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900 Attend Open House Of First State Bank Sunday

First State Bank of Ranger celebrated the completion of its new building with an Open House from 2 to 5 p. m. on Sunday, Feb. 25. Hosts for the gala event were bank employees, officers, directors and their families.

Masons, OES Annual Banquet Held Friday

Members of Ranger Chapters Masonic and Eastern Star Lodges, meet for the George Washington banquet at the lodge hall at 7 p. m. Friday Feb. 23. The Rev. R.H. Hanna gave the invocation. The menu catered by Morris Newham, included ham and smoked turkey, baked beans, potato salad and cherry ice cream and cookies.



In this corner, with COLLINS

Front Page news in last week's issue of the Texas Methodist was the story and pictures of participants during services held in Ranger churches in the recent observance of a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

AREA HUSBANDS and fathers are reminded that Sunday, March 3, is a good time to take the family out to dinner. Simply go to the Parish Hall of St. Rita's Catholic Church between the hours of 11:30 a. m. and 2 p. m. for a delicious meal of spaghetti, prepared the way you like it. Tickets are \$1.25 for adults and 75 cents for children under 12 years of age and may be purchased from any member of the church.

LAST YEAR Internal Revenue sent 987,000 refunds amounting to more than \$136 million to Northern Texans. Unfortunately, thousands of these checks were delayed due to simple errors.

1700 omitted or erroneous social security numbers.
7000 had missing signatures.
5000 were missing a W-2.
2600 were missing a statement of schedule.
12,000 made a math error in the tax computation.
10,500 miscalculated their standard deduction.
19,000 had other arithmetic errors.
55,000 (astounding) took their tax from the wrong tax table, or used the wrong line or column.

If you don't want to delay your refund, keep your number off the computer's error tape.

The men's prayer group, First Methodist Church, enjoys a brief period of fellowship, a cup of coffee and on occasions, breakfast prior to a prayer service each Wednesday morning. These informal meetings prove an inspiration to those who attend and they invite others to join them at 6:45 a. m. for coffee and for the meeting, 7 to 7:30.

surrounding counties and as far away as Houston. Also on hand were L. E. Jones, general contractor of Brownwood, Lawrence D. White, architect and Williard Reavis, designer of Fort Worth.

Winners of the two saving accounts of \$50 each were former residents, Charles Milliken of Weatherford and Rev. J. E. Atkins of Mineral Wells.

All who registered received souvenirs of key rings, piggy banks and special editions of the Times.

A profusion of potted plants and floral arrangements enhanced the beauty of the spacious lobby, conference rooms

Board of Regents Election Set For April 6

The Board of Regents of Ranger Junior College will have their election on April 6 in conjunction with the Ranger Independent School District. E. W. Mince, president of the college has announced.

One member of the Board of Regents, Jack Umberson, resigned recently. Mr. Umberson had been on the Board of Regents since September of 1963. He has accepted a position with General Dynamics in Fort Worth and will be moving to Fort Worth after this school term is out. An appointment will be made to replace Mr. Umberson on the Board of Regents, Mr. Mince said.

Filing for re-election on the Regents is John Wiley, James Ratliff, and Joe Scott.

Notices for the election were posted Monday morning. Anyone wishing to file for the Board of Regents is asked to do so before the deadline, March 7.

The election will be held at the Recreation Building in Ranger with A. E. Crawley as presiding judge.

Jerry Bob Greer announces his candidacy for Ranger Independent School District Trustees, place No. 6.

In making the announcement, Mr. Greer issues the following statement:

The next few years are ones of extreme importance to our public schools and could mean the difference between growth for your community and forced consolidation into a county school system.

If we are to continue a worthy school system in Ranger, we must have far-sighted and unselfish policy on the following propositions:

1. That our children are entitled to the best we can provide in faculty, leadership, facilities.
2. That the qualified teachers that now serve our public schools deserve our fullest and continued support.
3. That to avoid consolidation, we must maintain and perhaps increase our ability to secure highly qualified teachers, offer high standards of education, our maintenance of equipment and facilities.
4. That we should fully investigate the possibilities of inviting smaller surrounding schools to join our system.
5. That we must recognize now the need for a fair property equalization.
6. That we owe it to ourselves to attempt to equalize ourselves first, before considering expensive outside professional help.

I sincerely believe that I have insight into and can fairly represent the views and problems of both city and rural property owners.

I am a 1956 graduate of Ranger High School and a 1960 graduate of Abilene Christian College with the B. S. Degree in Business. Prior to assuming ownership of the Greer's Western Store, I was management trainee with Tandy Corporation of Fort Worth. I served honorably with the United States Army and now serve as deacon and financial chairman for Mesquite and Rusk Church of Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. Greer are parents of two children, a daughter, 5 and a son, 2 years of age.

Dallas Resident Killed In Car-Truck Accident

A Killingsworth ambulance was dispatched to the scene of a car-truck collision on Interstate 20, one mile west of Thurber shortly before 4 p. m. Tuesday.

Killed in the accident was Louis M. Rothburg, 54, a resident of Dallas. The Ranger ambulance carried Mr. Rothburg's body to Stephenville, where it was transferred to Sparkman-Hillcrest Funeral Home in Dallas. The unidentified truck driver who was believed to be a resident of Abilene, was apparently uninjured.

Mike Watkins, A DPS patrolman stationed at Stephenville, investigated the incident.

and community room where guests paused for refreshments.

The event was successful beyond our expectations, said vice-president John Adair as he recounted happenings of the day when a conservative estimate of 900 persons toured the beautiful and completely modern facilities.

Visit Your School During Public School Week

What does it cost to keep a nation progressive—not just in coilers, but in things like the personal help and support we give our children, and thereby our public school systems?

Our children are our most valuable resources. You've heard the trite expression many times: "Tomorrow's leaders, etc." And yet, it's true.

So, the cost is not just in what we pay each year in taxes for school books, and teachers salaries—not just school clothes and lunch money. It's more than that. It's how much and what kind of encouragement you give your child.

And, that's the reason for Texas Public Schools Week during March 4th through 8th this year, you can participate in your child's school life. Visit him in his classroom. Show him you're actively interested in the progress he makes, and that you care enough about him to take the time to visit his school.

When you hear, "Is Texas investing enough in education?", ask yourself, "Am I?" The well lighted school rooms and libraries, the books—all very important—are just one part of an education. The other part is the help and confidence your child receives through you—his parents.

Show your child you care. Visit his school March 4th through 8th, Public Schools Week in Texas!

Seniors To Present Annual Play Saturday

The Senior Class of Ranger High School will present "Deadly Ernest", a comedy in three acts, at 7:30 p. m. Saturday, March 2 in the High School Auditorium.

Cast in this play from the pen of Donald Payton and Arling Company, are 13 members remember. Fun loving folk of the senior class, ably assisted by the supporting cast.

The stage setting is the living room of the Terwilliger

\$6,000 In Fees Paid, 240 Primary Candidates Ready

Approximately \$6,000 has been paid in filing fees by candidates in the May 4 Democratic Primary, County Democratic Chairman A. E. Crawley of Ranger reported Wednesday. Deadline for payments was Tuesday midnight.

Candidates were assessed at the rate of seven per cent of a year's salary, except for those offices where fees are set by other means, due to multiple-county districts.

A report of the filings, given by Mrs. Scott Bailey of Cisco, Executive Committee Secretary-Treasurer, is as follows:

Cong. Omar Burleson, \$68.

His annual salary is \$30,000, but his House of Representative district includes some 31 counties.

In the 91st District Court judgeship race, Earl Conner Jr. of Eastland and Truman Kirk of Cisco, each paid filing fees of \$1,260. The annual salary is \$18,000.

James Weeks of Abilene paid \$417 as a candidate on the state school board.

In the state representative race, Byron Richardson of Cross Plains, Bob Mann of Mineral Wells and Burke Musgrove of Breckenridge, each paid \$10 fee, as set by law.

Edgar Alton and Eddie Pietrozsek, both of Eastland, each paid \$386 as candidates for county tax assessor-collector, salary for which is \$5,520.

L. E. Sublett paid \$386 as county sheriff candidate.

In the County Commissioner's Race, Pet. No. One (Eastland, Olden and Ranger) Dan

Woods of Olden and Johnnie W. Morren of Eastland, each paid \$323. Salary is \$4,620.

In the Pet. No. Three (Rising Star) Commissioners race, L. J. Collins and Delbert Tarver, both of Rising Star, each paid \$323, salary is \$4,620.

Constable Porter Woods of Eastland paid \$105; as did Albert White of Gorman; W. H. Kornegey and F. D. Chambers at Rising Star; A. W. Dawson and W. A. Evans of Cisco, and Ralph W. Veal of Ranger.

Mrs. Bailey said that the executive committee will meet March 18, to draw for places on the May 4 Democratic Primary ballot.

Final Rites For W. R. Cole Are Set Thursday

William Reagan Cole, 79, of Ranger died Sunday in Ranger General Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral was to be held at 11 a. m. Thursday in Arrington-Hammer Funeral Chapel. Burial was to follow in Eastland Cemetery.

Mr. Cole had lived at 414 South Rusk Street in Ranger for ten years. He was a retired employee of the Texas Pipeline Company. He had been plant manager of the Ranger plant in the Breckenridge District prior to his retirement in 1954.

He was born Dec. 14, 1888 in Lampasas and married the former Lela Mae Allison, Jan. 2, 1910 in Tricham.

Survivors include his wife; six sons, R. M. of Kingsville, Col. W. R. of Alexandria, La., Houston of Dallas, R. V. of Garland, Kenneth R. of Snyder, and Jack W. of Eunice, N. M.; a daughter, Mrs. Lee Funderburg of Houston; 14 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Locals' Relative Buried at Trent

Funeral for Claude Lester Westbrook of Clyde was held Wednesday afternoon at Elliott's Chapel of Memories in Abilene, with the Rev. Dan Royals, minister of Grace Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Trent Cemetery.

Mr. Westbrook, 59, died Monday following an apparent heart attack at the Oscar Rose Ranch.

Surviving are his wife; two sons, George and Lawrence, both of Fort Worth; two daughters, Mrs. Maggie Nelson of Eastland and Brenda Lou Westbrook of the home; three brothers, Roy of Sweetwater, Otis of Abilene and Wilmer of Ranger; five sisters, Mrs. Irene Parker of Hereford, Mrs. Faye Keener of Abilene, Mrs. Cleo Horton of Merkel and Mrs. Lesa Hazard of Eastland.

RJC Rangers Head For Regional After Downing Temple 105-82

REPRINT COURTESY RJC ROUNDUP

The Rangers will take on Odessa College in the first round of the Region V Junior College Basketball Tournament at Big Spring Thursday. Game time is 9 p. m.

RJC is the defending champion in the tournament. The tourney winner becomes eligible to take part in the National Tourney at Hutchinson, Kansas, March 19-23.

The Rangers smashed Temple JC 105-82 at Brenham last Friday night to win the consolation game of the Texas JC Tourney. They dropped their first game to South Texas JC by a close 109-106.

Three of the Rangers—Ulric Cobb, Stan Thompson, and Robert Spivey, were named to the 10-man all-conference squad after the final game.

The loss to South Texas did not damage the Rangers' chances for a berth in the nationals. Only a loss at Big Spring could do that.

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RJC President Announces Plans For Expansion

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Plans for a major expansion of the RJC campus and the acquisition of two new buildings for the college have been announced by President E.W. Mince.

The plans call for the college to take possession of the two former National Guard Armories fronting on U. S. Highway 80.

Mr. Mince stressed that the move into the buildings still has not been finalized and is

subject to approval by both the Board of Regents and state and federal government officials.

The buildings currently are being used as storage by a local firm and the college will not be able to move into the buildings until at least 60-days after final approval is given.

Mr. Mince said that tentatively the newer of the two buildings—the one immediately behind Ranger Stadium—will be used for a Student

Center-Book-store- Snack Bar Recreation Center-Complex. The main hall of the building is large enough to easily accommodate dances, concerts, and dramatic productions as well as providing room for the snack bar.

The building is equipped with a modern kitchen and with rest rooms. Three offices can be located near the front of the building and there will be room for a recreation room equipped with pool tables, for a TV room, and possibly for a reading room or faculty lounge. Space is also available for a post office with individual student boxes.

The building also will offer ample facilities for a book store where students will be able to purchase not only textbooks but also paper, pens, souvenirs, and paperback books.

The other building—located on the corner of the highway and Vitaleous—will probably be used for a practice gymnasium and for headquarters for the maintenance department, Mr. Mince said.

The present gym, he pointed out, is in such constant use that no maintenance work can be done on it. The new practice gym would give physics education classes a place to meet and help preserve the larger gym.

Mr. Mince said that if the present schedule for acquiring the new building goes through, the college will be in the newer building by Sept. 1, 1968, and in the older building by Jan. 31, 1969.

The land surrounding the two buildings will be leveled and used for parking for students and faculty. Sidewalk will be constructed from the main campus to the new buildings.

Assistant DA Due on Job Here March 10

Recently-appointed Assistant County Attorney Emroy Walton is expected to report for duty in Eastland County on Monday, March 10, County-District Attorney Perry T. Brown said Tuesday.

Mr. Walton's appointment was to have become effective Monday, Feb. 26, but his resignation from the City of Abilene, as Assistant City Attorney was postponed due to a small controversy in this county about the salary to be paid the new appointee.

This apparently was resolved Monday, and Mr. Brown said that Mr. Walton will move here to assist with the workload in the county attorney's office.

Judge William Griffin of Breckenridge is expected to preside in 91st District Court Monday in the absence of Judge J. B. Smith, who is out of the state on a contested plea, Mr. Brown said.

Mr. Watson's services will be utilized in several capacities, Mr. Brown said, including helping handle the Justice of the Peace prosecutions.

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March 1 Is Deadline For Ordering Annuals

Friday, March 1, is the deadline for submitting orders for Ranger High School annuals according to announcement of principal James W. Childress.

The annuals are \$5 each and orders may be placed with Mrs. L. H. Hagaman at the High School building, Mr. Childress said.

Mrs. W. H. Keck, Native of Ranger, Buried in Seymour

Mrs. W. H. Keck, a native of Ranger, died at 9:15 a. m. Sunday in Baylor County Hospital following a long illness.

Funeral was held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in the Seymour Church of Christ with Leslie Mickey, minister of the Colorado City Church of Christ and Paul Epps, minister of the Seymour church, officiating. Burial was in Masonic Cemetery under the direction of Elliston Funeral Home of Seymour.

Born Maybelle Williams, May 21, 1889, in Ranger, she married W. H. Keck July 18, 1915 in Seymour. A resident of Baylor County for the past 54 years, she was a member of the Seymour Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Bill of Fort (Continued on Page 2)

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Harlem Stars Due Here March 7, 8 p. m.

When the Harlem Stars walk onto the hardwoods at Ranger Junior College Gym at 8 p. m. on Thursday, March 7, they will probably be surprised at the competition they face.

Local cagers have volunteered, cajoled and compelled to join forces in defending the Ranger reputation against the onslaught of such a formidable foe.

Reason for the encounter—Ranger High School photographic and projection equipment is in need of repair and

Ranger FHA Chapter Attends Area IV Meet

Members of the Ranger Chapter, Future Homemakers of America, were among estimated crowd of 1,500 attending the annual Area meeting held in Tarlet State College Auditorium Friday and Saturday, Feb. 23-24.

Friday evening sessions were devoted to election of officers for the coming year and stunt rehearsals, other items of business.

Saturday's activity, with registration, followed the program which included an address by a state officer. Two Ranger members, Jeanine Monroe and Cheryl Mahaffey were ushers for the day. Gie Mayhail, Lupe Herner, Barbara Rushing and J. Niska were members of area choir.

Attending from Ranger were those mentioned and cki Ewing, Mrs. Ruby, bert, homemaking instructor and Mrs. M. J. Alexander.



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Political Announcements

This newspaper has been authorized to announce political candidacies, subject to action of the Democratic primaries...

- Tax Assessor-Collector: EDGAR ALTON (re-election) EDDIE PIETRASZEK Sheriff: L. E. SUBLETT (re-election) Commissioner, Precinct 1: DANNY WOODS (re-election) JOHN MORREN Judge of 91st District Court: EARL CONNER, Jr. TRUMP N. P. KIRK Congress, 17th District: OMAR BURLESON (re-election) State Representative, 53rd Dis: BYRON RICHARDSON BURKE MUSGROVE (re-election)

Wanted

WANTED — Will pay cash for acreage in Eastland County. Send resume, location and asking price to P. O. Box 6, Cisco, Texas.

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CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank Dr. Gohlke and the staff of nurses at Ranger General Hospital for their very efficient and courteous service during my recent stay in the hospital.

The Week Ahead In Ranger THURSDAY 6:30 a.m. — Ranger Jaycees, Bryan's Steak and Coffee Shop.

HOMES FOR SALE — New brick home, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, close to school in Eastland.

FARMS AND RANCHES — 57 a. Cisco area, 50% of acreage paved, close to school.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 a.m. — Ladies Bible Class, Mesquite and Rusk St. Church of Christ.

FOR SALE — 169 a., some peanuts, Desdemona area. 174 a., a. of Ranger, pavement, \$110 a.

Real Estate — 460 a., some irrigated peanuts with other improved pasture land, good place, \$157.50 a., terms arranged.

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Miss Dennis Honored With Series of Parties

Included in the series of bridal parties held last weekend in Jefferson for Miss Pamela Dennis, bride-elect of Earl McGregor of Jefferson...

Hostesses for the occasion were Mesdames Edward Taylor, Halbert McQuinn, Jack Bullard, Jerry Suber, Creighton Laird, W. J. Francis, Norman Callison, and Drue Hellums.

Adding to the beauty of the historic landmark and its antique furnishings were massive floral arrangements in the bride's chosen colors of ice pink and cranberry ice, which were placed at vantage points throughout the party rooms.

District VIII Garden Clubs to Hold Spring Meet in Abilene March 5-6

The annual spring meeting of District VIII Garden Clubs of Texas, will be held in Abilene on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 5 and 6.

Pre convention activities begin at 4 p.m. at Abilene Garden Center, with the chairmen meeting in the Fireplace Room and the Executive Board meeting in the library.

The Week Ahead In Ranger

THURSDAY 6:30 a.m. — Ranger Jaycees, Bryan's Steak and Coffee Shop.

FRIDAY 7:30 p.m. — Old Fellows. Bullcock Quilting Club, 3:00 p.m. — Ranger Group, First Methodist Church.

TUESDAY 9:30 a.m. — Ladies Bible Class, Merriman Baptist Church.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 a.m. — Dorcas Club, Church of God of Prophecy, meets at church.

50 Young People Attend MYF Meet — Approximately 50 young people representing the 20 churches of the Thomas Coke Cluster, Methodist Youth Fellowship, assembled in First Methodist Church of Ranger for a program on Monday evening, Feb. 26.

Ann Wright of Cisco, president, was in charge of the program. Rev. Tom Tribble, Cluster Pastor, showed a film concerned with teenage marriage, entitled "And They Lived Happily Ever Afterward."

EASTER IS APRIL 14th — Lay-Away now while stocks are complete! \$1 down holds up to \$20 10% holds over \$20 WARDS The Big Store — Ranger

MRS. KECK... (Continued from Page 1) Worth, Mack of Wichita Falls and Maj. Kenneth of Annadale, Va.; four daughters, Mmes. Kathleen Pavlack of Richmond, Beulah Barker of Vernon, Lillian Ptacek of Fort Worth and Lucille Bell of Wichita Falls; two brothers, Tom Williams of Ranger and Ed Williams of Jackboro; two sisters, Miss Rosa Williams, and Mrs. Eula Thomas, both of Ranger; 15 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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Luther James Is Honored On 90th Birthday

Luther James was honored on the occasion of his 90th birthday with a family reunion in his home in Olden on Sunday, Feb. 27. Mr. James was born Feb. 27, 1878.

Six of his eight children, together with their families attended. They were W. B. James of South Houston, Alex James of Olden, Mack James of Everman, Mmes. Henry Ray of Quamedo, N. M. Mary Fore of Haskell and W. B. Griffith of Lake Leon. A son Tom James, and a daughter, Mrs. Curtis Holt, both of Modesto, Calif., were unable to attend. Also present were his grandchildren, Billy James...

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of Gregory, Bill Griffith of Ranger and Lester Fore Jr. of Athens; his brother, Isaac James of DeLeon, eight grandchildren, two nieces and many friends who called to wish him many happy returns of the day. Mmes. Elizabeth Stroud and Don Schamp spent Tuesday in Abilene.

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THANK YOU!

The officers, directors and staff of the First State Bank have this means of expressing sincere appreciation for the many compliments, floral tributes and other expressions of good wishes in connection with the formal opening of our new banking facility.

Our open house Sunday afternoon was a very memorable occasion for us in that many hundreds of our patrons were among those calling to inspect our new facilities and to offer their best wishes for the future.

As you well know, our new banking facility is our expression of faith in the Ranger area. We fully expect to continue increasing our services and to try harder every day to be more useful to the good people of this community.

And we would like to reiterate our pledge to provide you with everything you have a right to expect in the way of service from your home town bank. Come in often and feel free always to let us have an opportunity to serve you.

Again, we are most grateful.



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FIRST STATE BANK RANGER, TEXAS

THE GORDON SPOT

By DeMarquis (Dee) Gordon
Eastland County Extension Agent



This is a good time to plant fruit trees. January and February are considered the best months for fruit tree planting. One of the main things to remember when planting fruit trees is to unpack them immediately upon arrival from the nurseryman. If the trees cannot be planted at once, they should be heeled in by digging a trench sufficiently wide and deep enough to receive the roots. After putting the tree roots in the trench, cover with moist soil.

Before the trees are planted, any broken or diseased roots should be pruned off. If any of the roots have dried out in storage or in transit, soak them in water for six to twelve hours. Be careful to keep the roots from drying out in the planting operation.

When you are ready to set the tree out, dig a hole large enough so that the tree will be about two inches lower than it grew in the nursery. Use good top soil or sand to fill in around the roots. Soil

should be packed firmly around the roots. The top two or three inches of the soil should be left loose so it will absorb moisture. Water the tree at the time it is planted. Choose varieties that are adapted to our area. I would suggest choosing varieties that will ripen at different times. There are peach varieties that will ripen as early as May and some will ripen as late as September.

In some areas, especially in sandy soils, nematodes will limit production or even kill fruit trees. There are now peach trees available with nematode resistant root stocks. Nematodes are microscopic worms which occur in the soil and represent a limiting factor to the production of home and commercial orchards. Nematodes are particularly bad in areas where peaches are planted on land previously in peaches.

Stunted trees which defoliate prematurely are typical of root knot damaged trees. Close examination of the root system reveals small irregular shaped galls on the roots. Chemical control of nematodes are possible, but expensive in peach orchards. Research done by Texas A&M Experiment Station indicates that both Okinawa and Nema-guard are rootstocks which can be grown to avoid root knot nematode damage. Commercial growers and homeowners should contact their nurseryman for adapted varieties budded on either of these rootstocks. If these are not available, then it would possibly be more profitable to wait until they can be obtained. Trees budded on susceptible rootstocks and planted in infested soil, may not reach maturity.

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APPEALS COURT—MOTIONS SUBMITTED

Ralph W. Gossett et al v. The State of Texas. Apellants' motion to assess costs against Appellee; Howard. Ivan J. Allen v. Patsy H. Riedel et al. Apellants' motion for rehearing; Eastland. Ivan J. Allen v. Patsy H. Riedel et al. Apellants' motion for rehearing; Eastland. E. A. Holder, Inc. v. G. C. Dial. Apellants' motion to dismiss the cause; Nolan.

MOTION GRANTED

E. A. Holder, Inc. v. G. C. Dial. Apellants' motion to dismiss the cause; Nolan.

MOTIONS OVERRULED

Ralph W. Gossett et al v. The State of Texas. Apellants' motion to assess costs against Appellee; Howard. Ivan J. Allen v. Patsy H. Riedel et al. Apellants' motion for rehearing. Dissenting opinion by Judge Walter; Eastland. Ivan J. Allen v. Patsy H. Riedel et al. Apellants' motion for rehearing; Eastland.

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Straps	79 65 48873
Clockwatchers	76 68 48825
Bows	50 94 43046
Handicappers	50 94 42285

High Individual Game

C. N. Scott	211
Vivian Collett	187
Louie Stephenson	181

High Individual Series

Bill Wyatt	501
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High Individual Series

Vivian Collett	486
Louie Stephenson	462

High Team Game

Clockwatchers	1016
Trimmers	967
Straps	956

High Team Series

Clockwatchers	2908
Trimmers	2783
Straps	2766

High Individual Series

Jimmie Martin	632
Clyde Benton	579
Leo Gann	568
J. D. Johnson	568

High Individual Game

Jimmie Martin	245
J. D. Johnson	219
Doyal Rhodes	216

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High Individual Three Games

Bill Wyatt	565
Gloria Scott	528
Mary Crenshaw	472

High Team Game

The Trimmers	984
The Straps	956
The Bows	938

High Individual Game

Bill Wyatt	226
Nelda Gary	209
Gloria Scott	186

High Individual Three Games

Hoffmann Well Ser.	100 76
Permian Oilers	99 77
TESCO Distribution	90 86
Kay Chevrolet	88 88
TESCO Transmission	82 94
Hollywood Vassarette	72 104
KERC	66 110
Tummie's Grocery	64 112
Southern TV	46 128

High Team Three Games

Tummie's Grocery	1047
Permian Oilers	1043
Hoffmann Well Service	1038

High Team Three Game

Permian Oilers	3056
Tummie's Grocery	2979
Hoffmann Well Service	2912

High Individual Three Games

Tommy Alford	592
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High Individual Game

Mike Mitchell	574
Howard Langford	572

High Individual Game

Tommy Alford	246
Mike Mitchell	221
Jimmie Martin	216

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GIRLS

Patti Wyatt	326
Dale Stephenson	320
Mallie Wyatt and Cathy Jordan	289

BOYS

Jackie Arrington	315
Jerry Ables	306
Danny Harvey	295

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Team	W	L
Eastland Auto Parts	121	47
Dodge Boys	114	54
Village Barber Shop	102	66
Hoffman Well Service	94	74
Permian Oilers	91	77
Kay Chevrolet	88	80
TESCO Distribution	82	86
TESCO Transmission	80	88
Hollywood Vassarette	68	100
KERC	66	102
Tummie's Grocery	58	110
Southern TV	42	124

High Team Series

Eastland Auto Parts	2976
TESCO Transmission	2908
Kay Chevrolet	2906

High Team Game

Eastland Auto Parts	1046
Kay Chevrolet	1035
TESCO Transmission	1034

THURSDAY NIGHT MEN'S LEAGUE
February 8, 1968

Guy's Texaco	105 63
Safeway	105 63
Arrington F. Home	101 67
Vol. Fire Dept.	100 68
Dr. Pepper	96 72
Hoot's Place	96 72
V. C. Menus	78 90
Wards	76 92
Gilbert's Gulf	75 93
Goodyear	69 99
Southwest Machine	61 107
Cotton's Studio	46 122

High Team Three Games

Gilbert's Gulf	3025
Safeway	2891
Arrington's	2855

High Team Game

Gilbert's Gulf	1062
Safeway	1019
Arrington's	1012

High Ind. Three Games

Bill Jordan	551
Jack Farleigh	536
C. N. Scott	529

High Individual Game

Jack Farleigh	215
Jerry Stephens	205
Bill Wofford	203

MONDAY NIGHT MEN'S HANICAP LEAGUE

Team	W	L
Eastland Auto Parts	125	51
Dodge Boys	118	53
Village Barber Shop	104	72

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February 19, 1968

Team	W	L
The Pinbusters	114	46
Merry Mix-Ups	96	64
The Kincaids	90	70
The Slowpokes	89	71
The Jokers	86	74
High Flyers	84	76
The Go-Getters	71	89
Hits and Misses	60	100
The Playmates	58	102
The Mix-Ups	52	108

High Team Three Games

Merry Mix-Ups	1199
High Flyers	1165
The Playmates	1149

High Individual Three Games

Shirley Ables	493
Charlotte Allen	467
Ruth Elrod	449

High Team Game

Merry Mix-Ups	426
The Playmates	424
High Flyers	407

High Individual Game

Ruth Elrod	211
Shirley Ables	195
Gloria Scott	161

THURSDAY MORNING HOUSEWIVES LEAGUE
February 22, 1968

Team	W	L
Odd Balls	108	60
Hot Shots	102	66
The Sleepers	100	68
The Starrs	85	83
Not Yets	76	92
The Dusters	74	94
Jet Sets	68	100
The Goodies	53	115

High Team Three Games

Odd Balls	1688
Hot Shots	1657
Not Yets	1639

High Individual Three Games

Emma McBride	507
Modell Gann	467
Dorothy Reid	448

High Team Game

Hot Shots	587
Odd Balls	575
Not Yets	560

High Individual Game

Emma McBride	187
Modell Gann	172
Mary Puidk	164

LADIES TUESDAY NIGHT LEAGUE
February 20, 1968

Team	W	L
Scott Bait House	111	57
Johnson Appliance	111	57
Hollywood Vassarette	102	66
Koen Salvage	101	67
Poe Floral	98	70
Smallwood Electric	83	85
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Beighley Gulf Service	58	110
Montgomery Ward	44	124

High Team Three Games

Scott Bait House	2282
Koen Salvage	2277
Pro Shop	2262

High Individual Three Games

Modell Gann	511
Lazelle Johnson	491
Coleta Heard	489

High Team Game

Scott Bait House	820
Beighley Gulf Service	780
Johnson Appliance and Hollywood Vassarette	772

High Individual Game

Dorothy Wright	788
Neil Fox	184
Coleta Heard	180

Hollywood Vassarette Friday Night League
February 23, 1968

Team	W	L
The Trimmers	97	55
The Scraps	87	65
The V's	85	67
Clock Watchers	78	74
The Bows	56	98
The Handicappers	52	100

High Team Three Games

The Straps	2804
The Trimmers	2779
The Bows	2730

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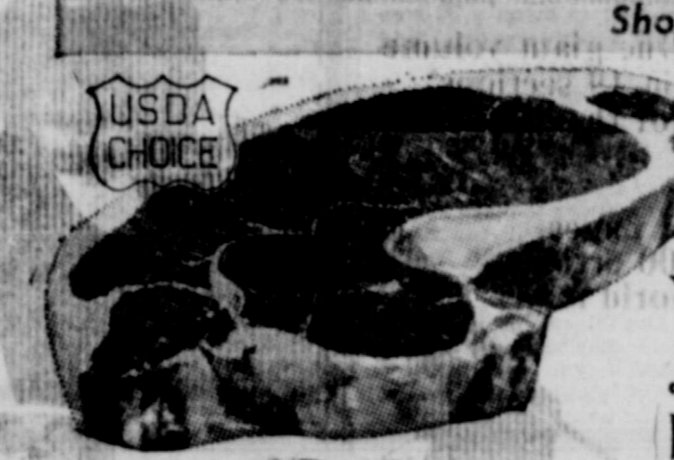
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It's Coastal Plantin' Time

By E. E. McALISTER
Soil Conservation Service

It is again the time of year to establish Coastal bermuda grass. The favorable moisture conditions should help assure producers of a good stand and growth if the simple known rules of planting are followed.

Even under the best conditions new plantings of Coastal bermuda grass will occasionally fail to become established. Poor weather conditions will some times cause a failure when everything has been done in a workmanship way. However, the great majority of poor stands can be traced to conditions which are under the control of the farmer. Plan ahead.

Be ready when planting time comes. If you jump into the job with no forethought and unprepared, you are going to be disappointed. Be sure your soils are adapted to Coastal Bermuda, generally sandy land and bottom land. Prepare a good seedbed well in advance of planting time.

A good seedbed is one you would work up for planting any field crop. The land should be plowed in the fall, kept free of winter weeds and should be firm and moist at planting time. Use good planting equipment. Some sprig planters are easier to use than others but any machine can be used that will place the sprigs at the right depth, distribute the right amount of sprigs uniformly and cover them properly. Use the fresh, healthy sprigs. Poor quality sprigs cause many failures. Sprigs dug and left exposed to the sun and wind for a long period of time make poor planting material. A fresh supply should be dug each day - preferably in the early morning.



JERRY MEHAFFEY of Gorman owns a 160 acre farm located three miles south of Carbon. The above picture shows a Coastal Bermuda sprigging machine in operation. Jerry planted 153 acres of Coastal in 1964, built cross fences to divide this area into three pastures and constructed farm ponds for livestock water. A cow and a calf is run for a six-month period on approximately two and one half acres. Fertilizer in keeping with soil test is applied annually.



A. J. ROGERS of the Chaney Community was the Upper Leon Soil-Water Conservation District's Outstanding Conservation Farmer in 1967. Mr. Rogers is shown with his cattle in a pasture of coastal bermuda grass established in 1963. Mr. Rogers owns a 99-acre farm and he has established 43 acres to coastal and the remaining acreage is farmed to peanuts.

They should be kept moist and covered in a shade until used. When hauled, sprigs should be tightly packed, sprinkled, and covered with a tarp. Baled sprigs are easier to handle and transport than bulk sprigs. Plant sprigs in moist soil. Pack soil firmly around the sprigs to cut out the air. Sprigs planted this way will remain alive for several days or even weeks. Planted in dry soil they must have rain within a few days. Plant at right time.

Sprigs may be planted anytime between the middle of February to the middle of June, if other conditions are good. Early plantings usually do better. Plant sprigs at the right depth - about 2 inches in most soils. It is best to leave one end of the sprig sticking out if possible, especially if the sprig is not dormant. Break soil crust with a rotary hoe or harrow if a hard rain has fallen before shoots have come out.

Keep the field clean. Control competition. It is a good idea to mark the rows and cultivate until the runners begin to cover the middle. Stop mowing when the mower is clipping the Bermuda plants. Spraying has proven to be very effective for control of weeds. Fertilize properly. Fertilize at planting time and follow up with additional applications as needed. Rates,

normally encourage many more than you kill. A good stand of Bermuda will take out the weeds. Graze cautiously the first year - if at all. Close grazing during the year of establishment will retard root development and heighten the chances of the new stand freezing out in the winter. After establishment don't fail to fertilize the grass regularly. Always leave at least a 6 inch top growth for best production.

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By E. E. McALISTER
Soil Conservation Service

It is again the time of year to establish Coastal bermuda grass. The favorable moisture conditions should help assure producers of a good stand and growth if the simple known rules of planting are followed.

Even under the best conditions new plantings of Coastal bermuda grass will occasionally fail to become established. Poor weather conditions will some times cause a failure when everything has been done in a workmanship way. However, the great majority of poor stands can be traced to conditions which are under the control of the farmer. Plan ahead.

Be ready when planting time comes. If you jump into the job with no forethought and unprepared, you are going to be disappointed. Be sure your soils are adapted to Coastal Bermuda, generally sandy land and bottom land. Prepare a good seedbed well in advance of planting time.

A good seedbed is one you would work up for planting any field crop. The land should be plowed in the fall kept free of winter weeds and should be firm and moist at planting time. Use good planting equipment. Some sprig planters are easier to use than others but any machine can be used that will place the sprigs at the right depth, distribute the right amount of sprigs uniformly and cover them properly. Use the fresh, healthy sprigs. Poor quality sprigs cause many failures. Sprigs dug and left exposed to the sun and wind for a long period of time make poor planting material. A fresh supply should be dug each day - preferably in the early morning.



JERRY MEHAFFEY of Gorman owns a 160 acre farm located three miles south of Carbon. The above picture shows a Coastal Bermuda sprigging machine in operation. Jerry planted 153 acres of Coastal in 1964, built cross fences to divide this area into three pastures and constructed farm ponds for livestock water. A cow and a calf is run for a six-month period on approximately two and one half acres. Fertilizer in keeping with soil test is applied annually.



A. J. ROGERS of the Chaney Community was the Upper Leon Soil-Water Conservation District's Outstanding Conservation Farmer in 1957. Mr. Rogers is shown with his cattle in a pasture of coastal bermuda grass established in 1963. Mr. Rogers owns a 99-acre farm and he has established 43 acres to coastal and the remaining acreage is farmed to peanuts.

They should be kept moist and covered in a shade until used. When hauled, sprigs should be tightly packed, sprinkled, and covered with a tarp. Baled sprigs are easier to handle and transport than bulk sprigs. Plant sprigs in moist soil. Pack soil firmly around the sprigs to cut out the air. Sprigs planted this way will remain alive for several days or even weeks. Planted in dry soil they must have rain within a few days. Plant at right time.

Sprigs may be planted anytime between the middle of February to the middle of June, if other conditions are good. Early plantings usually do better. Plant sprigs at the right depth - about 2 inches in most soils. It is best to leave one end of the sprig sticking out if possible, especially if the sprig is not dormant. Break soil crust with a rotary hoe or harrow if a hard rain has fallen before shoots have come out.

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and analysis should be based on current soil test. If the field is really foul with weeds, delay fertilizing until the Bermuda begins to make runners. Don't wait until you have a solid stand. Without fertilizer it may take years to get that stand.

Don't break or tandem the field after the grass has been planted. You may kill some weeds plowing but you will

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