemetery in Houston.

Born Mary Elizabeth Yojo on Feb. 2, 1879, at West Fork, Ark., she married Frank L. Clark in 1897 at Fayetteville, Ark. He died Feb. 7, 1946. She had lived in Port Arthur, Ennis, Houston and had been here living with a son, O. L. Clark, since 1954. She had been in bad health for five years, critically ill for eight months.

Survivors include two sons, J. E. of Splendor and O. L. of Merkel; one daughter, Mrs. Leona Francis Collier of Lamarque, 12 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Merkel Scouts Receive Awards

Five Merkel Boy Scouts received rank and merit badges at the Central District Court of Honor in Abilene Monday night, April 20.

Wayne Hester, senior patrol leader of the Merkel Troop, received his life badge and merit badges for wildlife management, home repair, citizenship in the community and first aid.

Receiving star and merit badges were Keith Wilson, David Loflin and Don Parnelly.

Wilson's merit badges were for citizenship in the community and citizenship in the home; Loflin's were for home repair, citizenship in the home and scholarship; and Parnelly won his for home repair, citizenship in the home, dairying and citizenship in the community.

Robert Shouse was awarded his second class badge and a merit badge in scholarship. Assistant Scoutmaster Ike Turner accompanied the Scouts to the District Court of Honor. Taylor Electric Co-Op provided transportation for the group.

"Parents and friends are invited to attend and participate in recognizing the work these young men do," said Turner.

McMurry Prexy To Speak Here

Dr. Gordon Bennett, president of McMurry College, will be guest speaker at a meeting of the Methodist Men's Organization in Fellowship Hall of the First Methodist Church at 7:30 Tuesday evening, April 28.

The Rev. Alvis Cooley, pastor, said the covered dish affair will be church-wide and all members are urged to attend.

CEMETERY FUND

The following persons have contributed to the Merkel Cemetery Association Fund:

Mrs. J. H. Johnson

NOODLE SCHOOL TO SUPPORT CLOTHING COLLECTION DRIVE

The Noodle School has pledged endorsement and support to the Save the Children Bundle Days Clothing Collection school program to be held April 27 to May 1.

Teacher, students and patrons of the Noodle community are asked to cooperate throughout this humanitarian school project. Everyone in the community is urged to remind friends and neighbors of the collection and to aid in bringing clothing to school.

This Bundle Day Program marks the 17th Annual Clothing Collection in schools throughout the nation. It is one of many programs conducted under the auspices of Save the Children Federation, a non-profit, non-sectarian organization dedicated to the service of children in underprivileged areas at home and overseas.

Contributed Clothing is especially needed in depressed areas of the Southern Appalachian Mountains of the United States where last year, many children walked barefoot or coatless to school in the dead of winter. Some of it is given free to children through County welfare or school authorities. More clothing is made available at very low cost through Federation Clothing Centers where mountain families, too proud to accept free clothing, may purchase the clothing needed by the family at prices they can afford to pay.

A portion of the Donated Clothing is stockpiled for use in emergencies such as floods and earthquakes in this country and abroad. "Good, used, clothing your family no longer wears is desperately needed. You can help by bringing summer and winter clothing and shoes for children, babies and

Visits Parents

1st Lt. Tommy Ray Warren returned to Alexandria, La., Wednesday after spending several days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Warren. Accompanying Lt. Warren, who has just completed a six month tour of duty in Italy, were his wife and son, Jack.

Moves To Fort Worth

Franklin Moore, who has been making his home here with an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Bartlett, for the past eight months, has moved to Fort Worth to be with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Moore, and to be near his brother, Jack, Mr. Moore, an employee of Swift's Peaking House for the past 31 years, is recuperating from a back injury, and Jack is seriously ill in a Veteran's Hospital in Dallas.

Hospital Patients

Week ending April 18, 1959

Admitted:
Mrs. H. O. Eoff
Mr. A. L. Cade
Mr. W. E. Miller
Mrs. Lee Tipton
Mrs. Jerry Ford
Mrs. Pick Allen
Mrs. Betty (T. J.) Knight
Mrs. L. A. Watts
Mrs. Dow Williamson
Mr. A. T. Oliver
Mrs. A. B. Hurt
Mrs. J. L. Ashford
Miss Linda Luke
Mrs. Wm. Nolte
Mrs. B. R. Fincher
Mr. Earnest Smith
Mrs. L. W. Mashburn
Mrs. R. B. Johnson
Mr. Bobbie McCoy
Mrs. Jess Craig
Mr. Raymond Kilpatrick
Mrs. Paul Whitsel
Mrs. Cecilio Hernandez
L. W. Mashburn baby
Mrs. D. L. Bowden
Mr. Brian Brooks
Mr. W. L. Blackburn
Mr. H. M. Vanlandingham

Dismissals:
Mrs. H. O. Eoff
Mr. A. L. Cade
Mrs. Lee Tipton
Mrs. Jerry Ford and baby
Mrs. Pick Allen
Mrs. Betty Knight
Mrs. Dow Williamson
Mr. A. T. Oliver
Mrs. A. B. Hurt
Miss Linda Luke
Mr. Earnest Smith
Mrs. L. W. Mashburn
Mrs. R. B. Johnson
Mr. Bobbie McCoy
Mrs. Jess Craig
Mr. Raymond Kilpatrick
Mrs. Paul Whitsel and baby
Mrs. Cecilio Hernandez & baby
L. W. Mashburn baby
Mr. Brian Brooks

adults to the school during the Bundle Day Program," urges W. E. Pistole, Supt. Clothing may also be given to students to bring to school.

Save the Children Federation is the only truly non-sectarian child welfare organization collecting used clothing in schools on a nation-wide basis. Through the Federation, children, babies and schools in underprivileged areas at home and overseas are sponsored by compassionate Americans. As part of its program of Community Self-Help Projects for Children, the Federation assists and inspires small communities to help themselves make a better life for their children in the United States and Overseas.

20 YEARS AGO IN MERKEL

In the regional meet of the Interscholastic league held at Abilene last Saturday, Billy Wood placed second in extemporaneous speech, and his brother, Don, also came in second in senior boys' declamation.

Mrs. Allen D. King is to attend the twenty-fourth annual convention of the Sixth District Federation of Women's Clubs at San Angelo as delegates from Nolan County Federation.

Fifty seniors of Merkel High School, out of a total class membership of 67, visited Carlsbad Caverns, over the weekend, an annual custom for Merkel High Seniors and an event looked forward to with much anticipation throughout the school year.

Announcement has been made here of the marriage Thursday evening of Jess Higgins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Higgins of Merkel, and Willis Harrison. The wedding was solemnized at the home of the Rev. J. H. Hamblen, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Abilene, with Mr. Hamblen reading the service.

First place in the fourth of the series of Trent Amateur hours held Friday night of last week went to the Rhythm band; J. B. Winn ranked second, and a trio, the King Sisters, Loraine and Annie May, with Donald Rutledge were winners of third place.

Mrs. R. B. McRee, 71, resident of Trent for over 30 years and one of the community's most active leaders in church, school and civic affairs, died Monday afternoon at her home in Trent following a long illness.

40 YEARS AGO IN MERKEL

Private Leslie B. Wells of the 142 Infantry received recognition for heroic and valorous service to the French government for brave conduct in time of stress by being decorated with the French Croix de Guerre on March 20. Mr. Wells is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Wells of Mulberry.

J. T. Anderson of California is visiting his son R. O., for a few weeks. Mr. Anderson was one of the first settlers in Taylor County, coming here before Abilene was thought of and several years before the T. & P. was built.

While on tin his father's pasture Monday evening Homer Lane, accompanied by Kenneth Dickey, dug into a hole and found twenty baby coyotes which they brought to town. They were killed and scalped for one dollar bounty Commissioner Lassiter can give on each.

Death came Saturday to relieve the suffering of J. A. Pike, who resided on Bettis Heights. The funeral Sunday was under the auspices of the local camp of W. O. W. Mr. Pike was the oldest member in the camp, joining the order in 1891.

Seth Hamilton, R. L. Bradshaw, Joe Owens, Mason Pee and Harry Barnett attended the W. O. W. at Stith Tuesday night. A couple of victims rode the goat, it is alleged. Hamilton and Bradshaw are reported to have made roasting addresses.

The District School Contest was held in Abilene the past week. Merkel won out in spelling the winner being Opal Patterson, aged twelve years, and in the fifth grade. Through the long stress to which she was subjected she was cool and deliberate without a single hesitation, spelled until there was some but her left standing. She has brought honor to the Merkel Public School and the best wishes of every citizen will follow her to Austin and trusts that she will win in the State contest next week.

Callahan County Brothers Receive Record Number Of Red Cross Checks

ABILENE, TEXAS—Two Callahan County brothers, made orphans by a tornado 21 years ago in Clyde, Texas, have made history for the Red Cross in the Midwestern Area.

Until a few years ago they received Red Cross assistance checks, and the help given them through their childhood and young manhood represents the longest deferred assistance record in the Midwestern Area.

Until they graduated from high school, Donald Rutledge, 23, of Baird, and his brother Darryl, 21, of Clyde, received Red Cross checks. It all started when Darryl was an infant in arms and Donald was three.

Ollie Lena Olsen, executive secretary for the Taylor County Chapter of the American Red Cross dug into Red Cross records and discovered the Rutledges' "record." It all came about as the result of a tornado in Clyde June 10, 1938, which claimed the lives of the Rutledge brothers' parents and some 12 other people.

The boys' parents, an uncle, and a neighbor were killed when they drove their cars into the path of the tornado while trying to escape. Their abandoned home was untouched by the storm.

Donald and Darryl were thrown into a ditch by the impact of the storm. For two hours Donald, 3, held the head of his three-month-old brother above the water level in the ditch.

Finally rescued by three telephone repairmen, the boys were taken to a Clyde drugstore for treatment amid the wounded left in the tornado's wake.

One of the linemen, W. E. (Red) George, described the rescue this way: "There was a little boy looking up at me. He was braced on his knee, his left arm and hand holding up an infant's head. The

water was even with the baby's head, nearly even with its mouth. The little one had apparently been on its face. It cried when the light flashed in its eyes."

Reared by their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Johnson, the boys began receiving monthly Red Cross checks which continued until they graduated from Clyde High School—Donald in 1953 and Darryl in 1955. In addition, all medical and hospital bills were assumed for the two children.

The Rutledge boys' aid has surpassed Red Cross assistance records in some 16 states from Texas to North Dakota, Miss Olsen said.

Donald now recalls hearing the voices of the approaching linemen. "I remember that the lineman spanked my little brother to get the circulation started," Donald said. "I know why now, but it made me mad then," he laughed.

He still remembers the name of the Red Cross nurse who took care of them, Donald said. Her name was Fay Anderson, he said.

Donald is a family man who works for the State Highway Department. Married to the former Mary Grace Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Medford Walker of Baird, he himself is the father of a 3-year-old, Donald Gale.

Darryl, who works for a wholesale florist in Abilene, was married to the former Jerry Gayle Barnett last June. Donald served as his best man.

Donald paid an unsolicited compliment to the Red Cross when he said, "I know that March is Red Cross Month. If it will help the Red Cross, I want to tell this story because Red Cross has done so much for us."

THAT'S A FACT

DOUBLE DUTY!

IN THE 1930'S THE SUN FACTORY OF HENRIER RENDALL STOOD NEXT TO THE PRISON IN WINDSOR CONN. UNDER GUARD THE PRISONERS WOULD WALK TO THE FACTORY PUT IN A DAY'S WORK, AND THEN RETIRE BACK TO THEIR CELLS.

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Red Cross Chapter Receives Letter Of Thanks From German Family

(Ed. Note—The following is a letter received by the Red Cross office in Abilene in response to gift boxes sent to Germany. Dr. Howard L. Schuz, a retired professor at ACC, translated it.)

Dear Children:

You will be astonished now that you are receiving an answer from a father in response to your little package. Yes, a little girl that does not yet go to school has received your package. The girl's name is Burglind and she was very much delighted by your gift and has begged me until I sat down and am now writing you a letter of thanks. Let me say that we have all rejoiced very much about your gift package. I want to explain to you why.

We come from the Soviet zone of Germany. I was a teacher there, until one beautiful morning we had to leave everything, and flee to the West. That is how the German Republic is called

here among us Germans, in order to rescue just personal freedom. We had done no crime, but nevertheless we had to leave. That we cannot explain to you at all in a letter like this.

Now we are sitting here in a great camp together with many fugitives. It is a sad existence. One has no longer a home. One is forcibly separated from parents and brothers and sisters. And now begins the battle for life for us parents, beginning all over again.

Now you can imagine to yourselves how great the joy is, when one receives a small gift from children from another land. For this reason I thank you one and all once more right heartily. May this letter be a little joy likewise, and show you that your work in the Junior Red Cross brings also joy among all those who receive your gifts.

Please receive once again many greetings from,

Heinz Waldor and his entire family
Wentorf, Bes Hamburg (Bez. Bezerk or district)
Block A, Room 44

James Simpson In Army Band

Fort Campbell, Ky. (AHTNC) Army PFC James H. Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Simpson, 412 Locust St., Merkel, is a member of the 101st Airborne Division Band which recently traveled to Knoxville, Tenn., to greet King Hussein of Jordan with a rendition of his country's national anthem.

The band also played for the Easter sunrise services at Fort Campbell, Ky., where the unit is regularly assigned.

The 21-year-old soldier entered the Army in March 1958 and completed basic training at Fort Carson, Colo.

He was graduated from Merkel High School in 1956 and attended Texas A & M College.

Be sure to get in touch with your social security office at age 65 (62 for women), when someone in your family with a card dies or becomes so severely disabled that further gainful activity is impossible.

We want to thank Mrs. Sam Swann for the nice pillows, bedspreads, and rags she gave the Rest Home. It was certainly appreciated.

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Don't Feed The Garbage Can!

College Station, March 30—Is your garbage can a heavy eater? How much does it cost to feed it for a year?

The average American feeds 225 pounds of food a year to the garbage can, according to estimates by extension foods specialists. That's two-thirds of a pound a day. For a family of five that would add up to 3 1/3 pounds a day or 1,125 pounds a year. At the low rate of 25 cents a pound, this means a family of five pays \$281.25 for groceries they do not eat.

Specialists point to four common causes of food waste in the home: lack of good planning and buying, which results in over-buying, poor preparation and serving of food, poor use of leftovers, and improper practices of preservation and storage.

What to do about them? Plan your buying and preserving so that food can be used or stored promptly before it loses freshness and flavor or spoils. Serve food when it reaches the just-right stage. It loses texture and flavor if overcooked or if it stands too long before it is served. Keep all food clean, cool and covered until you use it. Check food often and keep it moving.

Suggestions for planning meals, buying, preparing, serving and preserving foods are given in Extension Bulletin, "EAT WELL FOR LESS." Get a copy from your county home demonstration agent's office.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
VS. ROBERT G. FAIN, ET AL.

TO: J. S. Edwards and wife, Alice Edwards, whose residences are unknown, and, if either or both be deceased, the heirs and legal representatives if any, of J. S. Edwards and wife, Alice Edwards whose names and places of residence are unknown.

You are hereby commanded to appear at the hearing before the Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the County Court at Law, of Taylor County, Texas, to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the hereinafter described land to be held at the Courthouse of said County in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance hereof, that is to say on or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on Monday, the 8th day of June, 1959, and answer the Petition of the State of Texas, Plaintiff, in Cause No. 1193.

The State of Texas vs. Robert G. Fain, et al, in which the State of Texas is Plaintiff and Robert G. Fain, et ux, Felton, Oklahoma, J. S. Edwards, et al, and if deceased, the unknown heirs and legal representatives of said J. S. Edwards, the Butterfield Common School District, Taylor County, and The County of Taylor, Texas, are Defendants, which Petition was filed with the Judge of the County Court at Law, at Taylor County, Texas, on the 2nd day of February, 1959, and the nature of which suit is as follows:

The suit is a proceeding in eminent domain for which the State of Texas, at the request of the Commissioners Court of Taylor County is seeking to condemn for highway purposes the fee simple title in and to the following described tract of land situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

PARCEL NO. 15

BEING a tract or parcel of land off the southside of Lot 1, Block 3, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point that is S 14 degrees 31 minutes E a distance of 112.66 feet from the northeast corner of Lot 1, said point also being 152.21 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 557 plus 92.03 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE S 51 degrees 59.4 minutes W a distance of 27.26 feet to a point 143.60 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 558 plus 19.28 of said highway;

THENCE S 14 degrees 31 minutes E along the west boundary line of Lot 1 a distance of 16.47 feet to the southwest corner of Lot 1;

THENCE N 75 degrees 29 minutes E along the south boundary line of Lot 1 a distance of 25 feet to its southeast corner;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the east boundary line of Lot 1 a distance of 27.34 feet to the point of beginning and contains 547.63 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 18

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 19, Block 3, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point N 75 degrees 29 minutes E a distance of 28 feet and S 14 degrees 31 minutes E a distance of 93.70 feet from the northwest corner of Lot 19, said point also being 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 559 plus 20.51 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the east boundary line of Lot 19 a distance of 93.70 feet to its northeast corner;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the north boundary line of Lot 19 a distance of 24.91 feet to a point 146.46 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 559 plus 10.64 of said highway;

THENCE S 51 degrees 59.4 minutes W a distance of 3.37 feet to a point in the west boundary line of Lot 19;

THENCE S 14 degrees 31 minutes E along the west boundary line of Lot 19 a distance of 102.95 feet to a point in the present northwest right of way line of said highway, said point also being 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 559 plus 59.68;

THENCE N 54 degrees 46 minutes E along said northwest right of way line a distance of 29.94 feet to the point of beginning and contains 2769.79 square feet, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 19

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 18, Block 3, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point S 14 degrees 31 minutes E a distance of 1.34 feet from the northeast corner of Lot 18, said point also being 146.29 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 559 plus 14.01 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE S 14 degrees 31 minutes E along the east boundary line of Lot 18 a distance of 102.95 feet to a point in the present northwest right of way line of said U. S. Highway 277, said point also being 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 559 plus 50.45;

THENCE S 54 degrees 46 minutes W along said northwest right of way line a distance of 23.94 feet;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the west boundary line of Lot 18 a distance of 101.37 feet to a point 144.82 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 559 plus 44.50 of said highway;

THENCE N 51 degrees 59.4 minutes E a distance of 30.53 feet to the point of beginning and contains 2860.48 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 20

BEING a triangular tract or parcel of land off the southeast corner of Lot 13, Block 3, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point S 14 degrees 31 minutes E a distance of 22.21 feet from the northeast corner of Lot 13, said point also being 143.76 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 559 plus 66.23 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE S 14 degrees 31 minutes E along the east boundary line of Lot 13 a distance of 5.79 feet to its southeast corner;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the south boundary line of Lot 13 a distance of 13.32 feet to a point 143.06 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 559 plus 80.79 of said highway;

THENCE N 51 degrees 59.4 minutes E a distance of 14.52 feet to the point of beginning and contains 38.56 square feet of land more or less.

PARCEL NO. 21

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 14, Block 3, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point N 75 degrees 29 minutes E a distance of 126.68 feet from the northwest corner of Lot 14, said point being 143.06 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 559 plus 80.79 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE N 75 degrees 29 minutes E along the north boundary line of Lot 14 a distance of 13.32 feet to its northeast corner;

THENCE S 14 degrees 31 minutes E along the east boundary line of Lot 14 a distance of 28 feet to its southeast corner;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the south boundary line of Lot 14 a distance of 77.73 feet to a point 139.66 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 560 plus 50.94 of said highway;

THENCE N 51 degrees 59.4 minutes E a distance of 70.24 feet to the point of beginning and contains 1274.70 square feet, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 22

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 15, Block 3, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point N 75 degrees 29 minutes W a distance of 85.74 feet from the southeast corner of Lot 15, said point also being 85 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 561 plus 46.73 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the south boundary line of Lot 15 a distance of 54.26 feet to its southwest corner, said point being 64.16 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 561 plus 98.15 of said highway;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the west boundary line of Lot 15 a distance of 13.25 feet to a point in the present southeast right of way line of said highway, said point being 50 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 561 plus 98.15 of said highway;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the west boundary line of Lot 15 a distance of 140 feet to its southwest corner;

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50.94 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE N 75 degrees 29 minutes E along the north boundary line of Lot 15 a distance of 77.73 feet to its northeast corner, said point being 112.16 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 559 plus 78.24 of said highway;

THENCE S 14 degrees 31 minutes along the east boundary line of Lot 15 a distance of 28 feet to its southeast corner;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the south boundary line of Lot 15 a distance of 140 feet to its southwest corner;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the west boundary line of Lot 15 a distance of 0.94 feet;

THENCE N 51 degrees 59.4 minutes E a distance of 67.88 feet to the point of beginning and contains 3077.49 square feet, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 25

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 7, Block 10, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and being all of Lot 7 lying outside the present Right of Way line of U. S. Highway 277, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point S 75 degrees 29 minutes W 160 feet and N 14 degrees 31 minutes W 250 feet from the southeast corner of Block 10, said point also being 69.30 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 560 plus 46.87 of said U. S. Highway 277, said point also being the southeast corner of said Lot 7;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the east boundary line of Lot 7 a distance of 20.63 feet to a point in the present right of way line of said highway, said point being 50 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 560 plus 39.57;

THENCE S 54 degrees 46 minutes W along said southeast right of way line a distance of 40.83 feet;

THENCE in a southwesterly direction along a curve to the left having a radius of 2814.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 17.36 feet to a point 50 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 560 plus 38.07 of said highway;

THENCE N 75 degrees 29 minutes E along the south boundary line of Lot 7 a distance of 54.42 feet to the point of beginning and contains 551.08 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 26

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 8, Block 10, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point S 75 degrees 29 minutes W 160 feet, and N 14 degrees 31 minutes W 205.53 feet from the original southeast corner of Block 10, said point also being N 14 degrees 31 minutes W a distance of 5.53 feet from the southeast corner of said Lot 8, said point also being 87.51 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 560 plus 53.78 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the east boundary line of Lot 8, a distance of 19.47 feet to its northeast corner;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the north boundary line of Lot 8, a distance of 54.42 feet to a point in the present southeast right of way line of U. S. Highway 277, said point being 50 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 560 plus 98.07;

THENCE in a southwesterly direction along a curve to the left having a radius of 2814.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 67.47 feet to a point in the south boundary line of Lot 8;

THENCE N 75 degrees 29 minutes E along said south boundary line a distance of 96.92 feet to a point 85.55 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 560 plus 74.57 of said highway;

THENCE N 60 degrees 08.4 minutes E a distance of 20.90 feet to the point of beginning and contains 2113.21 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 27

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 9, Block 10 original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point that is S 75 degrees 29 minutes W a distance of 85.74 feet from the southeast corner of Lot 9, said point also being 85 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 561 plus 46.73 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the south boundary line of Lot 9 a distance of 107.07 feet to the southwest corner of Lot 9;

THENCE N 75 degrees 29 minutes E along the north boundary line of Lot 9 a distance of 107.07 feet to the southwest corner of Lot 9;

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line of Lot 9, a distance of 54.26 feet to its southwest corner, said point being 64.16 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 561 plus 98.15 of said highway;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the west boundary line of Lot 9 a distance of 13.25 feet to a point in the present southeast right of way line of said highway, said point being 50 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 561 plus 92.82;

THENCE in a northeasterly direction along a curve to the right having a radius of 2814.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 25.63 feet to a point 50 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 561 plus 66.73 of said highway;

THENCE N 75 degrees 29 minutes E along the north boundary line of Lot 9 a distance of 96.92 feet to a point 85.55 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 560 plus 74.57 of said highway;

THENCE S 60 degrees 08.4 minutes W a distance of 5.86 feet;

THENCE in a southwesterly direction along a curve to the left having a radius of 2779.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 64.36 feet to the point of beginning and containing 2070.43 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 28

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 10, Block 10, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point S 75 degrees 29 minutes W a distance of 85.74 feet from the northeast corner of Lot 10 said point also being 85 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 561 plus 46.73 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the north boundary line of Lot 10 a distance of 54.26 feet to its northwest corner, said point also being 64.16 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 561 plus 98.15 of said U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE S 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the west boundary line of Lot 10 a distance of 22.68 feet;

THENCE in a northeasterly direction along a curve to the right having a radius of 2779.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 59.94 feet to a point 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 563 plus 29.32 of said highway;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the north boundary line of Lot 10 a distance of 53.71 feet to the point of beginning and contains 698.17 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 36

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of lots 9 and 10, Block 9, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point S 75 degrees 29 minutes W 140 feet and N 14 degrees 31 minutes W 71.19 feet from the southeast corner of Block 9, said point being 85 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 564 plus 59.15 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W a distance of 28.81 feet to the northwest corner of Lot 9;

THENCE N 75 degrees 29 minutes E along the north boundary line of Lot 9 a distance of 35.12 feet to a point 85 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 563 plus 95.07 of said highway;

THENCE in a southwesterly direction along a curve to the left having a radius of 2779.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 62.18 feet to the point of beginning and contains 760.52 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 37

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 13, Block 9, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point S 75 degrees 29 minutes W 160 feet and N 14 degrees 31 minutes W 60.20 feet from the southeast corner of Block 9, said point also being 85 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 564 plus 82.65 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W a distance of 28.81 feet to the northwest corner of Lot 9;

THENCE N 75 degrees 29 minutes E along the north boundary line of Lot 9 a distance of 35.12 feet to a point 85 feet southeast of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 563 plus 95.07 of said highway;

THENCE in a southwesterly direction along a curve to the left having a radius of 2779.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 62.18 feet to the point of beginning and contains 760.52 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 31

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 2, Block 9, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and being all of Lot 2 lying outside the present right of way lines of U. S. Highway 277, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point N 75 degrees 29 minutes E 177 feet, and S 14 degrees 31 minutes E 25 feet from the northwest corner of Block 9;

THENCE N 75 degrees 29 minutes E along the north boundary line of Lot 2 a distance of 107.07 feet to a point in the present northwest right of way line of U. S. Highway 277, said point being 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 562 plus 35.90 of said highway;

THENCE in a southwesterly direction along a curve to the left having a radius of 2914.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 36.12 feet to the south boundary line of Lot 1;

feet to a point in the present northwest right of way line of U. S. Highway 277, said point being 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 562 plus 71.40;

THENCE in a southwesterly direction along a curve to the left having a radius of 2914.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 58.93 feet to a point 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 563 plus 29.32 of said highway;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the south boundary line of Lot 2 a distance of 53.71 feet to the southwest corner of Lot 2;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W a distance of 25 feet to the point of beginning and contains 2000.03 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 32

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lots 3 and 4, Block 9, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and being all of Lots 3 and 4 lying outside of the present right of way lines of U. S. Highway 277, and is made particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point N 75 degrees 29 minutes E 177 feet and S 14 degrees 31 minutes E 50 feet from the northwest corner of Block 9;

THENCE S 14 degrees 31 minutes E along the west boundary line of Lots 3 and 4 a distance of 26.63 feet to a point in the present northwest right of way line of said highway, said point being 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 563 plus 88.23;

THENCE in a northeasterly direction along a curve to the right having a radius of 2914.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 59.94 feet to a point 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 563 plus 29.32 of said highway;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the north boundary line of Lot 3, a distance of 53.71 feet to the point of beginning and contains 698.17 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 38

BEING a strip or parcel of land out of Lot 18, Block 9, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point that is N 75 degrees 29 minutes E a distance of 127.75 feet from the northwest corner of Block 9, said point also being in the north boundary line of Lot 18 at a point 140.57 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 563 plus 97.07 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE N 75 degrees 29 minutes E along the north boundary line of Lot 18 a distance of 29.25 feet to its northeast corner;

THENCE S 14 degrees 31 minutes E along the east boundary line of Lot 18 a distance of 86.66 feet to a point in the present northwest right of way line of said highway, said point being 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 564 plus 10.23 of said highway;

THENCE in a southwesterly direction along a curve to the left having a radius of 2914.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 56.55 feet to a point 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 564 plus 65.81 of said highway;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the west boundary line of Lot 18 a distance of 104.17 feet to a point 141.99 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 564 plus 18.56 of said highway;

THENCE N 51 degrees 59.4 minutes E a distance of 22.63 feet to the point of beginning and contains 4898.33 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 39

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 17, Block 9, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point N 75 degrees 29 minutes E 107 feet and S 14 degrees 31 minutes E 9.02 feet from the northwest corner of Block 9, said point also being 341.59 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 564 plus 18.56 of the present U. S. Highway 277;

THENCE S 14 degrees 31 minutes E along the east boundary line of Lot 17 a distance of 104.17 feet to a point in the present northwest right of way line of said highway, said point being 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 564 plus 65.81;

THENCE in a southwesterly direction along a curve to the left having a radius of 2914.93 feet and a central angle of 8 degrees 33 minutes a distance of 42.82 feet to the end of said curve;

THENCE S 46 degrees 13 minutes W along said northwest right of way line a distance of 12.63 feet to a point 50 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 565 plus 20.53;

THENCE S 75 degrees 29 minutes W along the south boundary line of Lot 17 a distance of 1.64 feet to the southwest corner of Lot 17;

THENCE N 14 degrees 31 minutes W along the west boundary line of Lot 17 a distance of 109.25 feet to a point 146.28 feet northwest of and measured at right angles to centerline chaining station 564 plus 70.31 of said highway;

THENCE N 51 degrees 59.4 minutes E a distance of 54.52 feet to the point of beginning and contains 5483.67 square feet of land, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 40

BEING a tract or parcel of land out of Lot 16, Block 9, original town of View, Texas, as shown by plat recorded in Volume 1, Page 98 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point that is N 75 degrees 29 minutes E 57 feet and S 14 degrees 31 minutes E 30.75 feet from the northwest corner of Block 9;

plus 40.74 of said highway;

THENCE N 46 degrees 13 minutes E a distance of 32.84 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right;

THENCE in a northeasterly direction along said curve to the right having a radius of 2779.

STITH NEWS

Mrs. Jessie Davis of Abilene visited Monday with her sister, Mrs. Paul Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and C. B. attended services at the Highland Church of Christ in Abilene Tuesday night.

Those from Stith who attended the Merkel Junior-Senior banquet at Launders Cafe Saturday night were Jimmy Akins, C. R. Mashburn, Linda and Lola Loflin, Martha Perry, Lonnie Harris, Fonda and Shirley Brown.

Mrs. Harold Hambrick and children of Seminole, spent the past weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Akins and Jimmie.

Seven girl scouts and their leader, Mrs. Billy Dunagin spent Friday night at the scout hut in Merkel.

The Goodman, Stith and Compere H. D. Clubs will meet at the Stith Community Center April 23, to model dresses made at the advance sewing classes. The public is invited.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale and Sandra the past weekend were Mr. and Mrs. John Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Butler Donley and children, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kelso, Mrs. Al Newman and daughter, Pat, all of Truby, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Martin of An



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son and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kelly of Merkel.

The Jones County Workers conference will meet Tuesday evening, April 29, at the Stith Baptist Church. Supper will be served at the community center.

Mrs. Ted Hudson received a letter from her son, Burnice, who is employed with an oil company in Alaska. He formerly lived in Odessa.

Sandra Hale attended the all-day youth meeting at the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church Sunday.

Lonnie Harris spent Sunday in Colorado City with his sister and husband, the Rev. and Mrs. Jack Bedford.

We are very thankful for the one inch rain that fell in this community the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones have returned to their home after a visit of several days with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Carr of Angleton.

Mrs. John Brown, C. B. Brown and Mary and Randy Dunagin attended the youth meeting at the Church of Christ in Anson Tuesday night, April 7.

The pie supper Friday night netted \$73 to be used for the Community Center. There was a good attendance.

Mrs. L. S. Lilly surprised her mother, Mrs. E. L. Berry with a birthday supper in the Berry home April 9. Enjoying the supper with Mr. and Mrs. Berry were Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Lilly, Vicky and Tona and Mrs. Will Lilly Sr., all of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hudson, Miss Louise Hudson and Bob and Hollis Hudson attended funeral services for Miss Lura Setser in Abilene the past Wednesday.

Around one hundred men joined in the rabbit hunt Saturday with lots of rabbits being killed. At the noon hour a fried chicken dinner with all the trimmings was served at the Community Center to the hunters, 50 of whom were from Dyess Air Base.

Barnery Berry and Patsy Plank are on the sick list this week.

Ruby and Betsy McCoy visited Mrs. E. L. Berry Tuesday afternoon.

Twenty members of the Farmers Co-op Gin Company of Stith met at the Community Center at 2:30 Saturday afternoon for the annual meeting.

Mr. Todd, the auditor, met with them. The meeting was reported to be the best ever held.

We were sorry to hear of the tragic death of E. W. Herring Jr. We extend our sympathy to Jimmie Herring and Mrs. Patsy Rogers and the rest of the family.

Mrs. Fritz Hale spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Ellen Hill and sister, Mrs. Delia Ellison of Pleasant Grove.

Johnnie Harris attended the track meet in Anson Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler Donley and children and Mrs. F. S. Hale and daughter were in Abilene Saturday night.

Miss Louise Hudson and Hollis and Bob Hudson were guests of their niece and family in San Angelo Sunday.

Mrs. J. E. Swindell left Sunday afternoon to be with her daughter, Mrs. James Strong of Odessa, who has been quite ill. She is now home from the hospital and reported to be improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler Donley of Truby attended the pie supper here Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris, Lonnie and Johnnie, Pat McDonald and Martha Perry spent Sunday with the Rev. and Mrs. Jack Bedford of Colorado City.

Mrs. F. S. Hale and Sandra attended the singing at the Prairie View Church Sunday afternoon.

The Reed Sayles Oil Company has moved a rig on the J. L. Kelso place to deepen a well that was drilled several years ago. When the well is completed the rig will be moved to the M. E. West place. Mr. West made the



MRS CARROLL BENSON

Mrs. Benson Heads Fortnightly Club

Mrs. Carrol Benson was named president of the Fortnightly Study Club at a meeting at the Merkel Country Club Tuesday afternoon.

Other new officers elected were Miss Christine Collins, vice president; Mrs. Johnny Cox, recording secretary; Mrs. Ray Wilson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Bryan Dunagin, treasurer; and Mrs. W. R. Cypert, critic-parliamentarian.

Following the officer election Mrs. Ben Robert Hicks, program chairman, presented Mrs. Wrenn Durham who reviewed the book "I Am A Village" by Arthur Conte.

"I Am A Village" the story of a tiny French village in the heart of the Pyrenees, is an ode to life. Mrs. Durham said, told through the villagers. Though it has known war, capture, and blight, its love for all living things has never wavered. It is an extraordinary combination of a village of mountaineers, vines, gardens, and fishermen, she said.

Mrs. Homer Newby was voted on and accepted as a new member.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Tom Largent on April 28 when the program will be presented by a string trio from Hardin-Simmons University.

Guesso Circle Meeting Held

The Guesso Circle met in the home of Mrs. Thomas Watson Wednesday, April 8.

After an hour spent informally, refreshments were served to Mmes. Harold Sloan, Kent Satterwhite, Bobby Toliver, Billy Boyd Tarpley, Jack Boone, John Young, Bobby DuBose and Thomas Watson.

Mrs. John Young will host the next meeting of the club in her home Wednesday, April 22.

John Alvin Smiths Visit Relatives In Merkel, Abilene

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Smith and daughters, Becky and Harriet, who have been living in Hawaii, spent two weeks here visiting his mother, Mrs. Blanche Smith, and sister, Doris Shaw. They also visited James and Pee Wee Smith and Alma Luo Mays of Abilene, brothers and sister of Mr. Smith.

Smith recently received his discharge from the Marines where he had put in nine years of service. He and his family will go to Dayton, Ohio to make their home after visiting friends in Albany, Ga.

deal for the wells.

Pat McDonald spent Friday night with Nancy Malone at Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hudson of Levelland were here for the rabbit drive Saturday and visited her sister, Miss Louise and brothers, Bob, Ted and Hollis Hudson.

Visiting Mrs. Billy Dunagin Tuesday were an aunt and uncle from Clyde.

Newlyweds Feted At Family Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. White and daughter, Maureen, were hosts Saturday for a family dinner honoring Mr. and Mrs. Dee Bland of Beaumont, who were married March 26.

Bouquets of bridal wreath decorated entertaining rooms. The occasion marked a reunion of the immediate descendants of Mrs. White's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bland. They included Mrs. Vera Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bland of Wichita Falls; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bland of Sweetwater; and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bland Sr. of Abilene. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bland of Post were unable to be present. Grandchildren attending the family dinner were from Wichita Falls, Fort Worth, Midland, Odessa, Haskell, Houston, Abilene and Merkel.

Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration



Twenty-five home demonstration club women Sybie and I attended District 7 Texas Home Demonstration Meeting in Ballinger last week. Mrs. L. A. Groene, Mrs. Willis Fox, and Mrs. Marvin Rutland were delegates representing Taylor County at the meeting.

Saturday we went to San Angelo to District 4-H Contest Eliminations. We were real proud of Taylor County 4-Her's, Suzie Orr and Linda Wilson won 1st place in Farmer Cooperative Activity Contest. Taylor County winners were: Second in both senior and junior share-the-fun contest, with Harold Hohbertz, Joe and Bascom Evans, Sandra English, Sandra and Connie Parmely, all of the Butterfield Club, comprising the senior team; and Jackie Guy, Gale Dominy and Ann Griffin, all of the Wylie club, comprising the junior team.

Second senior poultry marketing and utilization, Jane Holloway, Wylie and Kay Ware, Countywide.

First team vegetable team preparation, Carol Jean Dubbs and Sharon Grisham, both of Hamby.

Second senior safety demonstration, composed of Beverly Hallford, and Micky Douglas of Trent.

Second junior girl public speaking, Jo Mabray, Wylie club.

First senior dairy cattle and third junior dairy cattle judging; senior team composed of Eddie Brady, Bill O'Donald, Mac Gist and Johnny Watts, all of Hamby; junior team composed of Al Mabray, Trent, Albert Watts, Hamby; and David Manahan, Wylie.

First in both senior and junior dairy food demonstrations; sen-

ior team composed of Carolyn Ford and Kay McAdams, Jim Ned Club; junior team, Barbara Churchill and Jo Ann Moore, Hamby Club.

Wasn't the rain nice? Our garden is really growing and is getting pretty after the freeze last week.

You might like this for a change.

TOFFEE BARS

- 1/2 cup brown sugar
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- 1 cup shortening
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 EGGS
- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup uncooked rolled oats
- 1 12-oz. package semi-sweet chocolate pieces, melted
- 1 cup shopped nuts

Combine and brat thoroughly brown sugar, sugar, shortening, vanilla, salt and eggs. Add flour and oats; stir until well mixed. Spread evenly in 2 greased 8x8x2-inch pans. Bake at 350 degrees F. 30 minutes. Remove from oven and spread evenly with melted chocolate and nuts. Cool until chocolate is set. Cut into 1 x 4-inch bars. Makes 32 bars.

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Gleaner SS Class Meets In Shannon Home Wednesday

The Gleaner Sunday School class of the First Methodist Church met in the home of Mrs. John Shannon Wednesday, April 15. Mrs. W. S. J. Brown and Mrs. Marvin Douglas were co-hostesses.

Mrs. Alvis Cooley led the group in singing the hymn "Help Somebody Today."

Mrs. M. R. Hail talked on the subjects "Is the World Going American" and "The Challenge to the Churches Toward Friendly Relations and the Teachings of Christ." Scripture was taken from Matthew 9:35-38.

Mrs. Herbert Patterson offered prayer.

Mrs. Ross Ferrier, president, presided for a business session. A guessing game was directed by Mrs. Douglas and Miss Mabel McRee.

Refreshments of sandwiches, chiffon cake topped with whipped cream, nuts and fruit punch were served to Mmes. Ruby Grimes, Lizzie Latham, Tom Largent, Roy Largent, M. R. Hail, Herbert Patterson, Ross Ferrier, D. H. Vaughn, A. H. McElmurray, Mary Grimes, F. Y. Gaither, Harold Odum, Winnie Cypert, Beulah Stanford, Sally Moore, W. S. J. Brown, Marvin Douglas, John Shannon and Miss Mabel McRee, members and Mrs. Alvis Cooley and Mrs. Charlie Russell, visitors.

Mrs. Gus Jackson Feted At Shower

Mrs. Gus Jackson, formerly Janice Windham, was honored at a miscellaneous shower at the Merkel Country Club Friday evening, April 17.

Thirty-five guests were present including the mother of the bridegroom, Mrs. Lenard Jackson of Seminole, and an aunt of the bride, Mrs. Jake Wright and daughters, Hope and Betty Faith, of Lubbock.

Entertainment included songs by Mrs. Don Riney and Mrs. Herman Carson who were accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Leo Harris, and party games led by Mrs. Morris Smith and Mrs. Bill Sledge.

Fonda Brown and Deanna Bird served refreshments from a table laid with a blue satin cloth with white net skirt centered with an arrangement of white stock and aqua mums in a white epergne. Appointments were milk glass and silver.

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NOTICE MASONS

Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710. A.F. & A.M. Thursday, April 30, 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited. The Deputy Grand Master will be present April 18. Othell O'Kelly, W. M. C. B. Rust, Secretary.

STATED MEETING OF Merkel Chapter No. 212 Order of Eastern Star Tuesday, April 28, 1959 at 7:30 p.m. Election and memorial program. Fern Windham, W. M. Estelle Humphreys, Secy.

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to know driving a car ain't no sign you own it, you may be just renting it from the finance company. But I know more about cars than them automobile associations that is advocating a law requiring anybody who hits a "unattended vehicle" to leave a written note giving his name and address.

If a woman backs her car out from the curb on a crowded Saturday afternoon and knocks the paint off'n the side of the car parked to her right and the car parked to her left and maybe off the back end of the car on the opposite side of the street, this new law would require her to write three notes with her name and address and leave 'em in three cars.

If I had a car and it was scraped by a woman backing her car out, I would appreciate it if she would just keep on driving. As sure as thunder if she tries to get back into her parking space to write me a note she done it, she'll take off more paint and smash more fenders going back in and coming back out, doing three times as much damage as she would've done afore they passed the law.

I say when a woman with two or three kids in the front and back seat and a cigarette needing the ashtray flicked gets her car started and out in the middle of the street, regardless of how many fenders she took with her, the thing that's needed fer peace and tranquility is to keep her going and git her home as quick as possible without stopping to write no notes.

If I backed out and dented somebody's car, I know enough about human nature to know leaving him a note ain't going to pacify him. He's going to be as mad as a wet hen in just one direction but if he don't know who done it he'll scatter his anger in all directions at the human race in general. A note would just make him concentrate on me and he'll brood over it fer months, and you know blamed well I ain't gonna pay him nothing on account of his car being parked at the wrong angle in the first place.

If they start that note-writing propaganda around here, Mister Editor, you give 'em the benefit of your editorial enlightenment on the subject.

Yours truly,
Gabby

Starr Rest Home

By MARY OUTLAW

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price and Wiley Smedley of Rowden visited their father, N. A. Smedley Friday.

We are very sad over the passing of Granny Clark. She passed away at 9:00 Saturday morning. Everyone loved her that knew her. She had won all of our hearts and we are going to miss her in our Rest Home and also too she was my neighbor for these past three years and I certainly am going to miss her. But we know that she has gone on to her reward where she won't have to suffer any more as she did here. We extend to Odie and Ada and children our sympathy. And we all at the Rest Home want Ada to know what a wonderful daughter-in-law she is. We wish there could be more like her.

Miss Birdie Agnew of Anson visited her mother, Dora Agnew April 17.

Bill Lawson and John Coker of Tyler visited G. C. Smith April 19.

Ron Smith from Hardin-Simmons of Abilene conducted the services at the Rest Home Sunday in Rev. Williams of Trent place. Mrs. Sam Swann, Mrs. A. R. Booth, Mrs. Roy Miller and Mrs. Lucy Ford helped with the singing. Mr. Ron Smith sang a special song for the patients. Everyone enjoyed the services and we want to express our thanks to those nice people for coming into our home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie West of Stith visited Hettie West Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wittman of Abilene and Fred's brother and wife from Canada visited Mrs. Hartley Sunday.

Mrs. Dora Agnew attended the family reunion Sunday at Stanford.

We want to express our thanks for the lovely flowers that Mrs. E. W. Herring sent to the Rest Home Sunday. We express our sympathy to the Herring family over the loss of their loved one.

Thanks to Mrs. Cox's room for the cookies that she sent from the picnic that her room had.

Mr. Joe Allphin passed away Thursday at 7:30 p.m. with a heart attack. He had been in bad health for several months. He had been in our rest home many months. He was known to all of us as Uncle Joe. We had learned to love him very much and he is going to be missed by all. We extend to his two sons our deepest sympathy.

We want to thank Mrs. Agnew's daughter, Mrs. Treadwell of Stamford for the nice and beautiful iced cup cakes she brought the home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hutchins of Dennis, Texas visited her mother Minnie Hicks Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Meyus of Lubbock visited Mrs. Mae Perkins Sunday week and carried her out to lunch.

Sunday, April 12, the people of the First Baptist Church conducted the services at the Rest Home. The Rev. Lindell O. Harris brought the message. There was a large number of members who helped sing. They brought a lovely service and we invite them back again.

Thanks to Uncle Tom Gabby for the nice fish he caught and gave the Rest Home. We certainly enjoyed them. The patients want also to thank him for them.

We want to thank Uncle Joe Allphin family for the clothes they gave the Rest Home.

Thanks to Aunt Mary Gabby for the flowers she sent the Home.

Laddie, the collie dog who belongs to the Rest Home who got run over by a hit and run driver (pick-up) is improving. The patients worried over him several days because he delivers their papers and the mail. He had to be taken to a veterinarian and had hot packs to his shoulder and had to have rest pills for several days but the patients are happy he is better and also are we for we raised him from a tiny puppy. He has been the old folks dog for almost a year now and we hope he won't get run over any more and he won't harm anyone for he loves everyone and when you come to the Rest Home if you will call him Laddie he will make friends with you, but he hates anyone who is mean to him. Hamilton Coates of Knox City visited the Rest Home Sunday. We want to thank the patients who brought Margaret Eason a rocker.

\$10,000 Received So Far In Current Easter Seal Drive

Frank W. Meyers, Jr., president of the West Texas Rehabilitation Center Board of Directors, announced today that \$10,256.77 had been received in this year's Easter Seal appeal. He also pointed out that last year's receipts were \$13,014.00 and strongly urged that those who had not returned their Easter Seal donation to do so immediately. The Easter Seal campaign runs thirty days before and thirty days after Easter.

Mrs. Ashburn has returned home after spending a few days with us while her husband had surgery in Abilene.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. Bill Dunagin and son, Mr. and Mrs. Clay D. McCraw and son, Doug, and her daughter, Mrs. Alice Cook and Trinia were weekend visitors in the home of their son and brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Dunagin and children of Jackboro. They all drove to Mineral Wells Saturday and attended the rodeo.

Mrs. Victor Scott has returned to her home here after a visit of three weeks with two daughters, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Miles of Grapevine and Mrs. Howard Cunningham of Fort Worth and a brother, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Jones of Glen Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. Angy Glenn of Big Spring spent the past Tuesday in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason visited in the home of his sister, Mrs. May Douglas of Abilene Wednesday and attended revival services at the First Baptist Church there.

Mr. and Mrs. Whit Frammer of Ira spent the past Thursday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamp Campbell.

Mrs. E. M. Blackburn was a weekend guest of her granddaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison and children of Eunice, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan and grandson Danny visited the past week in the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Doan and children of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dulaney and sons, Pat and Mike, of Haskell visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Toliver and a brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Toliver and children.

Mrs. Cordelia Scherer returned to her home here Monday after a visit in Dallas where she attended the Homecoming at the East Grand Baptist Church of that city Sunday, April 5.

J. E. Mutchler, who underwent surgery in the Santa Rosa Hospital in San Antonio, returned to his home here Thursday. He is reported to be improving. Sunday visitors in their home were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Orr of Avoca and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rogers of Tye.

Mrs. J. C. Wright and daughters, Hope and Betty, of Lubbock visited in the home of their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Diltz the past weekend

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CARD OF THANKS

To those who expressed their sympathy in so many beautiful and practical ways during our recent bereavement, we extend our heartfelt thanks. May God bless each and every one of you.

The Family of
E. W. Herring Sr.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Partnership between R. L. Young, Jr. and Minor Alexander, doing business under the name of Security Service Company, was dissolved on the 17th day of April, 1959. All debts due to said Partnership are to be paid, and those due from the same discharged at 106 Pine Street in the City of Abilene, Texas, where the business will be continued by R. L. Young, Jr. under the firm name of Security Service Company. Executed this 17th day of April, A. D. 1959.

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STANDARD SOIL SURVEY BEGINS IN THE MIDDLE CLEAR FORK S.C.D.

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A man walks across a field, stops occasionally and digs a hole with a spade or auger. He crushes or rubs the soil with his fingers every now and then. He takes a pencil from his shirt pocket and writes on a clipboard. You observe him and wonder what he is doing. In all probability he is a soil scientist in the process of making a soil survey.

One of the many functions of the Soil Conservation Service is that of making soil surveys. Not too many years ago, however, there were several governmental agencies engaged in this activity. And, as one would naturally suspect, each had a little different way of going about it. Such a situation made it necessary to combine all soil survey agencies. A National Cooperative Soil Survey was initiated about 1953. The Soil Conservation Service was designated to be the federal agency in charge of soil surveys within the Department of Agriculture. Soil survey leaders realized that the job of organization could not be done too hastily. After a coordinated system of mapping was decided upon, a schedule was set up whereby each survey area (district, county, etc.) would be converted to the standard system

Malcolm Pennington, Area Conservationist, with the SCS at Abilene, has been recently informed that the Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District is approved for the standard soil survey. This district includes most of Taylor County and a big part of Jones County along with parts of Shackelford, Callahan, and Nolan counties. The remaining portion of Jones County, which is in the California Creek S.C.D., has been approved previously. Dale Gooch, SCS Soil Scientist at Abilene, will spend the greater part of his time on soil surveys in Jones County. Working with Gooch will be Ralph Schwartz, Area Soil Scientist, also of Abilene.

In making a soil survey the soil scientist walks over the land. He digs or bores many holes in order to examine the different layers that make up each soil. The steepness of the slope and degree of erosion are also observed and recorded. An alert soil scientist watches for clues that will tell him more about the soil. The lay of the land, the kinds of wild plants, the nature of expos-



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—(Joshua 1:9.)

Through the long centuries, men have held these wondrous words close to their hearts and have overcome grief and tribulations that must come to us all. Today, as forever, "God never fails."

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ed rocks, and the presence of cracks are a few of the many hints that can be found on the surface. A soil scientist must follow his location accurately on an aerial photograph and draw boundary lines between the many different soils that he finds. Soil Scientist can survey from fifty to one hundred and fifty acres an hour. Complexity and uniformity of the soil determine the rate. He does not spend every day in the field, however. Other duties keep him out of the field part of the time. On days when the weather is bad or when the fields are muddy, one can usually find a soil scientist busy inking his field sheets or working on the report to be published following completion of the survey. The final published report, together with the soil survey maps, is made available to the public through the government printing office.

Many times when a soil scientist asks for permission to make a soil survey, the land owner will say, "Sure. Go right ahead. I've been wanting someone to come out and test my soil and tell me what it needs." The soil scientist then has to explain that he does not take soil samples during the course of mapping a farm. Before he completes the mapping in a county or district, however, he must sample and describe each representative soil. Such samples are usually taken from the edge of a pit dug for the purpose.

A soil scientist does not always ask permission before going on a farm or ranch. Many times there is no one around to ask. Sometimes he finds that he can map a small farm in the time it would take to hunt up the owner or operator. Farmers and ranchers are very cooperative in letting soil scientists on their property when told of the purpose of the survey.

Soil surveyors get their share of heckling, however. The average passer-by is so unfamiliar with seeing someone out in the field or pasture digging holes that they often stop and inquire, "Are you drilling for oil or digging for gold?" and during extremely dry periods, he hears, "Are you finding lots of moisture?" Soil Scientists take the kidding goodnaturedly and use such opportunities to bring up the subject of crop yields. During the course of the survey, the scientist must obtain as many crop yields as possible on each soil type. When the survey is finished, he has a pretty good idea what a given soil will be expected to produce under a given set of conditions. Yield information is a part of the completed survey report.

Soil surveys were started in the U.S. in 1899. And, as stated earlier, many mapping schemes have been used since that time. The Soil Conservation Service has for farm and ranch conservation been using soil maps as a basis plans. Until the National Cooperative Soil Survey came along soil surveys were made on the individual farm basis, using numbers instead of names for soils. Several soil types came under the same number. Under the present system of soil classification, each soil is given a standardized name. A soil usually gets its name from the nearest town which the soil was first officially described. Our own area, for instance, has soils with names such as Abilene clay

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loam, Stamford clay, and Roscoe clay. The soils just mentioned are found throughout the Rolling Plains. The average farmer is surprised to learn that an Abilene clay loam on his farm is identical in almost every respect to an Abilene clay loam on other farms several hundred miles distant.

Farmers of today, while talking shop, use terms such as "red land," "tight land," "mixed land," and "blow sand." Our future generations of farmers, perhaps, will speak of Tillman clay, Foard clay, Miles fine sandy loam, and Tivoli fine sand, in the course of ordinary conversation.

Land operators frequently ask soil scientists, "What good will your soil survey do me?" Such a question is justifiable, especially if they have gotten along so many years without the benefit of a soil survey.

A major objective of soil surveys is that of predicting the behavior of soils under defined use and management. An experiment station at Bushland, Texas, for instance, can grow cotton on an Abilene clay loam over a period of years and be able to tell farmers what to expect on an Abilene clay loam any where in the Rolling Plains. Range management practices on the new experimental ranch at Throckmorton, Texas, will be observed according

to soils. Information obtained from the experiments can be very helpful to ranchers all over this section of the country.

Land evaluation is another use of soil surveys. Many loans today are made on the basis of them. And, there will come a time when most agricultural land will be taxed according to soil type or land classes. Most land today is taxed without regard to soil depth, slope, productivity, or erosion. Soil surveys offer a method of fair tax assessment. Real estate men, also, can make good use of soil surveys in setting a fair price on a piece of property.

Agricultural engineers use soil surveys in designing both irrigation systems and drainage systems. Soil surveys are coming into use by our highway engineers. By knowing the types of soil along a proposed highway, engineers can save both time and money in planning.

Government economists tell us that our population will double

within the next generation or so. We must know how to prepare to feed so many people. A complete soil survey of the United States will act as an inventory of our land to be used to predict the maximum amount of food our agricultural land is capable of producing. The Department of Agriculture has already launched a "Conservation Needs" inventory based primarily on soil survey data.

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