

WHITTLIN'

BY DOLPH MOTEN

We're against unsigned letters. However, that doesn't keep newspapers from receiving them as The Blade did last week. Ordinarily, we don't publish letters which aren't signed. We will publish the letter unsigned if we know who the writer is. But because of the nature of the most recent one, we're going to publish it here, in this column. The lack of readers it will get here will be punishment for the writer not signing his name.

Here's the letter in question:

Dear Dolph, Wonder how many compliments you have heard concerning the teachers sending some of the students home to dress? Have any of the patrons been nice enough to commend them for up-holding the laws of the school?

Or perhaps the teachers are to blame for the students leaving home in shorts.

The parents certainly knew the school ruling, for it was published in The Blade in early fall.

I, for one, want to say that I think the teachers have done a marvelous job with the students considering the handicap that they have been working under.

They could have done some better if they had had the cooperation of the parents.

I would like to commend Mr. Morton and the faculty for the wonderful way they have held the affairs on the level. I believe that the teachers would work with the parents and the children if given a fair chance.

Yours for better homes, schools, community and country; not accomplished with a divided country-men.

Interested

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Marot, who opened their private swimming pool to the public last summer, are concerned about what to do about it this summer.

They are not interested in operating a public swimming pool. They feel like, and understandably so, that such an operation is out of their line. On the other hand, however, they don't have the heart, and understandably so, to tell people who want to use their pool "No."

To operate the pool on a commercial basis requires a lot of time. But the time required is almost insignificant compared to the amount of responsibility that goes with such an operation.

So, the Marots are interested in hearing suggestions on what to do with the pool. They are considering offering it to a civic club as a project for the summer.

The pool might not be the money-making project in town, but it would be a great community service, in our opinion. If you're on a civic club project committee or have a good suggestion to make regarding the pool, call us or the Marots. They'll appreciate your suggestions.

Since the community doesn't yet have a pool, it would be a shame to close this one for public use... since the Marots are willing for it to be used by the public. Let us know what YOU think.

It's our understanding that another dry goods store is coming to Bovina.

We missed an opportunity to talk to owners of the proposed business last week. It's scheduled to be in the building on Main Street formerly occupied by Sew and Save. The building is owned by Bill Moore.

The new lease goes into effect April 15, according to our understanding.

The new business people are from Lubbock and operate similar stores there. A. J. Barton, Super Saveway man, tells us. He was acquainted with them when he was living in the South Plains Capitol.

We'll probably have some definite information next week.

Ernest's Auto Clinic, Bovina's official state vehicle inspection station, is literally covered up with vehicles which need to have 1960 stickers on their windshields by deadline time. That's

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AT BANQUET--

FFA Gives Award To Lions President

Wendol Christian, Bovina farmer, was awarded an honorary chapter farmer degree at the Fourth Annual Parent-Son FFA Banquet Saturday night.

Man Hurt In Shop Accident

Robert Murray of Bovina was injured in a blacksmith shop accident here Thursday afternoon.

An employee of Kerby Welding Service, Murray suffered severe burns when a gas barrel he was using as a pattern blew up. The blast knocked Murray some eight or 10 feet, according to Al Kerby, owner of the business. Kerby was out of the shop at the time of the accident.

The injured man was taken to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona by Gene Hall. He came home Saturday, but won't be able to go back to work for several days.

Christian is president of Lions Club and was given the award for his contribution to the projects show and overall program of Bovina's chapter of Future Farmers.

Lions Club sponsors the local show and Christian presented awards to boys whose animals

won in the show, which was held last month.

Jerry Rigdon, chapter treasurer, listed the accomplishments of Bovina FFA boys this year. He pointed out that the chapter had 61 projects that produced an income of \$16,866.93. He also told of the chapter's money raising efforts, including selling birthday calendars and fire

extinguishers.

Speaker was Edwin (Goose) Ramey whose talk was humorous and centered on his experience with Canadian Wild Geese.

"It took 17 years to get the first wild goose to lay in Castro County," Ramey recalled.

Toastmaster was Buddy

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CHAPTER DEGREE AWARDED--John Sikes awards the honorary FFA Chapter Farmer degree to Wendol Christian. Presentation was at the annual FFA Banquet Saturday night.

FOR JULY 4 DRAWING--

Firemen Sell Boat Chances

Bovina firemen will give away a boat and trailer at the annual Fourth of July picnic this summer.

Firemen are selling chances on the boat for \$1 each.

Free barbecue will be provided by the department at the picnic also.

The 15-foot fiber glass Yellow Jacket boat and trailer will be on display at different places on Main Street from now until the July celebration.



DREAM BOAT-- Fire Chief Otho Hammonds, left, and Fireman James Taylor examine the boat and trailer to be given away at Bovina's July 4th celebration.

APRIL 17-24--

Baptists Set Spring Revival

First Baptist Church of Bovina will have a spring revival next week.

Announcement of the special services was made this week by Rev. John Ferguson, pastor of the church.

The week-long series of

Attorney At Board Meeting

Bovina School Attorney John Aiken met with board of trustees at their regular session Monday night.

His visit was for primary purposes of getting acquainted with members of the board, according to Superintendent Warren Morton.

Leonard Dopp was hired by the board as a janitor. He replaces James Wheeler, who resigned.

A special session was slated for tonight (Wednesday). Board members will elect teachers for 1960-'61 at the called meeting.

The board and the attorney also discussed the school's tax structure in the Monday night session.

In routine business, last month's bills were voted to be paid and minutes of last meeting were approved.

MOTHER ILL IN NEVADA

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Carson returned home Friday from Las Vegas, Nev., where they visited with his mother who has been ill.

OWENS RECOVERING FROM SURGERY

Don Owens underwent surgery Thursday in Clovis Memorial Hospital. He was able to return home Sunday afternoon and is reported to be recovering nicely.

WEATHER

BY WILLIE

As usual--April showers are here.

--Willie

500 See Minstrel Show Friday Night

An enthusiastic crowd of over 500 persons laughed their way through two hours of

"colorful" entertainment Friday night at the Lions Minstrel Show.

School Dismisses

Bovina Schools will be dismissed at regular time Thursday afternoon for Easter weekend, Superintendent Warren Morton says.

There will be no school Friday. However, classes will be as usual Monday.

"Some years we take two holidays for Easter and some years one," Morton says. "This year we'll only have Friday off since we're on a tight schedule because of missed days early this year."

Proceeds from the show were expected to reach nearly \$400 when money from advance ticket sales was counted. About \$350 was taken in at the door. Variety was a strong point of the lengthy show with numerous special acts mingled into the regular minstrel routine.

Music and drama were also featured in the production.

Other features included a rock-and-roll band, trio, quartet, two beatniks and dancers.

Proceeds from the show will be used by the Lions Club to carry out its community programs for the year, including little league baseball this summer.

IN DISTRICT CONTESTS--

Bovina Makes Good Showing At Happy

Rex Cumpston won first place in boys sub-junior declamation at Happy Friday. Lynda Hemke placed second in girls sub-junior declaiming.

In story telling events at Happy, Johnny Charles was third place winner.

Connie Vaughan was first place winner in grade school declamation. Lee Terry took second place honors for Bovina in this event.

Philip Lloyd placed fourth in number sense events.

In competition on junior high level, Dixie Hartzog was second place winner in girls declamation. Ken Horn placed third in boys declamation.

Carole Hammonds was second place winner in senior high declamation.

Marilyn Brandon placed third in poetry reading.

Jerry Rigdon and Arnold Kreigel placed fourth in boys high school spelling.

Verna Marie Estes won a

second place ribbon with the slide rule and Arnold Kreigel placed fourth.

On fifth and sixth grade level spelling, Irene Thornton and Margie Carter brought home a second place ribbon.

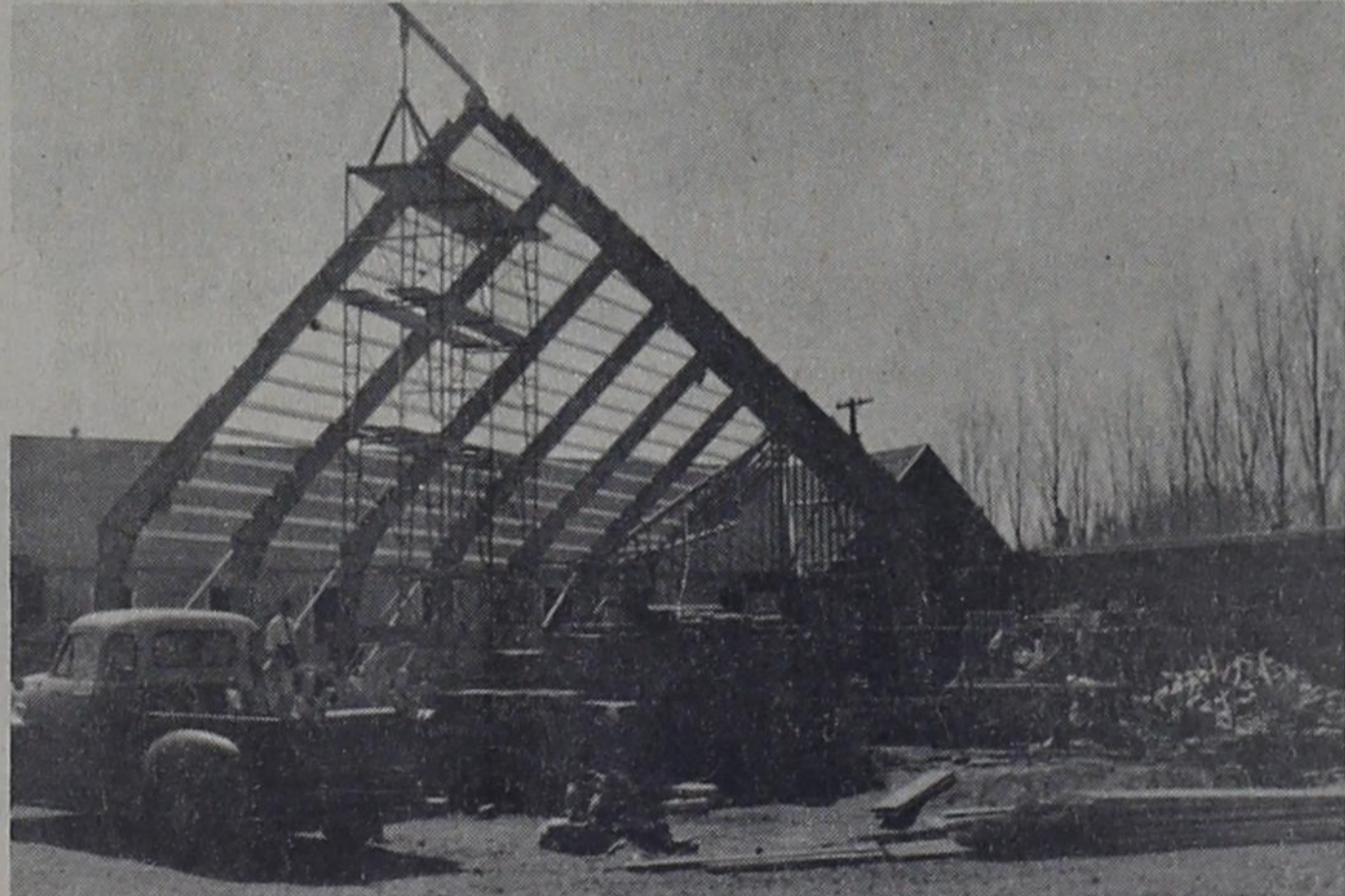
Kay Embree and Ann Lynn Wilson won third place honors on seventh and eighth grade spelling.

In picture memory Bovina's team placed second. Those on the team were Janie Lou Hawkins, Karen Beauchamp, Kreig Wilson, Gail Boyd, Wayne Davies, and Suzanne Ferguson.

Brenda Jones won fourth place in extemporaneous speaking.

The Bovina typing team of Brenda Jones and Cynthia Patterson placed third.

Grade and high school ready writing winners will not be known until Wednesday. Those entering these events were Kathy Jones, Mary Joyce Webb and Virginia Embree.



BAPTIST CHURCH CONSTRUCTION--Last week workers on First Baptist Church made an impressive showing when they put the exposed ceiling beams into place. Monday of this week bricklayers began laying bricks for the exposed walls.

AT DISTRICT CONTESTS--

Ezell Shatters Discus Record

Roger Ezell hurled the discus 142' 8" in district track competition Saturday to set a new record in the event and lead Bovina to a third place finish. The old mark was 132 feet.

Ezell's spectacular effort proved to be the only first place brought home by the Mustangs but the Ponies had enough second, third and fourth places to tally 81 1/3 points.

Lazbuddie surprised no one in winning the meet with a whopping 204 points. Happy took second place with 92 points.

First and second place athletes in each event will advance

to the regional meet in Lubbock April 23.

Olen Johnston, running in place of the injured Don Caldwell, took second in the mile with a time of 5:20. Caldwell chipped a bone in his elbow Wednesday afternoon when the vaulting pole broke. Johnston was scheduled to run the 880 until the accident.

The mile relay team, composed of Ezell, James Clayton, Buddy Turner and Bill Strawn raced to a second place.

Ezell also took second place in shot put with a 40'-10"

heave. Teammate John Sikes was third with a 39' 31/2" toss.

Strawn placed fourth in 180 yard low hurdles, fourth in high jump and fifth in discus with a 100'-5" effort.

Ezell took fourth place in pole vault.

The 440 relay team missed one notch advancing to regional, finishing third. Running on the team were Ezell, Turner, Sikes and Johnston.

James Clayton placed fourth in the half mile, with Bobby Ellison two notches back in sixth place.

Tabor Takes Office

Emmett Tabor, newly elected mayor, took the oath of office Thursday, as outgoing mayor J. E. Sherrill presided at his final city commission meeting.

Commissioners canvassed the election returns and approved them.

Tabor was elected by a 3-1 majority over write-in candidate C. R. Elliott. One hundred and ninety-five voted in an unexpectedly heavy turnout.

Elliott polled 47 votes to 148 for Tabor.

Tabor, a longtime resident of Bovina, operates a barber shop. He is a former city commissioner.



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Understanding Needed

There is dissatisfaction with Bovina school system. Dissatisfaction will always exist, regardless of how the school is operated, but there are definitely ways that criticism can be lessened.

Members of the school board and citizens have abandoned the roles each is supposed to play in running the school system.

First the board is supposed to represent the people of the school district, while conducting school business. They are to know what is going on at the school, why things are being done as they are and have a good idea of the general health and welfare of the entire school situation.

Citizens of the school district should also know what is going on and why. If some practice is adopted by the school which is contrary to their ideals, citizens should meet with the board, both privately and at regular meetings to present their case.

Both parties involved have failed to do an important thing that would ease tension in the present situation and would prevent other tension from building up so rapidly.

Citizens haven't taken the direct wholesome interest in the school that they should, until some controversy is begun. The school administration has not publicized its meetings well enough for citizens to make plans to be there.

It would be a good idea for the board to make known its meeting times and the agenda of business for the next meeting so that anyone who had an interest in the meeting could be there and participate.

J. V. S.

A Healy Sign

Congratulations are due 195 Bovina citizens who voted in Tuesday's mayor election.

It is a healthy sign to have such a large voting turnout for an election that contained no distinct issues or serious controversies. It is very easy to stay at home on election day, especially if voting is for a local issue.

The large turnout should stimulate the new mayor and the old city commission that Bovinans are vitally interested in how their city government is operated.

Knowing this makes the officials' jobs easier and induces them to pass rulings and approve spending that will keep this city progressing.

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Looney Tells Petitioners Side Of School Dispute

"Most of the persons who signed the petitions did so hoping it would improve the school, not to injure any person."

This statement was made recently by Howard Looney, a Bovina native who has circulated one of the petitions that was sent to Austin in an attempt to get an outside investigation of the school system.

"I asked people to sign with the purpose in mind of taking the petitions to school board members individually to let them know what we think should be changed in the school," Looney said.

Looney said that his main concern is with the way the school board has been abandoning its power. He indicated

that he doesn't blame Superintendent Warren Morton for acquiring the authority he now has but thinks he does have too much power.

"We are dissatisfied with the school, school board and superintendent," Looney said. "The school is sorer now than it has been at any time I've been here."

According to Looney there are two issues responsible for the dissatisfaction. One is lax disciplinary practices and the second is the unbusiness-like way school transactions are carried on.

"I don't think the discipline charges are very significant," he said. "Discipline wasn't mentioned by hardly any of the persons who signed."

"The school has no band, no paper, and no school spirit," Looney continued. "While these aren't the main points of dissatisfaction, they are important shortcomings in the school system."

"One of the main things we are aroused about is the fact that the amount contributed to the sinking fund each year has been reduced gradually ever since Mr. Morton (school superintendent) has been here. "This is hard to understand since the school has more money coming in now than ever. Currently the school has a gross income of about \$200,000 per year from state aid and local taxes. Seven years ago the school was operated on \$37,000."

"There were approximately 300 students then and are about 400 now so it is difficult to see why the yearly sinking fund allotment couldn't be maintained. Even with rising cost and a bigger school system, there seems to be enough difference between \$37,000 and \$200,000 to cover the increase and still maintain the sinking fund schedule."

"Shifting to the topic of financial records, Looney said he thought a state investigation would be good although he wouldn't expect investigators to uncover anything out of order."

"The petitions mentioned nothing about an audit of the records," Looney said. "If the state would check the books, it would probably wake up the board even if nothing was found out of order."

"The board lets Mr. Morton handle all class, athletic and other funds, with no method of checking."

"This situation isn't Mr. Morton's fault but rather the school boards."

"The annual audit of the school's records would not uncover misused funds if they exist. The newspapers are full of stories about bank and other employees who have been embezzling money for years yet never discovered by regular audits."

"It is the school board's responsibility to keep a check with how funds are handled

by the school and also to know something about the business. The present board hasn't done this."

"The bus foreman used to come before the board and present bills and information about the school's transportation branch. He hasn't met with the board in over six months and his bills are presented to the superintendent."

"The administration has let school buildings run down, especially the gymnasium. Some repairs and improvements should have been made last summer but nothing was done."

"We also believe that school buses should be used by the children without charge. The board recently passed a rule that classes or groups using bus transportation for an activity would have to pay 25 cents per student."

Looney said that several years ago, the school board was set up with each member on a committee, and responsible for the part of the school covered by that committee.

"There was a committee for finances, cafeteria and buildings. Every member of the board was responsible for being an expert on his assigned point that would be a good system to adopt now."

"If the state checked the system and found nothing out of the ordinary, it would stop some of the bad talk and rumors that are hurting the school."

"In 1952, a school board member wrote Austin and asked for an investigation of the school. The investigation was conducted in short order."

"We need another now, if for nothing else to clear up the gossip. The school board and superintendent have brought it all on and can stop it all if they want to."

"I don't think we could pick seven better men from the community than those on the school board, but they have not been doing their job. "They need something to wake them up."

SECOND IN ROW—

Colts, Frosh Sweep Happy Track Meet

Bovina freshmen and junior high athletes - dominated the track meet at Happy Saturday, both finishing in first place for the second year in succession.

Pat O'Brien, Don Cumpton and Jimmie Wright led the freshmen to the win, with Eddie Crump, Dennis Johnston and Larry Stowers showing the way for the grade schoolers.

Wright took first in the 75 yard dash, with Cumpton in fourth place.

O'Brien won the 100 yard dash with a 11.2. Wright, who ran a 11.0 in preliminaries, faltered slightly in the finals and took second place.

Other Bovina first places were in the 440 relay with Wright, O'Brien, Cumpton and Joe Jones lugging the baton to a 52.3 clocking.

Wright won the broad jump with a 17-10 effort. O'Brien was second and Cumpton third.

Jones won high jump, clearing 5-2. Ken Horn tied for second. Lowell Boozer took

second in the discus and Jones placed fourth.

Boozer also tied for third in pull-ups, and Cumpton placed fourth in shot put.

O'Brien finished second in the 50 yard dash and Cumpton fourth.

In the grade school division, Bovina tallied 30 points to 29 for Hart.

In grade school division, Crump won the 50 yard dash, placed fourth in broad jump and ran on the second place 440 relay team.

Stowers won the 75 yard dash, the 100, and placed second in shot put.

Dennis Johnston placed third in the 50, behind Crump and ran on the relay team.

Tally Kelso was the fourth member of the quarter mile team and also placed third behind Stowers in shot put.

Billy McCormick placed third in pullups and also placed in high jump.

One Civil Case In District Court

Only one case is on the docket for a jury list called Monday, April 18. This is a civil case in district court.

The contest has been appealed from a county court decision that was made in December of 1958. It is titled Arthur L. Bolton et al vs. Ruth Bolton Burk. It involves the estate of George Bolton, deceased, which is a quarter section of land near Farwell.

The plaintiffs are seeking to break the will governing disposition of the estate. They were unsuccessful in County Judge A. D. Smith's court, and they now have requested trial before a jury and a probate in district court.

On the jury list are the following: Mrs. Opal Bewley, Ernest Hillock, Raymond Sudderth, W. L. Blackstone, Joe Moore,

John Aduddell, Doyle Elliott, L. R. Vincent, Guy Cox, Oscar Baxter, Mrs. John Armstrong, John H. Burrows;

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A. O. Gast, William McKowan, Nat Reed, J. H. McDorman, Bedford Caldwell, Cary Joe Magness, Mrs. Billie Sudderth, Clay Henson, J. W. Brock, Charley Bainum, Dee Owens, and Joe Fallwell.

SCHEDULE BAKE SALE

St. Ann's altar society will have a bake sale Saturday, April 16. Anyone wishing home-made baked goodies is asked to keep this in mind.

TAKING SPRING VACATION

Dyalthia Bradshaw, who is teaching in Denver, Colo., is spending her Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Bradshaw, here.

HAVE DAY OF QUILTING

Bovina Church of Christ ladies quilted for the needy Tuesday. For lunch, Mrs. Charlie Jefferson prepared fried chicken and trimmings for the group.

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St. Ann's Observing Holy Week

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They began on Palm Sunday with the ancient blessing of the palms. This ceremony commemorates the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. Another highlight of this day is the reading of the passion according to St. Matthew.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday are preludes to Easter Sunday.

On Thursday, Catholics remember the institution of two sacraments; the Lord's Supper, and the sacrament of priesthood. The readings of the Mass

and services are from the Psalms and the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

On Good Friday the ceremonies commemorate the day of salvation--the crucifixion and death of Jesus.

On Holy Saturday there are ceremonies of the blessing of new fire--symbolizing Christ the light of the world, and the blessing of the baptismal water.

Fr. Declan cordially invites the public to share with them the ceremonies of these solemn days. Services will be at 5 p.m. Thursday, 3 p.m. Friday, 11 p.m. Saturday. Easter Sunday Mass will be observed at 10 a. m.

Mrs. Wilson To Present Music Students In Recital

Mrs. Doris Wilson will present vocal and piano students in a recital this Thursday evening in Fellowship Hall of Bovina Methodist Church at 8 p.m.

For the opening number of the program Harriette LouCharles will sing "Be Still And Know That I Am God" by Dungan.

Other vocal selections will be a duet by Charlotte Hromas and Kay Looney, "You Are Love" by Jerome Kern. Patricia Crawford will sing "Bless This House" by Brahe, followed by Vickie Hawkins playing a piano solo "March of the Toreadors" by Bizet.

Margaret Jo Venable will sing "Alice Blue Gown" by Tierney; Linda Johnston will sing "Bella Notte" by Burke; and Judy Crawford will play a piano solo "Smoke Rings" by Gifford.

Lynn Looney will vocalize "The Whiffenpoof Song" by Minnigerode with sister Kay harmonizing on the chorus.

Maureen Hammonds will sing "By The Waters of the Minnetonka" by Lieurance and "May The Good Lord Bless and Keep You" by Wilson.

Carole Kirkpatrick will sing "All In The Golden Afternoon" by Fain; Jerry Roach's vocal selection will be "Sylvia" by Oley Speaks; and Myrtice

Shockley will sing "It Is No Secret What God Can Do" by Hamblen.

A duet by Linda Johnston and Jerry Roach, "Rumors Are Flying" by Weiss, will follow. Kay Looney will sing "For You Alone" by Ceehl; and Jan Mor-ton will sing "He's Got The Whole World In His Hands" by Geoff Love.

"His Hand In Mine" by Lister is the number to be sung by Dennis Johnston. A duet by Sandra Brown and Judy Brown will follow, "Someone To Care" by Lister.

Harriette and Billy Charles will sing a duet, "Dream" by Mercer.

Jan Gromowski will sing "His Hands" by Hamblen followed by Dennis Johnston and Paula Kay Kerby singing a vocal duet "I Wanna Go Where You Go" by Mercer.

"I Heard A Forest Praying" will be sung by Judy Roach. Composer for this number is Peter DeRose.

The closing number of the recital will be a piano number by Paula Kerby, "The Organist" by Lamont.

A reception will follow with Mmes. J. D. Kirkpatrick and Arnold Hromas as hostesses. The public is welcome to attend.

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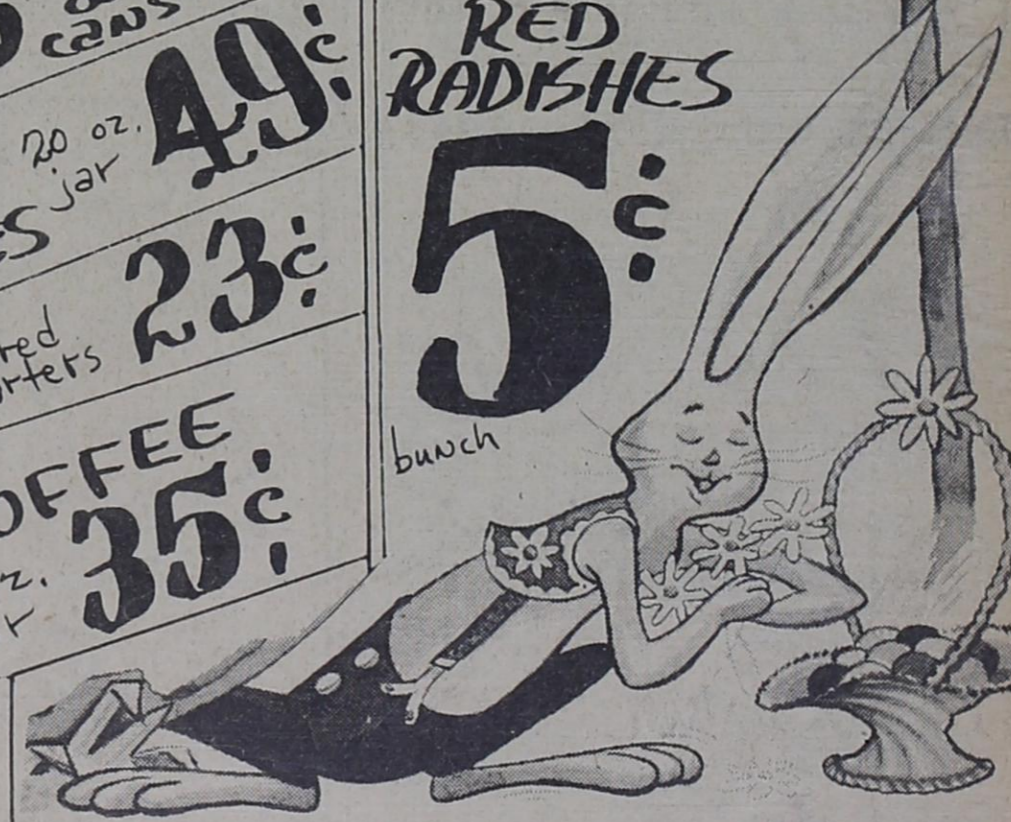
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THE HIGH PLAINS FARM AND HOME

Sprayplane Business Oldest, Largest

The largest sprayplane business in the Parmer County area has been operating for 13 years.

Owner operator of Benger Air Park airport and spraying business is Elvie Jennings, who came to Parmer County with his parents while only a boy and grew up near Lazbuddie.

Jennings says his business is named for the first Parmer County boy killed during World War II while serving as a pilot for the army.

Among the equipment Jennings uses in his spraying business are nine specially equipped planes which include two Stearman dusters, three P-18 sprayers, one combination that

can spray or dust, two Stearman sprayers and one new PA-24 agricultural airplane.

"I have tried to make it a policy to put one new sprayer on a year or to replace one piece of equipment," the flier-business man says.

Mixing equipment Jennings uses to prepare spraying chemicals include two 1000-gallon tanks with pumps and seven 500-gallon tanks with pumps.

Jennings has two 1 1/2 ton trucks with tanks and four pickups. Included in the physical layout of his airport are 214 acres, the shop and office, two large hangers and 16 T-hangers.

"During the spraying season, I generally have 3 pilots working beside myself and 3 flagmen," Jennings has a mechanic who works full time throughout the year. During the summer months he usually employs a field man who checks fields, makes contacts and collects.

Jennings explains that a flagman serves as a guide to the pilot of a sprayplane to show him what strip of the field to spray next.

"The spraying season usually starts about the first of May and runs until the first frost or about Oct. 15." While the season is on, Jennings says he and his other pilots usually average a total of 3000 to 3500

acres a month or about 100 to 150 acres a day of spraying.

On an average working day, the pilots try to start as soon as it is light enough to see. They dust early in the morning before the wind gets up and spray during the day, Jennings says.

"The chemicals have to be mixed at a certain rate to be applied. Too much will burn the plants; not enough will not kill the bugs," he says.

He has around \$50,000 tied up in equipment. To keep planes and equipment up it takes an average of \$16,000 a year.

"On an average, spraying costs the farmer from \$2 to \$2.50 an acre," Jennings largest expense is keeping up with improvements on spray equipment.

Along with his spray business, Jennings runs a regular airport, gives student instruction, and offers plane rental and charter

the last year or so.

Hog prices have taken a definite upturn since the first of the year and the experts figure they will continue to gain in strength until July and August this summer. We have often heard it said a man shouldn't pay too much attention to market fluctuations in the hog business or for that matter in the cow or sheep business. The argument is that the "in and outers" are never smart enough to be able always to buy low and sell high and that the only sensible plan is to make up your mind about what you are going to produce and get in and produce it the best way you know how year after year.

Just the same there are a lot of people exploring the possibilities of getting into the hog business, particularly in this part of the country. I'm sure they'll agree when we say it's a lot easier to convince yourself of the advisability of getting into a business when the immediate prospects are looking good than to sell yourself on the idea of getting into the



SPRAYPLANES A-PLENTY fill the hangers at Benger Air Park. Elvie Jennings, owner, is standing by one of his bi-wing Stearman. In the background is a Piper P-18 high-wing sprayplane. Both types have advantages.

work.

Jennings first got into the airport business in 1946 when he and Carl C. Maurer began the Benger Air Park.

"I leased the land from him and built the main hanger. He and I operated a flying school in partnership until 1948.

"My brother bought his interest and he and I ran a partnership until 1954 and I bought my brother's interest and I have been running it by myself since that time."

Jennings was an Army primary instructor for 2 1/2 years during World War II.

"I first became interested in flying when I was just a small

boy before there were too many planes. At that time they were just a novelty, but I didn't get to start until 1940.

"In 1947, I bought the first duster and I was the only operator in this area. I did all the work at Muleshoe, Hereford and Friona. I added a sprayer in 1948."

The Friona businessman sprayed about 3000 acres that first year, and he says the number has just kept growing since then.

"It will run somewhere around 80,000 to 100,000 acres for an average year," Jennings says the most acres he has sprayed in one month was 34,000 in August on one year.

"We are always running into insects that one chemical would control one year and not the next. We have to keep changing the chemical to get results. We are continually running into problems," Jennings says.

"The amount and type of chemical used is regulated by the Pure Food Drug Agency," Jennings says pilots must have

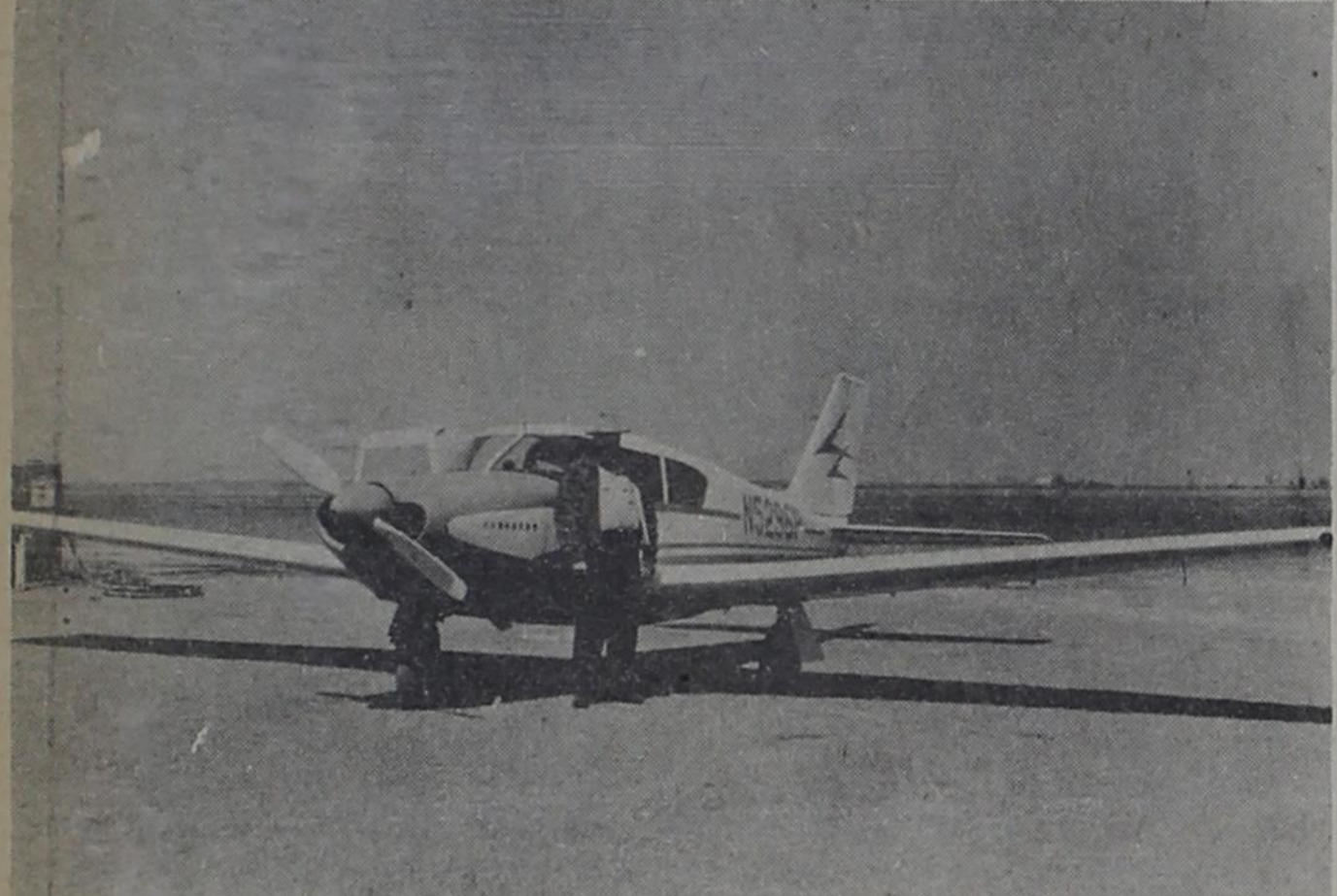
a special permit issued by the CAA to do spraying.

Only qualified pilots are allowed to fly.

"Once a year, College Station holds a short course and hands all developments on to operators. The program started about 1950 to try to improve services and get operators to

do the best job possible for the farmers."

Jennings is planning to add 10 new T-hangers to his airport. There are nine individually owned craft based at the Benger Air Park. He does most of his spraying in Deaf Smith, Parmer, Castro, Bailey and Curry county, N. M.



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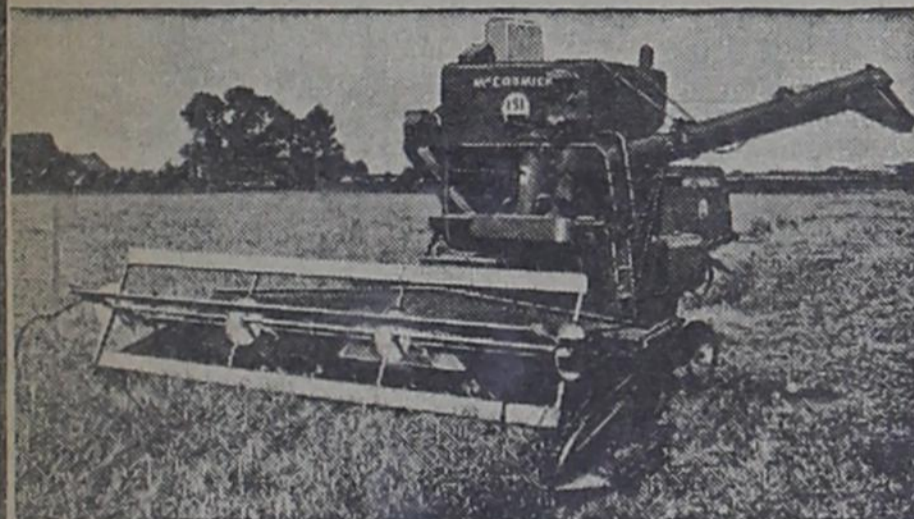
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THE PARMER FARMER

By W. H. Graham, Jr.

A few months ago Farm Journal, the nationwide agricultural magazine began publishing a special monthly bulletin called "Hog Cast." Since quite a few Parmer County area farmers have been trying to get back into the hog business, but have been having a pretty rough go of it market-wise during the past year or two, we have read this special service with interest and have tried to keep abreast of developments in the hog business.

Happily, hog prices appear on the rebound and the Farm Journal's Hog Cast says, "All signs show the hog cycle has turned the corner." This is good news to all Parmer County farmers who are interested in feeding grain sorghum to hogs as a means of increasing their income. It is particularly good news to the farmers who got into the hog business within

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THE HAPPY HOMEMAKER

BY JUNE FLOYD

One of the most enjoyable things about being a homemaker is the fact that you are never tired by being in a rut from doing the same thing over and over again.

True, there are dishes to be prepared every day. Then there are weekly chores such as laundry, mending, and other odd jobs that we do not particularly enjoy. It is imperative that we learn to do these without being concerned because they are essential tasks.

In the long run there's a bigger job to be done. This is overseeing the health, health and happiness of every person in our families in such a manner that we will have time and energy to help those about us who are less fortunate than we are.

Vacation time is almost here again. One of the big problems very vacationing family faces is that of reaching our destination and arriving home safely.

In the April Texas Health Bulletin there was an article entitled "Wide Awake Driving," because of its nature, we feel



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Efficiency Important In Irrigating Cotton

"Irrigation efficiency is one of the answers to profitable cotton production," James Valiant, Assistant Water Engineer at the High Plains Research Foundation, stated in the 1959 research reports just released to supporters of the Foundation.

Irrigation applied preplant and at peak bloom produced the best grade and highest income in 1959. Production from this irrigation method ranged from 85.3 to 94.3 pounds of lint per acre inch of supplemental water applied.

The return from the preplant, that it should be shared with our readers. It would be well for each homemaker to read it, then clip it and re-read it aloud to her husband before vacation time arrives.

"One of the chief problems is sleepiness—especially on the long, straight controlled-access highways now being built.

Fifty per cent of fatalities on the busier turnpikes occur in rear-end collisions—mostly in broad daylight and seldom with any skid marks on the highway to indicate that the drivers had applied their brakes.

Everyday drivers who are accustomed to the bustle and constant stop-go shuffle of commuter traffic day after day, find themselves in a new world when taking to the modern high-speed highways. Thinking in terms of 30 to 40 miles per hour, drivers are apt to forget that they are hurtling down a

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peak bloom method of irrigation ranged from \$161.00 to \$181.00 per acre. Pumping costs were figured at \$6.00 per acre foot at Halfway. Some authorities, however, report this cost as high as \$9.00 per acre foot.

These results indicate that the time of application, not the total amount of irrigation water applied, controls dollar returns from irrigated cotton.

Cotton irrigated at a total of 17.2 and 21.5 inches required less income in 1959 than the 8.6 inches applied in the preplant, peak bloom method.

From these results it is evident that a more profitable cotton crop can be grown with less water, less labor, and less pumping costs in a year like 1959. Time of irrigation and fertility level are two of the major controlling factors in irrigated cotton profits.

"This experiment will be conducted over a period of several years before definite conclusions can be made regarding the recommended irrigation methods and fertility levels needed for most efficient cotton production," Mr. Valiant said.

turnpike at 60 or more. It takes longer to stop! Everything happens quicker! Skids come easier! And other cars are rocketing at high speeds also!

In addition, city drivers fall prey to the rhythmic hum of powerful engines mile after mile. The soft rumble of tires can produce a decided hypnotic effect. Driving seems to take less effort resulting in a lessening of attention.

The responsibility of staying alert and awake is up to each individual driver. It is a full-time job—one at which you have to work all the while you are on the road.

A series of hints on super-highway driving in common use by truck drivers, salesmen and seasoned travelers well acquainted with turnpike driving, can prove useful to average drivers who take to the highways only occasionally.

Keep a look-out for police. Never let a car pass in either direction without noting if it is a police car. This is the best method of keeping aware of everything that's going on around you.

Chewing gum is a good habit while driving. Chewing a full pack at a time requires conscious effort, which is exactly the idea.

Singing aloud is an old standby of the long-haul truckers or listening to the radio slightly louder than comfortable. But don't listen to soft soothing melodies.

Try driving a while in your stocking feet. The strange feel of the gas pedal on a bare foot is stimulating.

Wet your eyelids. Lick your finger, then moisten your eyelids.

Even when driving alone,

"talk out" the situation ahead. Whenever the traffic pattern changes down the road, report it to yourself out loud.

Sitting on something hard occasionally is a big help. Try a couple of thick magazines or a square of plywood, for a refreshing change.

Smelling salts are a quick awakener. It may be surprising to find this favorite of Victorian maidens in many a truck cab today. Other truckers carry a half lemon, one suck of which achieves the same end. But both are strictly emergency measures to keep you going until you reach an area where you can take a cat nap. The only real antidote to sleepiness is sleep!

Try "co-pilot" checks. Make it a rule that, every 15 minutes, the passenger in the right front seat calls out "Speedometer," whereupon the driver glances at it and replies, "Speed, 62," or whatever. This prevents the common error of letting speed creep up unnoticed.

Keep the eyes moving. The quickest way to hypnotize yourself is to stare straight ahead. Professional drivers keep their eyes moving constantly.

Use the mirrors. Good drivers glance in their rearview mirrors about every five seconds.

Eyes should be protected from glare. On bright days, good sunglasses should be worn.

Don't overeat. Many vacationing drivers encourage drowsiness by eating too much on a trip.

A good practice, especially in winter or air-conditioned cars is to check the car's exhaust system. Carbon monoxide causes sleepiness. Be sure the exhaust system is tight and free from corrosion.

Make periodic stops. Take a five-or-ten minute break every hour after the third hour of driv-

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INSTRUMENTS FILED FOR RECORD WEEK ENDING APRIL 9, 1960 County Clerk's Office, Farmer County, Texas

W.D., Loyd Shakelford, Joe L. Boeckman, Lots 4 & 5, Blk. 5, Lakeside, Friona

D.T., F. F. Bozeman, Plainview P. C. A, W/2 Sec. 107, Kelly

W.D., O. W. Rhinehard, C. C. Steelman, Lot 11 & 12, Blk. 116, Bovina

W.D., J. F. Vestal, W. L. Venable, Lots 1, 2, 3, & 4, Blk. 95, Bovina

W.D., Guy Tandy, Fay Harbert, et al, Part int. in Tandy Lands

MML, A. L. Hartzog, Gifford-Hill-Western, Inc., W/356.28a. Sec. 32, T7S, R2E

Ab. of Judg., Guild Products, Inc., Louis A. Marot--

D.T., Robert Dickey, Hi-Plains Savings & Loan Assn., Lot 10, Blk. 2, Baxter Add, Friona

MML, Billy John Thorn, Joe Boeckman, 10 a. Sec. 30, T-5 1/2S, R5E

W.D., Elroy Wilson, George C. Guthrie, et al, Lot 6, Blk. 86, Friona

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D.T., Vance DeKater Crume, Hi-Plains Savings & Loan Assn., N10' Lot 30 & Lot 31, Blk. 32, Farwell

W.D., L. H. Pesch, Henry Minter, Lots 14, 15, 16 & S/2 Lot 17, Blk. 13, Bovina

D.T., Andy Hurst, Hi-Plains Savings & Loan Assn., Lot 16, Blk. 3, Staley Add, Friona

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ing, whether you feel fatigued or not.

Trying to lick fatigue through the use of various habit forming preparations has proven disastrous on many occasions. Such stimulants may be used legitimately in dire emergencies, but they may have dangerous effects on drivers suffering from cardiac ailments or hypertension. Persons taking tranquilizers are cautioned about driving while using these drugs, since they are known to cause drowsiness in many cases and tend to impair both reaction time and physical coordination. The same precautions apply to antihistamines also. (Air Force pilots are grounded 24 hours

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)
Bill Shelby

FOR CHIEF JUSTICE, Court of Civil Appeals
James G. Denton
Jesse Owens

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY of the 154th Judicial Dist.:

Bill Sheehan (Re-Election)
Jack Young

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:

Hurshel Harding (Re-Election)

FOR COMMISSIONER of Precinct No. 1:

Wesley Hardesty, E. G. Phipps (Re-Election)

Tom Lewellen

FOR COMMISSIONER of Precinct No. 3:

Guy Cox
J. H. McDonald (Re-Election)
Duane Curtis

Poultry diagnostic laboratories are maintained and operated by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at College Station, Center and Gonzales. A fourth is scheduled to open in Stephenville in October. Poultrymen with disease problems may secure assistance by contacting one of the laboratories.

Pesticides are dangerous to have around the house if they are not properly labeled and stored. Extension entomologists warn that such materials be stored where children, pets and irresponsible persons can't get to them. Also, to keep them in their original, labeled containers and dispose of the empty container where it cannot harm humans, plants or animals.

following the last dose of an antihistamine.)
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Texas ranked third among all states in acreage and production of fresh market vegetables in 1959, according to Clyde Singletary, extension horticulturist. Onions was the top income producer for Texas with 40,800 acres harvested and worth \$14,192,000. Texas had 14.3 per cent of the nation's commercial vegetable acreage and 8.2 per cent of the production.

Electric data processing machines are now being used to process DHIA records. A. M. Meekma, extension dairy husbandman, says use of the machines will relieve DHIA supervisors of much tedious and time-consuming book work and at the same time provide dairymen greater accuracy and more complete and up-to-date production and feed information. It represents a major change in DHIA record keeping, he said.

Diseases took an estimated \$147 million bite out of the 1959 Texas cotton crop, according to 15 cotton specialists located throughout the state. This loss occurred, says Harlan Smith, extension plant pathologist, even though 1959 growing conditions were generally good and near record yields were harvested in many areas. Major diseases were bacterial blight, root rot, verticillium wilt and seedling disease.

He who merely knows right principles is not equal to him who loves them.--Confucius

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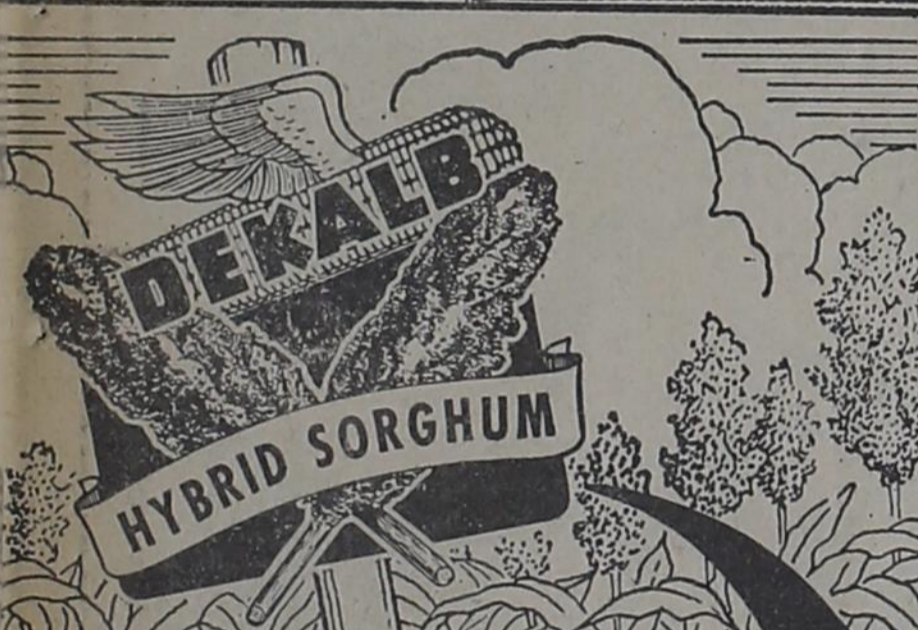
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Steers gained more when fed sorghum grain containing a high moisture level than steers fed dry grain of the same quality in a test conducted by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Steers fed the wet ground grain at 23 per cent moisture, made gains of 2.42 pounds per day compared with gains of only 2.29 pounds for those fed dry grain.

It was also found that unground grain sorghum containing 23 per cent moisture would not produce as high gains as either ground grain at 23 per cent moisture or ground dry grain.

The sorghum grain, RS 610, was harvested successfully at an average moisture level of 25 to 30 per cent with a standard self-propelled combine. This was accomplished by slowing the ground speed and maintaining the cylinder speed at that used for threshing small grains. The moist grain was then stored successfully without spoilage or loss in an air-tight, glass-lined silo.

Steers fed the moist grain

required 18 per cent less dry matter from the grain and 12 per cent less total dry matter per 100 pounds of gain than the steers fed ground dry grain. Additional work is now being conducted at A&M to determine if cattle consistently will perform more efficiently on high moisture sorghum grain.

Both types of ground grain were palatable and intake was essentially the same. No difficulty was encountered in grinding the grain or keeping the steers on feed. Selling price was the same for both groups of steers fed ground grain and dressing percentages and carcass grades did not differ significantly.

However, when cost tabulations were made after the steers were sold, the ones fed moist grain were found to have made a profit of \$18.86 per head compared with a profit of only \$8.78 per head for the ones fed dry grain.

This test does not warrant definite conclusions, says J. K. Riggs, professor, Department of Animal Husbandry, Texas A&M, but some calculations re-

garding the application of moist grain storage and feeding should be worthwhile, since Texas generally has a bumper crop of grain sorghum.

Progress Report 2103, a release of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, carries complete results of the tests, and is available from the Agricultural Information Office, College Station, Texas.

H. D. AGENT'S CORNER

Jimmie Lou Waincott

CLEANING UPHOLSTERY ON FOAM RUBBER

Much of the newer furniture is cushioned with foam rubber and upholstered with fabric. Women are asking if the fabric can be cleaned at home without damage to the foam rubber.

Extension home management specialists of the A&M College System say, Yes! Just be sure to use a SAFE cleaning agent.

Select your cleaning agent by considering first, the nature of the stain, next the type of fabric, and lastly the effect of the cleaning agent on foam rubber.

Soaps, detergents, glycerine, denatured alcohol, benzene, carbon tetrachloride, sodium hydrosulfite, sodium thiosulfate and a weak solution of ammonia are acceptable cleaning agents as far as the foam rubber is concerned.

Specialists warn that carbon tetrachloride should be used very sparingly. It is a rubber solvent.

Normal rubbing of the outside covering on right or fixed seats will not harm the foam rubber cushion. Foam rubber is tender when wet but its normal strength returns when dry.

Cleaning agents that DO have

a harmful effect on foam rubber are of the bleaching and oxidizing types. The following ARE NOT recommended: vinegar, turpentine, acetone, chlorine, hydrogen peroxide, oxalic acid and sodium perborate.

If the nature of the stain or the type of the fabric calls for the use of one of the above cleaning agents, specialists suggest that the fabric be removed from the foam rubber and cleaned separately.

TIPS ON COOKING FOR "WEIGHT WATCHERS"

Any weight watchers in your family? -- If so, you, the cook, can be a big help by planning and preparing foods to cut calories.

Here are some suggestions offered by extension foods and nutrition specialists of the A&M College System.

Use non-fat, dry mild solids for cooking. Reconstituted dry milk solids heated and combined with vegetable liquors are good in soups.

Keep desserts simple... Serve fresh fruits or canned and frozen fruits packed in water or juice -- not syrup.

Roast or oven or pan-broil meats, poultry and fish instead of frying in fat. Avoid "bread-ing" and use of egg batters on foods. Trim extra fat from the meat.

Serve salad materials plain -- or use low-calorie seasonings or salad dressings. These can be made with tomato juice, herbs and lemon juice or vinegar.

Prepare food without added fat, sugar or flour whenever possible.

Tempt appetites with herbs and spices instead of rich seasonings, sauces and gravies.

Serve low-calorie items for nibbling or appetizers. Try celery, cabbage wedges, carrot sticks, or other low-calorie vegetables or fruits.

Avoid high fat foods such as cream, butter, gravies, sauces, nuts, potato chips, oil, pastries, rich salad dressing; sweet foods, such as cakes and cookies; rich puddings, candies, fountain drinks and sundaes, carbonated drinks and alcoholic beverages; and starchy foods, such as macaroni, dry peas and beans.

GET THE MOST FROM YOUR AUTOMATIC WASHER

Re-check the instruction book when your washer fails, suggests Wanda Barkley, extension home management specialist of the A&M College System. Often the source of washer trouble is not mechanical, but human.

Carelessness, usually about little things, and failure to stick to the rules given in your instruction book are often responsible. Here are suggestions from the specialist.

WEIGH THE LOAD CAREFULLY. Smaller loads are easier on your washer, and garments come out cleaner.

CHECK ALL POCKETS AND CUFFS before loading the washer. Sharp-pointed things--like needles, pins, nails and hairpins--can tear up an expensive pump.

PUT SMALL THINGS IN A NYLON-MESH BAG or a pillow slip before placing them in the washer. These small articles sometimes are whirled over the spin tub and get so tangled in the pump that the pump may be damaged. Loading the washer with the small articles at the

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They shelter and protect homes from hot drying winds, dusty spring gales and cold winter blasts. A good windbreak is excellent protection for gardens and orchards, barns and feedlots, and livestock and wildlife on rangeland.

Where natural protection is lacking, tree windbreaks give welcome shelter in addition to beauty and a homelike setting.

Now is the time to order your trees for windbreaks. We have had some inquiries on trees and on planting arrangements and hope to have more.

The Soil Conservation District is making potted Arizona Cypress seedlings available to you again this year. Cost per seedling is 30 cents. Applications must be received by April 22 for delivery on or about May 2. Information concerning the trees may be obtained at the SCS office, Steve Messenger's office in Friona or at the county agent's office in Farwell.

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Treasurer's Report

REPORT OF Mabel Reynolds, County Treasurer of Farmer County, Texas, of Receipts and Expenditures from January 1 to March 31, 1960, inclusive:

JURY FUND, 1st Class

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Balance last Report, Filed Dec. 31 1959 | \$7,241.49 |
| To Amount received since last Report | 1,407.20 |
| By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "A," | 392.00 |
| BALANCE | \$8,256.69 |

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, 2d Class

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Balance last Report, Filed Dec. 31, 1959 | \$13,620.45 |
| To Amount received since last Report | 9,414.72 |
| By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "B," | 0.00 |
| BALANCE | \$23,035.17 |

GENERAL COUNTY FUND, 3d Class

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Balance last Report, Filed Dec. 31, 1959 | \$31,287.88 |
| To Amount received since last Report | 34,806.16 |
| By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "C," | 44,954.35 |
| By Amount transferred to other Funds, since last Report, | 4,000.00 |
| BALANCE | \$17,139.69 |

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND 4th Class

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Balance last Report, Filed Dec. 31, 1959 | \$8,698.24 |
| To Amount received since last Report | 2,364.82 |
| By Amount paid out since last Report, | 2,281.10 |
| BALANCE | \$8,781.96 |

RIGHT OF WAY FUND 5th Class

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|--|-------------------|
| Balance last Report, Filed Dec. 31, 1959 | \$6,653.25 |
| To Amount received since last Report, | 4,685.04 |
| By Amount paid out since last Report, | 1,687.85 |
| BALANCE | \$9,650.44 |

LATERAL FUND 6th Class

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|--|-------------------|
| Balance last Report, Filed Dec. 31, 1959 | \$9,171.25 |
| To Amount received since last Report, | 2.03 |
| By Amount paid out since last Report, | 5,944.87 |
| BALANCE | \$3,228.41 |

SOCIAL SECURITY FUND 7th Class

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Balance last Report, Filed Dec. 31, 1959 | \$ 455.64 |
| To Amount received since last Report, | 1,003.47 |
| To Amount transferred from other Funds, since last Report, | 4,000.00 |
| By Amount paid out since last Report | 1,459.11 |
| BALANCE | \$4,000.00 |

FARM TO MARKET R. & B. FUND 8th Class

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|--|---------------------|
| Balance last Report, Filed Dec. 31, 1959 | \$84,457.32 |
| To Amount received since last Report, | 66,143.41 |
| By Amount paid out since last Report, | 22,181.07 |
| BALANCE | \$128,419.66 |

RECAPITULATION

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| JURY FUND, Balance | \$ 8,256.69 |
| ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, Balance | 23,035.17 |
| GENERAL COUNTY FUND, Balance | 17,139.69 |
| PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND, Balance | 8,781.10 |
| RIGHT OF WAY FUND, Balance | 9,650.44 |
| LATERAL FUND, Balance | 3,228.41 |
| SOCIAL SECURITY FUND, Balance | 4,000.00 |
| FARM TO MARKET FUND, Balance | 128,419.66 |
| TOTAL | \$202,512.02 |

LIST OF BONDS AND OTHER SECURITIES ON HAND

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| U. S. Government Bonds: | \$457,100.00 |
| COUNTY INDEBTEDNESS: | |
| Road & Bridge Machinery Warrants | 9,895.82 |

THE STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF FARMER)

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Mabel Reynolds, County Treasurer of Farmer 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 April 1960.

HUGH MOSELEY, Clerk
County Court, Farmer County, Texas

(SEAL)
BY Dorothy Quickel, Deputy.

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SWEETHEART HONORED--Vickie Strawn, sweetheart of the FFA chapter, received a jacket from chapter president Buddy Turner.

Cindy Read Has Birthday Party

Cindy Read, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Read, celebrated her fourth birthday with a party in her home Monday afternoon.

Cindy's cake was in the shape of an Easter bunny and was served with ice cream, punch and Easter bunny candy.

Friends coming to celebrate with the honoree were Neil Moore, Terry and Steve Sherrill, Kathy Crump, Micky and

Dennis Ellison, Jim White, Galen Carson, Little Al Kerby, Rhonda Rhodes, Kathy Sudderth, Darrell and Amanda Lou Mason, Christie and Kathy Trimble.

Also, Mittie Joe Moore, June Ellison, Patsy Sherrill, Nola Read, Lula White, Jewel Tabor, Nettie Lea Wilson, Gladys Wright, Jane Mason, Ester Trimble, Dixie Carson, Nannie Rhodes and Leslie Jane Formentin.

Area O.E.S. Attend Bovina Salad Supper

Bovina O. E. S. entertained at annual friendship night with a salad supper Thursday evening in Masonic Hall.

Guests were present from Muleshoe, Friona, and Olton. Local guests attending were Mrs. Hazel Hemke, past Grand Officer to the state of Nebraska, and Mrs. Shirley Hemke.

Invocation was given by W. E. Williams. Worthy Matron, Mrs. Pauline Lowerie, welcomed the visitors. Mrs. Wynn Dunn, Worthy Matron of Muleshoe Chapter of O. E. S., gave the response.

Hostesses for the supper were Mmes. Jewel Barry, Loucille Foster, Lillian Aldridge, and Evelyn Crawford. They served approximately 50 guests.

Earl Hise gave the program for the evening on a reading called "Phonetic Punctuation."

A regular business meeting was conducted in lodge hall following the social period. Presiding was Mrs. Lowerie.

Wandering with Waneen

by **Waneen Ragsdale**

There are a couple of preachers in this town who are likely to be complaining of the backache. We have been observing the yard activity around the Methodist parsonage and Church of Christ pastor's home this past week.

We also noted the attire they have been wearing looks more like a farmer's get-up than a preacher's.

Looks to us like grass was set out from roots at the Alfred White's corner and Davis Edens is trying to keep his sowed seed wet. It will be interesting to see who has a good looking turf sooner. We have always wondered which method is better.

Let's all watch and see.

Mrs. A. E. Steelman called us last week and was complaining about the plague of English sparrows that have invaded their premises this spring. She declared they were making nests on every available limb, on the porches, in the garage, between the radiators and grills of their pick-ups and tractors; and she even went so far as to say if she put her best hat in the yard they would have a nest built in it before the sun went down.

She said she wasn't the only one who was complaining. All her friends were having the same problem. Anyway, she was wanting to know if we could find out something or some way to get rid of the chirping pests who eat every green blade that comes up in their yard.

Since talking to Mrs. Steelman, we have been trying to find a solution. When telling Shirley Hemke about it she told us of a spray that can be ordered from Miles Kimball of Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

The product in the push button spray can is called "Roost No More" and sells for \$2.49. Don't know if anyone sells it locally but with a little scouting around you might be able to find some.

Some busy body asked me last week if I had the inspection sticker on the car as yet. Told them I'd be just like everybody else and wait until the deadline was upon us and then line it up with the jillion others---and then gripe cause I don't like to be afoot. By the way--when is the deadline, anyway?

Sides Hosts Bridge Club

Mrs. Don Sides entertained members of Thursday afternoon bridge club last week.

Mrs. Jim Hemke won high prize; Mrs. Bedford Caldwell won low; and Mrs. Glenden Sudderth won travelers prize.

The hostess served angel food cake, dips and chips with an assortment of drinks to Mmes. Leon Grissom, Bob Wilson, Jimmie Clements, Don Vance, Leon Ware, A. M. Wilson, Durward Bell, Dean McCallum, Hemke, Caldwell, and Sudderth.

Quilting Club Has Luncheon

Members of Bovina's Quilting Club had a covered dish luncheon Thursday in the home of Mrs. Tom Rhodes. It was a regular meeting.

Those present were one guest, Mrs. J. R. Glover, and members Mmes. Ethel Johnson, Joe Looney, Erma Bradshaw, Oma Gunn, Bessie Caldwell, Edna Woelfel, Emily Griffith, Orpha Parker and the hostess, Mrs. Rhodes.

The afternoon was spent quilting a quilt for the hostess.

Mrs. Ethel Johnson will be hostess for the next meeting of the club May 5.

Dorcas Circle Meets With Mrs. Quickel

Mrs. Ike Quickel was hostess for meeting of Dorcas Circle Tuesday at their regular monthly covered dish luncheon.

Those present were Mmes. Frank Wilson, Warren Morton, John Wilson, Pat Kunselman, H. J. Charles, T. J. Hopingardner, Mable Newberry, L. C. Moore, Lloyd Battey and visitors, Rev. Davis Edens and Mrs. Wilbur Charles.

Devotion and meditations was given by Mrs. Frank Wilson. Hostess for the next meeting will be Mrs. Hopingardner.

Rainbows Discuss Grand Assembly

When Bovina chapter of Rainbow members met Monday after school, they discussed plans for attending Grand Assembly at Corpus Christi in June.

Presiding over the regular meeting was Worthy Advisor Judy Meacham.

Present were 10 members, Mother Advisor and a Mason.

Hammonds Class Has Social

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Grissom and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Estes were host couples for the monthly social of Hammonds Sunday School class Thursday evening. The evening of fun and fellowship was in the fellowship hall of Bovina Methodist Church.

Refreshments of chocolate sponge roll with chocolate sauce was served with coffee and tea by the hostesses.

Table games were played by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Rouel Barron, Mr. and Mrs. Billie Sudderth, Mr.

and Mrs. J. T. Hammonds, Rev. Davis Edens, and Mmes. Gene Ezell, Bedford Caldwell, and Warren Morton.

HAVE GUESTS FROM HEREFORD
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Suit of Hereford spent Sunday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Bradshaw.

FHA Chapter Visits Friona

Bovina Chapter of FHA members were invited guests at a salad supper given by Friona FHA Chapter Thursday evening. Nine Bovina girls and sponsors, Mrs. Owen Patton and Mrs. Dorothy Morton attended.

The host chapter decorated the serving tables and entertaining rooms in the Easter motif.

Highlight of the evening was a talent show presented by the Friona girls.

Bovina Bowlers To Tourney

A group of bowlers from Bovina entered the competition of New Mexico State Bowling Tournament at Alamogordo over the weekend.

Those making the trip were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones and Randy, Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Moten, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kimbrough, and Mr. and Mrs. Dean McCallum.

While in Alamogordo the group visited with Mr. and Mrs. George Trimble, former residents of Bovina.

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Don Caldwell Injures Elbow

Don Caldwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Caldwell, suffered a dislocated elbow Wednesday afternoon in a freak accident. He was working out for track events on the pole vault when the pole broke.

He was about four feet in the air when the metal pole snapped. He was taken to Farmer County Community Hospital in Friona for x-rays and sent to a bone specialist in Lubbock.

He returned home Thursday afternoon and was able to meet classes Friday morning.

Don was unable to enter district typing competition Friday in Happy and also track events Saturday.

BOB WILLS HAS MUMPS

Coach Bob Wills is confined to bed with a case of mumps. He is to remain in bed until April 15 according to doctor's orders. It isn't known how soon he will be able to resume his coaching and teaching duties--possibly by the middle of the following week if everything goes along all right, according to reports.

Thursday-Friday-Saturday Specials

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| Ladies' and Girls' PAJAMAS Reg. \$3.98 \$2.65 | NYLON HOSE 60 gauge 15 denier 3 pr. \$1.39 |
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Assessing Good, Bad

Tax assessments for school taxing purposes are going well, but city assessments are moving along at their usual slow pace, according to officials of each office.

These reports were issued by Mrs. Roy Dodson and Henry Minter last week. Mrs. Dodson is school tax assessor-collector and Minter handles city taxing.

"About 93 per cent of the tax payers in the district have come in for rendition and assessment," Mrs. Dodson says.

Deadline for having school property assessed is April 30. "Everyone has been nice and cooperative this year," Mrs. Dodson continued. "I probably will have to go out to inspect very few properties."

Only property that was owned on January 1 is assessed for this year's taxes.

City taxing progress hasn't been so good, according to Minter. About two or three property owners have been in for assessments.

WANT ADS

FOR RENT -- Floor Polisher. \$1 per day. Superior Electric, AD 8-2751 32-tfnc

FOR SALE--Two registered Angus bull yearlings. See R. T. Harbor. 41-2tc

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One good used Frigidaire automatic washer, completely rebuilt, \$60.
One good used Maytag ringer washer, \$25.
POWELL HOME AND AUTO AD8-2391 Bovina 41-2tc

FOR SALE--2 1/2 inch well pipe. Net hog wire (enough to fence 40 acres) by owner A. J. Jarrell. Phone Clovis HU9-4326. 41-4tp

FOR SALE--2 bedroom house at 406 8th St. Also cook stove, dining room suit and 2 heaters in house. See Mrs. Tom Rhodes or phone BA5-4135. 42-tfnc

FOR RENT--7 room modern house in Bovina. J. W. Wright BA5-4151. 42-2tc

Will have two bedroom house for rent May 1. Wired and plumbed for washer and dryer. Wanda Berryman, Star Route, Bovina. Phone Pleasant Hill HU9-4300. 42-tfnc

Letters to the Editor

Editor Bovina Blade Bovina, Texas

Dear Mr. Moten,
Our club wants to urge every individual in this school district to realize the lack in our school curriculum, especially in the field of driver training. We emphasize the need for education in driving. In this era of children at the wheel, every thinking person can see that learning THE RIGHT WAY to handle and appreciate an automobile should be a definite part of a young person's schooling.

Any comparison of the accident records of drivers under 21 having had this training with those who have not would prove the need.

If the lack of operating funds is the reason given for the absence of this course it should not be. If higher school taxes are the answer, then we publicly speak out to say, "Raise them." The understandable pride of our school district in its excellent buildings and facilities should be far second to its pride in the citizens of tomorrow it is turning out.

Sincerely,
Bovina Home Demonstration Club
Mrs. John Sikes, president

Dear Editor,

Just wanted to call your attention to the fact that we, "the minority group," did very well with our write-in candidates in Saturday's election.

We want to thank these men for their co-operation, and we especially want to thank the people for their interest in the welfare of THEIR school. It seems to us to be a good sign when people begin again to run their own business.

We hope too, that very soon this whole miserable affair can be brought to a close; that right will be done, and that we (the community) can be united for the sake of our children.

I agree with Mr. Morton when he says that the real sufferers in this battle are the children. And I also agree that the school has been hurt by a minority group. However, I give you three guesses as to the identity of that group!

As for petitions, (and rumors of petitions), this has been an earnest and honest effort to get outside help to resolve a problem that should truly have been settled locally. "And ye would not."

Yours very truly,
Mrs. Cecil Berry

FFA Award--

(Continued from Page 1)
Turner, chapter president. Ben Rejno Jr. gave the welcome and Connie O'Brien the response. Approximately 100 parents, boys and guests attended.

Speech is the gift of all, but thought of few --Cato

THANKS CITIZENS

I want to express my appreciation to citizens of City of Bovina for confidence they displayed in me in last week's mayor election.

In saying "Thank you" for that confidence, we want to point out that I'll make every effort to be a mayor "for everyone in Bovina." There will be no special rights or privileges for any group or individual.

I pledge that I will do my best to help with Bovina's growth and improvements. The community is presently faced with many opportunities and I hope to help take advantage of many of them as possible... as long as they are opportunities for majority of the people.

During my tenure in office, your suggestions and cooperations will be greatly appreciated.

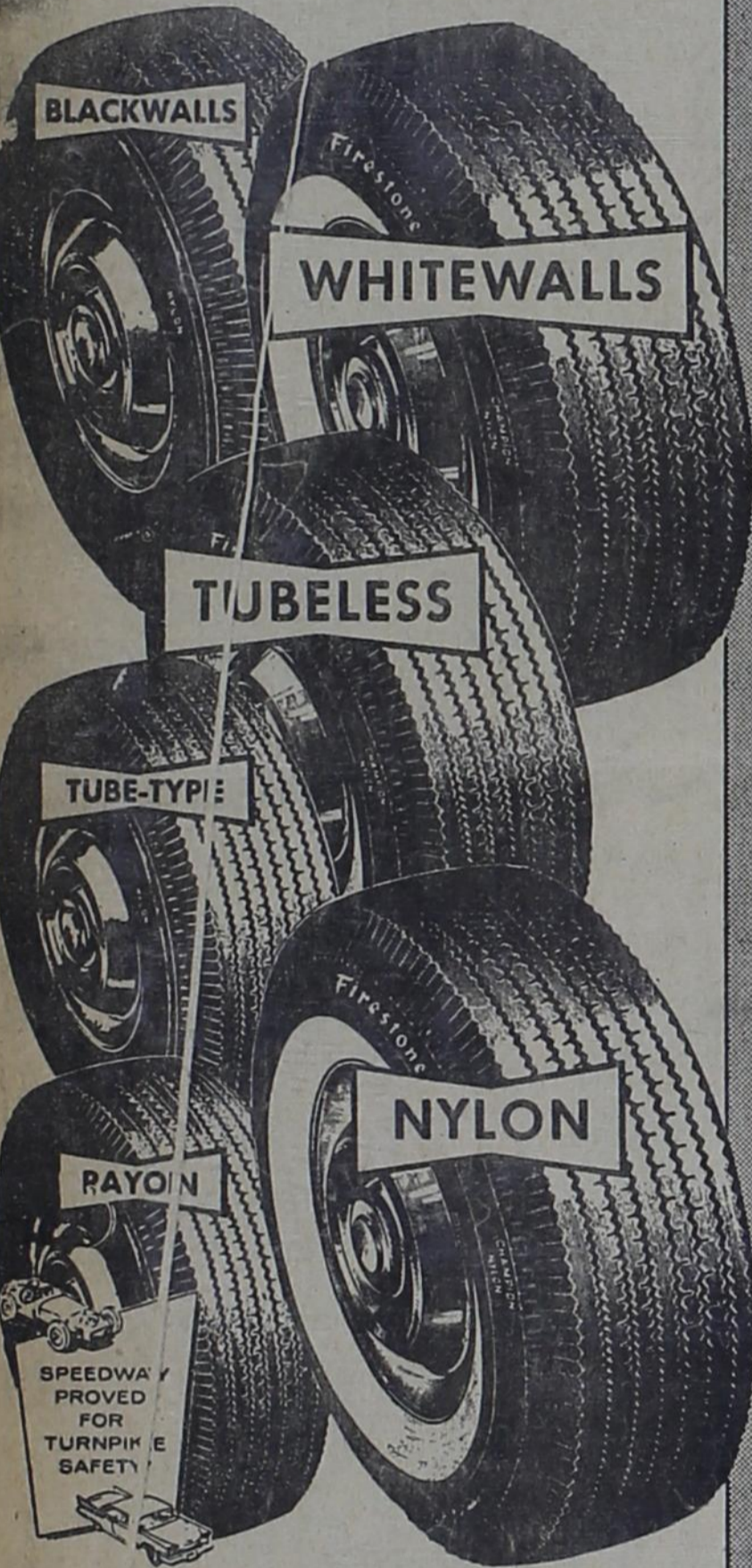
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Whittlin'

(Continued from page 1)

Friday, April 15. Ernest England, owner of the business, tells us that it appears there'll be some deadheads, like ourselves, who won't get under the wire.

If you're one of those who doesn't make it, don't get close to Highway Patrolman Don Tabor.

FOR RENT--2 bedroom house. Lynn Isham AD 8-2201

Keith Huggins, a student at WTSC, visited over the weekend with his parents.

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