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WHITTLIN'

BY DOLPH MOTEN

Maybe it's just us, but it seems that basketball interest is at a low ebb here. Maybe Bovina basketball fans are spoiled. If we think our chances of going to state basketball tournament are slim, we can't become real enthusiastic. We said maybe.

For our part, we're going to try to do better. Now that district play is underway, we're going to regain some of the interest we've enjoyed in years past.

Lions Club attendance is scheduled to improve at Thursday night's meeting. The program, according to reports, is going to be a mite unusual and this is creating some additional interest. We don't know anything for sure about the program, but have heard that it is interesting.

Farwell Lions will be special guests. This will increase the size of the crowd, certainly. The meeting will be in school cafeteria.

Back to basketball: Happy girls and Lazbuddie boys are favored to win the district we're in. However, Bovina teams, in each division, are given the second best chance. And anytime you're supposed to be second best, you could be the top team with a little hard work and some luck.

That, we think, should be encouraging to Bovina fans.

It's probably more fun to win when you're not supposed to, anyway, than it is to win when you're favored.

A lack of home games has brought down on the amount of basketball interest here we understand. After this week, the teams are scheduled to play in Willford Gym for five consecutive playing dates.

We're probably pre-maturely alarmed about this lack of basketball interest. At the end of that home stand, Bovina coffee drinking places are apt to be filled with basketball enthusiasts. Wait and see.

A few weeks ago, we encouraged fishermen and vacationists to send us reports on their activities. The Frank P. and Bob Wilsons complied -- note the fish picture in this issue. Thanks, folks.

Idea of a Fats-Leans basketball game for March of Dimes benefit is in circulation.

You'll remember the Fats-Leans softball games of last summer. We're in favor of renewing the grudge with a basketball game. Of course, the Skinnies are probably afraid of us after the way we bounced them around in the softball contests.

However, if they have enough sporting blood left, we'll guarantee a squad of fat boys will hold up their end of the deal. How about it, Leon Crissom and C. E. Trimble? If you aren't scared, say so. We'll take you on anytime arrangements for a place to play can be worked out.

For the benefit of the fat boys, however, we recommend that four -- not eight -- minute quarters be played.

Possibly a little money could be made for March of Dimes and, too, we need to be getting in shape for some more softball games this summer. Like we say, this all hinges on whether the Skinnies are chicken or not.

If they are, they'll start crowing right away.

There's nothing like a couple of snows with a rain or two in between to point out how much we need more paving here.

There are several streets that you need a boat, complete with navigator, to travel on. We know, we've tried 'em. As a matter of fact, we try one of them two or three times a day. It's unpleasant, of course, but it has its advantages, too. The street in question is probably the only one in Parmer County with enough water in it for a nice-sized duck pond.

If hopes for paving it keep getting more dim, we're going to request to the newly-formed

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Livestock Law Expected Soon

ENDS THIS WEEK --

Baptist Bond Sale Booming

Sale of bonds for construction of a new, \$100,000-plus First Baptist Church building jumped off to a flying start early this week.

As of Monday night \$53,500 worth of bonds had been sold. Total amount which will be sold is \$85,000, according to J. D. Kirkpatrick and Roy Whisler, co-chairmen of the campaign.

The drive is scheduled to be completed by end of this week.

Bonds are being sold in denominations of \$250, \$500, and \$1,000. However, all of \$1,000 denomination have been sold, Whisler says.

The bonds will draw six per cent interest annually.

All the bonds will be paid off at the end of a 12-year period. However, many of them will be paid during that time, the chairmen point out.

Construction of the new building is scheduled to begin about February 1.

Plans for the building were drawn and approved last spring.

Board Rejects Request

A letter from a Band Parents committee was considered at regular meeting of Bovina School board of trustees Monday night.

The letter requested that the board consider purchasing new caps and braid for present band uniforms. In weeks past, Band Parents had asked the board to consider buying new uniforms. However, this idea was rejected for the present.

Approximate cost for the caps and braid would be \$10 per uniform.

The board decided not to purchase the additions for the uniforms. The group felt that it wouldn't be wise to spend that much money on old uniforms.

Aside from that, business Monday night was routine.

Bovina 2, Farwell 1

In a basketball tripleheader Monday night, Bovina teams won two and lost one as they hosted Farwell.

Bovina won the junior high boys game, 21-14, as Jerry Frazier hit eight points.

Bovina's junior high girls squeaked out a 15-14 verdict with Joyce Marshall setting the scoring pace with eight.

Farwell was victorious in freshman girls game, 22-25, in spite of a 12 point effort by Bovina's Vickie Strawn.

WEATHER

BY WILLIE

Don't let this sunshine and wind fool you. It ain't over. -- Willie



BIRD MEETING--A. S. Jackson, left, state biologist from Canadian, was principal speaker at a meeting concerning stocking the area with pheasants Thursday night. A portion of the crowd may be seen at right.

ASSOCIATION FORMED--

No Pheasants; Maybe Quail

An effort may soon be made to stock Parmer County with quail. This comes as a result of a meeting of individuals interested in game birds Thursday night in Bovina.

The meeting was called to discuss the possibility of stocking the area with pheasants. However, A. S. Jackson, state biologist from Canadian, the main speaker, was discouraging

from this standpoint.

Following the Thursday night session, a group of those present decided to continue to work on the program -- but stock the country with quail instead of pheasant.

Friday afternoon, a group of six made initial plans to establish Parmer County Game Management Association. This group, Al Kerby, Norvell Strawn, Joe Jones, Bob Wilson, Jack Patterson, and Arlin Hartzog, scheduled another meeting

for Thursday night, January 21, to discuss the quail stocking program.

"Almost every farmer can provide a place for one or more covets of quail," Kerby explains, "and quail cost quite a bit less than pheasants."

At the Thursday meeting, Jackson told those present, "I don't think you can establish pheasants here without a revolution in your farming methods." We went on to ex-

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CC Seeking Legal Advice

The long wrangle over keeping livestock in Bovina city limits may be nearing an end.

City commissioners, meeting Wednesday afternoon, voted to send the controversial topic to the city attorney. An ordinance dealing with livestock, pets and litter in the city will be passed after the attorney's advice has been received.

Mayor J. E. Sherrill said the commissioners couldn't predict what kind of law will be passed until the attorney has reported.

"I think an ordinance to control these things will be a good thing," Sherrill said. "People have been asking for such a measure for a long time."

City Secretary Henry Minter said no request for advice on the dust control question was asked. Minter said the proposed ordinance will deal primarily with animals and the careless treatment of litter that has occurred in the city.

In a related move, the commission called on Alva Hudson, and Jack Kessler, to give advice on a suitable plumbing and electrical code for the city. Hudson is a plumber and Kessler, an electrician. Both men have businesses here.

Kessler and Hudson recommended national codes be adopted by the commission to control plumbing and electrical works.

The commission adjourned without action on the recommendation.

A deal was closed to buy a new street sweeper. Commissioners recommended that main street be swept once each week and residential streets once a month.

Minter was directed to notify property owners on the Marot property in southwest Bovina to move their fences back to the property line so city streets can

be extended through the property. The property involved is located on Ninth Street.

Also Minter will ask city engineer Howard Schmieding, to survey the property and give advice on a drainage system.

Hub Sale Set For Jan. 28

Hub Community's annual Farm Machinery Sale will be held at the Hub Community Building Thursday, January 28 announced sale officials Tuesday night.

Billed as the "World's Largest Farm Machinery Sale" the event will require the services of five auctioneers this year.

Listings of machinery and other equipment will be accepted by sale officials until Thursday, January 21, and others turned in after that time will not be on the sale bill itself.

The sale bill will be out for the public inspection Saturday, January 23.

Those interested in listing equipment for the sale are asked to notify any of the following firms (although the West Hub Gin is the only one of these businesses with a phone in working order as we go to press); Hub Grain Company; Hub Fertilizer Co.; Fleming and Son Gin; West Hub Gin.

Phone the West Hub Gin day or night if you desire listings at Hub 2405, announced sale officials.

IN LAST FIVE MONTHS--

City Records Show Brisk Building Rate

Building permit records, starting July 31 and ending December 31, show a construction total for the five-month period of \$54,020.

A zoning ordinance, requiring builders to obtain a permit before beginning construction, went into effect July 31 and from that date forward, the city will have a record of its building growth.

Four business houses were built during the period at a cost of \$29,500. They include Mary Marr Dress Shop, Tommy's Western Wear, Sudderth Oil Co. and Lester's Butane Co.

The period began too late to include June, a month that saw much home construction and remodeling. One new home and

one addition received a permit after the zoning rule.

Church building accounted for a sizable chunk of the total. The Church of Christ parsonage, still under construction, cost an estimated \$13,250.

First Baptist Church made a \$2370 addition to its parsonage. Bovina Methodist Church constructed an eight-room parsonage during the summer.

A record will now be available in City Hall that will serve

as a barometer of city progress. Although it is impossible to compare the past five months with a comparable past period, business expansion has convinced city officials that zoning came just in time.

THIS MONTH--

Mothers March For MOD Funds

Bovina's March of Dimes Campaign moved through the first stages last week as coin cards were sent to schools and placed in public places and plans were made for a Mothers' March.

The cards, with slots for dimes were distributed to grade school children. High school students received envelopes for their contributions.

Mothers' March will be staged by local women's clubs according to Community Chairman Henry Minter. Minter said the Bovina drive will be conducted in conjunction with the county program. County Chairman Cary Joe Magness will announce the date for the march.

School students were also given blanks for their families to fill out stating whether or not any member has a crippling disease. This is part of a county-wide process to find any

crippled persons in the county who can be helped by the drive. Several Bovina business establishments will have a special

day during which proceeds from coffee sales will go to the fund. Date for the special day is tentatively set for Jan. 26.

Morton To Austin Meet

School Superintendent Warren Morton returned Friday from Austin where he attended the Mid-Winter School Administrators Conference January 6-8.

Morton made the trip with other Parmer County school superintendents.

Highlight of the three-day meeting was recognition for the late Dr. L. A. Woods, who was State Superintendent of Schools from 1934 until his death in

1959. Governor Price Daniel praised Woods in a brief speech during the conference.

Purpose of the convention, now in its 26th year, is to find ways the central office in Austin can work better with schools. The conference was divided into 15 workshops. Morton attended three, including sessions on school legal problems, curriculum revisions and auditing and records.



MAIL PUZZLE -- Postmaster Gene Ezell should be becoming quite proficient at piecing together shredded mail. Here he tries to find the missing parts of a letter chopped to bits by the train wheels in the latest mishap.

POUCH LOST--

Mail Shredded Again Under Train Wheels

The second such accident in six months shredded a bag of outgoing mail Wednesday afternoon under the wheels of an eastbound train.

Bovina's outgoing mail is hung on a device beside the tracks between the crossings on Third and North streets. A metal arm reaches from the mail car and catches the bag as the train rushes by. A mail clerk takes the bag inside the train.

In Wednesday's mishap, the bag caught on the arm and was carried past the North Street crossing before slipping under the train's wheels.

Part of the mail pouch and

some of the mail has not been found. Mail was scattered from just east of North Street to past the bridge about a mile east of town.

"It was a bad time for such an accident," Postmaster Gene Ezell said. "Between the first and tenth of each month the mail contains many checks and other important papers."

Ezell and other postal employees pieced together most of the ill-fated mail that has been found. Dean Hastings, Santa Fe agent, put a check in the mail Wednesday morning that hasn't been found. Ezell said other mail was also lost.

The clerk aboard the train

filed a report for postal authorities that placed the cause for the accident at "excessive speed."

The other accident occurred in August when incoming mail was mutilated under the train wheels.

Ezell said after the first accident outgoing mail bags were carefully balanced to reduce the chance of an accident such as Wednesday's.

"When the arm catches the bag, the bag is supposed to fold around it. If the train is going too fast, the bag closes around the arm and then starts spinning and slings off. If the clerk doesn't reach it in time," Ezell said.

Payments Lag For Poll Tax

Voters here are getting off to a slow start in paying their poll taxes, according to City Secretary Henry Minter.

Minter is in charge of selling the voting rights. Only 11 persons had paid the tax by Saturday and Minter says this pace is far behind last year's.

"The deadline is Jan. 31 so before then, I expect a rush to pay the tax," Minter says.

With 1960 an election year, poll tax payment is expected to be better than in 1959, an "off" year.

Victory "Brand Wagon"



Poll Tax ?

The Texas poll tax has come in for lots of debate but there has never been a strong concentrated effort to do away with "buying the right to vote."

A poll tax is constitutional because the constitution puts the task of conducting elections in the hands of the states. The supreme court has ruled against the states in instances where discrimination on racial grounds was apparent. But the \$1.75 fee required to turn citizens into eligible voters has not been considered discriminatory.

The fee is small enough so that it doesn't strain most budgets for both the husband and wife to register.

A good thing about the tax is that it requires voters to think about their voting responsibility every year. Other states that have periodic registration for voters may find registered citizens who aren't really interested in elections but merely register periodically just in case something comes up for vote that they are against.

Fewer persons are likely to vote where poll tax payment is required, but those who do pay the tax will generally be interested enough in the election issues to be a good voter.

Complacent

President Eisenhower predicted in his State of the Union message a four billion dollar surplus in the 1960 budget and already everyone from special interest groups to the common taxpayer is clamoring for a chunk of it.

The same day the President gave his address, the Russians announced they would conduct extensive rocket testings in the vicinity of the Marshall Islands. Speculators think the tests will be the finishing touches to the Communist space program for putting a man into space.

The Russian announcement could have been helpful to the American space program, but apparently it has fallen on deaf ears. With the Russians admittedly far ahead of the U. S. in space development, it would seem logical for a surplus announcement and another Russian propaganda victory in the space race would combine to wake the government up. But apparently the deep-seated complacency that eats away at this country's foundation will not be overcome by a mere collision between necessity and opportunity.

Warner Von Braun and other officials of our struggling space efforts have begged the government for enough funds to try to catch Russia now.

Taxpayers have made their pitch for lower taxes, which might rate third on the list of causes for which the surplus might be used. Second on the list is the thing the administration plans to spend the money for -- lowering the national debt.

Four hundred and sixty-eight years ago, the world was less open-minded toward startling possibilities. Christopher Columbus had difficulty convincing people his plan wasn't crazy. Now the world listens to something even more startling -- interplanetary travel is possible.

The United States is interested in space exploration but has refused to sink the necessary funds into a space program. J.V.S.

A refugee couple arrived in the United States several years ago with one dream -- to become citizens. Through much red tape and years of study, they were patient and hopeful. Then one day the husband rushed into the kitchen

with the long-awaited good news.

"Annal Annal!" he shouted. "At last! we are Americans!"

"Fine," replied the wife, tying her apron around him. "Now you wash the dishes."



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\$270 Stolen Saturday Night At Lazbuddie

A thief or thieves climbed through an unlocked transom in the Lazbuddie Schools -- presumably Saturday night -- and gained entrance to the office of Jack Black, high school principal. Once inside, they opened a file and made off with cash kept there, the amount estimated to have been \$270.

The burglary was discovered by the school administrator Sunday afternoon when he went to his office. Entrance into the main building was gained through an unlocked window.

Black's office door had been "jiggled" to some extent, indicating the intruders first tried to prize it open with tools of some sort. They either failed to do this or discovered the transom unlocked and concluded that would be an easier way to get in, and so the small opening over the door was made use of as an entrance way.

There were two filing cabinets in the office, but only one locked. Nothing else was believed to have been disturbed in the office, but the cabinet containing school funds was pried open

and the cash removed. The loss was first estimated at \$360, but was later revised to \$270 after some bookkeeping had been done. No checks were taken, and about a third of the loot was in silver. Nothing has developed to date

Stallions In 65-56 Win

Tied 23-23 at halftime, the Bovina Stallions came back strong in the second half to whip M. M. Sporting Goods of Clovis 65-56 in Williford Gym Thursday night.

Neil Smith led the winners with 28 points. Ducky Isham of Clovis was high-point man for the game with 30.

The Stallions saw their lead obliterated as the half ended but were able to pull away in the second period.

The win was the Stallions' seventh against only two defeats.

INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT --

Locals Play In Dimmitt

Lockney snatched the consolation trophy from Bovina Saturday night in the final round of Dimmitt Invitational Tournament.

Tulia's Hornets copped the first place crown, beating

the host team, 59-53. Dimmitt girls won the other first place with a 61-46 win over Muleshoe.

Bovina's Fillies were dropped from the tourney after beating Olton. They fell to powerful Nazareth, 48-35. Jon Lin Riddle led the Mustangs with 12 points and Don Caldwell scored 10.

The tournament finished pre-conference play for Bovina. Conference play began Tuesday night when both teams met Lazbuddie there.

The Ponies lost in the first round to Canyon, 59-33, despite an 18 point effort by Bill Strawn. They bounced back to beat Nazareth, 46-35. Jon Lin Riddle led the Mustangs with 12 points and Don Caldwell scored 10.

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A new case of tuberculosis is reported in the United States every six minutes. TB is caused by a germ, the tubercle bacillus. It is contagious.

on the break in, although Sheriff Chas. Lovelace has done some questioning concerning the burglary.

It is the first time that the Lazbuddie school has been burglarized.

Other sheriff's department activity during the past week was of a minor nature. Rudolph Kube of Farwell reported the theft of a box of tools from his brother's home garage Friday night. The value of the tools is estimated at \$100.

Adrian Plays Here Tuesday

Adrian boys and girls basketball teams will visit Williford Gym Tuesday night for a pair of games with locals.

The games, originally scheduled for last week, were postponed because of bad weather.

Starting time of the first game is 7 p. m., Coach Charles Don Smith announces.

The non-district tilts will be the first played here since Christmas holidays.

Bovina Lions Host Farwell

Bovina Lions will host Farwell club at their regular meeting Thursday night, Wendol Christian, president, announces.

Meeting place has been changed to school cafeteria to have room for the increased crowd.

Program will be presented by a group from Cannon Air Force Base at Clovis.

All Lions, as well as others interested in the organization, are urged to attend the 7 p. m. session.

Are you leasing land for hunting or fishing, or do you have land to lease? If so, Ed Cooper, extension wildlife specialist, says the lease should be in writing. A written lease will provide a basis for discussion of all the provisions that affect both hunter and landowner, and a signed copy should be kept by each. "Hunting Leases," a new extension leaflet, discusses the many provisions that may be written into leases and also samples of both hunting and fishing leases.

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"Battle Border"

Little known facts about Texas boundaries.

(This is the first in a series of articles outlining the numerous boundary conflicts dating back to 1716, pointing up little known facts which shaped the Texas of today.)

The following is released as a public information service by the Attorney General's Department.

The Texas boundary line stretches over some 4,000 miles and a sizeable portion of it has been forged and tempered in the fiery heat of conflict. Attorney General Will Wilson is in one of these battles now with the Texas tidelands issue before the U. S. Supreme Court.

Since 1716 to this good day its location has been fought over.

The Attorney General, a dedicated Texas historian, looks at the overall picture.

"The cold facts are, regardless of motive, that down through the years there has been bite after bite attempted on our territory," Wilson says.

"The worst and most tenacious of these land biters has been the federal government."

The first conflict arose along the East Texas-Louisiana line between the kingdoms of Spain and France in 1716.

Both nations claimed the Texas area. Each had military forces ready to take action.

While the diplomats wrangled overseas, the French and Spanish on the spot settled the dispute. They agreed on the Arroyo Hondo, a tributary of the Red River between the Sabine and Old Natchitoches.

Then, in 1803, the United States bought the Louisiana territory hazy as to the extent of land involved.

President Thomas Jefferson claimed the Rio Grande as the western boundary.

Spain contended it did not extend west of Los Adaes, a Spanish mission on the site of present day Robeline, La.

As a result U. S. troops moved into Louisiana, drove the Spanish from Los Adaes and made general preparations for war.

Again local men of war hammered out an agreement. The Spaniards would keep west of the Sabine River and the Americans east of the Arroyo Hondo.

"This created the famous 'Neutral Ground,' a strip between Arroyo Hondo and the Sabine, responsible to no one," Wilson points out.

"Overgrown with dense pine forest this was a natural refuge for some wild characters--adventurers, fugitives and outlaws. They played for keeps."

"The wildness is gone now but the old neutral ground has generated a tradition all its own and a breed of independent people whose names and deeds wrote Texas history."

"Today trees cut from the

old neutral ground are used to make paper for Time, Inc., a national weekly magazine with its own tart brand of independence. The natives grin and say that the spirit of those first Texas tourists seem to soak right through the paper into the print of Time."

Kinsmen of these neutral ground settlers "borried" a cannon from the Mexicans. When they demanded its return, the Texans loaded it with powder and the undisputed authority of horseshoes, raised the flag with the dare "Come and Take It," and fought the battle of Gonzales.

In 1819 diplomats finally signed a treaty settling the boundary between the United States and Spain--the western bank of the Sabine to its intersection with the 32nd parallel and then due north to the Red River.

Congress in 1848 moved the line from the river bank eastward to the Sabine River's middle channel where it lies to this day.

However, Wilson observes: "Before this line was moved to the middle of the river it ran along the western bank of the Sabine to a point near Southeast of Carthage, went north overland until it reached the Red River."

"Congress moved the river running portions of the line eastward to mid-stream with no provision as to what course it would take northward from the Carthage area overland to Red River."

"Consequently there is a strip of land about 150 feet wide and some 70 miles long between Texas and Louisiana that the turn of events has left shadowed with doubt," Wilson points out.

LIGHTS OUT!

For many years there hung in the President's office in the White House an elaborate crystal chandelier which had been bought in Paris by Thomas Jefferson.

It remained more or less unnoticed until Theodore Roosevelt came into office. Roosevelt, an outdoor man who loved fresh air, usually worked with windows open. The breeze blowing in caused the prisms to tinkle. For some time Roosevelt endured this distraction--with mounting impatience. Then one day, he growled, "Get this thing out of here."

"But Mr. President," he was asked, "where shall we put it?"

Roosevelt thought this over for a minute.

"Put it in the Vice-President's office," he ordered. "He has nothing to do anyway. Maybe it will keep him awake."

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Of Interest To THE WOMEN

Marcella Verner Weds LaVon Jones

In a simple ceremony in Portales Saturday evening, Miss Marcella Verner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Verner of Oklahoma Lane, became the bride of LaVon Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jones also of Oklahoma Lane.

Attending the couple as best man and matron of honor were Mr. and Mrs. Dean Jones of Farwell.

H.D. Club Begins 1960

Mrs. John Sikes presided at the first meeting of Bovina Home Demonstration Club for 1960 in home of Mrs. Bill Lane January 8.

Roll call was answered with members telling New Year's resolutions. After the HD creed was read, sentence prayers were given by all members for a successful year.

Members were given new year books and filled them with hostesses for coming year.

Mrs. Lane served nut bread, coffee and tea to one visitor, Mrs. Vaughn and the following members: Mmes. Dorothy Looney, Ethel Hall, Mable Newberry, Mae Hopingardner, Lora Sikes, Ruth Boyd, and Kate Queen.

January 15 will be next meeting date of club with Mrs. Mae Hopingardner. At this time ladies will work on their quilt to be donated to March of Dimes.

Training Union Has Social

Rose McCain, Roy Whisler, and Carolyn Owens were hosts to approximately 35 for a Training Union Social after church Sunday evening.

The class of young married couples and their youngsters were served refreshments of Spudnuts and coffee.

Wandering ith aneen

by

Waneen Ragsdale

Mack was not very elated Monday morning over the prospect of nothing to do for several more weeks. He said those were pretty much the feelings of the other "farmer-loafers" drinking coffee around town. BUT, he still keeps telling himself, "Sure is good for the wheat."

Another good thing--it's easy to catch up on visiting and sleeping in weather like this.

We had company in and out all week-end. By Sunday night the refrigerator was full to overflowing with dabs and dabs of leftovers from all the cooking and eating that took place. When it was all put in one pot for soup, to which tomatoes and onions were added, golly, we had enough to feed 20 hungry men. Could have added some more water and fed 10 more.

It tasted delicious, because it had everything in it from "noodles to nuts." Isn't that just like company -- to go home and leave all the leftovers for you? Anyone hungry for soup?

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Did you enjoy the second snow as much as the first one? We heard comments both ways. Bill Venable called us Wednesday looking for the gal who worked for the "Bovina Tribune" (we straightened the gentleman out on that) to come take some pictures of the lovely snow scenes around his house.

His evergreens were without a doubt one of the most beautiful sights we've seen in years. We had a "ball" taking pictures of them for Bill to send to his daughter in California. Also took one for our

Williams Program Leader

Mrs. W. E. Williams led a program on refugee Chinese Christians at meeting of Wesleyan Service Guild of Bovina Methodist Church Monday evening in church parlor. During a short business session that followed Mrs. Fleta Terry presided.

Hostesses, Mrs. Vernon Estes and Miss Grace Paul, served coffee and strawberry cake. Others present included Mrs. Margaret Caldwell, Miss Rita Caldwell, Mrs. Loucile Foster, Mrs. Eunice Thornton, Mrs.

W. H. Laney, Mrs. Pauline Caldwell, and Mrs. Mack Ragsdale.

Following the meeting, boxes of magazines were packed by the group to send to foreign students in other countries.

Husband Honored

Pat Hawkins surprised her husband, Erith, with a birthday party Monday evening.

Guests attending were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ware, and Mr. and Mrs. Nell Smith.

Mrs. Hawkins served birthday cake, dips, coffee and cokes. The evening was spent playing canasta and "42."

Women Bowlers Win First

Mary Marr Dress Shop's women's bowling team won first half of a women's winter league at Clovis Bowling Club.

Members of team received pin money in the amount of \$49.40. They will receive trophies at the end of second half.

Those bowling for the team on Monday nights are Nelavene Kimbrough, Marie Hutto, Dorothy Sorley, Furne Harris, Alta Hutto, and Rose McCain.

Blade readers to see.

Couldn't resist stopping at the Jones residence and taking Ola Lee's picture with her broom. She got this energetic mood all of a sudden and thought it would be easy to work it off by sweeping snow. Probably didn't last long.

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Mary Looney is making plans to attend ENMU next semester. She is going to live in the apartment with Ann Corn. They are both to register January 29 and begin classes February 1. We wish them all good luck. They don't seem to be lacking in spunk and enthusiasm.

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Have been informed by a good news source that Church of Christ pastor's house is in the final stages of completion. They are hoping the pastor will be able to establish residence by

Schedule Supper Wednesday

At Bovina Women's Clubhouse Wednesday night will be a supper for ladies of Bovina Church of Christ. Time for the meal will be 6 p. m. to be followed by a program at the church at 7 p. m.

This program will feature a guest speaker and chorus, under the direction of Bill Blackstone. The group is from Portales Bible Chair.

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The 15th. We are anxious to view it and hoping they will have formal open house so we can

Discuss Advisor Election

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From our Baptist friends we learned the bonds sale was progressing beyond their highest hopes. They are indeed anxious for building to begin, for the sooner things begin, the sooner it will be completed. We were told there were only six empty seats in their auditorium Sunday. They are that badly in need of additional space. We want to congratulate them on their progressive program.

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While reading an exchange paper from Merkel we roused our building with laughter at a column written under the heading of "Tell-Tale Fe-Mail." Showed it to the boss and he barely grinned. Maybe you'll think it funny. Could be we have an odd sense of humor.

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We have noticed people rarely laugh at the same things. Anyway, we quote. "Speaking of making the best of a bad situation reminds me of the man who found after walking into an elevator that so many persons were inside he was unable to turn around to face the door. He felt a little embarrassed facing everyone that way, particularly since they did not seem to realize it was impossible for him to turn around. Pulling himself together, he smiled and announced, "I suppose you're all wondering why I called you together." We still think it amusing.

.....
One thing not so amusing is the condition of our unpaved streets. May we go on record as saying we are strongly in favor of more paving in Bovina. After an extended wet spell like we've had, those may be the sentiments of others, too. From the looks of things, it is likely those ruts and chug holes are going to be deeper before Willie's prediction is

.....
Life is very much like Christmas -- you're more likely to get what you expect than what you want.

.....
Perseverance indicates a strong will; obstinance a strong won't.



NO FISHERMAN'S STORY--Frank Wilson of Amarillo and his son Bob Wilson and family of Bovina have this picture to prove their good luck at Falcon Lake isn't just a fish story. This shot was taken on January 3 with 63 Black Bass shown with the Wilson party. The largest weighed five pounds.

Mrs. Terry Gives Review

Mrs. Fleta Terry reviewed, "This Fiery Night" by Joan Vatssek, for program of Delta XI Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society in Dimmitt Saturday.

Other Bovina members who attended this meeting were Mrs. Eunice Thornton and Mrs. Leola Williams.

Farewell Party For Teacher

Mrs. F. O. Turner was feted with a farewell party Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Bob McMeans by members of her Sunday School Class.

Mrs. Turner has taught the Friendly Circle class of First Baptist Church for the past six years. In appreciation and affection, members presented the honoree with a dress and accessories.

Mrs. Turner gave the class a picture of Christ for their new classroom on completion of present building program underway.

Cake and coffee were served by Mrs. McMeans to Bonnie Vickers, Norma Embrey, Glen Hromas, Sue Barrett, Olen Turner, Irma Jo Englant, and Betty Hawkins. Many were unable to

attend due to unfavorable weather.

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On Bovina But
Opportunity"

Personals

IVID LAWLIS HAS SURGERY

Ovid Lawlis underwent an emergency appendectomy Sunday morning at 12:30. He is reported to be improving and hopes to come home Friday morning.

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Mrs. Alvin Bandy and Mrs. Loucile Foster visited in Anson and Abilene over the weekend with Mrs. Bandy's mother and Mrs. Foster's daughter and son-in-law, the Gus Umphries.

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Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Quickel returned home last week from Irving. They visited with their daughter and family, the C. E. Starks over New Year's. They also drove to Fort Worth for a short visit with his cousin, Charles Quickel.

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A conceited bachelor was invited to dinner by a lady of consequence, but didn't accept. Meeting her on the street a few days later, he said in his best manner, "I believe you asked me to dine with you last week."

"Yes, I believe I did," responded the lady. "Were you there?"

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And
Pixies
1/2 Price

Wash And Wear
Print
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Save \$1.00
Men's and Boys
Ivy League
Pants
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Writing Paper
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"Pioneers In Bovina"

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IS ABSOLUTELY
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Bank's Official Statement

CHARTER NO. 14755
RESERVE DISTRICT NO. 11

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF BOVINA

in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31, 1959. Published in response to call made by comptroller of the currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS

1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 800,836.07
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	451,496.25
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	63,204.12
4. Other bonds, notes, and debentures	None
5. Corporate stocks (including \$3,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	3,000.00
6. Loans and discounts (including \$165.96 overdrafts)	644,588.07
7. Bank premises owned \$31,318.50, furniture and fixtures \$5,720.31	37,038.81
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,000,163.32

LIABILITIES

13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$1,233,932.11
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	95,997.45
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	48,349.37
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	448,128.60
17. Deposits of banks	None
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	27,327.49
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,853,735.02
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,853,735.02

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

25. Capital Stock:	
(a) Common stock, total par \$	50,000.00
(b) Preferred stock, total par \$	None
retirable value \$	None
26. Surplus	50,000.00
27. Undivided profits	46,428.30
28. Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock)	None
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$146,428.30
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$2,000,163.32

MEMORANDA

- 31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes \$ 486,801.18
- 32. Loans as shown above are after deduction of reserves of 16,269.01

I, Dick Martin, Asst. Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

/s/ Dick Martin
Asst. Cashier

CORRECT--ATTEST

/s/ Warren Embree
/s/ L. M. Grissom
/s/ Robert E. Wilson
(Directors)

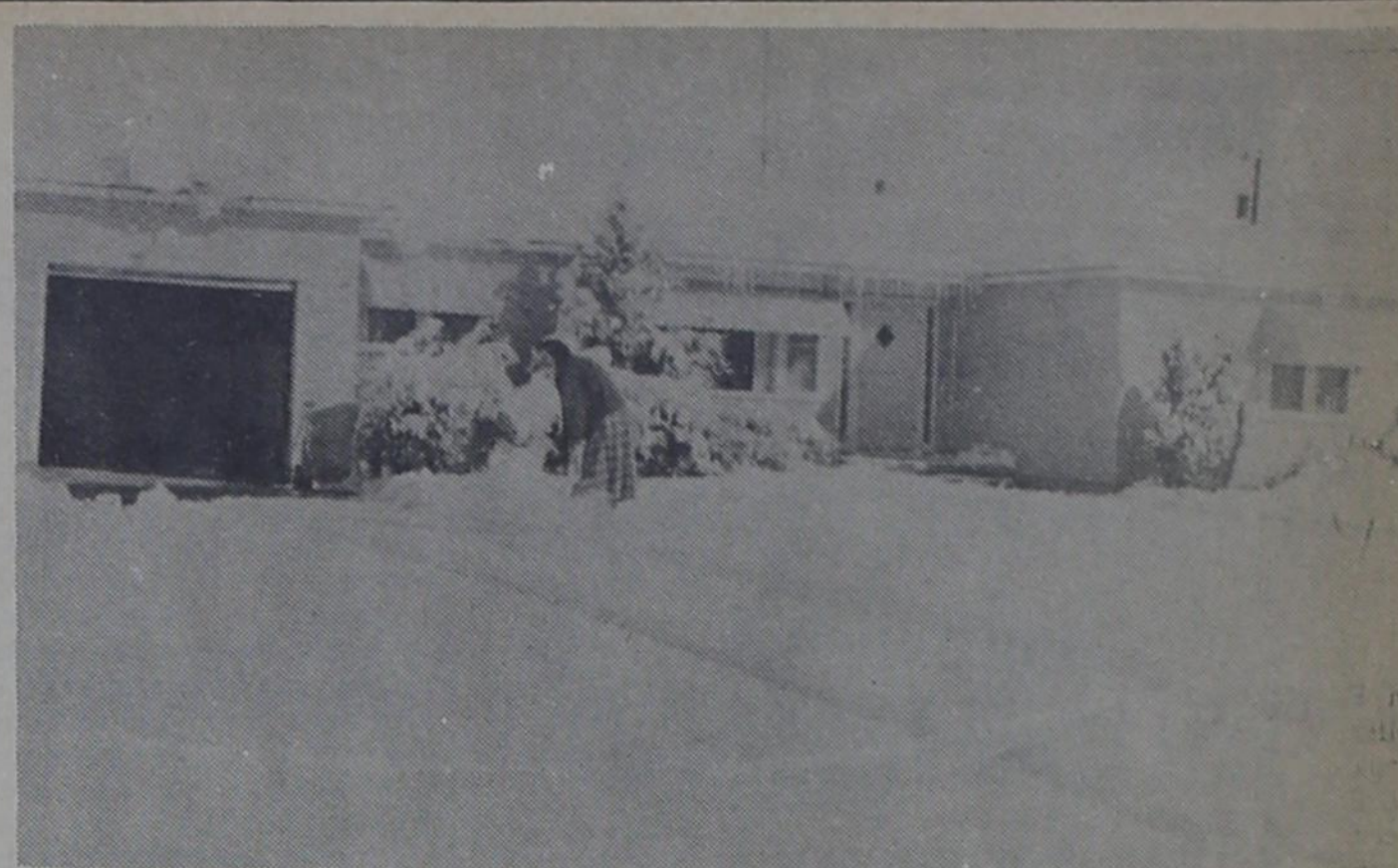
State of Texas, County of Parmer, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of January, 1960, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.

/s/ Pearl M. Dodson
Notary Public

SEAL



Bill Venable was justly proud of his snow covered evergreens last week when nine inches of snow covered them. The Venable home is on South Eighth Street.



The Paul Jones residence was photogenic in last week's snow. But Mrs. Jones wanted it off the drive-way enough to attempt doing it herself.

Arbor Day January 15

Arbor Day, time for Texans to recognize the importance of trees, will be observed on January 15, according to an official proclamation issued by Governor Price Daniel.

In his proclamation of December 18, Governor Daniel said, "The State of Texas derives many benefits from its trees -- as a forest crop, as a raw material for its industries, as protection for its soil, as cover for wildlife, and as attractive landscaping plants for our homes, parks, and public roads. "Our forest wealth is important to the continued progress of our State. Trees are living objects of beauty and utility -- a renewable resource which must be protected from the ravages of forest fires and disease.

"Therefore, I, as Governor of Texas, do hereby designate Friday, January 15, 1960, as Arbor Day in Texas."

The need for observing Arbor Day in Texas was first recognized in Temple, a community which originally had comparatively few trees. In 1889 the citizens of Temple passed a resolution advocating the designation of February 22 as Arbor Day. Introduced in the legislature by Senator Tyler of Belton, the Arbor Day resolution became a law. The original Arbor Day law expired in 1925. During the succeeding 24 years, the custom of observing Arbor Day on George Washington's birthday was continued by the Governor's proclamation. In 1949 the Texas State Legislature adopted a resolution designating the third Friday in January as Arbor Day.

Suggested programs and other information on Arbor Day are available from the Texas Forest Service, A&M College System, College Station, Texas.

Advertising is praised by good business men who ought to know what they say is the truth. Those who say advertising doesn't pay have little experience with its power.

WHY INDEED?

The doctor had finished a lengthy examination of a farmer and given him instructions as to what he should do. As the man started to walk away, the doctor said:

"Wait a minute!" You haven't paid me for my advice."
"Done made up my mind I ain't goin' to take it," said the farmer, "so why should I pay fer it?"

Bovina Implement Co.

Your Parmer County
Massey-Ferguson Dealer
Highway 60 AD 8-2541
Complete Line Of New
Machinery And A Yard-Full Of
Used Machinery
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Just Received
New Shipment
WESTERN BOOTS

Priced From **\$22.95**



You All
Come
Often!

**TOMMY'S
WESTERN
WEAR**

Highway 60

Bovina

**Yes, Terms
ARE
Available**

**Brookfield
Drilling Co.**

Phone 5731 Friona

**Leland Boyd
To Seminary**

Leland Boyd, former Parmer County newspaperman, will enter Baptist seminary in Fort Worth this week.

Since leaving the organization of Parmer County newspapers a year ago, he has been with Littlefield Press in Littlefield.

During his Parmer County career, Boyd was editor-advertising manager of The Friona Star and then editor-publisher of The Bovina Blade.

His wife was a teacher in Bovina Schools.



FARMER
Marketing and purchasing co-ops assure him a full price for what he sells, and a fair price for what he buys. He may or may not patronize a co-op, but co-op organizations protect him in either case.

Not everyone
belongs to a CO OP
but-



HOMEMAKER
Co-ops have improved the quality of items she buys such as fruits, canned goods, butter and other dairy products. Co-ops help her get more for her household budget money.

**EVERYBODY
BENEFITS!**



LABORER
Purchasing co-ops help make his wages go farther . . . raise his standard of living.

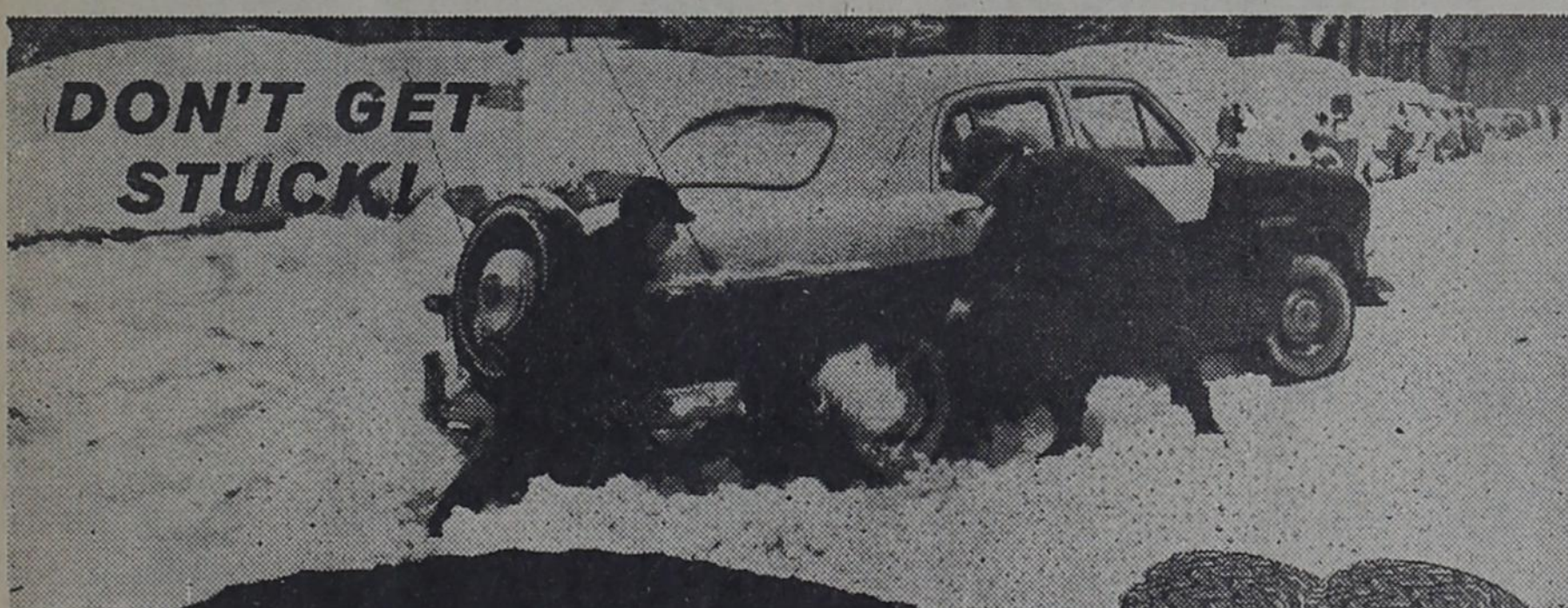


BUSINESSMAN
Co-ops help keep more wealth in the community. Co-op patronage refunds are distributed to local owners and this extra purchasing power helps all business.

**BOVINA
WHEAT
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INC.**

James Russel, Manager - AD8-2691

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GUARANTEED TO GO thru ice, mud or snow or WE PAY THE TOW!



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YOU GET ALL THIS...

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Anywhere, any time this winter regardless of cost. That's how sure we are that New Town & Country Tires will keep you rolling!

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AD8-4331

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—DRIVE IN—

Watch For Grand Opening SUDDERTH OIL CO.

—Highway 60—
Bovina

Whittlin'

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Farmer County Game Management Association that it be stocked with fish.
Point of this is that Bovina is in need of another paving program. Could be done, too.

No Pheasants

(Continued from page 1)
plain that there are some months here when there are no crops for the birds to eat.
"Right now you don't even have enough fence rows to provide cover for the birds," the authority said, "That's just my opinion and I hope time will prove me wrong."
Referring to intensive farming methods here, Jackson said, "You can't have your cake and eat it, too (game birds and farming)."

In answering questions following his talk, Jackson pointed out that he didn't say it was impossible to have pheasants here, "just impractical."
Leaders of the program feel that chances are much better for quail. An attempt will be made to determine how the public feels about the quail idea at the January 21 meeting.

We're busy as a cranberry merchant -- returning cranberries.

WANT ADS

WATCH, CLOCK AND JEWELRY REPAIRS, FAST SERVICE, REASONABLE PRICES. LOU MAROT, STATE HIGHWAY 86, BOVINA. ADams 8-4292. 11-tfnc

HASTINGS ELECTRIC
GUARANTEED ELECTRICAL SERVICE
DEAN HASTINGS
AD 8-4372

FOR SALE -- 26x32 Dwelling and 14x24 garage located on Church of Christ property. Call BA 5-4433 or contact Buck Ellison. 25-tfnc

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Repairs
BOVINA ELECTRIC
Phone AD 8-2951
Odis White

For Sale -- New '59 model 30" Whirlpool Electric range. \$169. with trade. Powell Home & Auto Supply. 29-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE
State of Texas
County of Parmer
Notice is hereby given that the partnership between Cecil M. Osborne, Jr., J. W. Harris and Eddie R. Hutto, under the firm name of "Three Way Chemical Co." of Bovina, Texas has been dissolved on the 7th day of January, 1960. All debts owing by said partnership are to be paid and those due on the same will be discharged at the office of the partnership in the city of Bovina, Texas, where the business heretofore operated will be continued by the said J. W. Harris and Eddie Hutto under the firm name of "Three Way Chemical Co." Executed this 7th day of January, 1960.
Cecil M. Osborne Jr.
J. W. Harris
Eddie R. Hutto 30-2tc

A woman was trying to impress her friends at a party one afternoon.
"My family's ancestry is very old," she said. "It dates back to the days of King John of England." Then, turning to a woman sitting nearby she said condescendingly, "How old is your family, my dear?"
"Well," replied the woman with a smile. "I can't really say. All our family records were lost in the Flood."

"WANTED"
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Richards Slaughter House
"We Butcher Anytime"

Many decisions are based on insufficient information. The facts in sight are apparently convincing, but possibly one additional fact might change the problem completely. Take this story:
Joe had come home from the war and was telling his family about one adventure. "The bullets," he said, "were flying all over the place, but I kept right on doing what I was doing."
Here you have a picture of a brave man sticking to his duty under fire. You look upon him as a hero.
"Gosh, Joe," asked his younger brother, "what were you doing?"
"Running," answered Joe.

Popular

Bud Ingram, a salesman for Freshe Bread Co. who had been delivering in Bovina for over 20 years, died at his home in Amarillo Wednesday.

Methodist Mission Success

Bovina Methodist Church's Enlistment for Christ Mission was a success, according to Rev. Davis Edens, pastor. Services were well attended in spite of unfavorable weather and purposes of program were accomplished.

Special preparation began one month prior to the enlistment revival under the direction of general chairman, Don Vance, and 12 committee chairmen. Committee chairmen were: advertising, Dolph Moten; attendance, Tom Caldwell; assimilation, Leon Ware; finance, D. R. Bushnell; group evangelism, J. T. Hammonds; hospitality, J. E. Sherrill; music, Durward Bell; nursery, Mrs. John Dixon; personal evangelism, Mrs. Bob Wilson; reception, Mrs. E. M. Ware; ushers, Henry Ivy; and youth, Mrs. Leon Ware.

On December 20, "one great day of witnessing" began when groups went out in pairs in visitation after breakfast and instruction. After lunch and sharing period, a second group visited in the afternoon.

Dr. Eugene Golay, with General Board of Evangelism of Los Angeles, Calif., was featured speaker at a district youth rally at Floydada January 2.

Local pastors and visiting ministers attended workshop meetings in Plainview on Tuesday and Thursday of enlistment week.

Local neighborhood prayer group meetings and breakfast meetings for men were well attended each day of the enlistment revival.

Speaking about paper work, have you ever drawn up a budget?

No man has more pride than the man who insists that he has none.

The man who believes street corner gossip thinks he has plenty of sense.

Salesman Dies

Ingram was found dead at 9:30 Wednesday morning at his home. He was 52 and had lived in Amarillo since 1933.

Surviving are his wife, Geneva; a son, J. L. of Amarillo; a daughter, Mrs. J. W. Cox of Amarillo; five sisters, Mrs. Ollie Forbus and Mrs. Norman

Little of Hereford, Mrs. Jim Warren of Portales, Mrs. Wesley Edwards of Amarillo and Mrs. Wesley Mitchell of Wolfe City, and five grandchildren. Ingram brought a personality on his bread route that made him popular with storekeepers and other citizens here.

CASE

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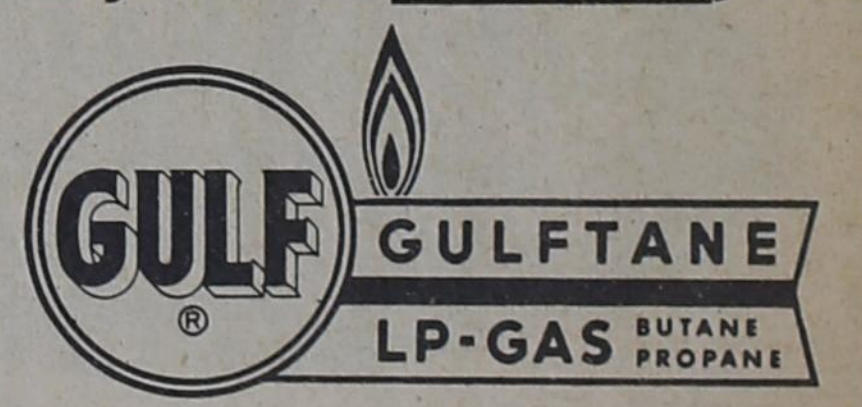
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AD8-2671 Bovina

IT'LL COST YOU LESS THAN YOU THINK TO BE WARM ALL WINTER...



Heat your home automatically with-



FOR ONLY PENNIES A DAY, you can heat your home with clean, convenient, modern GULFTANE... your family can be warm and comfortable all winter.

- CLEAN, EVEN GULFTANE HEAT means no more oily, sooty smears on walls and woodwork. No drafts to bring on colds and coughs!
- AUTOMATIC GULFTANE HEAT means you merely set a dial and your home stays nice and warm... as warm as you want it... all winter long!
- SAFE GULFTANE HEAT takes a lot of worry off your mind. Safety controls on modern gas furnaces turn off gas—instantly—if pilot goes out.

BE WARM ALL WINTER WITH MODERN GULFTANE!
CALL OR SEE US NOW...

Bonds Oil Co

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NOTICE TO PARENTS Of School Age Children

The school census is being taken during the month of January this year. All children who are six years old on or before Sept. 1, 1960, but will not be 18 or older on or before that same date should be counted in this census. It is very important that all children six to 18 years be counted in this census. The child should be counted even though he may not be in school and even though he or she may be married.
If you, as a parent, have not received and filled out a school census blank on or before January 21 you are being overlooked and should do one of the following:
1. Phone the school office and ask for a census blank.
2. Call in person at the School Tax Office and get a census blank and fill it out.
Remember, if your child will be six years old next Sept. 1st, he should be counted in the census now, even though he is not in school now. If he is six but not 18 or older next Sept. 1 he should be counted now. All children from six to 18 should be counted. The six years old who start next September to school are the ones most often overlooked in the census. Failure to count them costs the school and taxpayers extra money. Please help us not to overlook anyone.

Don't Wait 'Till Feb. 1st To Turn Your Blanks In - As That Will Be Too Late

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DUNLOP TIRE

Solid Traction (Mud And Snow) Nylon

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\$19⁹⁵

Tax Included

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Highway 60

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AD8-4841

DEADLINE: JANUARY 31

★ ★ ★

City Taxes Are Due And Payable Now. During The Remainder Of This Month City Taxes May Be Payed Without Penalty.

★ ★ ★

Pay Yours Now And Avoid That Penalty

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City Of Bovina

Henry Minter, Secretary

THE HIGH PLAINS FARM AND HOME

Crop Contest Winners To Be Honored Jan. 18

Winners of annual crop growing contests in Parmer County will be recognized and honored at a special awards night meeting Monday night, January 18, in the Hub Community Center. Parmer County's finest farm

youth will be on hand to participate in the annual event, and 4-H and FFA boys winning prizes will receive recognitions at that time.

The contests, which are sponsored by the Parmer County Grain Sorghum Association and the Parmer County Cotton Improvement Association, have been in operation four years.

The meeting will begin at 7:30, with Bob Wilson, president of the county grain sorghum group, at the rostrum. He will introduce guests.

Bill Nelson, executive vice-president of the National Grain Sorghum Association, Amarillo, and George Pfeiffer-

berger, executive vice-president of Plains Cotton Growers, will be the main speakers. They will report on the outlook for their respective commodities.

Both grain sorghum and cotton growers have been affected in recent months by legislative and economic developments, national and local, that are shaping the future. They will give their views of what is in store for farmers who produce these products.

The association officials will also hand out awards to the three top winners in the commodity growing contests.

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting, which will be about 9:15.

Limit Pork Storage Time

Storage time for fresh pork in your home freezer should be limited. Frances Reasonover, extension foods and nutrition specialist of Texas A&M, says pork does not keep its quality in frozen storage as long as other meats.

Fresh sausage may be stored in the freezer from one to three months. Other cuts of fresh pork can be stored from three to six months, provided they are packaged properly and held at zero degrees F. or lower.

Fat portions of cured or smoked pork may become rancid if stored longer than a two-month period.

To package pork for the freezer use freezer paper, that is, a moisture vapor resistant material. Fold closely to drive out the air.

Directions for preparation, packaging and storage of foods for the freezer are given in a special bulletin, "FROZEN FOODS." . . . You can get a copy from your county home demonstration agent's office.

Tommy Tatum 'Sweeps Series' In Both Cotton, Grain Sorghum

Tommy Tatum, an outstanding 4-H Clubber from Black in the northeastern part of Parmer County, has made a "double-header" winning of the county cotton and grain sorghum annual contests. He outpaced all other entrants in both categories.

The 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Tatum, who live about one and one-half miles west of the community, obtained a yield of 924 pounds per acre of lint cotton and 7722 pounds per acre of grain sorghum in the plots he entered in the contest.

Tommy's community of Black has always been considered one of the outstanding agricultural areas of the irrigated Plains. It is most famous for its grain production. Rich, heavy land in that community consistently produces remarkable yields of grain sorghum and wheat.

It is less outstanding in its cotton production record, but this year Black came right along with the best of them on growing cotton. Quite a bit of the community was spared from the devastating hails and damaging rains that washed under so much of the crop on the western High Plains, and, on the whole, Black farmers came

through a tough year with almost as good a cotton crop as they had last year -- which was one of the best on record.

In producing his good crop of cotton, the 4-H boy set aside two acres as his contest plot. It was wheatland last year, and had been in alfalfa the year before. The last has been under irrigation for 14 years.

Tillage practices included deep breaking, and then the land was disked, harrowed, listed, and watered. The beds were knifed and the middles plowed out. After planting, the crop was rotary hoed twice, then knifed two times, cultivated, and water furrowed.

Pre-watering took place April 12, and the application totaled four inches. Tommy planted Paymaster 101 seed at the rate of 30 pounds per acre on May 27. His row spacing was 38 inches. He obtained 85 per cent germination from his treated, certified, saw delinted seed.

The first irrigation was July 29, and this was the only water put on the crop. The rest came from the skies. About four inches came in June, about 1 1/2 inches in July, and about 1 1/2

inches again in August. A final inch of rain fell in September. No fertilizer was applied to the cotton.

Applications to poison insects were made three times. Two acres were also set aside for the grain sorghum contest. This land had also been under irrigation 14 years. Cotton had been on the land the previous three years.

The land was deep broke, disked twice, listed, watered, knifed, and planted. The crop was knifed, cultivated, and water furrowed.

On April 14 four inches of water was put on the land in pre-irrigation. Tommy chose Texas 610 for the test, and planted seven pounds per acre on June 10. His row spacing was 38 inches. He used treated, certified seed and got 85 per cent germination.

His first irrigation was July 22 when four inches was applied. That was followed by two other irrigations in August and September. The grain sorghum test plot received the same rainfall that the cotton plot did.

Total rainfall was estimated at seven inches, and irrigation water at 12 inches.

Fertilizer applied was 200 pounds of anhydrous ammonia on April 1. The crop was not sprayed or treated otherwise for insects.



TOMMY TATUM

Fertilizer Value On Soybeans Doubtful

Phipps, W/2 Sec. 2, Harding Sub.

Ab. of Judg, Swim-Pak Corp vs. Louis A. Marot --

D.T., Cecil Lee Vestal, Hi-Plains Sav. & Loan, Lot 6 & S/2 Lot 5, Blk. 11, Friona

W.D., Arthur M. Drake, J. E. McCathern, Jr., Lot 8-14, Blk. 14, Drake Revised Sub., Friona

W.D., J. E. McCathern, Jr., Arthur M. Drake, S/2 Sec. 16 & E/2 of SE/4 Sec. 17, T4S, R4E

MML, Euell Hart, Gifford-Hill-Western, S/2 Sec. 36, Blk. B, Syn.

D.T., Rov G. Clements, Prudential Ins. Co., S/2 Sec. 1, Blk. C, Syn.

W.D., Alvin Brooks, Clifford S. Crow, Lot 1, Blk. 65, Friona

W.D., J. J. Jasper, Walter T. Jasper, Lot 1, Blk. 65, Friona

W.D., Ernest F. Lokey, Jr., J. C. Robertson, Jr., Lot 27 & 28, Blk. 8, Farwell

W.D., M. C. Kelly, James M. Readhimer, Sec. 4, Blk. C, Rhea

D.T., O. L. Parker, Hereford Ceme. Assoc., Lot 5 & 6, Blk. 3, M&F, Friona

W.D., J. E. McCathern, Jr., Gerald McCathern, Lots 8 thru 14, Blk. 14, Drake Rev. Sub., Friona

W.D., E. E. Booth, Jesse F. Ladrum, Lots 13 & 14, Blk. 22, Farwell

W.D., G. D. Anderson, Guy Austin, et al, Part Lots 17 & 18, Sec. 31, T9S, R1E

W.D., Daisy Warren, R. W. Woodruff, 270 1/2 a. Sec. 12, Jewel Sub.

For the third year, fertilizer used on soybeans did not increase the yield enough to pay the cost of fertilizing at the High Plains Research Foundation at Halfway, Delbert Langford, assistant agronomist, reported today.

The 1959 fertilizer applications used on the Lee variety of soybeans included nitrogen, phosphorous and potash. The form of nitrogen used was anhydrous ammonia (82% nitrogen), phosphorous was phosphoric acid (37% P2 O5) and potash was muriate of potash (60% K2O).

Rates of application were forty pounds of nitrogen, eighty pounds of phosphorous and eighty pounds of potash. Each of these was applied alone and in all combinations. Forty pounds of nitrogen alone increased the yield only .13 bushels per acre, forty pounds of nitrogen and eighty pounds of phosphorous gave an increase of only .54 bushels.

The highest increase was obtained with the application of forty pounds of nitrogen and eighty pounds of potash, which gave an increase of 2.31 bushels per acre above the non-fertilized plots. The value of the increased yield on this test at current prices was \$4.50 per acre, but the fertilizer cost amounted to \$6.70.

In reporting these results Langford pointed out that chemical analyses of the soil upon which these tests were conducted, show an ample supply of phosphate and potash. Nitrogen, though not in ample supply in the soil, is produced by the micro-organisms growing on the roots of the inoculated soybeans.

The young couple was hard pressed for money and the bride prepared hamburger in as many different ways as she knew how. On the 12th day she served still another version of chopped meat. As the husband surveyed it wearily, he murmured: "How now, ground cow?"

Courthouse

INSTRUMENTS FILED FOR RECORD WEEK ENDING JANUARY 9, 1960 -- County Clerk's Office, Parmer County, W.D., Dennis Williams, Monty Olin Barrett, N/2 Sec. 18, T11S, R3E

W.D., Parmer County Implement Co., Bill Baxter, Lot 8, Blk. 3, First Addition, WLD, Friona

D.T., Merill G. Rundell, Fed. Land Bank, S/233.75 a. of E/2 Sec. 16, T15S, R2E

W.D., George W. Reed, G. L. Cranfill, Lot 3, Blk. 1, Staley Add., Friona

W.D., Melvin E. Foerster, Rosie Agee, et al, SW/4 Sec. 32, D&K

W.D., F. O. Turner, Travis Dyer, E160 a. N229 a. Sec. 14, T7S, R2E

D.T., Travis Dyer, F. O. Turner, E160 a. N229 a. Sec. 14, T7S, R2E

D.T., Noah T. Young, Prudential Ins. Co., W/2 of S/2 Sec. 1, Blk. B, Rhea

W.D., E. E. Engelking, Richard E. Engelking, NE/4 Sec. 2, T14S, R3E

W.D., C. L. Murray, J. B. Barrett, N/2 Sec. 33, T6S, R3E

D.T., J. B. Barrett, C. L. Murray, N/2 Sec. 33, T6S, R3E

W.D., Willia Hester, et al, R. M. Curry, S/2 Sec. 11, Blk. A, Syn.

D.T., R. M. Curry, John Hancock Mutual Life S/2 Sec. 11, Blk. A, Syn.

W.D., W. H. Massie, W. M. Massie, Part S/2 of NW/4 Sec. 20, T1N, R4E

D.T., L. R. Capps, Jr., John Hancock Mutual Life, E/2 of S/2 Sec. 1, Blk. B

W.D., Cecil M. Osborne, Jr., et al, J. W. Harris, et al, 8.37 a. Sec. Rhea 9, Blk. E, Syn.

W. D., A. B. Henderson, Willis Hester, 1/2 int. in SE/4 Sec. 11, Blk. A, Syn.

D.T., L. P. Davis, Southwestern Life Ins. Co., SE/4 Sec. 19, T4S, R4E

W.D., Curtis Murphree, E. G.

Old Corporation Gets New Name

Western National Farm Loan Association of Muleshoe, which has made and serviced Federal Land Bank loans in this area for more than 20 years, has a new name.

According to Noel Woodley, secretary-treasurer, the association is the Federal Land Bank Association of Muleshoe as a result of the Farm Credit Act of 1959, and he is "manager" instead of secretary-treasurer.

Another change permitted by the new law which is of interest to farmers and ranchers is the

removal of the \$200,000 loan limit. Also, the new law provides that sums loaned to purchase capital stock in the Federal Land Bank Association can be over and above the present loan limit of 65% of the normal agricultural value of the farm or ranch mortgaged.

Woodley states that the association is now servicing 450 federal land bank loans for about \$3,500,000 for land owners in the Parmer and Bailey County area served by the association.

In addition to Woodley, the officers and directors of the association are Gorden Duncan, president; H. E. Schuster, vice-president; and R. B. Rundell, Morris Douglass and Sam Fox, directors. Mildred Davis is office assistant.

Do you have questions about tax reporting on certain items of your farm or ranch income? Are you uncertain about handling some deductions? If you need information on such questions, get a copy of the 1960 Farmers' Tax Guide. This informative booklet is written in easy to understand language and covers many phases of farmers' tax reporting. It is available free from your local county agent.

Dairymen who select good breeding stock and use better feeding methods to promote rapid growth can expect more profitable returns through earlier maturity and heavier milk production, says A. M. Meekma, extension dairy husbandman. But dairymen who buy replacements generally cannot expect to increase their herd's production level much higher than the level of the herds from which the replacements were bought.

THE PARMER COUNTY IMPLEMENT CO.



NEWS



"The Place Where Most People Trade" Friona, Texas Wednesday, January 13, 1960

For your cotton ground and all your irrigated acres, may be you need the new McCormick No. 45V-tandem disk harrow. For rugged rough plowing the McCormick tandem disk is tailor-made.

Before long we can buy spuds that are labeled "for frying," "for baking," and "for boiling." We wonder if they will pack one general purpose sack for people who wouldn't want three or four sacks of potatoes in the pantry.

Several couples from Friona attended the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet in Hereford Saturday night. Some of them were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Newman Jarrell Jr., the Steve Bavousets, the Flake Barbers and the Tom Pruetts.

You name it -- they do it -- new International trucks are ready to handle any farm job -- the tougher, the better -- International trucks -- the World's most complete line.

Since the wedding in our family, the boys have been pretty interested in marriages. They decided they would marry their niece. When informed that kinfolks didn't marry, David said, "That's right. You must marry someone you don't know."

Keep your busy-season work on schedule -- save time and costs. Be sure your tractor has the zip and go for peak power output by getting our checkup and tune-up. See what we'll do to put your tractor

in busy season condition power-wise at special low-cost.

During the sleigh riding weather last week we saw Hoyt Smith's car with an old automobile hood as a "truly sled" behind it and the "truly sled" was filled with children. Wes Long's pickup and the Herring boys with a green tractor were also pulling sleds loaded with children enjoying the snow and weather.

Louis Welch, Doris Buske and W. F. Buske went fishing in Old Mexico last week. The weather there was some better than what we had here.

John Gaede and Charles Howell left Friona Sunday for Springfield, Ind. They will bring back some International pickups and trucks. See these before you trade.

Sales Manager: "I've had my eye on you, Jones, and I see you are a hard worker. You put in long hours, you're ambitious and you're rapidly learning the business, so I'm obliged to fire you. It's men like you who start competing companies."

Buddy Squyres and his father, who lives at Tullia, made a trip to Nebraska last week to pick up some equipment for Parmer County Implement Company.

Lower cost 3, 4 and 5 furrow McCormick semi-mounted plows give you unsurpassed plowing-plus fast hitch con-

venience. See us for mounted, semi-mounted and trailing plows in all sizes.

We enjoyed the joke about the English woman who was visiting in a Texas town and asked why the chugs had dug so many holes in the middle of the street.

David, our youngest, is pretty cold-shouldered every morning and when John Bill was trying to get him out of bed the other day, he said, "David, why don't you get to bed earlier, you are always sleepy." To which David replied, "But it's my early morning sleep I need."

Ask about our tractor tune-up schedules and the many savings you can make at the Parmer County Implement Company. Remember all IH parts fit and wear like the originals on your farm equipment when it was new.

Daffynitions: a shoulder strap -- a device that keeps an attraction from becoming a sensation. Poise--the ability to keep talking whole someone else picks up the check.

Mrs. H. C. Kendrick and Mrs. Deon Awrey were hostesses at a coffee honoring Mrs. Joe Shields at Mrs. Awrey's home Monday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Shields, whose home is in Amarillo, are here with Sally and Danny Kendrick while their parents, the Pudge Kendricks, are in Ohio.

Farm Facts



A U.S. farmer produces enough to feed himself and 23 others. In Russia a farmer produces enough to feed himself and one other.

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MA LAYS DOWN THE LAW



THE HAPPY HOMEMAKER

BY JUNE FLOYD

If you're the mother of young daughters that you haven't taught to prepare simple meals, surely one of your New Year's resolutions was to begin at once. The proper time to begin teaching a girl to cook is when she climbs up on the cabinet and asks to be allowed to help.

As her skill in performing simple tasks increases, in all probability her interest will do likewise. A simple chore that generally interests small fry is the preparation of Pigs In The Blanket.

For this meat dish, all you need is a package of franks or several cans of vienna sausage and some biscuit or pie dough. After the dough has been rolled the proper thickness, your beginner can cut it in strips, roll the franks or sausages and place them on a baking tin. They need be baked only until light brown.

Another simple dish for a beginner is

TURTLE BURGERS

- 4 skinless franks
 - 4 split hamburger buns
 - 4 (1 1/4 inch) cubes of cheddar cheese
 - Toothpicks
- Split franks lengthwise, but do not cut through. To form turtle feet, slit skin on either end leaving about 1-inch joined

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS



OUR SOIL ★ OUR STRENGTH

The Parmer County SCD Board of Supervisors held their regular business meeting Tuesday Jan. 5. Supervisors A. L. Black, Burce Parr, T. O. Lesly and Robert Callaway were present to take care of the business at hand. D. W. Dalrymple representing the State Soil Conservation Board met with supervisors. Bob Crozer, SCS representative, and Steve Messenger were at the meeting.

The Board made final arrangements to sell the heavy equipment at the Hub community sale. The following items will be put up for sale: 1-0-7 caterpillar tractor with dozer blade, 1-scraper, 1-motor grader, 1-7 1/2 ton truck-tractor, and 1 lowboy trailer (20 ton cap).

Mr. Dalrymple reported on the Soil Conservation Districts State Convention to be held at Moody Center Galveston, Texas on January 13-15 and urged all to attend. He also made several very good suggestions that were beneficial to the supervisors.

The Board made out their annual plan of operations for 1960 and set time to make annual report for 1959.

In a few days the District will sent out a news letter containing information from chapter 14 of the Farmer's Tax Guide which permits deduction of certain expenditures for soil and water conservation.

in center. Place open split franks cut side up on rack of broiler-roaster pan.

Place in oven 3 inches from broil unit. Turn over switch to broil; set oven temperature control to broil. Broil for 3 or 4 minutes. Turn franks.

Place hamburger buns on broiler pan cut side up.

Broil for 2 or 3 minutes longer until frankfurters and buns are lightly browned. Place split franks between hamburger buns to resemble turtles.

Spear each cube of cheese with a toothpick. Insert into hamburger bun to simulate head of turtle. Insert another toothpick into bun to make a tail. Serve with mustard and relish, if desired. Makes four.

A use we never thought of for baby oil was revealed recently in the household hints of a newspaper. If a baby's face is rubbed lightly with baby oil before each feeding, the food that doesn't go into his mouth will be much easier removed after he has finished.

A column that appears in the Canadian Record under the title of "Petticoat Patter" very often contains super recipes. The column is written by Mrs. Ben Ezell and many of the recipes have been given to her by her mother-in-law. The latest one we've collected is for Mrs. Ezell's Chess Pie

- 1 stick butter or margarine
 - 2 cups sugar
 - 4 eggs
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla or lemon extract
 - 1 teaspoon vinegar
 - 1 teaspoon cornmeal
- Cream margarine and sugar well; add whole eggs, flavoring, vinegar and corn meal. Beat well. Pour into unbaked pie shell and bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes or until well set.

Mrs. Ezell also shared her experience with Alumni-Glo, one of the newest products on the market for cleaning anything made of aluminum.

"With the best intentions in the world, but not nearly enough time to spend a lot of it polishing pots and pans, I, like many of you housewives, have watched my aluminum pots and pans grow slowly dark and stained. So I was pleased to find recently in the grocery store a new product designed especially for cleaning and shining aluminum.

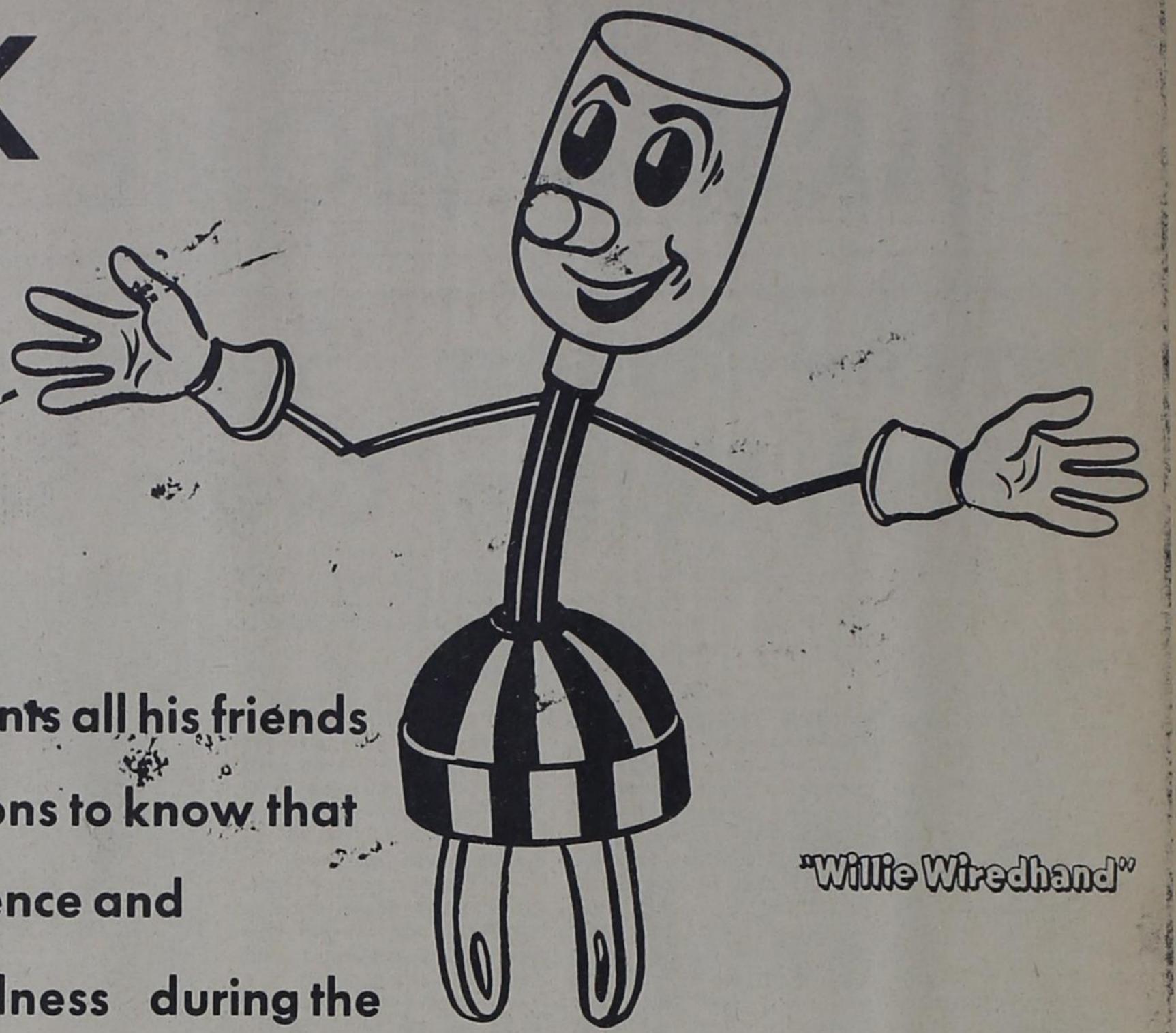
It is called Alumni-Glo, instant-acting aluminum cleaner. And though it doesn't act quite as fast as all that, and does require a certain amount of scrubbing on the really bad spots, it does do the best job for this purpose of any cleaner I've used.

Don't be deceived by the note on the label that says "new fresh scent;" the sulphur in the product must be a highly volatile part and high percentage of the chemical compound -- the unpleasantness of the odor -- to me, at least. (My family manages to avoid coming into the kitchen when "Alumni-Glo is in use, I notice.)

The new product can be used to clean other aluminum articles besides kitchen ware, such as storm door window frames and porch furniture, it is harmless to the skin."

That last phrase will mean a lot to homemakers. Some of the cleaners we use need to be used very carefully to avoid damage to hands.

THANK YOU



"Willie Wiredhand"

Willie wants all his friends and patrons to know that their patience and thoughtfulness during the recent storm was sincerely appreciated.

As we begin a new decade of service to the people of this area we want to take this opportunity to pledge you, our patrons, our best efforts to make the 1960's an era of Peace and Prosperity for all our friends in Parmer County.

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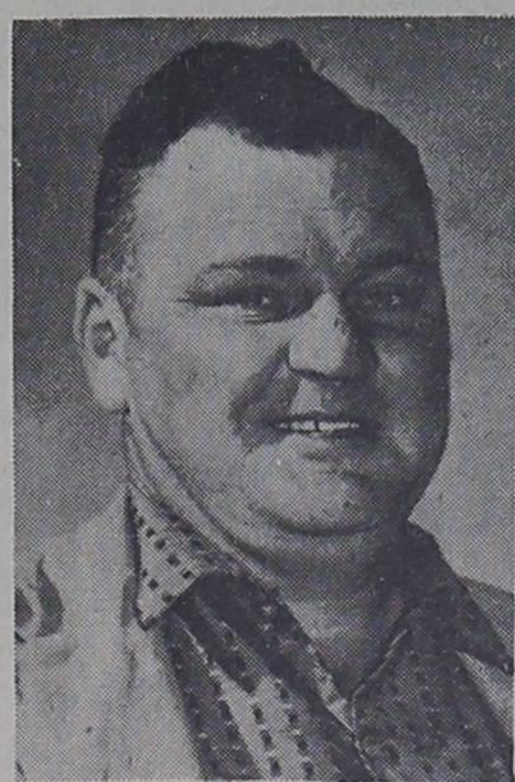
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Treasurer's Report

REPORT of Mabel Reynolds, County Treasurer of Parmer County, Texas, of Receipts and Expenditures from July 1 to September 30, 1959, inclusive:

JURY FUND, 1st Class	
Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1959	\$ 5,648.02
To Amount received since last Report	2,013.47
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "A"	420.00
BALANCE	\$ 7,241.49
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, 2d Class	
Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1959	\$78,348.89
To Amount received since last Report	16,981.27
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "B"	3,708.38
BALANCE	\$13,620.45
GENERAL COUNTY FUND, 3d Class	
Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1959	\$11,461.60
To Amount received since last Report	59,621.16
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "C"	39,794.88
BALANCE	\$31,287.88
PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND, 4th Class	
Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1959	\$5,827.02
To Amount received since last Report	3,433.61
By Amount paid out since last Report	562.39
BALANCE	\$8,698.24
RIGHT OF WAY FUND, 5th Class	
Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1959	\$ 858.72
To Amount received since last Report	6,802.45
By Amount paid out since last Report	1,007.92
BALANCE	\$ 6,653.25
LATERAL FUND, 6th Class	
Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1959	\$ 18,896.97
To Amount received since last Report	0.00
By Amount paid out since last Report	9,725.72
By Amount transferred to other Funds, since last Report	72,001.33
BALANCE	\$ 9,171.25
SOCIAL SECURITY FUND, 7th Class	
Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1959	\$,229.66
To Amount received since last Report	765.51
By Amount paid out since last Report	1,539.53
BALANCE	\$ 455.64
FARM TO MARKET SPECIAL FUND, 8th Class	
Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1959	\$ 718.13
To Amount received since last Report	19,720.71
To Amount transferred from other Funds, since last Report	72,001.33
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. since last Report	7,982.85
BALANCE	\$84,457.32
RECAPITULATION	
JURY FUND, Balance	\$ 7,241.49
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, Balance	13,620.45
GENERAL COUNTY FUND, Balance	31,287.88
PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND, Balance	8,698.24
RIGHT OF WAY FUND, Balance	6,653.25
LATERAL FUND, Balance	9,171.25
SOCIAL SECURITY FUND, Balance	455.64
FARM TO MARKET ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, Balance	84,457.32
TOTAL	\$ 161,585.52
LIST OF BONDS AND OTHER SECURITIES ON HAND	
U. S. Government Bonds	\$457,100.00
COUNTY INDEBTEDNESS:	
Road & Bridge Machinery Warrants	13,895.82
General Fund Time Warrant	15,000.00
TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS	\$ 28,895.82
(THE STATE OF TEXAS) COUNTY OF FARMER)	

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Mabel Reynolds, County Treasurer of Parmer County, who being by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

Mabel Reynolds, County Treasurer.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th day of January, 1960.

HUGH MOSELEY, Clerk
County Court, Parmer County, Texas

(SEAL)
By Dorothy Quickel, Deputy.

Poland-China Hog Men Meet This Week



--One of the most important swine events ever to come to West Texas will be held at the Panhandle South Plains Fairgrounds in Lubbock Friday and Saturday, January 15-16, when Poland China hog raisers will hold their 1960 Southwestern Meat Type hog conference. Sponsored by the Southwestern Poland China Breeders Association and the Poland China Record Association and co-sponsored by the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, the conference will attract noted hog authorities from as far away as Wisconsin.

Pictured above, with two Poland China gilts from the department of animal husbandry at Texas Tech, are W. F. (Bill) Holloway, Registered Poland China breeder of Petersburg, Texas, left, and T. Eual Liner, Professor of Agriculture Education at Texas Tech and President of the Panhandle-Plains Poland China Association.

H. D. AGENT'S CORNER

Jimmie Lou Waincott

COLDS COMMON IN YOUR FAMILY?

Are colds common in your family? If so, extension foods and nutrition specialists of Texas A&M suggest you check your daily menus to be sure you are including some foods rich in vitamins A and C.

Both these vitamins, they say, are effective in preventing the invasion of cold germs. That's because they help the linings of the nasal passages resist bacterial invasion.

These two vitamins, plus general good nutrition, help provide resistance to all types of bacterial infections, not just colds.

There are other benefits, too. Vitamin A improves the eyes' ability to adjust to light and dark; lack of it causes "night blindness." Children need vitamin A for optimum growth, and vitamin C for proper tooth formation and speedy healing of wounds and burns.

Good sources of the vitamins are dark green leafy and yellow vegetables, citrus fruits, tomatoes, raw cabbage, and milk, butter, eggs, cheese, cantaloupes, strawberries and potatoes.

GROOMING MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Good grooming counts. Extension clothing specialists remind us that the effect of a lovely garment often is spoiled by a lack of good grooming. On the other hand, a garment which in itself is not particularly distinctive may become attractive when worn by a well-groomed person.

Anyone can be well groomed. Developing habits of good grooming early in childhood helps establish habits which

will boost morale and appearance throughout a lifetime. But, it's never too late to start. An extension leaflet entitled, "Good Grooming -- Here's How!" is written especially for young girls.

The beginning of a new year is a good time to start practicing better grooming habits, so why not get a copy of this special leaflet. Copies are available from your county home demonstration agent's office.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO YOUR PROPERTY IF YOU DIED TOMORROW? Would the settlement of your financial affairs cause family quarrels or disharmony?

Besides avoiding quarrels and reducing the cost and time for settling financial affairs, a will has other advantages, according to extension economists and home managements specialists of Texas A&M. It means that an executor can be named, a guardian designated if necessary, and a testamentary trust created if needed. It means, too, that your property can be distributed in line with your wishes.

Making a valid will is not difficult, but it must be drawn to comply with the requirements of the law. For example, two witnesses are necessary. They must be more than 14 years of age and should not be beneficiaries.

Important questions and answers concerning wills are discussed in an extension publication, "Why Make A Will." Ask for a copy from your county extension agent's office.

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This year, as in the past one, we are assured of good supplies of just about everything we eat.

Supplies of meat are expected to be greater than in 1959, and retail prices may average a little lower.

The expected increase in beef supplies in 1960 is termed "moderate" and this will probably be in higher grades of beef. So there may be little or no change in beef prices. Pork became very plentiful in the fall and prices have been quite reasonable. Pork supplies will continue plentiful, especially in the first half of 1960. So, prices of pork cuts will probably be favorable for several months.

Broilers and chickens will be plentiful, just as they have been in recent years. They will continue to be a good buy at the meat counter.

There will be plenty of eggs, with prices perhaps a bit higher than the low 1959 level. Even with some increase, however, egg prices will be lower than consumers were paying in 1958. Milk will be plentiful and

prices will see little change. The new gallon jugs are providing milk to consumers at reasonable prices.

Apples will be in good supply all through the winter months. Citrus fruit will be more plentiful than last year, especially oranges. More fresh fruit is expected to reach our markets.

Most items of frozen vegetables will be in good supply.

ter 54-B, 800 lbs., \$35 and plaque.

3rd -- Johnny Mabry, Paymaster 54-B, 704 lbs., \$25 and plaque.

4th -- Dennis Fallwell, Gregg, 630 lbs., \$20

5th -- Richard Chitwood, Austin, 577 lbs., \$15.

6th -- Gary Mac Brown, \$10.

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1st -- Tommy Tatum, 610, 7722 lbs., \$40 and plaque.

2nd -- John Taylor, F-62, 7547 lbs., \$35 and plaque.

3rd -- Danny Murphree, 660, 7827 lbs., \$25 and plaque.

4th -- Johnny Mabry, F-63, 6512 lbs., \$20.

5th -- Richard Chitwood, 620, 6408 lbs., \$15.

6th -- Dale Gober, F-62, 7422 lbs., \$10.

7th -- Bruce Billingsley, 660, 6389 lbs., \$5.

Announce 4-H Winners

Winners in the 4-H Club division of the 1959 county-wide crop contests for cotton and grain sorghum were announced by Joe Jones, county agent, this week. (See separate story on first place winner.)

Boys and their placings:

COTTON

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Now that frozen semen techniques have been perfected, picking a bull is almost like visiting the supermarket. There's a wide selection available from most artificial breeding organizations.

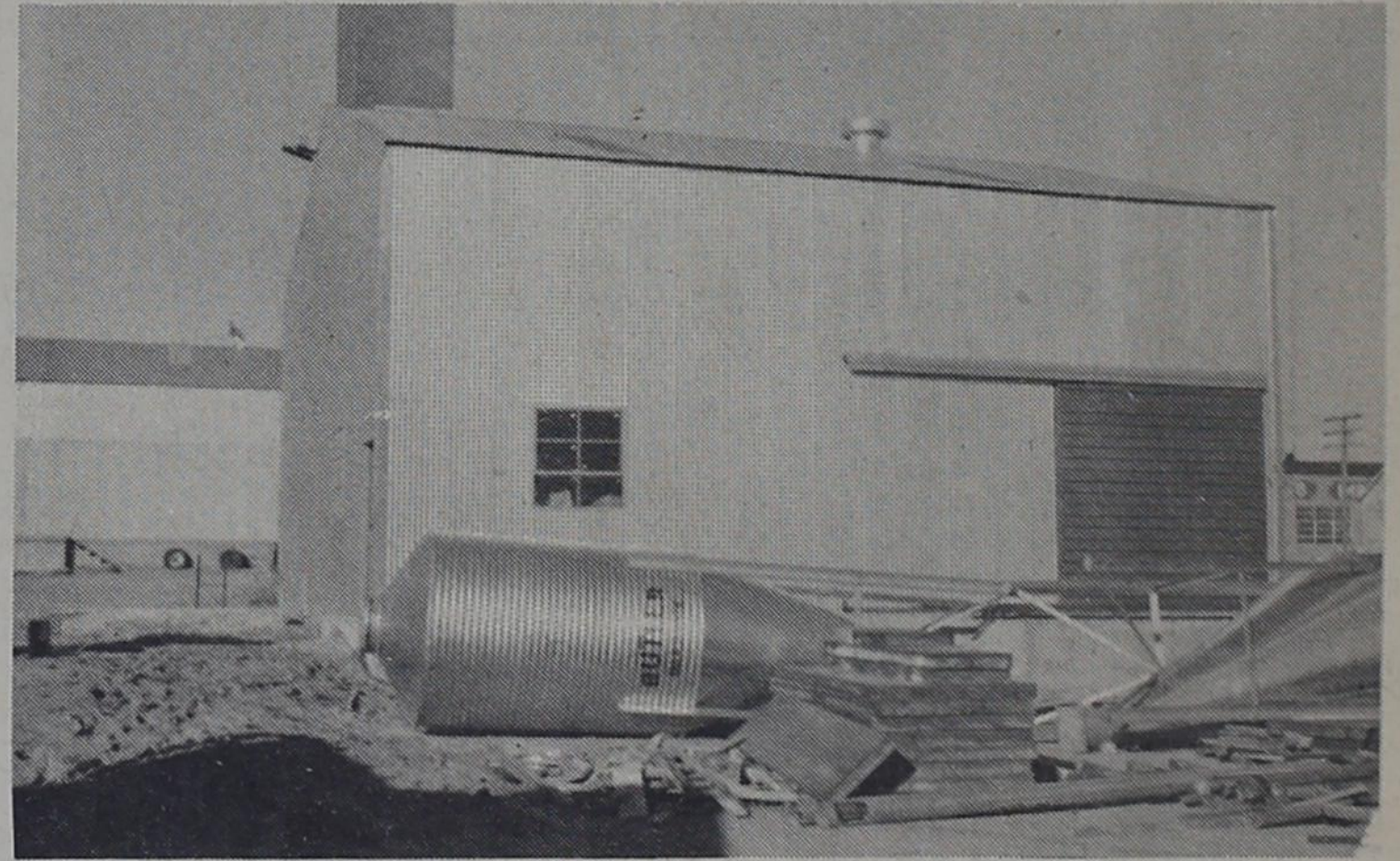
From studies of several programs, Massey-Ferguson researchers point out that it pays a dairyman to take a little time to study cows in the herd for weak points and then make a careful selection of bulls. Good records are essential for this program--DHIA owner-sample or weigh-a-day-a-month will show which cows are making money.

Just because one particular bull has become popular doesn't mean that's the bull you should use on every cow in your herd. The qualities of that bull may not be what you need to insure that your heifers are better than their dams. Instead, use your records and those of your breeding association to select the best bull for each cow.

Artificial breeding organizations have much information available on their bulls--HIR and DHIA records, official type classification of the bull's daughters and photographs. If you tie these pieces of information together, you shouldn't have much trouble finding the right bull for any particular cow.

If you are using young bulls that haven't yet been proven, choose one from a family that has demonstrated the strength to overcome the weakness of a particular cow. Chances are the calves will grow up to be better producers and will last longer than the majority of the cows in your present herd.

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1950's Revolutionary Decade For Parmer County Area Farms

BY W. H. GRAHAM JR.

Old Man Time has just put the wraps on the 50's. Looking back at them, they cannot be viewed as anything but an era of unparalleled progress in farming for the Parmer County area. This mid-century decade might well be remembered as the time of the Farming Revolution for local farmers.

It takes only a few moments to reflect on how things were 10 years ago -- and to compare them with what conditions are today. There is no more resemblance in today's farming picture and that of 1950 than there is between a supersonic jet and a piston-engine airplane of the second World War. They have one thing in common: they both depended upon aerodynamic principles to remain airborne.

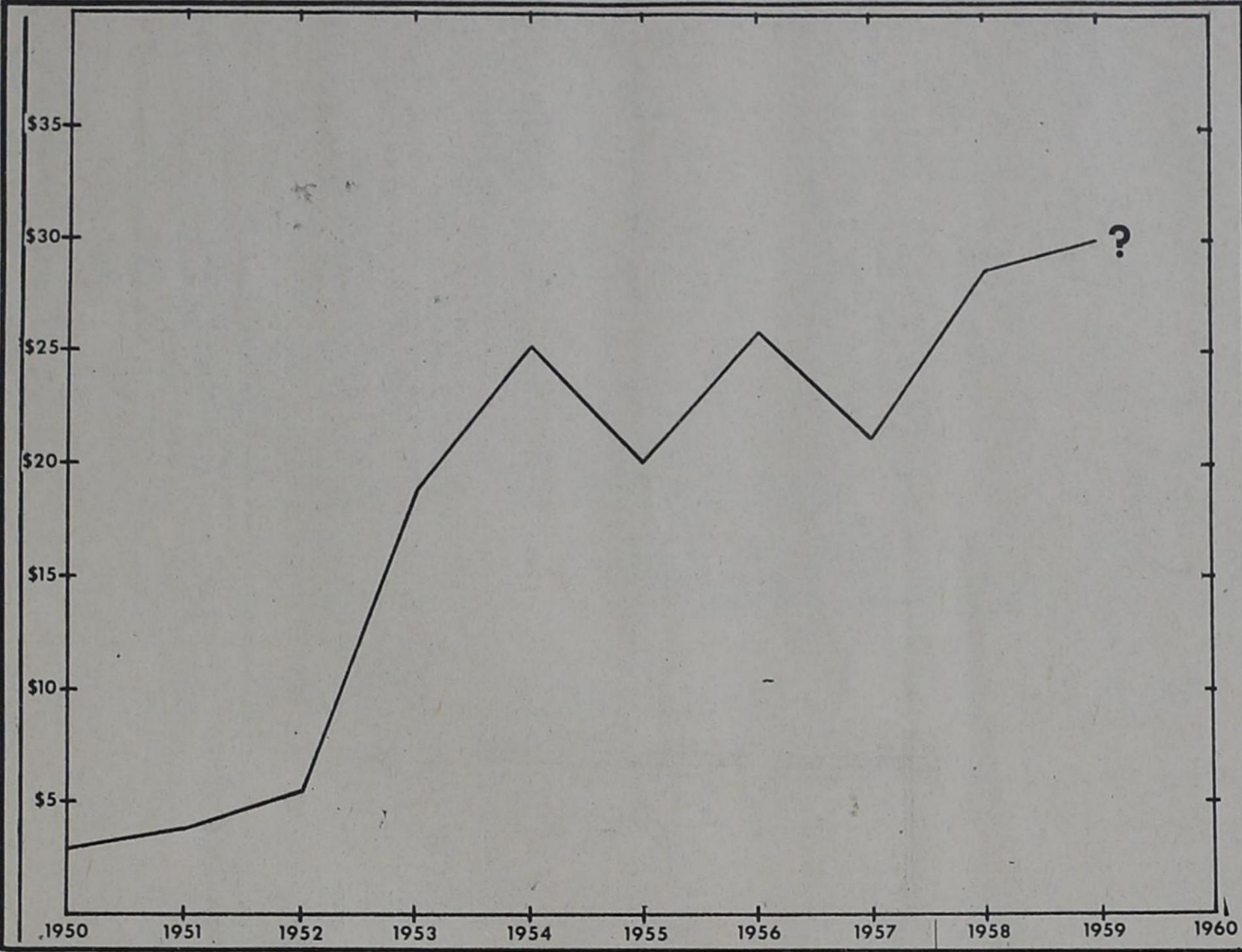
That's about the way with farming. Today, it still takes sunshine, a fertile soil, and water to raise a crop. The principles are unchanged, but look at what they've done to the methods! The changes that have been wrought have been both blessing and curse. They have been both salvation and damnation to the farmer, who used to think if he could just make a crop, everything would be all right. Today, making a crop is only half of the story, and nearly everybody has mastered that phase. What becomes of it after it is produced is now equally important.

Farmers who've been around for a generation, and who were swept along in the tide of the Farming Revolution on the Plains, sigh and admit that although they've managed to keep up so far, they hope that the next decade won't bring as many changes and dislocations as they've been subjected to in the 10 years just ended. They're not sure they could stand the strain.

Like many other phases of business today, the farming of the 50's brought a new opportunity for youth. "Young blood" is traditionally more willing to change and to adopt new ways. The pace of farming quickened considerably in the decade just ended, and it often demanded the vigor and strength of youth to cope with its demands. It took the ambition of youth to dare to invest (usually at the expense of a heavy personal debt) in this new way of farming. Setting irrigation tubes, getting up in the middle of the night, and handling farm help for long hours was a young man's job. In 1950, many of the middle-age farmers of the 30's and 40's, who had ridden out the dust bowl and the hectic days of farming during the war, found the game too fast for them and turned the reins over to younger, more able fellows. Many of these older farmers leased their places and moved to town.

The pivot of the 50's was the development of irrigation. There is not the slightest doubt of this. Were it not for the tremendous ground water resources of Parmer County and the High Plains, farming as we practice it today would be nonexistent. In fact, there is open speculation as to whether we'd even BE HERE, had it not been for the irrigation well, that came along just in the nick of time to break the drought and turn the 50's into a decade of progress instead of 10 years of depression on the Plains. With all the problems that beset agriculture today, no one will deny that these problems would have been rendered insignificant by the problem of what would have become of all of us had there been no irrigation water under our dry farmlands in the 50's.

Accompanying this article is a graph prepared by Farm and Home which gives some idea of the expansion of the farming industry in Parmer County in the past decade. Admittedly, figures are estimates. Starting with 1954 they begin to be pretty



A DECADE OF PROGRESS AND CHANGE is mirrored in this graph prepared by Farm and Home. The 1950's started off on the "thin" side with a year's farm income of about \$3 million. By time the decade ended, the county gross had swelled to ten times that size. Figures by the year: 1950, \$3 million; 1951, \$4 million; 1952, \$6 million; 1953, \$18 million; 1954, \$25 million; 1955, \$21 million; 1956, \$26 1/4 million; 1957, \$21 3/4 million; 1958, \$29 million; 1959, \$30 million.

accurate summaries of farm income, however, and up through 1959 they can be relied on for a reasonable degree of accuracy. The first three years of the decade, statistics were incomplete. However, purely for purposes of comparison, the estimates can be regarded as satisfactory. It appears that the farm income of Parmer County increased from about \$3 million to \$30 million in a 10-year span. This ten-fold increase is attributable to several factors, but none so imposing as the irrigation well, as already mentioned.

The decade of the 50's ushered in a seven-year drought. Its effect was hardly noticed, though, after large scale irrigation had become a reality. Looking back 10 years, in 1950, county farms were still geared to a "wheat economy." We depended on rainfall for our prosperity. If it rained, everybody was happy. If it didn't, we struggled on as best we could and talked of "next year" when surely it would rain again. The wheat farms were big, and were farmed by few people. There isn't much labor required for wheat farming, as it is man's most mechanized crop. As the 50's came on, we were planting around 200,000 acres of wheat. In 1950, we bothered to harvest only 35,000 acres, and that yielded only about five bushels to the acre. It was a "miss" year.

This was repeated, with slight variations, in 1951 and 1952, but in those years there was a stirring among farm folks that hadn't been heard before. They were watching their neighbors to the east and southeast, who were making big crops whether it rained or not. These neighbors were sinking irrigation wells and boosting "normal" yields two and three times. Could it be done here? Farmers wondered. Some wondered, but others began to find out. Actually, there were about 300 wells already drilled when the decade started. Most of these were in the southern and north-eastern part of the county. It seemed plausible that wells elsewhere would produce.

Installing an irrigation well involved a pretty sizeable capital expenditure, but the money, in most cases, was readily available. Institutions, such as life insurance companies, banks and private individuals advanced the loans, and the rush was on. The idea caught on like wildfire, and driller's derricks popped up like windmills all over the county. At times there were as many as ten wells being drilled and equipped each day. These boom times began in 1951 and the biggest push was in 1952 and 1953. By 1954,

the boom levelled off, as all the choice quarters had been developed. That year, Parmer County topped 2,000 irrigation wells, and until today has added only about another 500.

Even though wheat was being grown under an allotment program, acreage went begging after the development of irrigation. The reason was three-fold. (1) The weather was drouthy, and normal crops couldn't be produced. (2) Wheat wouldn't respond to irrigation water as grain sorghum and cotton would. (3) Irrigation wells were needed for these other two crops -- which made lots more money -- anyway. As can be seen by the graph, times were looking wonderfully rosy in 1953 and 1954. The income was headed straight up, and hopes for unheard-of prosperity were traveling right alongside.

Time ran out on this Cinderella episode in 1954. The stage was set the year before when severe controls on the new boom money crop -- irrigated cotton -- were declared and acreage reduced from over 100,000 to about 65,000. Then, 1954 also set the stage for trouble with grain sorghum. That was the first year of a big break in price levels since World War II days.

The early freeze of 1955 made a lot of farmers wish for the old days. Late irrigation of cotton made the crop a sitting duck for adverse weather conditions, and the result couldn't have been much worse. Parmer County's young cotton farmers learned a lesson the hard way that year.

In 1956, the economy was on the upswing again, even though cotton acreage continued to decline under the government control program. A bumper year for both cotton and grain sorghum put smiles back on farmers' faces. Besides, they were learning how to irrigate wheat and make money doing it, and also began to come up with some of the first big-acreage high yields of grain sorghum. When irrigation first began, most farmers made from 2,000 to 2,500 pounds of milo with their irrigation wells. In 1956, they began to hit 3,000 and

some 4,000 pounds on large acreages. Today, the average is well over 4,000, and some farmers make as high as 7,000 pounds on hundreds of acres at a time.

In 1957, farm income fell back again under pressure of the worst harvest season the Plains can remember. It was wet and cold, and windy for six straight weeks. The cotton crop

was hit the hardest, but disease and lodging struck at the big grain sorghum crop too, pinching back what had promised to be one of the better years, judging from prospects. Income was estimated at \$21,735,000 for 1957.

Good times returned in 1958, when a favorable growing season--the most that could be hoped for on all crops--helped

Parmer County farmers bounce back with a gross farm income of \$29 million. And in 1959, the income pushed ahead another notch to \$30 million, mainly on the strength of a grain sorghum crop that stretched the imaginations of even the people of the High Plains. This was especially significant because it was the first time that farmers had not seen their gross drop during an "off" year for cotton. They held their own, and then a little, because of their enormously successful efforts at growing grain sorghum.

The worst thing that could come from such a study as this is to assume that all is well on Parmer County farms, and that everybody is making more money than ever, and that folks are all happy. It doesn't work out that way. Of the more than 1000 farmers in Parmer County, it's extremely doubtful if it would be possible to find one who thinks he is getting an adequate -- or fair -- return for his investment, time and effort, in farming. The cost of operating a farm is higher than ever before. Prices for everything farmers consume keep inching up. And the price they get (per unit) in the marketplace is headed down.

This has resulted in the most serious price-cost pincers the farmer has ever faced. This era might well be called an era of "profitless prosperity." Big crops are being raised and a lot of money is changing hands. But precious little of it is staying in the farmer's pocket after all the bills have been paid.

This trouble has been building up for five years. It is a problem rooted in economics and politics, and for the layman, it's hard to find where the business leaves off and the politics begins. Local farmers don't have any more idea where it will all end than do the legislators and economists, who hit the headlines almost daily but in years of trying haven't come

up with a workable solution. All the typical Parmer County family farmer can do is just to go on doing the best he can, and hope to hang onto things until conditions improve. His farming is more nearly like a highly competitive business than ever before. He knows that he must not only be productive, but that he must be efficient to survive. He knows that raising a crop is not enough. He knows that he will have to play all the "angles," including cost-cutting, tax juggling, and management devices, that are at his command. He knows that the next generation of farmers will see the ones with brains separated from the ones with brawn. It will be grey matter -- not muscles -- that will survive to enjoy the 1960's.

Since expenses have almost caught up with income for many farmers -- and already have done so with a few -- one might well wonder if anything good can come of such conditions. It probably isn't the most popular thing to say, but there are some stimulating effects to be had from an expanding farm economy, even though the net spendable income might be static, or nearly so. For one thing, it is not money, but its interchange, that makes time prosperous or hard. The more people that share in the distribution of wealth, the greater the economic stimulation.

As the agricultural plant continues to expand in Parmer County, there is an ever-increasing need for goods and services to keep that plant going. More machinery, more fertilizer, more seed, and more labor is required to continue the trend. Consequently, more people get to "handle" the \$30 million that is in circulation. This might be crudely illustrated in another way by saying that it is more beneficial to a community to have 1,000 persons earning \$10,000 a year than it would be to have 100 persons earning \$100,000 a year. The businesses and people required to serve the needs of

POLITICAL CALENDAR

The Parmer County newspapers have been authorized to announce the candidacies of the following persons, subject to the action of the first Democratic Primary May 7, 1960.

- FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE, 96th Legislative Dist.:
Jesse Osborn (Re-Election)
- FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY of the 154th Judicial Dist.:
Bill Sheehan (Re-Election)
- FOR SHERIFF of Parmer County:
Chas. Lovelace (Re-Election)
- FOR ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR of Parmer County:
Lee Thompson (Re-Election)
- FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY of Parmer County:
Hurschel Harding (Re-Election)
- FOR COMMISSIONER of Precinct No. 1:
Wesley Hardesty
E. G. Phipps (Re-Election)
- FOR COMMISSIONER of Precinct No. 3:
Guy Cox

the 1000 persons would be far greater than those required for the 100.

No one knows what the next ten years will bring. It is doubtful, though, that they can produce more change than was seen on the farms of the Parmer County area than the 10 years just ended. Time will tell.

Be careful of bargains! Too often, they are not worth the money you put into them.

For some members of the journalistic profession the word should be spelled "e-dito-r."

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December 31, 1959

Assets

Cash and U.S. Government Bonds	\$ 3,295,254.25
First Mortgage Real Estate Loans	20,871,810.90
Loans to Members Secured by their	
Shares in Association	364,879.10
Furniture, Fixtures	51,385.60
Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank	345,700.00
Office Sites and Buildings	132,391.60
Other Assets	22,828.41
Total	\$25,084,249.86

Liabilities

Capital (Member's Shares)	22,549,328.04
Loans in Process	39,250.17
Payments by Borrowers for Taxes, Insurance, etc.	213,986.61
Other Liabilities	2,078.02
Specific Reserves	3,683.72
Reserve for Unearned Discount	15,567.62
Reserves and Surplus	2,260,355.68
Total	\$25,084,249.86

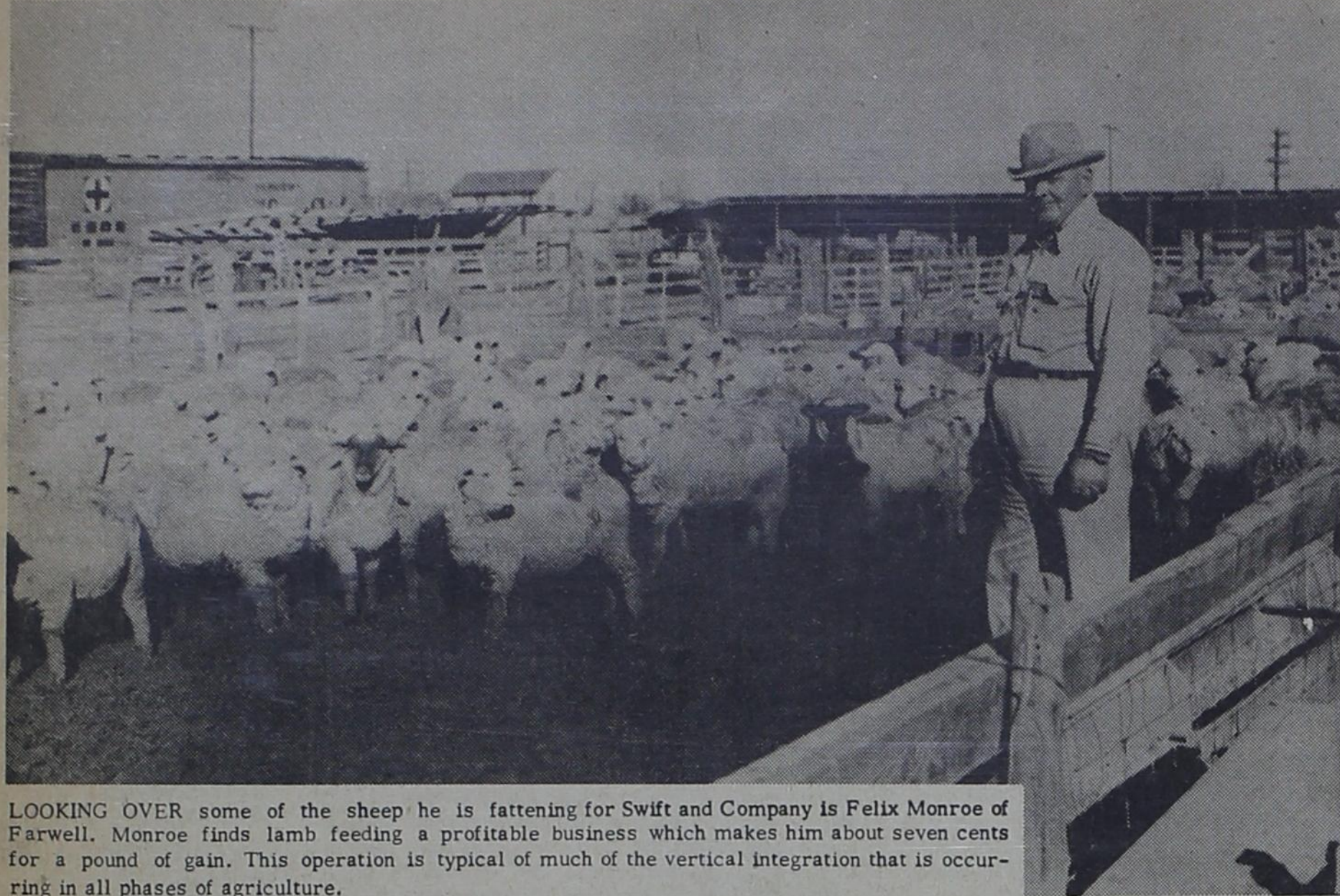
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LOOKING OVER some of the sheep he is fattening for Swift and Company is Felix Monroe of Farwell. Monroe finds lamb feeding a profitable business which makes him about seven cents for a pound of gain. This operation is typical of much of the vertical integration that is occurring in all phases of agriculture.



MOSE GLASSCOCK is typical of many Farmer county area farmers who have turned to sheep raising and feeding to supplement their present agricultural activities. Glasscock operates a mother-herd. At his farm two miles south of Farwell he has 270 ewes with about 175 baby lambs on the ground.

Vertical Integration Shows In County Sheep

Today, vertical integration in agriculture has reached an unprecedented scale, going into almost every phase of it. This type of operation seems to be the coming thing in Farmer county area agriculture, too. One person affected by this relatively new philosophy of farming is Felix Monroe of Farwell. Monroe, who operates a feed lot, is under contract with Swift and Company to fatten lambs. The company provides the stock and Monroe does only the fattening.

says the sheep are weighed when they are shipped out by Swift. "They pay me 20 cents for a pound of gain." He estimates his cost at about 4 cents a day on each of the lambs for about one-third pound gain or about 12 or 13 cents a pound for a profit of 7 or 8 cents. "For seven days, I cut out any lambs I think would not make anything." At the end of the seven-day grace period, Swift picks up the lambs Monroe culls out. "Swift stands the death loss for a week." He has not experienced any difficulty with

sheep dying. "About 90 days is the average time for fattening a lamb." He presently has a herd of about 300 on hand that have been in the lots for 75 days. Monroe runs about 160 sheep in a 20 by 83 foot lot with two salt troughs and two water troughs and feeds the animals twice a day, all they will eat. "They are eating a good 60 per cent by weight of ground grain and alfalfa." He also adds a drug to prevent rheumatism. Monroe says sheep will develop rheumatism more seriously than people do. "We are having less death loss on the herd during the winter."

Moisture's Wonderful; Wheat Looking Great

Snows and rain since December 1 have boosted wintertime moisture conditions in the Farmer County farming area to a level seldom surpassed. In fact, residents are recalling this as the best "underground" winter season in the past 10 years. The wheat is showing this ample soil moisture condition by putting on lots of green, and to date, it's impossible to tell the irrigated from the dryland wheat, there has been such an abundance of moisture. It isn't so much the quantity of water that has come in the form of rain, sleet, and snow. It's the way it has been distributed. Nearly all has arrived in the most gentle fashion any farmer could hope for. Evap-

oration is very low at this time of the year, and runoff has been virtually nonexistent. The moisture has gone straight down. This deep-down wetting condition has kept farmers from their fields for several weeks, but they aren't complaining. There's plenty of time to do plowing later, and the moist-plowing later, and the moisture is just what the doctor ordered after a dry fall. Farmer County farmers have seeded about 95,000 acres of wheat this year, and there is probably somewhere around 80,000 planted under an irrigated program. Some watering had been done before the moisture came, but for the most part, farmers have escaped the mid-

winter chore--a chilly one--of irrigating their wheat. The snow and rain has been great for open fields, too. Tests over long periods of time have shown conclusively that the Plains soil profile can store a surprising amount of moisture and have it ready for crop use in the spring. Pre-irrigation has been a widespread practice as this fact made its impression on farm management. A little bit more moisture and the traditional spring pre-irrigation might not be necessary. Moisture is at an adequate level now, and it wouldn't take a whole lot of rain or snow to keep it that way.

An old Scotsman was operating a small rowboat for transporting passengers across one of the little lakes in Scotland. One day a passenger noticed that he had carved on one oar the word "Faith" and on the other oar the word "Works." Curiosity led him to ask the meaning of this. The old man said, "I will show you." He dropped one oar and plied the other called "Works," and just went around in circles. Then he

dropped that oar and began to ply the one called "Faith", and the little boat went around in circles again -- this time the other way around. After this demonstration the old man picked up both "Faith" and "Works" and, plying both oars together, sped swiftly over the water, explaining to his inquiring passengers, "You see, that is the way it is in life as well as in the boat."

A New Year's Editorial—

QUIT NEEDLING US

By Dr. George D. Scarseth, Director of Research, American Farm Research Association, West Lafayette, Indiana

Our American economic cow started sucking herself about twenty-five years ago. Dr. Uncle Sam gave her a shot of inflation opium every time she complained of economic pain. Now, the high cost of living has us all sick.

THE MEDICINE is not more money, higher wages, higher corn prices, strikes, subsidies, or controls. The cure is not in the symptoms of cost-price squeezes, higher wages, or more visits and prescriptions from Dr. U. Sam.

THE CURE is in the diagnosis which indicates that nobody is going to get something for nothing much longer. The illness is widespread and chronic.

THE RECOVERY will be painful, but, with healing health of less dependence on Dr. Sam, the aches will be worth the cure. Many won't even recover; these will take special attention and treatment.

THE FARMERS of America were caught in the national habit of taking the needle. Now, a lot of hard pressed farmers know it's bad medicine to resort to the needle; it's not a cure.

THE FARMERS of our thirteen colonies showed the world the price they were willing to pay to be free from orders and unfair treatment. Today our American farmers should have the gratitude of the nation that they are ready to forsake the needle-cure and travel again the stony road of retaining freedom. However, there are farmers who do not agree with this.

THE DISCIPLINES that are in the natural laws, so close to a farmer, are still the balance of influence that shapes the character of a nation. The farmer is becoming less numerous when the vote is counted; thus, politically he has become a pawn.

LET'S STOP playing a political game where the so-called Farm Problem cannot be solved. Perhaps we have no Farm Problem, but we do have many Farmers With Problems—these problems must be diagnosed and solved individually.

THE "FARM PROBLEM" is the problem of all Americans. A sick economy can't be cured the needle way. The chance to invest wisely or unfortunately and to enjoy a profit or suffer a loss in a free field of competition is not easy, but it has done well by us and others, before we started using dope.

WE CAN HAVE higher prices via government or other controls and have commodities too high priced to move in competition. Then we can dump these surpluses on the world markets and hold peace with military might. The difference will show in taxes.

NOW INFLATION from deficit spending has spiraled costs upward. Artificial stimulation for farm production has our warehouses bursting. Efficiency, made possible by science and engineering, has made the surpluses greater. We could kill off progress by cutting off research so as to have less, and become dependent on the government opiate.

THE FARM ILLNESS has put our best farmers in peril, and those who can't become efficient are lost. American consumers have a stake in a healthy food producing industry. Socializing it has not been a solution elsewhere.

IT'S TIME we face the facts of our illness and start to apply ourselves to basic principles that operate, even when society is wrong.

THERE IS no substitute for efficiency. Hard work, risk, year-around employment, some aches and pains are part of the price to be free from the needle.

Monroe is using his own feed and buying from elevators and farmers.

The herd in his lots now has been shipped in from Friona, Muleshoe, San Angelo and Roswell. Monroe's lots are located east of the Sherley-Anderson-Pitman Grain Co. in Farwell.

In contrast to the highly integrated program Monroe is involved in, is Mose Glasscock whose farm is two miles south of Farwell.

Glasscock is utilizing sheep raising to supplement his other farming. This is the second year he has operated a mother-herd setup.

"It seems to be going to work out well with farming operations," he says. He purchased his original registered herd from Elmer Teel in Texico-Farwell about two years ago.

"We have about 270 ewes with about 175 baby lambs on the ground now.

"So far we have not had much trouble with death loss. We lost about 15 lambs with pneumonia, but we drench every spring for parasites."

The price of lambs last year ran about 17-18 cents, but Glasscock says he hasn't been raising sheep long enough to tell what kind of profit he is making.

"I think it is a good business if a farmer can graze some. I graze a lot. So far it has worked out fine for me."

Glasscock utilizes a feed lot set up as well as pasture.

ERASER DUST

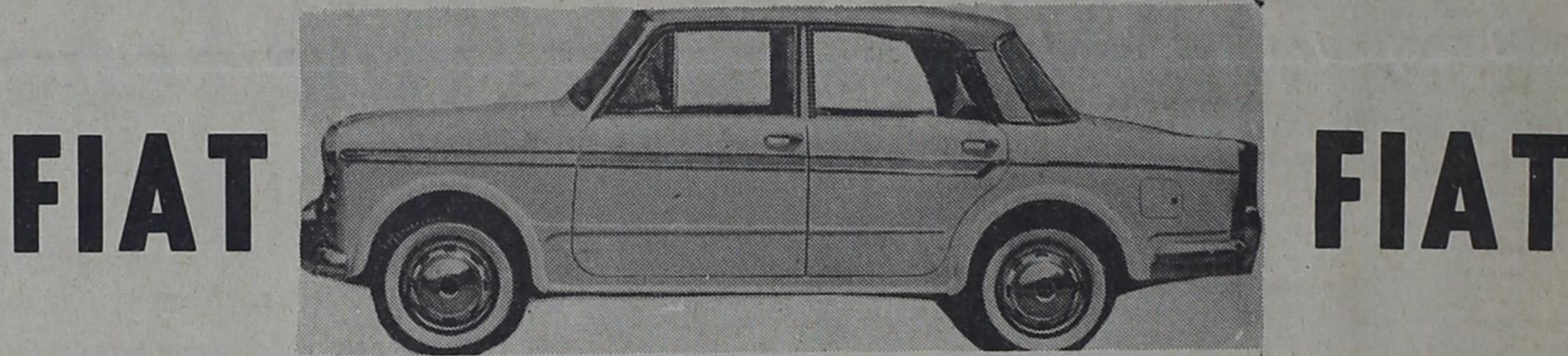
The dam burst, and the raging flood quickly forced the townspeople to flee to the hills.

As they gazed sadly at their flooded homes, they saw a straw hat float gently downstream for about 50 feet. Then it stopped, turned around and plowed slowly upstream against the rushing water. After 50 feet, it turned and moved downstream again. Then upstream again. Then downstream again.

"Say," said one of the townsfolk, "what makes that hat act so funny?"

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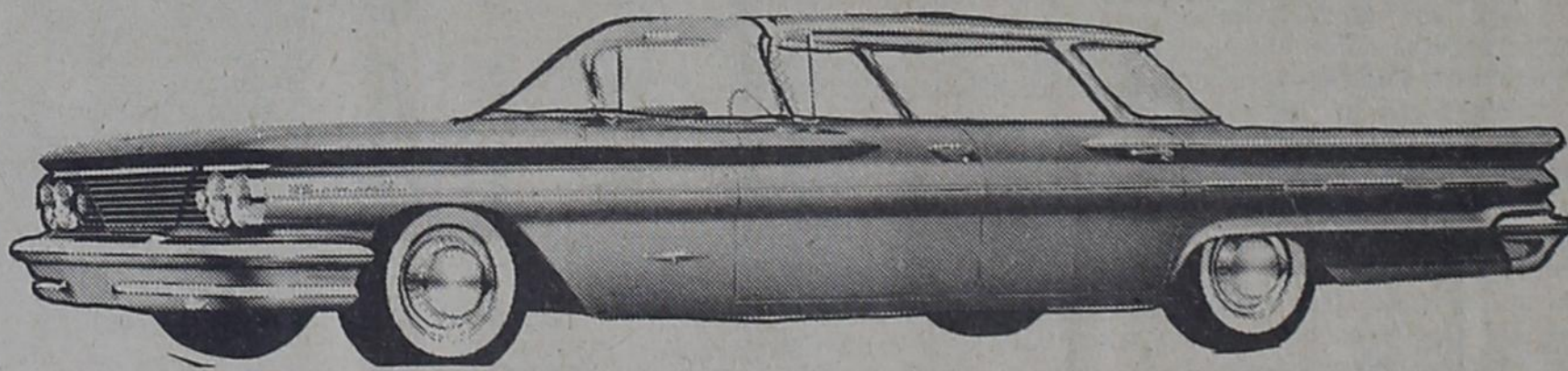
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