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WHITTLIN'

BY DOLPH MOTEN

And then you've heard about the fellow who didn't wear or carry a watch and gave this explanation:

"Don't need one—I always get there just as quick as I can anyway."

You have to think about that one a little bit, but it makes sense to us. There are a lot of people around like that, but, of course, some of them do wear watches. Maybe for decorative purposes.

Interest in Bovina's census is perking up, we've noticed.

We've wanted to talk to Mrs. Jack McCracken, who was in charge of counting Bovinians, but haven't yet had the opportunity. Also, we understand that it isn't proper yet to announce the total figure even though the actual counting may be all done.

We don't, we'll admit, know that to be a fact, but we have heard it...and it sounds like something the government would do.

Several people have offered to guess with us about what Bovina's official population would be. While we don't want to publicize our guess--it's too low--we're pretty sure we're winning some coffee.

Think our guessing opponents have been reading the propaganda which appears in this column too long...bless their hearts.

Seriously, we got our pessimistic attitude from a sneak report which appeared in the Farwell paper concerning total population in the capitol city.

Farwell, which has the figure "1250" on its city limit markers has only 1009 residents, according to the report.

Using that as a yardstick, our enthusiasm for learning Bovina's total count suffers a letdown. However, we could be fooled...and we'll pay all our coffee debts if we are.

Frankly, we expect Bovina's population to exceed Farwell's total. If so, guess it will be first time in recent history for this to be true.

While the school board has enough uncalled-for trouble, we were shocked to learn about its decisions regarding the coaches' contracts.

We're not smart enough to know what to write on the subject. We were just shocked, that's all.

After Monday's school board meeting, which we attended the latter part of, the following figures were in our pocket. See if they are interesting to you:

Total disbursements (the amount of money spent) during past several years were:
1952-'53--\$104,807.22
1953-'54--\$154,106.79
1954-'55--\$149,420.89
1955-'56--\$179,050.25
1956-'57--\$236,912.25
1957-'58--\$217,416.37

The total in '56-'57 was larger than other years because some \$40,000 was spent for paving around school property. That sum subtracted from the total would put the year back in line with other years.

Enrollment increase is primary reason for the increased amounts it takes to operate the school. More enrollment makes for more teachers and other school personnel. Too, inflation has been working on the school same as it has everything, needless to say.

A PREDICTION (which we're throwing in with the regular subscription price--no extra charge): Our school controversy is going to wear itself down to a meaningless bit of nothing. Unless there's some new fuel thrown on the embers soon, things are going to be back to a quiet, non-exciting normal within 10 days.

Contract To Be Let May 15

Ray Bradley, resident engineer of the state highway department of Littlefield, assured commissioners of Parmer County that the contract for the Farm to Market road from Lazbuddie

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Coaches' Contracts Not Renewed

IN CAFETERIA--

First Graders Enroll Friday

Next September's first graders will get their first taste of school Friday.

There will be a pre-school enrollment for children who will begin school in September, 1960, at 2 p.m. Friday, according to Miss Grace Paul, grade school principal.

Parents are asked to bring the children's birth certificates.

"We feel that this meeting is very important in order that

we may all plan together for this big event in your child's life. We think it will help smooth the way for his first days in school next fall," Miss Paul says.

The school's home economics department will care for other children during the enrollment. Mothers may leave their younger children at the home-making cottage on their way to the cafeteria.



DREAM-ETTES IN BLACKFACE--Adding to Lion's Minstrel Show were talents of the Dream-Ettes. From left to right are Verna Marie Estes, accompanist for the group, Brenda Jones, Marilyn Brandon, and Janice Leake.

MONDAY--

Board Discusses School Problems

Bovina Schools board of trustees, meeting in a marathon session Monday afternoon and night, discussed controversies which have come up concerning the school.

Superintendent Warren Morton reported on a trip he made to Austin last week with School Attorney John Aiken. The two men discussed the school's troubles with state commissioner of education, Dr. J. W. Edgar.

Dr. Edgar offered various suggestions, all of which must be approved by local school board before they are put into effect.

Howard Looney met with the board. He discussed an article which appeared in The Blade April 13. The article quoted Looney as saying some \$37,000 was required to operate the school seven years ago.

WEATHER BY WILLIE

Out of Town--Be back next week. Willie

FHA Girls Have Show Of Clothes Made By Models

A style show was presented Tuesday afternoon in Home-making Cottage by members of Bovina FHA.

Leslie Fourmentin was commentator for costumes designed and made by the models.

Sports wear was modeled by Vicki Strawn who made Bermuda shorts of turquoise sailcloth and teamed them with a white and turquoise blouse. Janice Leake showed her bright orange treader pants with matching plaid vest. She wore a white long sleeved blouse to complete the casual ensemble. Janet Gooch made brown treader pants with a yellow crop top blouse trimmed at the neck and arms with brown fabric from the pants. A yellow three-inch belt accented the costume.

In the casual dresses category Eileen Williams modeled her gathered skirt with crop top. Lindy Dean wore a green and white sleeveless dress fashioned with a wide matching belt. Floye Smith fashioned a dress from light blue cotton with a matching belt; and Patricia Crawford made her dress of brown flowered material designed with a pleated skirt. Margaret Taylor modeled a blue print dress of cotton with a full skirt and accented by a matching cummerbund. Evelyn Stanberry's creation was a multi-colored pleated skirt with matching vest and white blouse.

Kay Looney sewed blue and white cotton print into a becoming casual dress. Miss Leake chose pink and white cotton for a two piece ensemble with white accessories.

Miss Gooch made a bare back sundress with a fully gathered skirt in washable cotton. An unusual dress featuring a pocket watch on the skirt was designed and made by Marilyn Brandon. She chose a blue and white check material and made it sleeveless with scooped neckline.

LaVonia Newbrough's sewing project was a bright pink drip-dry cotton with draped front and a wide black belt. Patricia Patton made a dress with lavender flowers sprinkled over white material.

Judy Meacham styled a brown and peach blossom pink print into an attractive dress trimmed with black rick-rack.

For cooking in style, Nellie Bea Crook fashioned a red and white check blouse and apron to match. Completing the outfit, she made a solid red skirt.

A multi-colored spring dress of pastels was made and modeled by Amelia Valverde. Benita Diaz showed her creation of a full skirt of several shades of blue worn with a white blouse.

Carole Jean Hastings made her garment from pink and lavender stripe and styled it in the popular shirtwaist with pleated skirt and self covered belt.

Christine Wassom modeled a green full skirted dress; low in the back with puff sleeves and black cummerbund. Miss Stanberry wore a green plaid frock featuring gold trim and cummerbund.

Miss Meacham also modeled a yellow and white plaid dress with cummerbund. Bettie Mae Stevens wore a dress with gathered skirt and full puffed sleeves made of yellow, gold and rust striped fabric.

Virginia Rea made a full pleated skirt of blue material and colored stripes. Joyce Burnett modeled a turquoise blue skirt and white blouse.

Vi Steelman wore a light brown blouse and full skirt of brown figures. Dixie Hartzog wore a white blouse that can be worn with many skirts and a brown tweed skirt.

Miss Meacham wore an original orange plaid ensemble featuring rows of buttons and gathered cummerbund.

Glenda Cruse styled a party dress with full flowered skirt in black and white with a black bodice. In the same mood Patricia Patton showed an off the shoulder dress with an extra full skirt complimented by pink accessories.

Winners at regional meet will earn opportunity to enter state competition at a later date.

Johnston, mile run; and mile relay team composed of James Clayton, John Sikes, Bill Strawn, and Buddy Turner.

They will be accompanied by Coach Bob Wills.

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Dream-Ettes Make Guest Appearances

Bovina's vocal group, "The Dream-Ettes," have been making several guest appearances recently at neighboring towns' activities.

Thursday evening they entertained in Kress at the Junior-Senior Banquet.

Friday evening they gave the program at Chamber of Commerce banquet in Springlake.

They broadcast live Tuesday afternoon on Radio Station KMUL's "Teen Time Parade."

The vocal group composed of Brenda Jones, Marilyn Brandon, and Janice Leake are accompanied by Verna Marie Estes at the piano and Ronnie Glasscock on the drums.

AT LUBBOCK--

Six Mustangs Go To Regional

Six Bovina Mustangs will participate in regional track meet at Lubbock this weekend.

They earned the right to enter the regional meet by finishing in top spots in district competition.

Bovina entrants include Roger Ezell, shot put and discus; Olen

Political Rally Set At Hub Community

Hub's Community building will be the site of a political rally beginning at 8:30 tonight (Thursday).

The political doings will be sponsored by the Farmers Union and will have on hand candidates from all over the district and county to give their respective platforms.

A crowd of from 600 to 700 persons is expected to attend the talks and free coffee will be served.

No admission will be taken, all the gathering is free; "All

we want is for everyone possible to attend and hear what these men say concerning their respective races," says T. O. Lesly, president of the F.U.

Included among the candidates will be Art Glover of Amarillo, candidate for congressman opposing Walter Rogers, Pampa; Bill Sheehan of Friona and Jack Young of Muleshoe who are running for the office of district attorney of Friona, Bailey and Lamb counties.

Jesse Osborn of Muleshoe will be on hand as will his opponent for state representative from Hart, Bill Shelby.

Several county men will be on hand for the talks including candidates for the Precinct 1 (Friona) county commissioner, these include E. G. Phipps, incumbent; Wesley Hardesty and Tom Lewellen.

All residents of this entire area are invited to attend this rally and hear the candidates for the Democratic Primary, May 7, speak their piece concerning their election.

Road Easements Complete For 145

All resident property owners signed right-of-way easements for the new Farm Road 145 project in the Lazbuddie community last Friday.

Earlier in the week, County Judge Loyde Brewer worked with Precinct 4 Commissioner George Crain in contacting owners along the two-mile strip which runs from the end of the present pavement (east of the "Lazbuddie corner") to the Castro County line. Judge Brewer reports everything went smoothly.

Two non-resident property owners are yet to be contacted, but the county does not anticipate any difficulty.

This project will help fill a gap in a long stretch of east-west FM roads that cross the irrigated High Plains almost in the center. Beginning at Farwell, the road will run due east (with a few jogs) through Lazbuddie, Hart, Kress, and hook in with Highway 86 about seven miles west of Silverton.

The biggest unpaved gap is the section now in Castro County which fords Running Water Draw. The entire project is due to be completed this year, but the short two-mile stretch in Parmer County will very likely be built before the larger project in Castro County can be finished, completing the linkage.

Under the farm-to-market road plan, counties provide the right-of-way to the state at no expense. The state, in turn, provides the paving and maintenance at no expense to the county.

The door was torn off the business's safe, which contained some \$50 in dimes.

Soft drink machine was also broken into and a lesser amount taken from it.

The burglary was investigated by Parmer County Sheriff's Department.

Board Decides In Special Meet

With utmost respect for individuals involved, but with the feeling that a change would be good for the school, Bovina Schools board of trustees voted against renewing contracts of three teachers at a special session last week.

Announcement of board's decision was made by Superintendent Warren Morton.

The three whose contracts were not renewed are: Bob Wills, head football, basketball, and track coach and history and math teacher;

Charles Don Smith, girls' basketball coach, assistant football coach and baseball coach and history and math

teacher; Mrs. Dorothy Morton, home-making instructor.

All other teachers were re-elected.

Coach Wills has been top coach here since fall of '55. During his tenure, his athletic teams had winning records in all sports except football.

Footballwise, Wills-coached teams won 16 while losing 32. In basketball, his teams earned district and bi-district championships in two of the five years--'55-'56 and '58-'59--while compiling a 75 won-56 lost record.

In 1956 and '57, Wills also coached baseball. In those years, his teams won one bi-district championship as they won 15 games and lost four.

Coach Smith took his girls' basketball team to state tournament in Austin his first two years as coach here. The Fil-lies were runners-up in state tournament in '59.

Smith's teams had a 63-32 record in three years. The record was 31-8 in '57-'58; 25-6 last year; and 7-18 this season.

Present teachers rehired were: Miss Lillian Fisher, Mrs. M. H. Laney, and Mrs. W. E. Williams, first grade;

Mrs. J. T. Hammonds and Mrs. James McLeroy, second grade;

Mrs. Vernon Estes and Mrs. Loucile Foster, third grade; Mrs. Dorothy Donaldson and Mrs. Davis Edens, fourth grade;

Wess Smith and Mrs. Bill Thornton, fifth grade;

Mrs. Fleta Terry, M. H. Laney, and James Laney in the departmentalized sixth, seventh, and eighth grades.

High school instructors rehired for '60-'61 school term were Mrs. Mark Fairman, English; James McLeroy, commercial subjects; Roy Crawford, vocational agriculture; and Don Vance, science.

Band Instructor Earl Hise, who has been teaching on a part-time basis, was offered a contract provided he would teach full-time next year.

Morton's contract was renewed at an earlier date as were those of High School Principal Roy Whisler and Grade School Principal Grace Paul.

At the same session board members passed a resolution that teachers of the school system be commended for the excellent job they had done during the year and for the spirit of cooperation which had prevailed, Morton reported.

Wills' football teams had a 5-5 won-loss mark in 1955; in '56, 2-8; in '57, 4-5; in '58, 4-6; and 1-8 last season.

His first basketball team here had a 28-2 mark and a bi-district championship; the '56-'57 record was 8-15; it was 14-13 in '57-'58; 13-12 in '58-'59; and 12-14 last year.

His grade school teams during the past two years have had winning records. The football teams stand 10-3 for the two seasons while his basketballers in grade school have come out on the long end of a 13-4 count.

Burglars Net \$60 In Break-In At Hartwell's

Burglars netted some \$60 in a break-in at Hartwell Machinery Co. last week.

Entrance to the building, which is on Highway 60 in Bovina, was made by breaking a window, according to Tom Hartwell, co-owner of the business.

The door was torn off the business's safe, which contained some \$50 in dimes.

Soft drink machine was also broken into and a lesser amount taken from it.

The burglary was investigated by Parmer County Sheriff's Department.

Revival Has Good Start

"We got off to a wonderful start." Those were Rev. John Ferguson's words concerning First Baptist Church's revival which began Sunday and continues through the week.

Over 300 were in attendance for the morning service Sunday, reports the pastor, who is doing the preaching for the revival.

Crowds were also good at Monday morning and evening services.

Services are being conducted daily--at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Singing is being led by Kenneth Hart of Kress.

Arrest Man In Truck Tire Theft

Earl Carr, 30, Summerfield, was arrested Thursday in connection with the theft of four truck tires from McMillan Construction Company, which has been doing road work in the area recently.

The Parmer County man was arrested on the complaint of the construction firm, and was charged with "receiving and concealing." JP Judge Roy Thornton set his bond at \$1,000 which was made, and Carr has been released.

The tires were found in his possession by officers last week, but the workman says he purchased them and they are not stolen property. Carr at first consented to a polygraph test at Lubbock but later declined to go.

Value of the tires missing by the firm was set at \$400. Carr's arrest was the only one by the Parmer County sheriff's department during the past week.

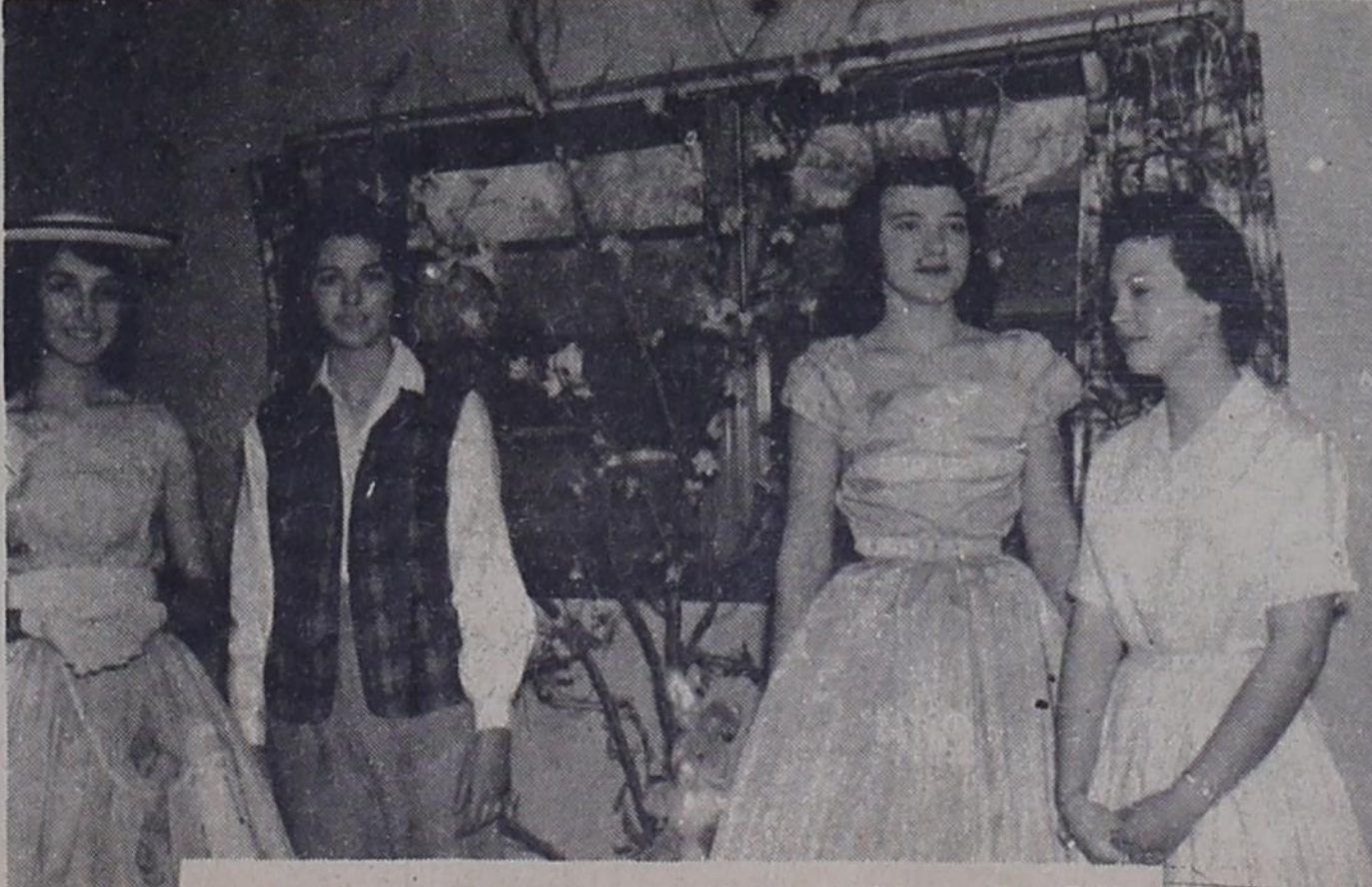
PTA Will Name New Officers

Election and installation of P-TA officers for the coming year will be conducted at regular meeting Monday evening at 8 p.m. in school cafeteria.

Installing officer will be Mrs. Roy Dodson.

An open forum type discussion has been scheduled for the program, according to Mrs. Leon Grissom, vice-president in charge of programs.

With hopes of settling the current school controversy, representatives of the administration and school board have agreed to come before the meeting to answer inquiries school patrons wish to present.



MODELS AND SEAMSTRESSES--Showing fashions at their FHA style show in Homemaking Cottage Thursday afternoon were left to right Marilyn Brandon, Janice Leake, and Martha Drager. Leslie Fourmentin was fashion show narrator.

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"Spring Is Sprung"

Spring is a grand and glorious time of the year! If spring only came into being once every 10 years (like the census) it would be one of the most looked-forward-to events. But since it come every year, just after

winter--lots of folks take it pretty much for granted. But this year, after an unusually severe winter, with the abundance of snow and blizzards, people here seem to be more aware of spring.



A FELLOW HAS TO MAKE A GOOD IMPRESSION--John David Ferguson is hoping his tree climbing ability will win favorable attention from onlookers Deborah Whisler, Cindy Crump (seated) and Rhonda Ragsdale. These second graders seem to be having fun in the spring sunshine.

For the most part--they are taking time to stand outside and be warmed by a sunray on the back--taking time to observe that the grass is getting green, that the trees are leafing and forsythia is blooming in abundance everywhere.

One of Bovina's second grade teachers, Mrs. H. T. Hammonds, recently took her class of energetic boys and girls (who have been confined indoors too much this past winter) for a walk in the park and other places near by.

When they returned to the classroom they were assigned a story about spring for their homework. We were handed some of the results of that assignment for publication in The Blade.

John David Ferguson wrote: Tuesday morning we went for a walk to see if everything was waking up.

We saw flowers waking up. We saw some ants coming out of their holes.

We saw trees that are having leaves. We saw evergreens.

We saw grass coming out. We saw some birds. We saw some pussy willows and we saw some weeping willows.

We had a nice time. The following is the effort of Rhonda Ragsdale: The earth is waking up. The flowers are blooming, the sunshine is out and the children are play-

ing outdoors again. The grass is getting green and the trees are getting their leaves.

Children are going around without jackets. Boys and girls are wearing sandals and thongs. Some are going without shoes. Boys and girls are outdoors playing baseball. Some are going swimming.

The birds are flying around making nests and hunting worms. Now people are watering their flowers.

Have fun in the spring! Deborah Whisler wrote: Wake up, little animals. Wake up! It's spring. Winter is gone.

In the spring little animals wake up after a winter's sleep.

One day I went for a walk, a nice long walk. I saw ants in the park. I saw flowers of blue, yellow, red, and white. And green grass, and pretty trees. In the spring animals are very thin.

I had a good time.

Cindy Crump was having some difficulty with her story writing assignment. She engaged the services of her father, Bud Crump, to help her with the lesson. The next day she brought her dad's story to school, with her own, and read it to the class. Here is what little "Buddy Crump" wrote:

We left the house to take a walk through the park. As we passed the Wilson house, we saw their little dog out in the front yard. He was watching a cat under the bush very closely. The cat was paying no attention to the dog.

We strolled through the park and watched some robins in the trees.

Miss Wainscott Brings Program To Bovina H. D.

Jimmie Lou Wainscott, county home demonstration agent, presented a program on "Insur-

ance for the Family" to members of Bovina Home Demonstration Club Friday morning.

This program was part of an all day meeting in the home of Mrs. Earl Dean Boyd.

During the business session it was reported a profit of \$36 was realized from a recent bake sale for Girls' Town benefit.

Ladies attending this all day meeting were Mmes. John Sikes, T. J. Hoppingardner, Howard Looney, Lester Williams, Bob McMeans, and Mable Newberry.

Mrs. Hoppingardner will be hostess for the May 6 meeting of the club.

Western Style Birthday Party

Guests came to Galen Hromas' tenth birthday party Tuesday afternoon in western attire for a "rip-roaring" good time.

The party was in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Hromas.

Games were led by Patricia Crawford and Charlotte Hromas. Favors of red hand-dannas, bubble gum and balloons were given the youngsters present: Darol Kirkpatrick, Lonnie Flippen, Mickey Don Ellison, Alan Carson, Mike Grissom, Lynn Murphy, Bill Caldwell, Roy Crawford Jr., Larry Mitchell, and James Lasseter.

Also, Linda Hemke, Patti Ragsdale, Carol Kirkpatrick, Teresa Page, LaNell Christian, Carole Mast, and Janice Morton.

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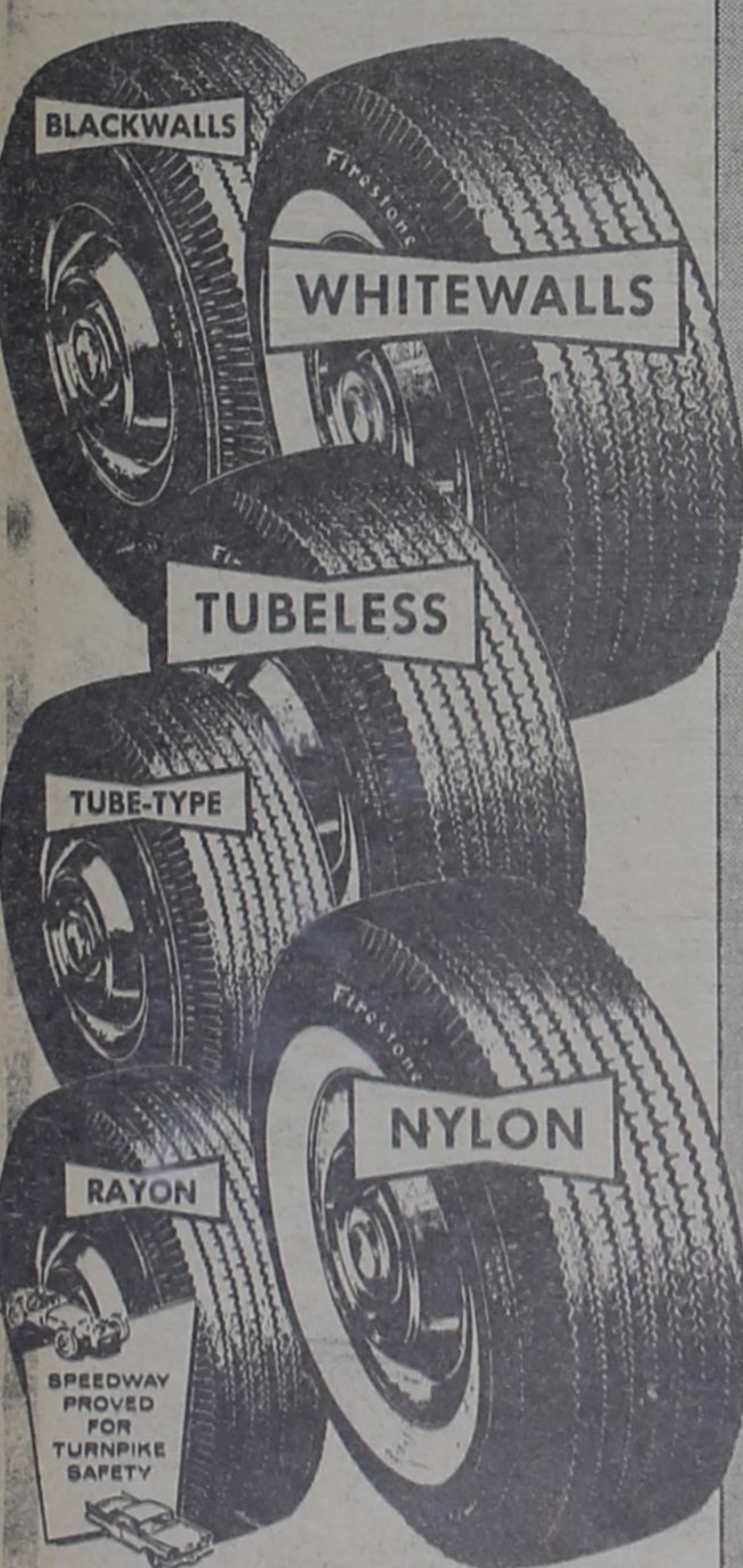
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FHA Girls--

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Miss Gooch wore a solid blue dress with a darker blue over skirt. Miss Looney showed a pink and white print with full skirt and fashionable puff sleeves.
Miss Stevens designed a dress of blue floral fabric, also featuring the big puff sleeves. Linda Gilreath chose a light blue cotton dress with rows of white lace down the bodice front.
Miss Wassom styled a bright red fitted dress with black flowers in the fabric.
For formal or party wear Martha Drager modeled the ballerina length formal of blue taffeta and net overskirt she wore for the Junior-Senior banquet. Martha also modeled a lavender party dress of taffeta with a scalloped neckline.
Following the showing of fashions before a spring tree and greenery with an Easter bunny at the focal point was a reception in the parlor for guests.
The serving table was decorated in an Easter motif. Bunny cakes, cookies, and punch were served. Presiding at the crystal punch bowl was Miss Newbrough.
Acting as hostess for the afternoon was Mrs. Dorothy Morton, home economics teacher in Bovina school.

Dinner Honors Octogenarian

In celebration of Tom Lloyd's 85th birthday a surprise birthday dinner was given Sunday by Mrs. Bessie Lloyd and Millie Holden.
Those coming to wish him a happy birthday and to bring gifts were Mrs. Irene Jones and N. J. Brand of Portales, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Odom Smith, Billie and Fern of Farwell.
Also, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Brand and Katherine, Mrs. W. M. Lloyd and Barbara, Mrs. Lester Smith and Roy, Bill Smith, Mrs. Etma Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hinkle and sons all of Friona.
Also, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Lloyd and Patsy, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lloyd and Phillip, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Wilkerson and granddaughters, Carolyn and Barbara, Mrs. Ola Free, Jim Kidd, Mr. and Mrs. Horace G. McLean.
Those coming by to call Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jordan and children of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Weldon and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Venable of Bovina.

WEBB TO GERMANY
Army Corporal Alfred Webb recently visited here with his family while on leave. He will leave soon for a three-year tenure in Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. James McElroy and children, Mrs. McElroy, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Crawford and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morton and daughter spent the Easter holiday at Lake Kemp near Seymour fishing.

Road Contract--

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north to Highway 86 will be let about May 15. This report was given at a recent meeting, according to J. H. McDonald, member of the court.
Other items of business included routine payment of bills. Also, members approved several deeds of right-of-way for the Highway 70-84 project.

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Mrs. Caldwell Gives Program On Music

"Learn something beautiful, see something beautiful, do something beautiful, each day of your life," was theme of the April 14 meeting of Bovina Woman's Study Club.

Guest speaker for the afternoon, Mrs. Margaret Caldwell, added "Listen and hear some-

thing beautiful" to the theme for her program on how music will speak to those who listen. She demonstrated with music of different moods on the piano. Mrs. Caldwell also discussed a brief history of folk music, early religious music, and present day semi-classical type of music.

Assisting Mrs. Caldwell was Mrs. Davis Edens who sang "Just A Wearyin' For You" by Carrie Jacobs Bond, also, "Precious Lord Take My Hand" by Thomas Dorsey, after Mrs. Caldwell told of how the song was composed.

Among selections played by Mrs. Caldwell at the piano was a piece she memorized 50 years ago.

In appreciation to Mrs. Caldwell for the program, club president, Mrs. Amos Shockley, presented her with a vase.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Joe M. Brown and Mrs. Jesse Walling. They decorated the club house with several arrangements of spring cut flowers. For refreshments they served toasted ribbon sandwiches, toasted cheese dip on crackers, angel food cake, coffee and tea.

Mrs. Bob Willis will conduct installation services for new officers May 12.

Those attending were Mmes. Rouel Barron, Clarence Jones, Earl Stevenson, H. D. Bradshaw, John Ferguson, Connie O'Brien, Shockley, Edens, Brown, Walling, and guest, Mrs. Caldwell.

Wandering with Waneen

by Waneen Ragsdale

Can't decide whether we are "plum tuckered," got spring fever, or just plain lazy lately. What with all the activities that have been taking place that we have attended we kinda have the excuse that we are just bone tired. Anyway you look at it, whether it's fatigue or spring fever, it is not a very pleasant feeling. We have always prided ourselves with being full of zip—but lately our zip done got busted.

Anyone have a friendly pepper-upper?

Could be we are just jealous of all the local residents we know of who have gone fishing. America is certainly changing as the years roll by (too fast). These days more and more are taking an Easter vacation to a lake somewhere. Maybe we are behind; we were always of the opinion everyone stayed home on Easter and wore a new hat to church. What with the high price of hats—we believe that it would probably be less expensive to go fishing.

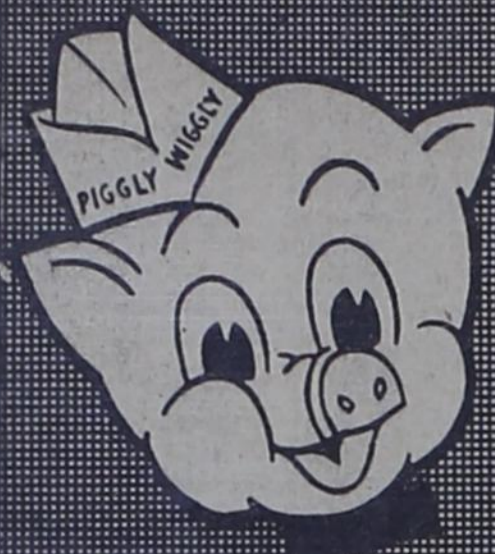
As late as Saturday afternoon we were afraid our little ladies would have to go to church Sunday without the buttonholes in their frocks. Always manage to get them down to the final stages and not have time to put in the last ten stitches. Getting three girls ready for the Easter parade is not any picnic. Next year WE'RE going fishing.

Local Resident's Grandmother Dies

Mrs. Minerva Dever of Snyder, grandmother of Mrs. C. H. Jefferson and Mrs. Bob Johnston, died Wednesday morning at Cogsdill Memorial Hospital in Snyder.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon at First Baptist Church in Snyder.

Attending the funeral from Bovina was Mrs. Jefferson, Mrs. Johnston and Mrs. William Gromowsky.



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Of Interest To THE WOMEN



STYLE SHOW RECEPTION--Following the FHA Style Show in Homemaking Cottage Thursday afternoon LaVonda Newbrough, center, served punch to guests, Mrs. J. D. Stevens and son, and Mrs. Dutch Dean. Also pictured is Janice Leake. The Easter motif was carried out in the decorations.

W.S.C.S. Has T. & C. Elects Guest Speaker From Progress Committee Chairman

"An Easter Message" was given by Mrs. Byron Gwen of Progress Methodist Church at the monthly luncheon meeting of Bovina W.S.C.S. Wednesday in church parlor.

Mrs. Robert Read presided over regular business meeting of Town and Country Junior Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon.

Elected to the committees were Esther Trimble, chairman of civic committee, with Wanda Sudderth as co-chairman; Glenn Hromas chairman of scrapbook committee; Sidney Koehler, co-chairman; Carolyn Owens, chairman of yearbook committee; Mittie Jo Moore, chairman of finance committee, with Bonnie Vickers as co-chairman; Norma Embrey chairman of program committee with Carolyn Foster and Reba Bonds as co-chairmen; and Beverley McCutchan, chairman of social committee with Delores Hoffer as co-chairman.

Members discussed possibility of sponsoring the swimming pool and voted not to work with it due to the fact that they have a number of pre-school children.

Junior Dept. Go Skating Monday

Boys of junior department of Bovina Methodist Church feted girls of the Sunday school class with a skating party in Farwell Monday afternoon. This climaxed an attendance contest won by the girls.

Those attending were Velma Weatherhead, Irene Thornton, Karen Beauchamp, Nancy Pewitt, Davela Edens, Janice Morton, Linda Hemke, Patti Ragsdale, Pam Grissom, Nancy Mitchell, and Rhonda Ragsdale.

Hosts attending were Lee Terry, Craig Wilson, Ricky Kunselman, Bill Caldwell, Larry Mitchell, Mike Grissom, and Bruce Caldwell.

Parents present were Mmes. Leon Grissom, Dean McCallum, Bedford Caldwell, and Fleeta Terry.

The youngsters were given a picnic at the roadside park here after the skating party. They dined on sandwiches, potato chips, cookies and soft drinks.

Coffee Fetes Bernice Ferguson

Ladies of First Baptist Church feted the pastor's wife, Bernice Ferguson, with a birthday coffee Thursday morning at Bovina Restaurant.

Rev. John Ferguson managed to get the honoree to the restaurant unaware of the fact that she was being honored. Upon entering the dining room the group of well wishers began a chorus of "Happy Birthday To You."

Mrs. Ferguson was presented a new dress with accessories from Mmes. Travis Lloyd, J. O. Combs, P. A. Adams, Henry Minter, Bobby Englant, Don Murphy, Vernon Ward, Mary Ruth Martin, J. Harris, Travis Dyer, Junior Barbee, Terry Adams, Bob Willford, Charles Hawkins, Dale Harmon, Charlie Owens, Jimmy Heard, and Weldon Moody.

Those present had coffee and doughnuts.

Stevensons Win High

Mr. and Mrs. Oakley Stevenson both took home a high prize Thursday evening when Mr. and

Mrs. Vernon Willard had couples bridge party in their home.

Shirley Hemke and Leon Ware won low prizes. Winner of the travelers prize was Janie Sudderth.

Refreshments of white Christmas pie, dips, chips, coffee,

and soft drinks were served. Others present included Jim Hemke, Shirley Ware, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Clements, Mr. and Mrs. Don Vance, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hardin.

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FIRST GAME—

Bovina 3, L'buddie 9

Bovina's Mustangs dropped their first baseball game of the season, a district encounter, to Lazbuddie's Longhorns, 9-3, here Tuesday afternoon. Coach Charles Dan Smith's boys had a 2-1 lead in the third inning, but the visitors

took over in the fourth and held on for the win. Jon Lin Riddle went the distance on the mound for the Ponies. He gave up eight hits, struck out 12, walked three and hit one batsman. The Mustangs managed for

four hits. Mac Glasscock accounted for two of those with a double and a single. Don Cumpton hit a double and Pat O'Brien had a single. The Mustangs continue district play Friday when they go to Nazareth. They'll be at home again Tuesday when they meet Adrian here at 3 p. m. This year's baseballers are short on experience, Coach Smith reports. Only three lettermen are back, Riddle, Buddy Turner and Jerry Rigdon. Two other lettermen from last year are Roger Ezell and Don Caldwell. However, Ezell is still concentrating on track and Caldwell is injured.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jordan and children of Snyder visited recently in Bovina with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Wilkerson. Also with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Jordan in Friona.

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Crackdown Imminent On Water Wasters

In a recent meeting of the board of directors of the High Plains Underwater Water Conservation District it was decided that a procedure would be adopted to strictly enforce the district's rules against waste of irrigation water.

The district has in the past approached the problems of waste from an educational standpoint, preferring to present facts about the underground water and its efficient use rather than invoking more harsh and drastic methods.

However, the willful and habitual waste of water by a minority of irrigators has become increasingly more serious. With the continued decline of the underground water level in the southern High Plains area, coupled with increased public opinion against willful waste, the water district has come to the conclusion that the time is now upon us to supplement education with strict enforcement.

In the future, violators of the district's rules concerning

waste will be notified that they have 24 hours in which to correct the situation and stop the waste. This does not mean that the district would want any farmer to stop irrigating, but only to put a halt to continued waste.

The notice will be delivered to the farm operator by a deputy sheriff, constable or by some other official person in the county where the waste has been observed.

At the end of the twenty-four-hour period, district personnel will check to see that the irrigation water is under control and is being retained and used on the land where it is produced.

Should the waste continue beyond the twenty-four-hour period granted to the violator by the district, then legal action will be taken through the courts to stop any further waste.

By far the large majority of area irrigators recognize that their underground water is one of the most precious of all resources, and they care for it as best they can; however a minority continue to promiscuously run water off their land into roadways, creating not only a situation described as waste in the rules of the water district but also a definite public nuisance and a hazard to human

life.

The multitude of reasons why underground water should not be wasted have all been discussed in much detail.

All who are even remotely interested in conservation can explain why waste is detrimental to continued prosper-

ity in our area. Even the school boy knows that waste is a bad practice. All are aware that water should not be wasted, but rather it should be put to beneficial uses.

Put an end to any waste that originates from your land--do it today.

Report Safflower Prospects Poor

With planting time nearing for a relatively new Parmer County area crop, T. O. Lesly reports that prospects this year for the crop, safflower, are poor. Lesly, who farms near Lazbuddie, is president of the Farmer's Union.

"This year they are urging it on dryland," he says of the companies selling seed.

"The P-1 variety, that we grew last year, doesn't yield enough for irrigation. It didn't respond to irrigation." Lesly says this variety usually produces the best crop where it is seeded and watered the lightest.

Lesly is trying to get some seed for a new irrigated variety of safflower, Gila (pronounced hila), which was developed and tested in Arizona and California.

"There are very few growers in Parmer County since we don't have any dryland," he knows of only one farmer, Wiley Bullock of Lazbuddie, who plans to plant dryland safflower. Bullock will have about 20 acres.

If Lesly is able to get irrigated seed, he and one other farmer will have small acreages of about 20 acres each.

Main growing areas in Texas are Crosby, Hockley and Hale Counties, Lesly says. He thinks

there may also be some of the crop in the south of Bailey County.

"Last year I had about 17 or 18 acres," Lesly's yield on the oilseed crop was poor last year, netting him only about 700 to 1500 pounds an acre.

"We should make 2500 to 3000 an acre to make as much as maize and be easier on the land and water," Lesly says. "Last year, we started planting about the middle of April, but best results came from some planted later."

"It is a crop that will make if you have moisture when you start." Safflower is used in paints and varnishes. It is the only oil that will not stain or turn yellow in paint. It is also recommended in cooking for people who have heart ailments.

Lesly says the crop has a short growing season of about three months. It harvested with a combine like milo.

"The Farmer's Union is marketing the safflower that will be grown through the Farmer's Union Co-op. The Co-op will market seed and put a mill in if the number of acres justifies it."

"Safflower is not an expensive crop to raise. Seed cost \$12.50 for 100 pounds. Recommended planting rate is about 10 pounds for dryland and 18 to 22 for irrigated."

A pre-watering and one follow-up is all the irrigation that is needed, Lesly says. Fertilizer required is about the same as grain sorghum.

Current market price of the seed crop is \$62 a ton. Lesly says the distance to the mills has kept the farmers' profit low.

"The same mill could probably mill sesame and soybean. A hot dry climate is needed to raise safflower. Most of the safflower was hulled out last year."

Safflower seed is a small seed about the size of apple seed with a white hull on it before it is processed.



Parmer County area farms have been sliced open in many places during the past 10 years, with natural gas feeder lines and underground concrete tile lines. The caliche-topped mound of dirt left by a ditching machine is a familiar sight.

COUNTY 4 H NEWS

Jenny Steinbock, president, called the meeting of the Lazbuddie junior girls 4H club to order when they met for a regular meeting.

A demonstration on "streamlining the medicine cabinet," was given by Cathy Wilson and Susan Pendergrass. "Vegetables can be different," was theme of a demonstration given by Carolyn Annear and Becky Wilson. "Buying Canned Vegetables" was given by Ann Collins and Brenda Tanner.

Meeting was called to order by Joe B. Jennings when members of the Lazbuddie 4H club met. Timmy Foster led the pledge.

Sammy Harlan gave a demonstration on electric wiring safety. Bobby Gleason and Tarry Parhams gave a demonstration on windbreaks.

Boys entered in Parmer County 4-H grain sorghum production contest are Danny Miller, Leon Watson, Terry Parhams, Mike Hinkson, Mike Bureson, Kirby Burch and Gary Matthews.

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Western Pipeline Company, have moved on into Curry County, N. M.

The line originates near La Verne, Oklahoma and will, upon completion in about three or four months, end in Los Angeles, Calif.

Although it is hardly discernible from the ground, the path, left by the fresh earth on the recently covered pipe, from the air resembles an extra wide dirt road cutting across wheatfields, pasture and recently cultivated fields.

The last section of pipe to be laid in Parmer County was set down just after noon Saturday.

One worker at the work site just adjacent to the state line said the line would not interfere with cultivation or irrigation since the construction crew was running water in the pipe ditches to pack the loose earth down so

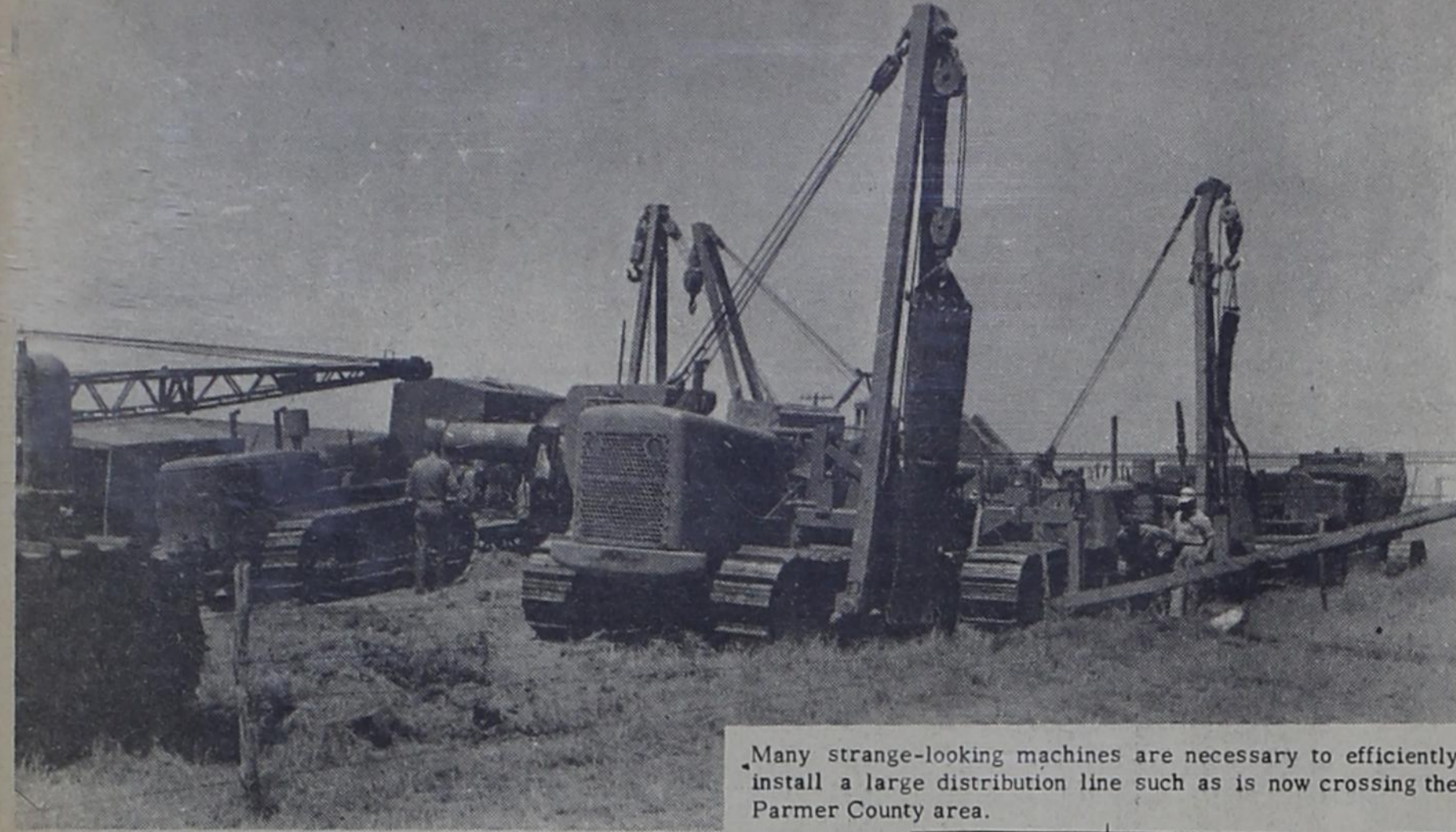
further sinking would not occur.

The line probably will not interfere too much with cultivation; however, it could possibly result in some difficulties in wheat watering. This has apparently already happened since only a few of the wheatfields the lines crosses had been watered, or were being watered.

About a dozen large Caterpillars, dozers and other large construction vehicles and a number of large and small trucks were being used by the pipe laying crew.

The Houston company had planned to do most of the field work during the winter so it would not interfere with farmers' work, but severe weather kept them from working.

High winds and blowing dust hampered workers some Saturday as they were winding up the work in this county.



Many strange-looking machines are necessary to efficiently install a large distribution line such as is now crossing the Parmer County area.

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Latest information on how to freeze, and how to cook frozen foods is given in extension bulletin, "Frozen Foods." Get a copy from your county home demonstration agent's office.

carefully; then rub on a coat of an exterior clear penetrating tung oil sealer.

Freshen iron furniture by removing soil with warm soapy water, a brush and cloth. Rinse with warm water and dry. Remove rust with 2/0 steel wool and apply a metal pain or an exterior sealer.

To repair loose bindings on rattan furniture, soak them in warm water, rewind carefully and tack. Coat with clear varnish or a clear penetrating tung oil sealer.

Redwood furniture can also be finished with a tung oil sealer. The kind designed for outdoor furniture will dry in the presence of moisture, according to the specialists.

Replacements of sail cloth and canvas cover for director chairs and butterfly chairs can be found ready-made, or you can make them yourself if you are fairly skilled at sewing jobs. Plastic backed vinyls, webbings and easily washable fabrics are available by the yard for use on different kinds of outdoor furniture.

Then there was the Texan who bought his son a cowboy outfit: a 20,000-acre ranch, 1,000 head of cattle and 200 horses.

vide enough of the vitamin daily. Vitamin C is not stored in the body, remind the specialists. That's why you need to include it in your diet on a regular day-to-day basis.

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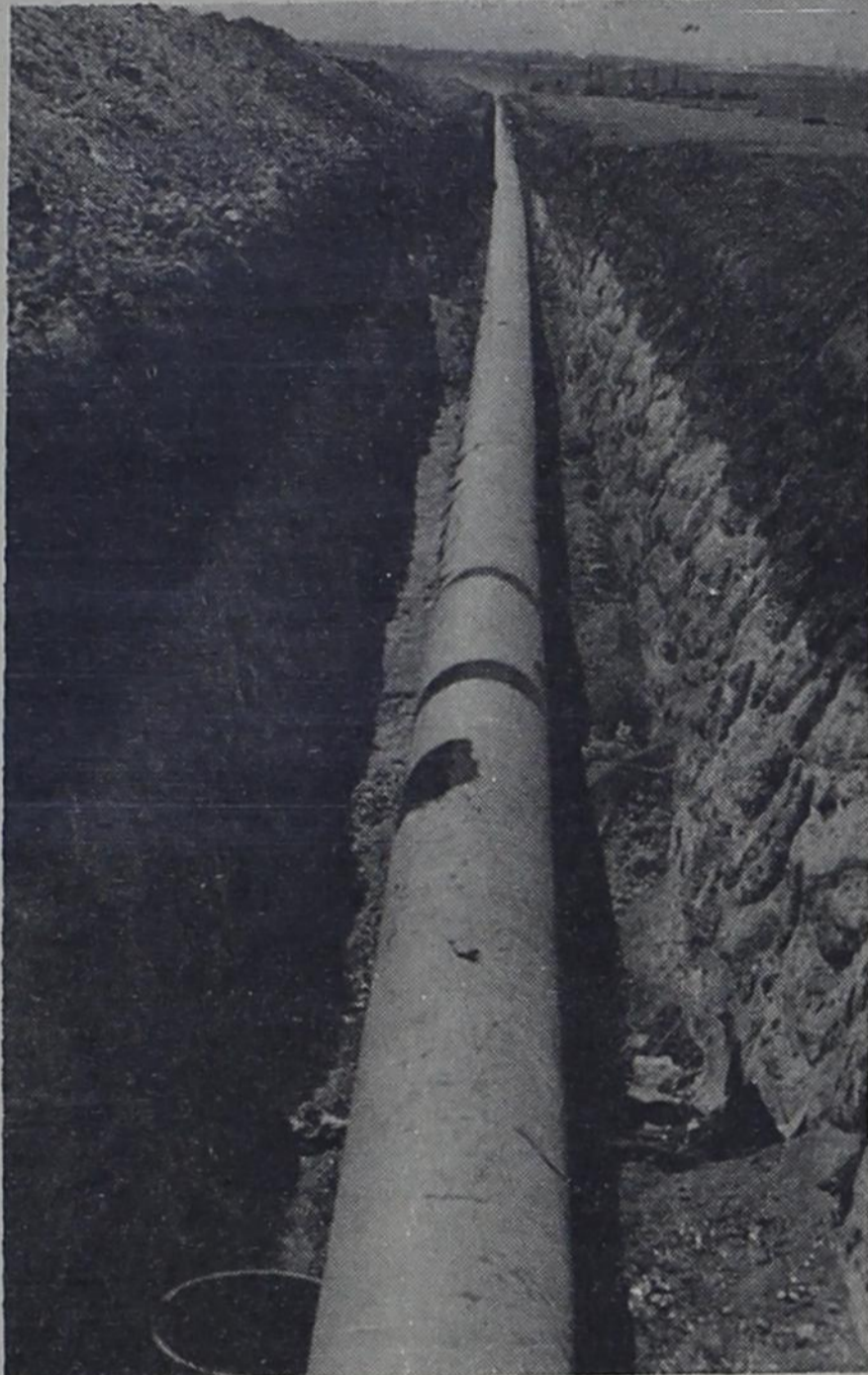
Freezing is a quick, easy way to preserve fresh greens, asparagus and other spring vegetables that will be coming

TIME TO SPRUCE UP YOUR OUTDOOR FURNITURE . . .

With warm weather already starting, this is a good time to get outdoor furniture in condition for summer use.

Extension home furnishings specialists of the A&M College System give some timely suggestions.

If you have nonanodized aluminum outdoor furniture that has started to pit, rub with 2/0 steel wool and oil the hinges



The pipe as it looks before being covered. Note the deep cut in the earth.

A food consumption survey carried out by the U. S. Department of Agriculture showed that among more than 6,000 U. S. families whose food purchases were studied over a week's time, one in four was not receiving recommended quantities of vitamin C.

Citrus fruits are rich enough in vitamin C to yield a day's supply in one average serving such as a whole orange or a half grapefruit. Potatoes, tomatoes, peppers, brussels sprouts, and cabbage, as well as greens such as spinach, mustard and turnip tops also contain vitamin C. However, more than one average serving of these other foods is needed to pro-

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Top Corn Hybrid Yields 86 Bu. In Halfway Test

Corn yield tests at the High Plains Research Foundation during 1959 included a test of thirty-eight hybrids and a comparison of three hybrids at four different planting dates.

Since the production of corn on the High Plains is increasing, there is more demand for information concerning adapted varieties and production practices. The hybrid corn yield test conducted at the Foundation showed a wide range of adaptation among hybrids by the variation in yields from 30.2 to 86.2 bushels per acre. Likewise, the date of planting test varied from 53.1 to 95.7 bushels per acre between two planting dates.

A previous test indicated that lodging also varies greatly with planting date. Therefore, the

right combination of adapted varieties and optimum planting date could result in high yields and decreased lodging.

One of the hazards of corn production on the High Plains is lodging (as a result of the southwestern corn borer) which generally occurs at maturity. If corn could be harvested mechanically before lodging occurs, corn production could be more profitable. This would mean that moisture content of the grain would be high (about 25%) and would have to be dried. These are problems which need further study.

These tests were conducted on Pullman Clay loam soil, which was in grain sorghum production the previous year. Seed bed preparation included deep breaking to a depth of ten

inches, followed by discing and listing on forty-inch centers.

All plots in both tests received 95 pounds of nitrogen per acre in the form of ammonium nitrate (33.5% N), sidedressed June 17.

A severe hail on June 22 damaged the plants considerably, which decreased yields an estimated ten per cent. All plots were hand harvested in September and later threshed separately with a combine. Moisture percentage for each hybrid was determined and all yields were then adjusted to 14 per cent moisture.

HYBRID CORN YIELD TEST

This test, made up of 38 hybrids, was planted April 17 in two-row plots twenty-two feet long and arranged in a randomized block design with four replications.

An application of 3.68 inches of water was applied to secure uniform stand on all plots. Two subsequent irrigations of three inches each plus 15.75 inches of rainfall from April through August made 25.43 inches of moisture available during the growing season.

Yields reported in Table 1 are based on 56 pounds of shelled corn per bushel and are the average of four plots for each hybrid.

Yields of 38 corn hybrids tested at the High Plains Research Foundation during 1959.

Rank	Variety	Yield Bu. per Acre
1	Asgrow 105 W	86.2
2	PAG 454	83.5
3	Pioneer 309A-MF	79.6
4	Texas 26	79.1
5	Funks G 711AA	79.0
6	Texas 30	77.4
7	Texas 17 W	77.0
8	DeKalb 1023	76.1
9	Funks G 706	75.4
10	PAG 633 W	74.6
11	Conrads 7	73.5
12	Asgrow 104	73.0

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A guide for estimating annual return for labor, management and capital on a cow-calf operation in Central and East Texas has been released by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. It was prepared by Tom Prater, extension farm management specialist and L. A. Maddox, moisture available during the growing season.

Table 2 reports the yields of each hybrid at each date of planting, the average yield for each variety, and the average yield for each date of planting. All yields are based on 56 pounds of shelled corn per bushel at 14 per cent moisture.

DATE OF PLANTING EXPERIMENT

In this test three hybrids (Northrup King KT6, Asgrow 104, and Texas 30) were planted on the following dates: (1) April 17, (2) May 1, (3) May 15 and (4) May 21.

This test was planted in a split-plot arrangement with the dates of planting being the main plots and the three hybrids planted on each date.

Irrigation during the growing season amounted to 9.68 inches. Rainfall from April through August was 15.75 inches, which gave a total of 25.43 inches of

TABLE 2
The Effect of Planting Date and Variety on Yield of Corn at the High Plains Research Foundation during 1959.

(Yield in Av. Yield Bu. per at Dif- Rainfall on Yield of Corn at the High Plains Research Foundation during 1959.)

Date of Planting	Hybrid	Yield Bu. per Acre
April 17	Asgrow 104	64.0
April 17	Asgrow 105 W	84.6
April 17	Northrup King KT6	84.6
April 17	Texas 30	84.6
April 17	Texas 17 W	84.6
April 17	Funks G 706	84.6
April 17	PAG 633 W	84.6
April 17	Conrads 7	84.6
April 17	Asgrow 104	84.6
May 1	Asgrow 104	84.9
May 1	Asgrow 105 W	86.4
May 1	Northrup King KT6	86.4
May 1	Texas 30	86.4
May 1	Texas 17 W	86.4
May 1	Funks G 706	86.4
May 1	PAG 633 W	86.4
May 1	Conrads 7	86.4
May 1	Asgrow 104	86.4
May 15	Asgrow 104	56.0
May 15	Asgrow 105 W	51.5
May 15	Northrup King KT6	53.1
May 15	Texas 30	53.1
May 15	Texas 17 W	53.1
May 15	Funks G 706	53.1
May 15	PAG 633 W	53.1
May 15	Conrads 7	53.1
May 15	Asgrow 104	53.1
May 21	Asgrow 104	59.5
May 21	Asgrow 105 W	58.3
May 21	Northrup King KT6	60.5
May 21	Texas 30	59.4
May 21	Texas 17 W	59.4
May 21	Funks G 706	59.4
May 21	PAG 633 W	59.4
May 21	Conrads 7	59.4
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Forty-one choice Hereford steer calves were implanted and the same number not implanted in the test. The implanted calves weighed 521 pounds per head at weaning time, about October 1, 1959, compared with 502 pounds for those not receiving the implant of 12 milligrams of stilbestrol, Melton said.

In continuing the comparison, one group implanted as suckling

calves was reimplanted with 24 milligrams of stilbestrol on November 19. This group showed a daily gain of 1.12 pounds from November 19, 1959 to February 24, 1960. Another group, first implanted in November, had a gain of 1.16 pounds daily. The group implanted at any time gained 1.03 pounds daily, Melton said.

The steers will be placed in drylot for fattening about May 1 and implants again used to provide comparisons between 3, 2, 1 and no implants, respectively. The steers are expected to reach slaughter weights by August or September.

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POLITICAL CALENDAR

The Farmer 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 Farmer County:

Chas. Lovelace (Re-Election)

FOR ASSESSOR - COLLECTOR of Farmer County:

Lee Thompson (Re-Election)

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY of Farmer County:

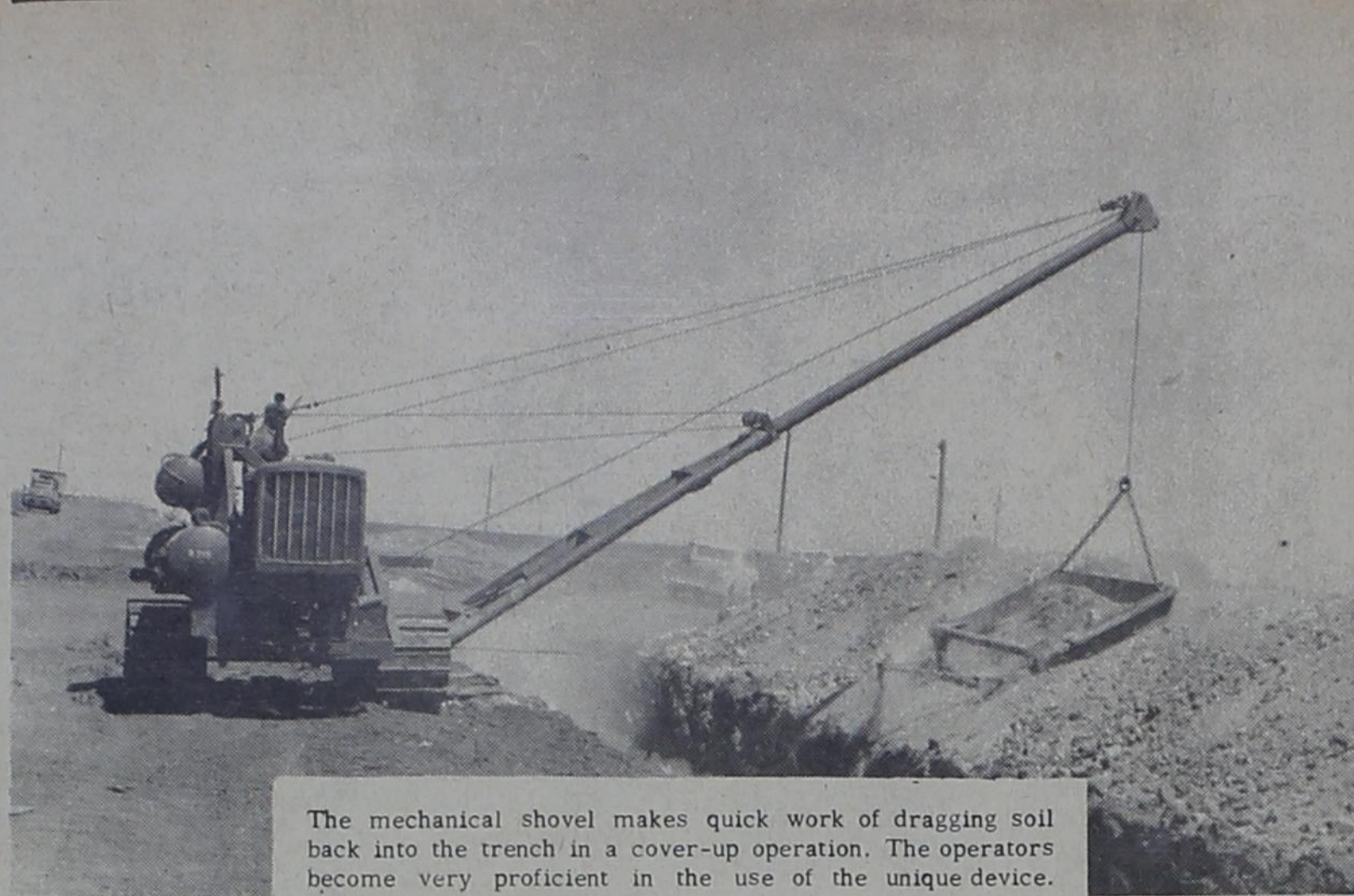
Hurshel Harding (Re-Election)

FOR COMMISSIONER of Precinct No. 1:

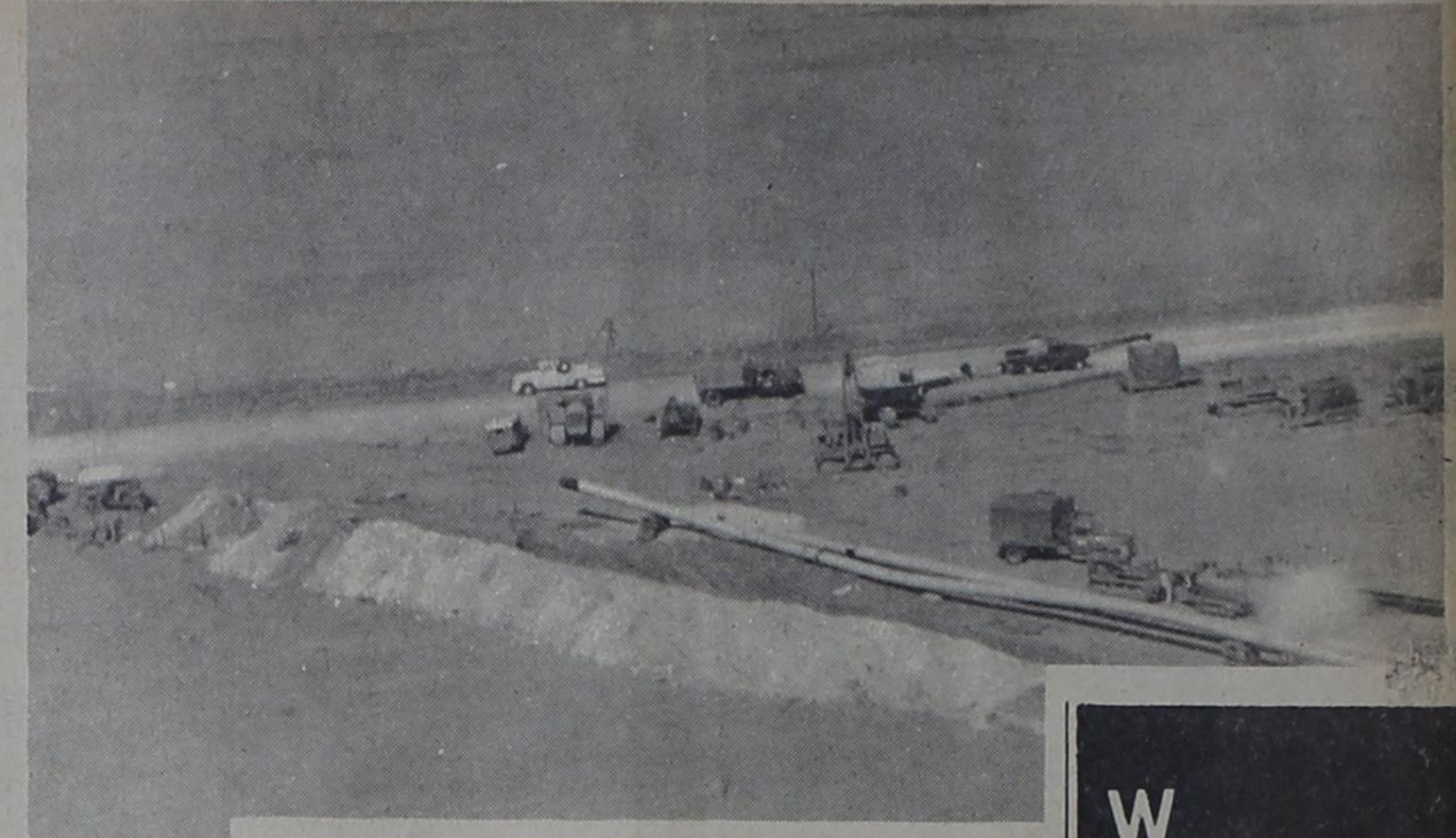
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THE PARMER FARMER

By W. H. Graham, Jr.

Even though relations between the United States and Cuba continue to be more than just a little frayed at the edges, it appears that the great furor stirred up about a month ago over the Cuban sugar situation is going to die down. As a matter of fact, we haven't noticed the subject in any newspaper within the past week. The U. S. and Cuban sugar

agreement will be renewed probably for four years and it does not appear at this time that there is any possibility for a revolutionary break through for domestic beet sugar producers. Even the president of the United States Beet Sugar Producers advocates renewing the agreement with Cuba under which that government is guaranteed a good price for about one-third of the sugar requirements for the United States.

This appears to be just another one of those ridiculous situations that appear whenever governments attempt to regulate the interchange and exchange of commodities.

Walter Rogers, our congressman, is at bat for us in the sugar beet problem. He introduced three bills last week which would all help establish sugar beet raising on our irrigated farmlands--which need new crops badly.

Rogers proposes that the quotas for domestic production be

increased and that acreage restrictions be removed. The wording of the bill is such that acreage for new areas (with fewer than 20,000 acres) would receive priority. Doubtless he is thinking of Hereford and their hopes for a mill there if 20,000 acres can be drummed up.

In spite of Walter's good intentions, there is little likelihood that this legislative relief will come to pass. The administration is not disposed to a drastic overhaul of the sugar program right now. In fact, even inland sugar beet producers want the act continued without any great changes.

The best we can hope for is a modest, but regular increase from year to year. In spite of Fidel's tantrums, Uncle Sam isn't going to junk the old program overnight.

More politics and farming. They just don't mix well.

It is true that farmers have been criticized unjustly for many things over which they have little or no control. It is also true, however, that farmers as a group do have their shortcomings just as is the case with any major economic segment.

Perhaps it isn't the most important thing in the world, but we would like to point out one of the irritations we often suffer when in the presence of a group of farmers is that they never seem to be satisfied with the weather.

Now, being unhappy with the weather has been stylish since the days of Mark Twain, who declared that everyone talked about it but that no one ever did anything about it. As a matter of fact, man's preoccupation with the elements probably dates back a lot farther than that. Just the same, we are of the opinion that farmers as a whole are unnecessarily and often unjustly critical of the things which Mother Nature chooses to send their way.

From 1950 until 1957 we had built up the belief that farmers of this area would never again complain about getting moisture; however, when the drought was broken and it finally did begin to rain a little, we find that is always rains at the wrong time or the rain comes down in the wrong way, or there is too much of it, or not enough of it.

Not only have farmers crabbled about the rain, but we have heard lots of bellyaching

already this spring about what a "tough" winter it was and about how all that snow and cold weather had just about ruined them.

Actually, the winter of 1959-1960 has been one of the most beneficial that nature has ever sent us. It is true that many winter time farm chores, such as disking, plowing, fertilizing and other land preparation activities have been unexpectedly delayed because of the severity of the weather. However, the moisture which has been stored in the soil profile that was brought by the snow, sleet and rain this past winter will be of inestimable value to all crops through the growing season this summer.

We have just come through what old timers would fondly refer to as a wonderful "underground season."

In spite of the schedule interruptions and awkwardnesses which this past winter has caused, this writer is of the opinion that we are in a poor position to be complaining about what has been sent us.

Naturally, we can understand and appreciate the disappointments that a farmer is sure to feel when his plantings are washed out or his crops are beaten flat during a hail storm. Just the same, it looks to us as if it would be only fair to remember some of the good things that have been sent our way when the coin turns its other

side toward us.

Someone told us the other day they had heard or read the High Plains got more snow this year than did many Rocky Mountain areas including the city of Denver.

Now we don't have any statistics to support this statement, or to disprove it either for that matter. However we are inclined to feel this could certainly be the case. As a matter of fact, we'd be willing to bet if you measure the amount of snow we have received during the winter and compare it with what is an average snowfall for many cities that consider themselves to be in the area of a pretty rough winter climate, we'd be right up there with some of the best. Now whether you think this is something to brag about or be ashamed of, we don't know, but it sure does make good conversation.

The man with money to burn will always meet a woman who is a match for him.

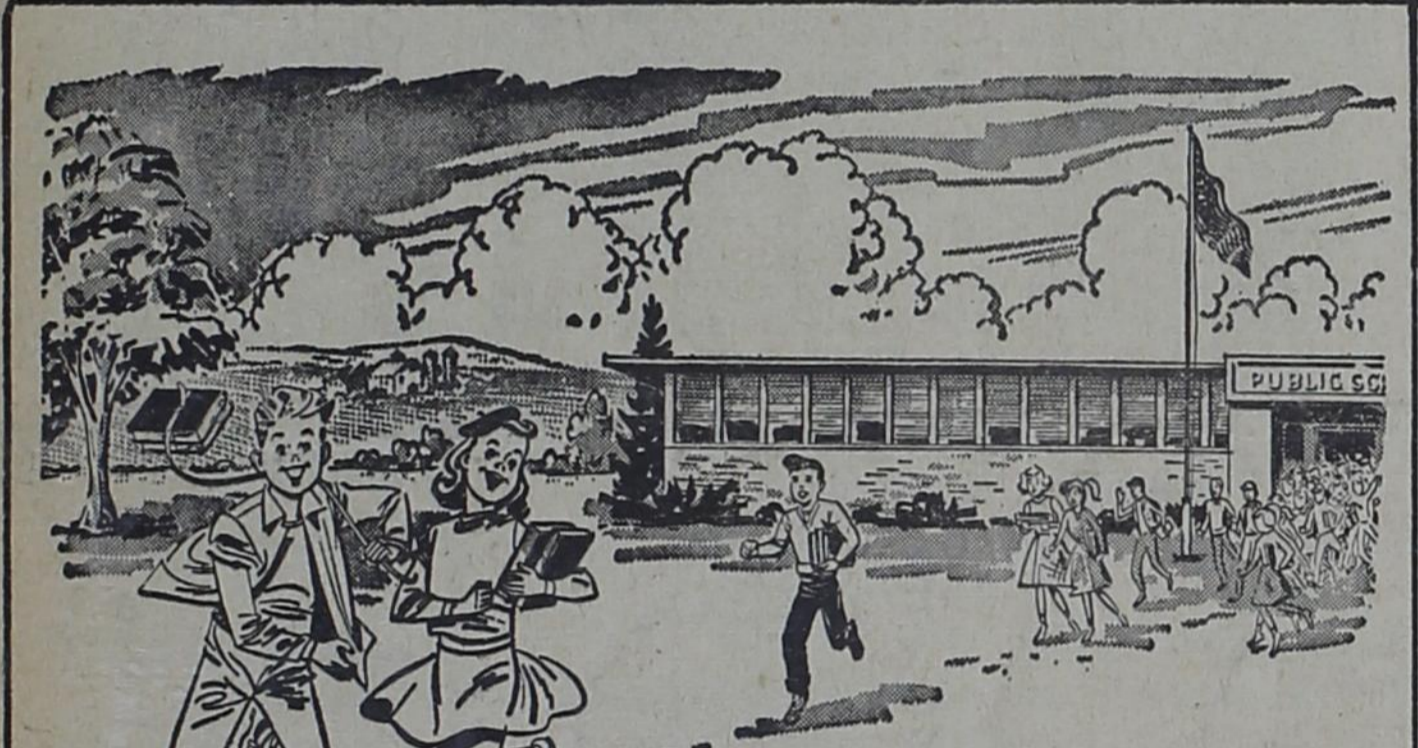
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