

# Largest Plastic Pipeline Starts In NE Castro

Farmers Co-op Society Sponsors 100-Mile Natural Gas Project

Work begins this week on what is believed to be the largest plastic natural gasline project ever undertaken anywhere. It will be about one hundred miles of line carrying natural gas to some 200 wells in the northeast section of Castro County and in Swisher county.

Successful bidder for the pipeline this week was the Dimmitt Ditching Service. The bids were submitted to the Swisher-Castro County Farmers Co-Op Society, sponsors of the project. The Society is made up of about 80 farmers in that area, and was formulated with the express purpose of bringing share-the-cost natural gas to their irrigation motors.

The 2- and 3-inch plastic pipeline will tie into a Pioneer Natural Gas line in the northeast part of the county.

According to Mr. George Owen of the Dimmitt Ditching Service, the largest single project so far was the laying of about 30 miles of plastic pipe at one time. "I believe this project we are about to start is the largest we will ever see in this area," he said, indicating that subsequent lines would not reach the 100-mile figure again.

# 75 Expected For Girls Stock Show Division Feb. 10-11

Interest is mounting among the 4-H girls of Castro county planning to enter the girls division of the February fat stock show and indications at this writing reveal there may be as many entries in the girls division as in the boys division. Last year there were 75 girls entries and at least this many or more are expected for the February 10-11 county-wide event.

## Co. Farmers May Get Tree Seedlings

Applications for seedlings for windbreak plantings are now being accepted at the county agent's office here and will be received until Feb. 22, according to Mrs. Sybil Stringer, county home demonstration agent.

Available varieties are Red Cedar, Ponderosa Pine and Chinese Elm. These seedlings may be purchased at \$1.50 per hundred. All seedlings will be delivered immediately after the first week in March and applicants may pick them up at the courthouse. Application forms are available at the county agent's office and all forms must be sent in together. No order for less than a total of 100 trees or 50 of one species will be accepted.

Seedlings for this area are grown at the forest service station near Altus, Okla. and the supply is limited.

Cornbread and biscuit baking will be the two phases of competition in the girls division. Mrs. Cecil Curtis is general chairman. All girls' products must be in place by 10:30 a.m. on February 11. Four classes have been set up. They are: 1. girls nine and ten years of age; 2. 11 and 12 year olds; 3. 13 and 14 year olds; and 4. 15 years and up. Ribbons will be awarded all deserving products and championship banners will go to first place winners in each class. Rosettes will be presented runners-up in each class.

Castro county girls will also help boost poultry entries as a number have already indicated they will enter this event.

As is customary an auction will be held after lunch Saturday, the last day of the show, to enable 4-H and FFA boys to sell their prize stock.

Scoring all bake products in the girls division will be the assistant home demonstration agent of Deaf Smith county. Serving as general advisor for the girls division is Mrs. Sybil Stringer, Castro County Home Demonstration Agent.

## Jan. 31 Deadline For Grain Loans

Castro county farmers have until Tuesday, January 31 to put their grain in government loan, according to Doyle Thomas, local ASC office secretary. This includes all kinds of grain, such as wheat, grain sorghums, oats, barley, rye and corn.

A farmer may put his grain in either government loan or under the purchase agreement. The difference in these two mediums is that under government loan the farmer actually borrows money against his grain whereas under the purchase agreement he is just assured support price of the grain at the end of the loan period. He hasn't been able to sell.

Loans on wheat and grain sorghums mature March 31. On other grain crops, loans mature April 30. County support rate on 1955 wheat is \$2.09 bushel compared to \$1.69 per 100 pounds on milo. Other support rates are \$1.23 bushel on corn, 68 cents bushel on oats and 90 cents bushel on barley. Storage will be deducted if it hasn't already been paid.

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# Cotton Acreage Suit Is 'Still Going Strong'

Publicity-wise the cotton acreage allotment suit brought by Willis Hawkins Sr. of Hart and three other West Texas farmers, in a move to return "trend cotton" to West Texas, has lost momentum. However, Hawkins assured the News late last week that his group is still very much "in the thick of the battle" and a court hearing will be held in Houston late this month or in early February.

Hawkins said there is still a good chance of West Texas receiving a substantial gain in cotton. In connection with the forthcoming hearing he supplied the News with a letter from the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. This letter is herewith published in part:

"From the best information we have been able to develop at this time, it appears that the Review Committees will not be authorized to hear the complaints filed by the individual farmers on their 1956 cotton acreage allotments until after a decision has been announced in the lawsuit brought against the State ASC Committee by the West Texas cotton farmers."

"Prior to any action by the Review Committees, the attorneys for the lawsuit mentioned above will call a conference at a central point in West Texas to confer with the farmers who have filed these complaints or their representatives who may be designated to participate in such a conference for them."

"The attorneys will then advise the farmers as to the proper procedure and all details to be observed in hearings conducted on such appeals by the Review Committees."

Hawkins points out that Castro county's 1956 allotment has been cut about 8,000 acres according to the trend basis and West Texas has suffered a reduction of 270,000 acres.

Hawkins and George Smith of Jones county, Floyd Smith of Martin county and Ralph White of Howard county filed a petition against the State ASC Committee last November alleging that body "plans to set unfair 1956 cotton quotas for West Texas." All four men have made numerous trips to such places as Houston, College Station, Abilene and Dallas in behalf of the case and plan to continue doing all they can to press their allegation. All are optimistic and feel that something good will result from the court hearing. If necessary they will make a federal appeal in Washington.

# County March of Dimes \$2,644 Short of Goal

Castro countians still have a long way to go in their drive to raise \$3,000 for the March of Dimes as the county total as of Tuesday, with 11 days to go, stood at \$356.50. However, school cards and individual donor cards were distributed over the weekend and these two mediums are expected to boost the county total substantially, according to Campaign Chairman Steve Taylor.

A breakdown of this total shows that \$128 were collected through the coffee day sales staged at cafes here and at Hart; \$78.50 from Lion Blue Crutch sales; and \$150 from the benefit basketball games played in the local gym Monday night.

## Delinting Plant Opens In Dimmitt

The Dimmitt Cotton Saw Delinting Plant, built here last summer at an approximate cost of \$18,000, was opened this week by Cecil Hutton, owner.

Hutton said he would offer a complete service on saw delinting and treating seed. The plant will also be open this fall when the cotton ginning season gets underway.

The all steel structure, located near the south city limits on the east side of Highway 51, has dimensions of 24 feet by 98 feet.

Hutton assures the farmer that healthier cotton and quicker stands may be expected by using the delinting and treatment process.

Some available free of cost and does not sponsor county vaccination programs.

With the county campaign rapidly drawing to a close, Chairman Taylor issued this final appeal: "Even with the vaccine last year there were 30,000 victims of polio. At this time 68,000 polio patients depend upon MOD for financial and material aid. There has been more polio in America in the last eight years than the preceding 30. There are cases in which the care of one patient cost the National Foundation between \$20,000 and \$30,000. No single community in the country has ever been equipped to meet the needs of a polio epidemic without aid from the National Foundation—aid financed through you."

## Dimmitt Clubs Win 4, Lose 1

## Cage Action Brisk As Local Cagers Play Five Contests In Five Days

The Dimmitt Bobbies, showing improvement as the cage season progresses, coasted to their seventh victory on the local court Tuesday night and won their second conference tilt at the expense of the Olton girls. The score was 35-34. They now have a 2-0 conference record and 7-4 season record.

## Gladden, Annen Win Water Posts

Returns from the county water election held last week show that Frank Annen received a majority of votes in precinct four and Lester Gladden in precinct three.

Annen polled a total of 38 votes compared to his only opponent, Andrew Acker, who received 12. Gladden was given 18 votes in precinct three. Other candidates in precinct three receiving votes were: J. H. Dobbs, 12; C. N. McClure, 3; and George DeLozier, 3.

Voting was light in the county as only 51 ballots were canvassed. Returns were sent to the High Plains Underground Water District in Lubbock and consequently results from the Tuesday election were not available here until Friday. A breakdown of boxes reported follows: Dimmitt, 15; Hart, 8; Jumbo, 13; and Nazareth 15.

A tie resulted in one of the precincts in Deaf Smith county, according to information given the News. In precinct two in the neighboring county, Howard Fish and George Turentine polled the same number of votes. Reportedly, no runoff will be held, however. The issue will probably be settled by mutual agreement between the two men.

## Nazareth Church To Have Mission

A Mission will be given by Missionary Father Rev. Edwin Brown at Holy Family Church in Nazareth beginning Sunday, Jan. 22 and closing Sunday, Jan. 29. Rev. Peter Morsch, pastor, announces.

Morning services will be held at 6:30 and 8 o'clock and evening services at 7:30.

Rev. Brown is affiliated with the Dominican Mission Band of Chicago. He conducted a Mission at Umbarger a month ago and was warmly received. The visiting speaker is described as both forceful and convincing.

An invitation to attend this Mission is extended every member of the parish and to all non-Catholic friends.

The local club acquired four new members at their Tuesday meeting. They are James Sinclair, E. N. Wombie, Dave Sidwell and Joe Harrison.

## Poll Tax Deadline Is January 31

If you have been a resident of Castro county for the past six months, you're eligible to vote in this year's election. Make sure you pay your poll tax by January 31, the deadline for such payments.

To date 1,125 county residents have paid their poll taxes. Last year at this time, 847 persons had paid up. 1955 was an off election year, however.

The poll tax fee in Texas is \$1.75. It isn't mandatory, but is necessary if you plan to voice your opinions in county, state and national elections this year.

County Tax Assessor-Collector Kent Birdwell urges all qualified voters to take care of this matter now and avoid a possible last-day rush.

## Stage Struck Dimmitt Students To Present 1st Talent Show January 26

Stage struck Dimmitt Grade and High School students will "lay their talents on the line" here Thursday night, January 26 when the first talent show in the school's history is held.

The hilarious event is scheduled for the high school auditorium and will feature top talent from any of the 12 grades that may wish to enter as individuals or as a class. The show will be divided into two groups or classes with the seventh grade as the dividing line. The show is open to all school social and educational clubs as well. A panel of out-of-town judges will judge each unit or individual on originality, stage personality, applause, selection of number and performance. Cash awards will be presented as follows: first place—\$75.00; second place—\$50.00; and third place—\$25.00. These awards apply to both classes.

The talent show is the first to be sponsored by Dimmitt High School. The idea originated with the junior class and is under their sponsorship. The show promises to be a big hit as a number of talented entries have been accepted and others plan to sign up.

Admission for all children and students in grades one through seven has been set at 25 cents while the fee for all other students and adults will be 75 cents.

## Lions To Sponsor Carnegie Course

Dimmitt Lions endorsed the Dale Carnegie course, "Getting Along With People," and voted to sponsor the course locally at their Tuesday luncheon meeting.

The Dale Carnegie course requires 15 weeks to complete and will soon be offered here. George Caddel, Dale Carnegie representative from Amarillo, explained the course to Lion Club members and agreed to serve as one of the course instructors.

Principles emphasized in the course, according to Caddel, are: 1. Don't criticize, condemn or complain; 2. "The man without a smiling face shouldn't open shop"; 3. Be a good listener; and 4. Make the other fellow feel important. He added that effective speaking is an important part of the course and "means a lot to us in everything we do."

## Hart Baptists Set Dedictory Program For New Building

Dedictory services for the new Baptist Church at Hart will be held Sunday, Jan. 22, at 2:30 p.m. Rev. Jack Johnson, pastor, announces. Scheduled for the church auditorium, services have been planned for the afternoon in order that members of all churches might attend.

A former pastor, Rev. E. J. Keith, will bring the dedicatory address. He was pastor of the Hart church up until the fall of 1954 when he accepted a similar position at Farwell District Missionary Franklin E. Swanner has also been invited to attend the special program.

The new, brick edifice was completed in the spring of 1953 and the first services were conducted in the sanctuary in June of that year. Built at a cost of approximately \$70,000, the auditorium of the church has a seating capacity of 350. The structure also houses three Sunday School classrooms, choir loft and baptistry. The building is now debt-free and is completely equipped with new furniture such as an organ, pews, office furniture, etc.

Rev. Johnson extends a cordial welcome to each and everyone to attend and take part in the dedicatory program.

## Dimmitt 8th Grade Extends Win Skein

The Dimmitt eighth grade basketballers extended their winning skien to seven straight Monday night by clobbering the Canyon eighth graders 42-28 on the local court. Hal Ratcliff paced the locals with 18 points.

The seventh grade quintet led their contest with Canyon 24-16. They were also defeated last Thursday night by Sudan in a tight contest that ended 27-25.

Ratcliff also led his team in a victory over Sudan. Final score was 43-20.

The seventh and eighth teams play here again the night of Jan. 24 when the Olton seventh and eighth grade clubs come to town. Action starts at 4:30 p.m.

## New Plates To Be 1 1/2 Inches Longer

## Texas Vehicle License Plates To Go On Sale In Dimmitt February 1

Castro countians will get more for their money this year in as far as vehicle license plates are concerned. That is, they will get bigger tags as all license plates sold this spring will be one and one-half inches longer than those sold last year.

Tags go on sale here at the courthouse Wednesday, February 1. The extra length is rapidly becoming a universal feature as all tags over the nation reportedly will be the same width and length in the future.

## John Deere Day Slated Jan. 24

John Deere Day will be observed at C & S Equipment Co. Tuesday, January 24 when the 1956 models go on display and are available for demonstration.

Registration will begin at 10 a.m. and a free lunch will be served at 12 noon.

In the afternoon six full-color movies will be shown at the local theatre beginning at 1 p.m. and lasting about one and one-half hours. Included among these films are "Tim's Choice," "Oddities in Farming," "Report on the 70 Diesel" and "What's New for '56."

Farmers and businessmen alike are extended an invitation to attend.

The Mother's March on Polio will be conducted the night of January 30 under the supervision of Mrs. Bob Estes. Voluntary workers will solicit donations in a door-to-door campaign. Climaxing the month-long MOD drive will be a benefit dance at Nazareth Community Hall the night of January 31. Music for this event will be by Clyde Miller and his orchestra. The Christian Mothers' Society at Nazareth is sponsoring the worthy event.

Salk polio vaccine is available locally at cost and there is sufficient quantity of this vital serum to accommodate county needs, County Health Officer Dr. J. W. Spence reports. The state no longer makes the vaccine

Motorists have until April 1 to purchase new plates. The price will be about the same as last year despite the added size. The average car tags will range in price from \$11.88 to \$12.24.

County Tax Assessor-Collector Kent Birdwell reports that his office has 4,175 license plates to sell. Most of these are in the passenger car department where 2,200 tags will be available for sale. A total of 1,500 farm truck tags are available: 275 commercial truck plates; 150 trailer licenses; 50 truck tractor plates; and a few house trailer, motorcycle and dealer plates. Passenger tag numbers will range from BC 900 to BC 3099 while farm truck numbers will run from 5D 3200 to 5D 4699.

1956 plates will bear yellow letters and black background, the same as 1954. The state alternates two color combinations from year to year in order that different color tags will appear on cars each year.

In 1955 total license plate receipts amounted to \$80,647.26 as of January 7. In 1954 on January 7, total tag receipts came to \$86,478.96. The penalty for failure to buy before the deadline is 20 percent of the annual license fee and the motorist is also subject to a fine.

Vehicle safety inspection stickers are not required in order to buy a tag. However, the motorist must have this sticker by April 1 or subject himself to a costly fine.

## Southwestern Public Service To Carry Out Big Construction Program In 1956

Continued growth and expansion within its 45,000 square miles service area will make it necessary for the Southwestern Public Service Co. to spend more than \$12,000,000 for new construction in 1956, it has been announced by A. R. Watson, executive vice president and general manager of the electric light and power company.

"Growth goes on in this territory—and so does our need to keep abreast of the continuing demands for service of our customers. Although we have spent more than \$160,000,000 in the past 10 years, we must continue our construction and expansion at a high peak to assure adequate electric power for all parts of our region," Mr. Watson said.

Largest expenditure in the company's 1956 construction program will be made at the new Cunningham Station, west of Hobbs, N.M. \$4,500,000 will be put into this new 96,000 horsepower electric generating station this year. It is scheduled for completion in 1957, at a total cost of nearly \$8,000,000.

Another \$4,000,000 will be spent for service extensions to customers, while \$2,700,000 will go for transmission line and transmission system substations construction. New distribution facilities, the lines which actually provide the connecting link for the customer's service, will involve an expenditure of more than \$1,000,000.

Southwestern Public Service Company's investment in plant and equipment to serve its customers has increased by 406 percent in the last 10 years, compared to a national increase by electric light and power companies during this decade of 115 percent. As a result of this recent rapid growth, 80 percent of the Company's equipment is ten years old or less, one of the highest percentages of new equipment in the electric industry.

During the same decade, the average cost of a kilowatt-hour of electric service for a residential customer has decreased 14 percent because of increased use of electricity in the area's homes and improved operating efficiency by the company, which has seen great increases in its operating costs during the same period.

"Our service area has undergone many changes in recent years. Where once this region was almost completely dependent upon agriculture for economic stability, we now have a territory with great diversification, with agriculture, petroleum, manufacturing, distribution, and other natural resources combining to produce a well-rounded economic picture. Electric power is becoming increasingly more important to the region, and we have been charged with the responsibility of assuring plenty of power for all—economically and efficiently. We look forward to the privilege of being a part of the region's continued prosperity," Mr. Watson concluded.

## New Sheet Metal Shop Opens Here

A new sheet metal shop was opened in Dimmitt this week by Albert Lytle, former Dimmitt resident who has spent most of his life in this type business.

Located in the east end of the building occupied by Northside Motor Shop in northwest Dimmitt, the new business has complete equipment and is set up to do any kind of sheet metal work. Lytle has a lease on approximately half of the building.

Lytle comes here from Abernathy where he was engaged in the same kind of work. He is married and has three children, one of school age. The Lytles lived here three years ago before going to Abernathy.

## Dimmitt Firemen Check Dangerous Grass Fire

A grass fire three miles north of Dimmitt or the Edwin (Goose) Ramey farm almost ran rampant late Thursday afternoon, Jan. 12, and local firemen were summoned to the scene to bring it under control.

Origin of the blaze was not known but firemen speculated that it was caused by a discarded cigarette or match. The dry grass burst in flames that spread rapidly and threatened to destroy some telephone poles. Firemen halted the path of the fire, however, and watched it until they felt it was safe to leave. No damage was reported.

## New Drive-In To Open Near West City Limits Soon

## Playground To Be Developed Near Site, Also

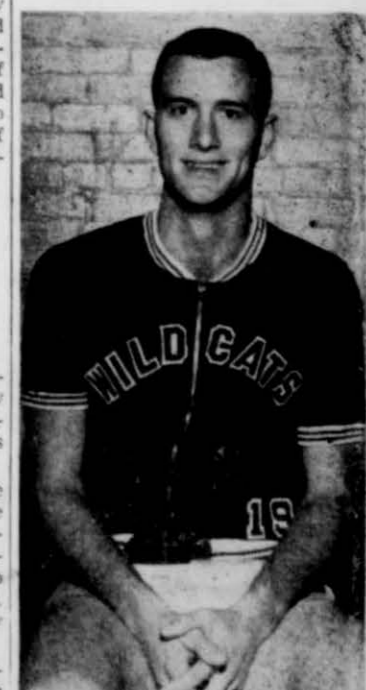
A new drive-in and playground facilities will be open to the public near the west city limits in the near future.

The drive-in is being constructed at a cost of \$3,500 by Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Dosser, who come to Dimmitt from Malakoff, Texas. They have moved here with their children and are renting until they can locate a house. The wood frame structure will have dimensions of 18 by 24 feet. It is being constructed on the south side of Highway 86 just beyond the west city limits.

The Dossers have been in the restaurant business for some ten years. They plan to specialize in sandwiches of all kinds, short orders and chicken in the basket. Opening date has been set for February 1.

A miniature golf course, volleyball court and other recreational facilities will be developed around the drive-in. These facilities will not be available until spring, however.

Mrs. Dosser is a sister of Alton McLain, Dimmitt resident for a number of years.



## Bill Gregory Is ACC Scoring Ace

ABILENE, Jan. 12—Ex-Dimmitt High School great, Bill Gregory is dunking basketballs for the Abilene Christian College Wildcats for the second year.

Through six games Gregory has bucketed 57 points this season for the No. 3 scoring spot on the squad. Last winter he wound up with 253 points for the runner-up slot.

A junior, he is a physical education major and wants to coach. Gregory entered Texas Wesleyan College after graduation from high school but stayed there only one year before moving on to ACC.

The ACC basketballers are under the tutelage of Dee Nutt, Wildcat star of the 1947-50 seasons, for the first year.





Nazareth News District Commander In Address Here

Father Edwin Brown O. P. of Nazareth will conduct a mission in Holy Family Church beginning Sunday, Jan. 22 and ending Sunday, Jan. 29. Each morning there will be two Masses, one at 6:30 and the other at 8:00. After each evening will consist of rosary, sermon and benediction. All Catholics are urged to attend and all our friends are cordially invited to come and hear Father Brown speak.

Dimmitt Youngsters Celebrate Birthday

Sharon Maynard and Stanton Calvert celebrated their 13th birthday on Friday, Jan. 13. The birthday party was held at the home of Mrs. Sam Maynard and Mrs. Calvert were both present.

4th Grade Brownies Start on Valentines

The Fourth Grade Brownies, meeting in regular session Monday, started work on family Valentines. Refreshments were served the night with their sister, Mrs. Seaborn Tesque and family.

BETHEL NEWS Political Fever Grasps County

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### Senior of the Week

Rosa Harrison transferred to DIES at the beginning of the year. She was born April 8, 1937 at Palisado, Colorado. Rosa and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Johnson, moved to Dimmitt from Sny-Lea, Oregon.

### 8th Grade News

The 8th grade boys have started a new year with a new spirit. They are determined to improve their grades and to be active at the end of the year for the boys' club. The boys' club has been very active in the past year. The boys' club has been very active in the past year. The boys' club has been very active in the past year.

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### Advice To Girls

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2. Never make dates with blind students, they enjoy cutting.  
3. The football man is all right, he will tackle anything.  
4. Be careful with the chemistry student, he is always experimenting.

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### Southwestern Public Service Company

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### Junior Talent Show

The Junior Talent Show will be staged in the High School auditorium January 26, starting at 8:00 p.m. There will be two classes of competition. Class A consists of grades 1 through 6. Class B consists of grades 7 through high school.

### D. H. S. Dates

Friday, 20—Bobcats and Bobbies vs. Muleshoe, there.  
Monday, 23—Rainbows, senior only practice.  
Tuesday, 24—Bobcats and Bobbies vs. Tulsa, here.  
Thursday, 26—All school annual show.  
Friday, 27—Bobcats and Bobbies vs. Lockney, there.  
Monday, 30—Freshman party, basketball tournament, here.  
Monday, 30—Tulsa, Feb. 2-2nd, Feb. 4—Basketball tournament, here.  
Tuesday, 31—Bobcats and Bobbies vs. Littlefield, here.

### F. F. A.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Why not use the county library it's yours...

We made a flying trip through the Castro County Library several days ago, and was favorably impressed with a facility some of us don't even know exists.

The Castro County Library is nothing to brag about particularly, it is small and well kept by Mrs. Easter, the librarian, but other than that it is only a library and nothing more.

The one distinguishing characteristic of the library is a fireplace constructed by Mrs. Dwight Axtell of stones collected in her journey over the United States. It is a beautiful piece of work constructed of pieces of schist, granite, iron pyrite, dolomite, pumice, quartz, mica, marble and many others which give off an iridescent glow when illuminated by ultraviolet rays.

This fireplace is one of the evidences of the painstaking work done by someone interested in the work and home of libraries. The fireplace is more than a place of beauty—the racks, to the discerning observer, bear mute evidence of the violence, heats, pressures and multitudes of other factors which went into the formation of the earth's crust. This fireplace can teach—every rack can tell a more potent story than any book of fiction.

Numerous families in Dimmitt and surrounding territories have donated book collections to the library as memorials, but the general enthusiasm over the library has been noticeable by its absence over the years.

One organization, the Dimmitt Book Club is currently studying the feasibility of a book drive for the library in the county. Their plans should work out, so far as book volume is concerned, but it will need everyone's help when they call for your old books or whatever method they take.

On Friday and Saturday afternoons normally 60 to 80 school children visit the library, and some 4,000 different people are believed to have used the library during the past decade.

In themselves, these figures are not particularly impressive. The important thing, though, is that these people went to the Court House, entered the basement, found the library and used it. To find the Castro County Library, someone must tell you where it is.

Some day, probably not soon, we should build a new library building. The Court House Square, a donated location or on other county property could house a new building. It should be where people can see it—so we can become library conscious.

There are none of us who can look back on our time spent in reading with regret. In reading we may grasp the fringes of man's cumulative knowledge of the universe. How many of us have wasted our time in front of a television set—every rack can tell a more potent story than any book of fiction.

Our schools are for teaching, but consider that a student can read a textbook in several days and in effect have the same amount of knowledge stored in his brain as the course could teach. Actually if we retained all we read there would be no need for schools; provided of course, we took the trouble to do the studying and had someone to tell us what to read.

What we are saying in effect is that libraries and the reading they promote can be important to all of us if we just use them. To build a beautiful new library for thirty or thirty-five thousand dollars would indeed be a magnificent investment if it did not use it. But on the other hand it could be worth many times that figure to the younger people with a desire to learn on their own book.

The first step in the acquisition of new books and libraries is for each of us to visit the present facilities and browse around. Spend just fifteen minutes looking over the shelves and we'll guarantee you will find a book you'd like to read. Your interest will return rich dividends both personally and collectively.

Brother, can you spare a sample of blood? ... The Castro County Hospital staff merits a pat on the back for their blood-typing of county citizens. This is one of those things we hear so much about that is beneficial to ourselves and our neighbors...

Every man, woman and child in the county, whether they realize it or not, is living in a dangerous era. There are few of us who can say we have never been in an automobile accident of some kind. And all too many of these mishaps have been serious. The death toll on Texas Panhandle highways has never been a laughing matter and anything we can do to lessen this menace should be done.

Anytime there is a serious accident on Castro County's highways, machine shops, farms, camps and other places where loss of blood through accidents can occur, then we need blood. With your blood type on file it is a simple matter to treat your injuries in case of an accident, and you may help to save a life if called upon to donate.

Plasma is important in the treatment of shock—a common occurrence following violent accidents of any kind whether any actual appreciable loss of blood takes place or not. The hospital staff isn't spinning it wheels. Theirs is an important program and they need your help. Keep up with their blood-typing activities and make sure they get yours on file.

missionary program on "A World Within a World" with Mrs. Bryne Dowell and her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Deroy Cates.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryne Dowell had supper with Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Carpenter Friday night and also had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lewis Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bradford and Mrs. George Bradford visited Mrs. George Bradford Sunday in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Easterwood were in Amarillo Tuesday, Jan. 10 on business.

Mr. Hubert Griffin had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Buck Moke and Mrs. and Mrs. A. L. Wilcox, Monday night.

The Margerie Stephens Circle met in the home of Mrs. Rex Wooten with chairman, Mrs. Len Boothe, taking charge of the business. Mrs. Wooten opened in prayer. We received a letter from Margerie Stephens, for whom our circle was named, thanking us for the birthday card we sent her. Mrs. Buster Tidwell had our

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Friday, January 20 to Tuesday, January 24th. All our Christmas left-overs are going on sale at tremendous savings... most as much as 20% off. Come in and dress up your child at budget prices in coats, dresses, shoes, underclothes and accessories.

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By YERN SANFORD Texas Press Association

Scandals, investigations, trials and political upheavals kept Texas news lively in 1955.

Most of the big '55 stories are expected to have even bigger sequels in '56. In them may be answers to now-tense questions, so-

What candidate will the Texas delegation support at the national Democratic convention? What party will carry Texas in the presidential election?

\$7. Seven-million-dollar collapse of U. S. Trust and Guaranty Co. left thousands of depositors and company holders with potentially heavy losses. For '56 it meant more investigations, a hot new campaign issue and possibly new state Auditor's Answers Awaited.

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Tax Information To Be Available

Taxpayer information days in the Internal Revenue office will be held on each Monday beginning Jan. 9, 1956. It was announced by John R. Robinson, administrative officer in charge of the Lubbock office.

The "do-it-yourself" program of group instruction which was so successful last year will be continued and improved. Robinson said taxpayers will be assembled into groups, furnished forms and will prepare their own returns with help from Internal Revenue employees.

The basic function of Internal Revenue is to audit returns and collect taxes. Last year the time saved during the filing period resulted in increased revenue of 7 million dollars in our district. This is more than the cost of operating the entire Revenue Service in North Texas for the whole year," he said.

Before World War II carriers had approximately 4,500 kilometers of ships service power; now they have 13,200 kilometers.

The penalty for underpayment of tax liability on the declaration of estimated tax was reduced by the 1954 act. There is no longer a penalty for an underpayment if the taxpayer remits at least 70 per cent of his tax as shown on his final tax return. If there is an underpayment the penalty is 6 per cent per annum interest on the additional amount which should have been remitted. It is expected that there will be more strict enforcement of this provision in the future by the Internal Revenue Service.

This column, based on Federal law, is written to inform—no to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who knows the facts because the facts may change the application of the law.

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office by Monday noon. The farm owner will be presented a mounted enlargement of the original upon making official identification. The mystery farm series, sponsored by Blanton Butane, Inc., has been appearing in the News weekly for a year.

## Texas Farm Income Drops 8 Percent

AUSTIN, Jan. 19—The University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports Texas cash farm income for the first 11 months of

1955 totaled \$1.55 billion, 8 percent below the comparable 1954 period.

The 1954-55 comparison for January-November shows 12 of the 19 major farm commodities registered decreases. Cotton was down 7 percent; cottonseed, 20 percent; wheat, 33 percent; oats, 21 per-

cent; flaxseed, 61 percent; rice, 7 percent; cattle, 5 percent; calves, 35 percent; hogs, 27 percent; wool, 24 percent; poultry, 1 percent; and milk and milk products, 1 percent.

Peanuts showed the greatest gain among farm commodities, with a 133 percent increase. Other

## Pre-Measurement Of Co. Cotton Set

The local Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation office will again offer cotton pre-measurement service to Castro county farmers, Office Secretary Doyle Thomas reports. This service is offered at no expense to the farmer.

Thomas says his office is ready now to accept applications. He points out that any farmer wanting cotton pre-measurement service and who knows what field he is going to plant, should make application now to assure this service.

Thomas expects a bigger demand for cotton pre-measuring service than last year. He added that his office would carry out whatever measurement requests they can get to.

Nakahama Manjuro became the first Japanese to enter the United States as a 15-year-old shipwrecked boy rescued by American sailors in 1841. After returning to Japan he became interpreter for Admiral Perry when he visited that country.

crops showing gains were corn, 2 percent; grain sorghum, 6 percent; sheep and lambs, 10 percent; mohair, 67 percent; eggs, 4 percent; and fruit and vegetables, 9 percent.

The Bureau notes that many East and Central Texas counties will be allotted increased acreage in 1956, under county acreage allotments established by the U. S. Agriculture Department. However, allotments show a 7 percent overall reduction for the state, and a number of counties on the Plains and in the Rio Grande Valley were cut materially.

## Castro Farmers May Get Refunds On Farm-Used Gas

Farmers in Castro county will receive refunds on the federal tax they pay on farm-used gasoline if the Farm Bureau is successful in its efforts to secure gas tax-exemption legislation during this session of Congress.

Hugo F. Beyer of Dimmitt, president of the Castro County Farm Bureau said the Farm Bureau is making every effort to obtain an exemption for farmers on the 2-cents-a-gallon federal tax which the government now collects on farm-used gasoline.

President Beyer said he wanted to urge all farmers in the county to contact their U. S. Congressman, Walter Rogers, by letter to give him their opinions on the matter.

If the tax exemption measure is passed, it will mean a big savings for Castro county farmers. Texas farmers stand to save about \$6,000,000 if the legislation passes.

The Texas Farm Bureau secured an exemption several years ago on the state tax of 4 cents a gallon on farm-used gasoline, president Beyer said. It has defeated many attempts to take away this state tax exemptions.

Last year the American Farm Bureau Federation recommended to Congress and the President that the federal tax on farm-used gasoline be abolished. In his January 9 message on agriculture, President Eisenhower urged Congress to pass legislation to relieve the farmer of the federal tax on purchases of gasoline used on the farm.

## Washington Newsletter

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE 18TH DISTRICT: The Pot Begins To Sizzle

**THE FARM SPEECH.** The farm message to Congress was fourteen pages of words advocating the adoption of many policies that have been on the books as farm legislation for a number of years. Policies that the present Secretary of Agriculture has had, and now has, the power to adopt but which he has not only failed to adopt but has vigorously refused to adopt. What the farmers need is action, not words.

**THE RACE ISSUE.** If some of the big city and far west Congressmen would spend as much time representing their own constituents as they do trying to remake the South, the whole country would be better off. A lot of this fanfare and trumpet blowing by these self-appointed saviours of mankind smells suspiciously political and sounds the same way.

**THE FOREIGN AID RECOMMENDATIONS.** Russia found out that she could not break this country by an armament race. Hence, she announced a reduction in her armament program and stepped up her contributions, grants and loans to foreign countries, probably thinking that if she couldn't break us one way, she could another. The Administration immediately took the bait and started advertising an increased foreign aid program. Dulles then announces with great alarm that we are in an economic war with Russia. This was no startling news to me. If Russia has the same experience in her foreign aid program that we have had, she will soon find out that you can't buy friends. Let us not be misled.

More About Kiev

## Mental Disorders Fill 50 Percent Of Hospital Beds

AUSTIN, Jan. 19—Mental disorders today represent a real problem, and it is estimated that more than fifty percent of all hospital beds are filled by persons suffering from mental or nervous diseases, declares Dr. Henry A. Holle, Commissioner of Health.

It thus appears that modern civilization is exacting a terrific toll. High speed living, with its cruel demands upon nature, is responsible for a large part of the trouble. The fact is that significant percentage of the patients entering hospitals for mental disorders are there because of organic or toxic causes.

For example, general paresis is the cause of one-fiftieth of the mental troubles in males now entering mental hospitals. This condition is an organic disease of the brain due to the germ responsible for syphilis. It is a preventable disease. Early and effective treatment of acquired syphilis will block the end results of general paresis in the insane.

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## Legion Offers Use Of Wheel Chairs

The Dimmitt American Legion Post has acquired four wheel chairs and four pairs of crutches that may be obtained free of cost by any county resident needing such equipment, according to Gene Rutledge.

The equipment was purchased by the Legion with funds obtained from a recent magazine subscription campaign and may be secured by contacting Rutledge at Castro Motor Co. The Legion has three folding chairs and one regular chair and two pairs of crutches for children and two pairs for adults.

The mobile television crew of the Special Devices Center at the Office of Naval Research has pioneered in obtaining what are believed to be the first American kinescope pictures of the interior of the human eye.

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