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## PROGRESS OF PECOS BRIDGE JOB REPORTED BY STEEL COMPANY

The last of the heavy steel spans, designed for the lofty new highway bridge across Texas' famed Pecos River on US 90, will be on site by midsummer, ready to be swung across the gorge, steel company representatives advised this week.

The last of the steel is being cut, fitted and riveted together in the Birmingham plant of United States Steel's American Bridge Division to form the important structural sections.

The big span, which will be the highest vehicular bridge in Texas, and ninth highest in the nation, is on the Pecos River just upstream from the old crossing.

A dizzy 272 feet above the canyon floor, the 1,310-foot-long continuous deck truss bridge replaces a scenic 54-foot-high span which had stood for 30 years until the Pecos, fed by torrential rains at upper points, swept it away two years ago.

Upon its completion early next year, the new \$1,269,268 bridge, conceived by the State Highway Department engineers after the same fate befell a low-bridge replacement in 1955, will move traffic over one of the most spectacular gorges in the Southwest. De Witt C. Greer is the State Highway Department Engineer, under the Highway Commission, and the bridge engineer for the Texas Highway Department is Randall Alexander.

The bridge will require 1200

tons of structural steel. The main portion, a 1,040-foot continuous deck truss unit, will be made up of three sections — two side spans each 312 feet in length, and a center span 416 feet long. At one end a 240-foot continuous welded deck plate girder unit forms the approach.

The bridge will support a 28-foot roadway.

High bridges, as a matter of necessity, are dictated by the peculiar geology of the region and the unpredictable results of erratic weather patterns.

Of the rivers themselves, the old folk lore of the region exemplifies the respect in which the old Spanish settlers held them. The Pecos is a case in point. Roughly and liberally translated from the conquistadorial Spanish, El Rio Pecos means a river of violent extremes, excessive sins and the habitual transgressor of all natural laws. It merges turbulently with the slightly less sinful Rio Grande just a short way below the site of the new bridge. The Devil's River also enters the Rio Grande not far distant.

The Pecos River begins in the Sengre de Cristo range in Northern New Mexico and flows Southeast into Texas, joining the Rio Grande between Langtry and Comstock. Below Red Bluff Reservoir far in the north, the low hills recede on either side and the river enters and meanders through

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MISS CARLENE WERNEKING

Miss Carlene Werneking, pictured above, was the Sanderson Lions Club's entry in the Miss Southwest contest at the Fort Stockton Water Carnival last Friday night. She is the local civic club's "Sweetheart".

## H. M. Beckett Installed Head Of Masonic Order

H. M. Beckett was installed as worshipful master of the Sanderson Lodge No. 988, AF&AM, at a called meeting Monday night. The installation services followed a barbecue supper served to approximately 75 persons in the basement of the Masonic Hall. Members of the Order of Eastern Star and the Lodge and their families were present.

Other officers installed were F. G. Hardin, senior warden; R. R. Clark, junior warden; S. D. Thompson, chaplain; Ray Clifford, senior deacon; Stanton A. White, junior deacon; Jack Turner, senior steward; Lee Billings, junior steward; and W. S. Forth, retiring worshipful master, was installed as tiler.

Terry Beckett of Alpine, past master of the Sanderson Masonic Lodge and past District Deputy Grand Master, installed his brother and the other officers in their stations and places. Ruel Adams, another past master of the local fraternity, was the installing marshal.

## Norman Rath Takes Edna School Job

Norman E. Rath, principal of the Sanderson High School, has accepted a position as principal of the high school in Edna, Texas. His resignation was announced to the school board last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rath came to Sanderson in 1951 when he was assistant football coach, head basketball coach and teacher in the high school. In 1953, at the time of the resignation of the high school principal, Rodney Cathey, Rath accepted that position which he has held since that time. He quit his football coaching career and coached the girls basketball team leading them to their first district win. He was coach for the girls team only one year.

Mr. Rath has been very active in the Sanderson Lions Club, having been recently elected president for the club year beginning July 1. As principal of the Edna school Mr. Rath's duties will be administrative. He expects to move with his family to that city this weekend.

Mrs. Rath has been employed for several years at the Sanderson State Bank.

## V.F.W. To Sponsor July 3 Dance Here

A dance, to be sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be at the local V.F.W. Hall on Tuesday, July 3, according to Joe Alvarez, commander of the post.

Music will be furnished by Vasquez Orchestra from Monahans. Alvarez stated that more such dances will be held in the future to assist the veterans' organization in carrying out some of their projects for the year's work.

## Lechuguilla Fiber Users Contacted By County C of C

Lechuguilla fiber users were contacted last week by Ray Hodgkins, secretary-manager of the Terrell County Chamber of Commerce, and answers have been received.

No revealing information or startling news was mentioned or indicated in the response of the manufacturers of the lechuguilla fiber products but they confirmed previous information in their interest in the development of the possible use of fiber from this area.

One of the manufacturers, a Mexican firm, is now using hand labor in that country to extract the fiber from the lechuguilla plant, and will not be interested in developing U.S. sources of the fiber until a machine is perfected which will extract the fiber at a speed or more efficiently and economically than the hand process now being used in Mexico.

The other user of the fiber stated that they were still testing the fiber taken from lechuguilla plants from the Sanderson and Terrell County area and stated that, while fibers of the sample plants were not quite up to their wishes in length, that harvesting and proper management would increase the fiber of the plants to an acceptable or more desirous length.

Both of the manufacturers expressed their gratitude to those locally who had assisted them in any way and to the Chamber of Commerce for their proffered assistance.

They assured Hodgkins that they were still very definitely interested in the plants of this area, and would contact local people later concerning the proposed project.

## Program Closes Vacation Bible School At Baptist Church

The closing program for the Vacation Bible School at the Baptist Church was Wednesday evening in the church. The handwork was exhibited and each department contributed a number on the program to show the accomplishments of the school.

There was an enrollment of 94 during the 8-day school which had classes for two hours each morning. Mrs. Charles Matney served as principal and Mrs. J. A. Mansfield as general secretary.

The school closed at noon Wednesday with a watermelon picnic. When the names of the teachers were published, the name of Mrs. Wanda Hooker was accidentally omitted. Mrs. Jack Turner was the chairman of the refreshments committee for the school.

Mrs. Matney expressed her appreciation to the teachers and the committees for their work and cooperation in making the school a success.

## West Texas Officer Dies In El Paso

Capt. Luke Dowe, 86-year old retired customs officer and pioneer West Texas law officer, died Sunday in an El Paso hospital. A resident of Del Rio for 53 years, he left that city Wednesday by ambulance for El Paso where he and Mrs. Dowe planned to make their home with a nephew, O. C. Dowe since both had been in failing health for a long time.

Funeral services were held in El Paso Tuesday afternoon and burial was made in that city.

Mr. Dowe, a Texas Ranger in the Eagle Pass and Del Rio areas in the late 1800s, entered the custom service in 1892 as an inspector at Eagle Pass. He retired as deputy collector of customs at Del Rio on July 1, 1935.

IT SAYS HERE:—

A wolf is a person who enjoys life, liberty and the happiness of pursuit.

## Further Work Needed On CPS Water Well

Following the hydra-frac of the CPS well last Wednesday night, several complications have arisen which will necessitate further work on the well, according to local sources.

In the hydra-frac process, the head was blown from the well in the first attempt to pressure crack the water-bearing strata through perforations. After again sealing the head of the casing, subsequent attempts to crack the strata were begun. The pressure gauges showed a sudden drop in pressure at approximately 2,400 pounds and indicated that the fissure had been caused in the formation level with the perforations.

Water was pumped into the hole at the rate of 750 gallons per minute with no rise in the pressure or liquid level noticeable.

In subsequent tests it was revealed that the water stood 72 feet from the top of the hole and the addition of water to the hole did

## Dress Shop Adds Another Business To Sanderson

Sanderson's newest addition to the business district is the Home Town Dress Shop which opens Monday at 320 West Oak. Mrs. Clarence Chandler is the proprietor and operator of the business.

Mrs. Chandler stated that she will feature dresses for ladies in fall, short and half-sizes and the line will include garments from simple cottons up to better dresses; dresses for teen-agers and juniors; clothing for infants and small children and all kinds of lingerie.

She stated that she would be receiving new dresses every week and special orders for clothing will receive special attention and quick delivery.

Mrs. Chandler asked her friends to come by and visit and look over the stock of apparel for women and children.

Mrs. Chandler had been employed as a telephone operator in Fort Stockton for several months and resigned her job with that company last week.

## BADER INSTALLS OFFICERS FOR FORT STOCKTON LIONS

Matt Bader, deputy district governor of Lions District 2-T-2, was in Fort Stockton last Thursday night to install the officers for the Lions Club in that city at the annual ladies' night program. He was also the guest speaker for the occasion.

Ruel Adams secretary of the local club for the past ten years, was also a guest at the meeting.

## IMMIGRATION OFFICER TRANSFERS HERE

R. K. Castner has been transferred to Sanderson this week from Presidio. He is with the immigration service.

Mrs. Castner and their three children are visiting in Wisconsin and will join him here within the next few weeks.

## Incentive Payment On 1955 Wool Set At 44.9 Per Cent of Net Proceeds of Sales

According to word received by F. M. Wood Monday, the incentive payment on wool has been set for the 1955 marketing year ending April 1, 1956.

The incentive payment, according to Wood, is 44.9% of the net proceeds of the wool sales in the marketing year.

The incentive payment figures, according to Wood, were set from national averages of sales prices and is intended to bring the national average up to the 62c level.

Wood stated that there would be no incentive payment on mohair marketed during the year because the national average was

higher than the calculated payment and potential incentive.

He stated that drafts would be mailed in the early part of July to ranchmen who are serviced by the Terrell County office of the Agricultural Stabilization, Conservation unit.

Wood also revealed that the payment on wool on lambs sold during the marketing year would be 77c per 100 pounds of lambs at weights certified to by the packers and other buyers.

Information on the incentive payments, Wood stated, would be given to any who needed clarification on the program.

## Warm Weather Continues, No Rain

Warm weather continues in this portion of the Southwest with no relief by rain reported in this area recently.

Mid-day temperatures have been some cooler than during the past two weeks.

Tuesday and Wednesday mornings were overcast with heavy clouds which were dispersed by mid-morning. There has been an accumulation of clouds bordering on thunderhead proportions in the vicinity during the past two days but they were too far away for local area benefit and disappeared in the early evening coolness. Nights this week have been chilly.

Some rain was again reported in the Fort Stockton area last week-end, and some rain was reported to the west in the Marathon area.

Rangelands of this portion of West Texas continue to scorch and little natural feed is available in any pastures except those that have been deferred for the past several months.

## New Minister Named For Bloys Meeting

Rev. George Burroughs of El Paso will be a new figure among the group of veteran ministers selected to conduct Bloys Cowboy Camp Meeting August 13-21 at Skillman Grove near Fort Davis.

Pastor of El Paso's first Presbyterian Church, Rev. Burroughs will be making his first appearance at the annual meeting. Other ministers selected are all returning.

They include Rev. Walter Williams, El Paso Methodist minister; Dr. L. D. Anderson, Disciples of Christ representative from Fort Worth; Rev. Earl Bissex, First Christian Church minister from Pecos; Rev. C. L. Lange of Fort Davis First Baptist Church; Rev. Don Harris of Waco's First Presbyterian Church; and Rev. Earl Zetsche, Marfa Christian Church pastor.

## Coming Events

Tuesday, July 3 — Ranch H-D Club.

Wednesday — Wednesday Club, Rotary Club.

Thursday — Lions Club.

## ATTENTION TO LUKE

are still trying to do baseball workout in the afternoon but interest shown by almost nil.

is happy to find a few of those who are interested in and they will continue to some place and some way about our help. Of course it much better if they could get instruction and super-which they badly need.

that the boys may have with worn-out equipment of the lack of interest by does not dampen their ardor for the sport one whit.

fact, too, illustrates the in the trend of thinking in years just past. We are certain rights and privileges, but no assurance of some of the exercise of rights. Those boys are given to play ball, but there is a guarantee that they will be ball players. We have to assist them or not as we see, but we have an obligation to see that they have an opportunity to play.

week an ex-President of the United States, in accepting a high honor from Oxford of made a statement which demanded that the honorary degree and tuck in shame before the camp which were relaying the picnic message back to America.

an said: "We must declare our declaration of independence for economic well-being, security, that health and an and decent living standards among our inalienable

opinion of this column he had the philosophy that has harbored and nurtured for expediency for so long it the main cause of the country's things in this country. It has a right to a good you work for it; and an ed you earn it; and health, the God-given blessing that the other two possible.

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is a considerable difference in the deep significance of the meaning of the Declaration of Independence and the version given at Oxford before the world ever before of Harry Truman, there group of free-thinking men down in their declaration among the certain inalienable with which men were were "life, liberty and right of happiness". And it say "health, education, social success was guar-

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the things promised by the State are mirages, but never attained. an and youths of today basic teaching of privi- pursuit of happiness that to social, educational and security that are made by the blessings of God nish many with good

IT FOR THE WEEK:— not worthy of the least mercies." — Genesis

were blessed in accord- in our worthiness, we are waiting for the first "According to His mer- ath saved us." — H. B.

## Park Service Announces Details Of \$10,227,000 Big Bend Park Program

Washington — Big Bend National Park is scheduled for development costing about \$10,227,000 under proposals in the National Park Service's Mission 66 program, Secretary of Interior Fred A. Seaton announced this week.

Tentative plans call for an estimated \$5,957,000 for construction of roads and trails, and 4,320,000

## Braves Scalp Team From Valentine 12-8

Last Sunday afternoon the Sanderson Braves took the Valentine Tigers to a trimming with a score of 12-8.

The locals had the Tigers from the start and with the pitching of Joe Vasquez who struck out 11 men in the eight innings he did mound duty, their lead of 12-4 looked substantial until substitute players were run in for the locals. This let-up caused the visitors to gain four more runs.

Juan Ramirez, who was injured in a game the previous Sunday, was sent limping in to the mound to stop the Tigers' running spree.

Next Sunday the Braves will be host to a Del Rio aggregation which promises good competition for the locals.

## MORE KIDS JOIN GROUP FOR SUMMER WORK

Mrs. Ben Causey has advised The Times that more kids have joined the group wanting part-time and piece work for the summer. The group now includes some girls who are willing to do housework and baby-sitting and the like.

The home-managed employment agency for local kids is handled by Mrs. Causey and persons wanting help for honest and honorable work are asked to contact her.

## REV. M. T. MURILLO RETURNS AS LOCAL CHURCH PASTOR

Rev. M. F. Murillo was returned as pastor of the local Latin-American Methodist Church at a recent meeting of the Rio Grande Conference in San Antonio.

This begin's Rev. Murillo's second year as pastor of the local church.

Rev. Jose Navarro, a former pastor, went to Fort Stockton.

THE EAGLE FLIES HIGH!



What a thrill for America's youth, joyous, free, on the 4th of July! What a heritage theirs, in all truth, as the star-spangled eagle flies high!

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Austin - A court battle seems imminent to decide if counties must put the states rights referendum questions on the Democratic primary ballot.

Two liberal "stronghold" counties - Harris and Bexar - have said they will not. County committees denounced the referendum as "appealing to Ku Kluxism" for a campaign of hate.

Atty. General John Ben Shepperd ruled to Jefferson officials that putting the matters on the ballot was mandatory, and that penalties were provided by law for failure or refusal.

State executive committee members certified placement after receiving a petition signed by 153,000 voters - more than required by law. Voter opinion is sought on these questions - school integration, intermarriage of Negroes and whites, and integration.

Hopes for Tourist Lodges

New hope for early action on the building of tourist lodges in state parks was presented at the State Parks Board meeting.

During the last session legislators approved \$25 million in bonds for construction of resort hotels in at least six state parks. In the past weeks interested groups over the state have become impatient to know why the bonds haven't been sold and the building programs launched.

Board chairman Andrew M. Howsley told them the Chicago bonding firm which has the contract has so far failed to sell one bond or find a responsible company to operate the property.

Former State Senator Howard Carney, one of a group from Atlanta, announced that the Fred

Harvey Co., a big nationwide firm had expressed interest in building lodges in Atlanta State Park, Eisenhower State Park at Lake Texoma and Inks Lake State Park. Carney predicted construction could begin by September with completion one year later.

State May Buy Road Rights
Relief is in sight for Texas cities and counties which have been unable to finance right-of-way for desired new highways.

For nearly 30 years the State Highway Commission has authorized use of state funds for highway construction only if the cities and counties purchased right-of-way. In populous areas cost of needed land frequently ran into millions. During the past year Dallas and Harris counties failed in financing attempts.

Now the commission has announced the state will start paying for right-of-way under the new federal highway aid bill. Final congressional approval will launch a multi-million-dollar interstate road building program for which the federal government will pay 90 per cent of the costs.

Commission Chairman E. H. Thornton, Jr., predicted however that state right-of-way buying would not begin for some time. First funds will be used for projects where road rights have already been secured by local agencies.

Governor Seeks Drouth Aid

Free livestock feeds for Texas ranchers hardest hit by the drouth is being sought by Governor Allan Shivers.

Ranchers receiving the free feed would be barred from commercial sale of livestock, poultry or products.

Ten counties have been certified by the state as eligible for such aid. They are Karnes, Jim Wells, Wilson, Goliad, Frio, Live Oak, McMullen, Atascosa, Gonzales, and Bee.

Shivers announced also that he had negotiated for reduced freight rates for ranchers in 80 drouth-stricken counties to ship cattle and sheep to outside pasturage.

Toll Turnpike Contract

Last contract needed to complete construction on the Dallas-Fort Worth toll road was awarded

last week by the Texas Turnpike Authority.

It was for \$1,175,804 in paving. Unless a steel shortage develops, completion of the \$58-million road is expected on schedule by July, 1957. It will be Texas' first toll road.

Present plans are to charge passenger cars 50c, trucks \$1.25 for the 30-mile drive.

More Salk Shots

The U. S. Public Health Service released 229,599 shots of Salk vaccine for use in Texas.

Texas Health Commissioner H. A. Holle advocated removal of the voluntary age restrictions on use of the vaccine. At present, vaccine is available only to children under 20 and to expectant mothers.

Meantime the State Health Department sent a four-man team of experts into the Brownsville-Matamoros area to study the threat of yellow fever. The department said "the inexorable advances of jungle yellow fever from Panama toward Mexico and the Gulf Coast of the United States is causing quins of uneasiness."

Improvement in Order

State Auditor C. H. Cavness suggested in an audit report on the Insurance Commission that this state agency improve its personnel methods. He said he found the commission's rental contract for space in an office building owned by an insurance company "not out of order."

Short Shorts

Texas Law Enforcement Foundation's \$40,000 "Travelab" will begin touring Texas next fall. A 55-foot "rolling classroom" on newest crime detection methods, it is designed to further the foundation's program of enlisting citizen support for good law enforcement.

Despite reduced purchaser nominations, the Railroad Commission increased the allowable Texas crude oil production for July by

70,973 barrels over June, after four successive monthly cuts. Authorized July flow is 3,322,943 barrels daily.

State Agricultural Commissioner John C. White reported the Lower Rio Grande Valley may equal its last-year cotton production of 392,000 bales, but reported disastrous drouth conditions in the area from Austin to Alice. The drouth situation is "the worst I have ever seen," he said after a tour.

V. M. Ehlers, director of the division of sanitary engineering in the State Health Department, was named the 10th honorary life member of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers, in recognition of his long public service.

The National Park Service announced tentative plans for \$5,597,000 construction of roads and trails and \$4,320,000 for buildings and utilities in the Big Bend National Park over the next nine years.

Mrs. Thomas Albrecht and daughters, Evelyn and Gladys, of San Antonio visited here last week with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Clifford and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gilbreath visited in Pecos last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ivy, former residents.

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Comedy Picture Tops Laugh Meter

Patrons of the Princess Theatre are expected to cause the laugh meter to blow a gasket when they see the film "The Lieutenant Wore Skirts" which is playing Sunday and Monday at the show house.

Tom Ewell and Sheree North are the stars of the show and local viewers will admit it to be one of the funniest films of the season. Ewell, in the inimitable way that stamped him as an adroit comedian in "The Seven Year Itch," has an even richer comedy role in this smart, sly, slick and even spicy story and he is superb. Sheree North, who gave promise of better things in "How To Be Very, Very Popular" is a revelation in "The Lieutenant Wore Skirts". She proves to be a real comedian as well as an electrically alluring personality. As Ewell's wife, she gives a breezy and whimsical performance. The performances of Rita Moreno and the other supporting actors furnish heavier laughter.

The fun starts when Sheree, the wife of a World War II hero and TV writer, thinks that he is going to be called into the Air Force as a reserve officer. To be with him she herself signs up again as a WAF lieutenant. When she is accepted and her husband flunks his physical and remains a civilian one funny situation follows another. Sheree is shipped to Hawaii and Tom follows her, engaging in a hilarious battle with the U.S. Air Force to get his wife back. He finally wins when his wife discovers she is pregnant and is discharged immediately.

The management of the Princess advises fun lovers to see the show for an evening of delightful entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Harrell went to El Paso Tuesday to return their granddaughter, Julie Kay Pendleton, who had been visiting here for a week. Her mother, Mrs. John Neal, accompanied them to El Paso.

Sgt. and Mrs. Hal Rowlett and two daughters of Sheppard A.F.B. of Wichita Falls, Texas, were here this week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Corder, and friends.

Mrs. Clarence Chandler was a business visitor in Alpine Wednesday.

A THANK YOU - A FAREWELL MESSAGE

To all of our friends in Sanderson and Terrell County we take this means to say "Goodbye and thank you for the friendship and fellowship that we enjoyed while living in your midst."

To all those who are really born again Christians, if we never meet again here on this earth, praise God through Jesus Christ our Savior, we will meet in heaven. Jesus says in John 14:2-3. "In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so I would have told you; and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself that where I am there ye may be also."

To any who have not received Him in their hearts as Savior, please let me say forgive me for failing you as God's representative to live in such a way and work in such a way that every one of you would have come to know my Savior as your Savior.

We shall continue to pray for you that you may come to know Christ, whom to know aright is life eternal. Please remember us as your friends.

The end of this month closes my pastorate of the First Baptist Church in Sanderson. I have been pastor five years and seven months. It also closes a much longer period as Baptist pastor - this period is just forty-five years, and in spite of my shortcomings and failures they have been fruitful years.

For every opportunity of being a blessing, we thank and praise our blessed Lord. While retiring from the pastorate we will continue to serve Him until He calls us home. We have many invitations for Bible conferences and revival meetings. We will hold our first one here in Bluffton, S. C., beginning the first Sunday in July, with our son-in-law who is pastor; and then as the Lord gives us strength we will accept others. God bless you all. Pray for us. We will be glad to hear from any of you.

CLAUDE and MRS. BRIDGES Bluffton, S. C.

Ed. Note: - The above letter was received from Rev. Claude Bridges last week for publication since many of their friends will not hear a similar message

read from the pulpit of First Baptist Church, close of his pastorate day, July 1.

Rev. Bridges stated he had been in bed all since leaving Sanderson, losing 44 pounds. Mrs. had an operation on her vision is much improved.

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**W. T. Bondurant  
Leads Saturday  
Club Luncheon**

The Sanderson Garden Club met at the home of Mrs. W. T. Bondurant Saturday afternoon for the 1956-57 club year. The luncheon was served at one o'clock. The attractive centerpiece on the table was of yellow summer flowers in a copper container. Arrangements of summer fruit, and foliage decorated the Bondurant home.

At the business meeting, plans were made for the purchase of the Blue Star Memorial marker. Tentative location for the marker is in the park to be established by the State Highway Department at a location east of the overpass, Highway 90, designated as a Blue Star Memorial highway.

T. R. Arrington gave the theme of a period of silent prayer and meditation closed with the Lord's prayer recited in unison was "That wisdom may be given to all in approaching the Lord and in leading others in our homes to come closer to Christ."

Mrs. N. M. Mitchell gave the dismissal prayer.

During the social hour, Mrs. Farley served cheese cake, salted nuts, and iced tea.

Those present were Mesdames E. T. Pierson, R. S. Wilkinson, J. L. Whistler, Roy Deaton, J. W. Byrd, E. J. Hanson, Mary E. Mitchell, H. C. Rock, J. D. Nichols, W. T. Frazier, N. M. Mitchell, Sid Harkins, Max Bogusch, and J. W. McKee, also a guest, Mrs. Dorothy Byers, of Chillicothe, Ohio.

**Mrs. J. D. Nichols  
Leads Program  
For Presbyterians**

The Presbyterian Women of the Church met in the home of Mrs. E. E. Farley Monday afternoon.

Mrs. E. F. Pierson led the opening prayer after the group had sung the hymn "O, Master Let Me Walk With Thee".

Fifteen members and one guest answered roll call with a Bible verse.

Mrs. G. K. Mitchell submitted a list of books to be ordered for reading and study by the group.

Mrs. J. D. Nichols led the program titled "Together We Stand" which was an interview with Mrs. Sid Harkins, Mrs. J. L. Whistler, Mrs. Roy Deaton, and Mrs. E. J. Hanson assisting. A round-table discussion followed.

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**Miss Eva Billings  
Leads Program For  
Methodist W.S.C.S.**

The Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service met in the home of Mrs. Clyde Higgins Monday afternoon with Mrs. Ida Bodkin as co-hostess.

Following the playing of a piano prelude by Mrs. J. A. Willshire, the hymn, "He Leadeth Me" was sung.

Mrs. M. W. Duncan presided during the business meeting when reports were heard from the officers and committee chairmen. Several money-making projects were discussed with a final decision to be made on them at the July meeting. A surprise basket will be passed among the members this month.

Miss Eva Billings was in charge of the program titled "The World - Beginning In My Community". Assisting in presenting the program were Mrs. H. E. Ezelle and Mrs. J. T. Schwartz.

Mrs. Higgins gave the public recognition to four long-time members of the society and presented an apron to each. They were Mesdames Harry Newton, C. H. White, Ida Bodkin, and John Neal.

During the social hour, the hostesses served home-made ice cream and cookies.

Those present were Mesdames Gene McSparran, Harry Newton, W. T. Attaway, J. A. Willshire, Irvin Robbins, M. W. Duncan, H. E. Ezelle, J. T. Schwartz, C. H. White, L. H. Gilbreath, H. C. Goldwire, John Neal, and Miss Eva Billings; also three guests, Mrs. T. A. Briggs, Mrs. Bustin Canon and Mrs. G. J. McBee of El Paso.

**Mrs. S. L. Stumberg  
Bridge-Luncheon  
Hostess Wednesday**

Mrs. S. L. Stumberg was hostess this week to the meeting of the Wednesday Bridge Club, serving luncheon at her ranch home at one o'clock. Summer flowers decorated the party rooms.

High score in the bridge games was held by Mrs. J. T. Williams, second high by Mrs. Tol Murrah and low by Mrs. E. J. Hanson.

Others present included Mesdames Clyde Griffith, S. H. Underwood, W. R. Stumberg, R. S. Wilkinson, James Kerr, J. A. Gilbreath, Herbert Brown and W. W. Sudduth.

**RANCH CLUB TO MEET TUESDAY MORNING**

The Ranch Home Demonstration Club will meet Tuesday, July 3, at 10:30 a. m. in the home of Mrs. L. W. Welch. The members are requested to bring a school girl lunch. Mrs. R. A. Gatlin will give a book review.

Guests in the home of Mrs. Maude Sullivan for the week-end were her two sisters, Mrs. Roy Odum of Big Spring and Miss Volina Lindsey of San Antonio.

Mrs. Minnie Harris of Abilene returned to her home last week after visiting her brother, T. H. Eastman, and Mrs. Eastman at Cedar Station. She accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Eastman and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Turner, and children to Fort Worth and the Turners and Eastmans then went on to Topeka, Kans., to visit Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Shepard and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Beyerly of Chillicothe, Ohio, left Friday for a vacation trip to the West Coast after visiting here for a few days in the home of his sister, Mrs. J. W. Byrd, and Rev. Byrd, Mrs. Byrd's sister, Mrs. Dorothy Byers, who accompanied them to Sanderson, remained for a longer visit.

Clayton Stubblefield of Fort Stockton, was in Sanderson Tuesday on business and pleasure.

Mrs. C. A. Kilpatrick of San Antonio was a guest of Mrs. W. T. Bondurant last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Murray of New Orleans visited here last week with his brother, C. M. Murray, and Mrs. Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stumberg

returned home last week from a trip to San Antonio and San Angelo where they visited with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Deaton and children spent last week-end in San Saba with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Z. Sutton.

Mrs. Charles Stone, her daughter, Mrs. Ira Anderson, and her grandson, Ira Anderson, Jr., all of Bay City visited here Tuesday with her niece, Mrs. Wilson Banner, and family.

Mrs. F. G. Grigsby and her niece, Linda Louwien, returned home Monday from Valentine where they had visited with relatives for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Brown spent the week-end at Camp Waldemar to attend the annual field day. Their daughter, is among the campers. Mr. and Mrs. John T. Williams also visited there with their daughter, Kay, and at Camp Stewart with her son, Travis.

Mrs. J. C. Halbert and Mrs. Grace Wheeler visited in Alpine last week with Mrs. R. T. Key, Sr.

R. V. Spears was in San Antonio several days this week on business.

Miss Victoria Garcia left Sunday for Albuquerque, N. M., where she will teach in an Indian mission for two weeks.

Miss Pilar Garcia is in Galveston, Texas where she is employed in a department store.

Jimmy Word returned to Dallas Tuesday for a check-up following surgery on his wrist two weeks ago. He had spent several days at home. His mother, Mrs. James Word, and son, Al, accompanied him to Dallas.

Mrs. H. C. Goldwire has returned home from a visit with relatives in Christoval, San Angelo,

and Big Lake. Her sister, Mrs. G. J. McBee, of El Paso, accompanied her home and will visit here the remainder of this week.

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Willshire were in Fort Stockton Friday for dental work and remained for the water carnival that night.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Horner and children of Coleman have moved to Mrs. Roy Harrell's apartment with Mr. and Mrs. Mc-

Ciure occupying the small apartment. Both men are employed at the oil well being drilled on the Roy Barksdale ranch near Dryden.

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The Bonhomie Club met in the home of Mrs. Newt Harper Wednesday afternoon with six members present, including Mesdames F. A. Weaver, H. W. Haisel, T. W. McKenzie, A. B. Gates, James Caroline, Alfred Bendele, and a guest, Mrs. H. A. Mullings.

The hostess served strawberry shortcake, iced tea and coffee after the usual period of conversation and fanwork.

**Birthday Party For Sheryl Rath**

Mrs. Norman Rath entertained her daughter, Sheryl, with a surprise party Saturday afternoon, the occasion being Sheryl's twelfth birthday.

After the honoree had opened her gifts, games furnished diversion for the group.

Mrs. Rath served a lunch and the beautifully decorated birthday cake to six guests including Linda Beckett, Sheila Lynn Cox, Ruthie Allen, Sylvia Lee Wood, Jacquelyn Carter and Paula Hanson and the honoree, Sheryl Rath.

Mrs. Sue B. Moseley went to El Paso the first of the week for a medical check-up following surgery on her knee and she will receive therapy treatments for several days, planning to return to Sanderson the last of the week.

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**Progress on Bridge —**

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A very broad expanse of gently rolling plains, extending to within 100 miles of the mouth. But below Girvin, the topography roughens appreciably and beginning near Sheffield, 50 miles south of Girvin, the river valley suddenly becomes very narrow and steep. Rocky bluffs hem the stream on both sides. This leads rapidly to an ever-deeper and rugged canyon section extending to the river confluence of the Rio Grande. At its lower end, the canyon is more than 300 feet deep.

The National Resources Planning Board survey of the Pecos River, 1939-1941, says that previous major floods had occurred on that river in 1919, 1922 and 1932.

Although normal rainfall for the area is only from 15 to 20 inches a year, and for June at Del Rio is only 2.42 inches, the Del Rio News Herald reported on the 15th day of that month in 1954 that more than two inches had fallen in the previous two hours. Actually, most of the rain falls from May to September, but that which the newspaper reported had been the only measurable amount for the month. A drizzle had begun at 8:24 p. m. on the preceding day, continuing for two hours, then halting. At 3:12 a. m. a big downpour began, lasting until 6:02 a. m. Approximately six inches fell upstream from Del Rio, putting the Devil's River nearby into flood and closed to traffic for the first time since 1948, the international bridge connecting Del Rio and Ciudad Acuna. These advance downpours were the prelude to more severe exposures yet to come.

On Saturday, June 26, Hurricane Alice, which had played hav-

oc far down in the Gulf Coast regions before moving inland, began dissipating itself in the lonely upland country.

On Sunday, June 27, cloudy conditions prevailed over all of West Texas, but only scattered showers were predicted with normal temperatures to be expected in West Texas.

But while those reports were being sent by radio and newspapers over the country, heavy downpours were falling on the lower watershed of the Pecos and Sunday the wall of water struck the lower country.

Conservative estimates of the amount of rainfall in eastern Teller County exceeded 24 inches after a like number of hours.

The old Pecos bridge had stood to a height of 54 feet, but the Pecos River reached a flood crest of 86 feet, 32 above the bridge itself before it collapsed.

The present construction plan marks the first time that slipform construction of bridge piers had been employed in the Pecos Highway system. It likewise is the first time in the U. S. that the hydraulic jack principle of lifting the slipforms has been used in bridge construction. The hydraulic jack used in place of screw jacks or other manual operations, means the forms moved at a uniform rate of speed and remains absolutely level, thus assuring a perfect monolithic structure.

In the construction work itself, save for the "whoosh" of the ever-present wind, the site should be comparatively quiet, for in place of the normal noise of the riveters American Bridge will join the steel structure members of the truss unit with high strength bolts. This, however, is not due to a desire for silence but to the lack of available skilled labor in the sparsely populated area and the

economic inherent in bolting on high work. Such construction follows a comparatively new process in bridge building.

Transportation, also, of the steel structures to the site of the bridge will provide something in the realm of the spectacular, to say the least. They will be shipped to Comstock and Shumba by rail after which they will be moved by truck. Hauling these heavy steel members down the canyon will be an exciting experience, construction men assert.

In erection a series of falsework bents, or only temporary piers, will be built up from the ground to support the side spans while they are put into place. Then the center span will be cantilevered out from each of the side spans, and will be joined in the middle. After final connection is made at the middle of the center span, the temporary supports will be removed.

Although working at high altitudes is nothing new for the men of American Bridge, who have to their credit such skyscrapers as New York's cloud-piercing Empire State Building, and the Republic National Bank in Dallas, nonetheless, because of the depth of the chasm over which they will be working, extraordinary safety will be taken.

Out of these construction efforts the State Highway Department hopes to insure hereafter continued highway communications between East and West over this important route, regardless of possible future floods.

**REV. J. W. BYRD TO CHURCH CONFERENCE**

Rev. J. W. Byrd went to College Station Monday to attend the 11th annual rural church conference at A&M College. Both Protestant and Catholic leaders are attending the conference which will close Thursday.

M. B. Wilson accompanied Rev. Byrd to Bryan to visit with his sister-in-law, Mrs. J. H. Conway, and family.

**J. Garners Attend Funeral**

Mr. and Mrs. J. Garner returned home Tuesday from Fort Stockton where they had attended funeral services for her nephew's wife, Mrs. G. W. Cunningham, who was found dead in her home following a heart attack Saturday night. Funeral services were in Fort Stockton Tuesday afternoon.

**Mrs. Cunningham is survived**

by two daughters, Mrs. Sam Lloyd, Jr., and Miss Sara Cunningham, both of Fort Stockton.

**Harry Harkins Injured**

Harry Harkins injured his right elbow when he fell from his bicycle at his home Monday. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Harkins, Jr.

One of the bones in the elbow was fractured.

**PERSONALS**

Mrs. L. T. Calk and daughters left Monday for Valentine to reside during the summer. Mr. Calk is undergoing medical treatment in a Houston hospital.

Peltrita Thorn of Valentine is visiting here with Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Mullings.

Henry Hoffman is occupying the Robertson duplex.

T. R. Arrington, T&NO engineer, who has been ill for two weeks, has reported back for work this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Surratt were in Fort Stockton Monday for her to have dental work.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Grigsby returned home Saturday from their vacation trip. Going to San Antonio by train, they went from there by plane to Washington, D. C., and then to New York City, Baltimore, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Canada, and into the New England states on a sight-seeing trip.

Mrs. Lizzie Billings returned home Sunday from El Paso where she had visited with her daughter, Mrs. Raymond Phillips, and family. Her grandson, Dennis Phillips accompanied her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Robertson and Mr. and Mrs. Odell Brotherton spent Sunday at the Banner ranch fishing.

Mrs. Sam Bell, Jr., and children and her mother, Mrs. Francis Mansfield, went to El Paso Monday to visit Harry Brown and Tommy Mansfield, sons of Mrs. Mansfield, and their families.

Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Pipes, Jr. and two boys visited here the first of the week with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton White, and other relatives. They were enroute from Albany, N. Y., to their new home in Santa Monica, Calif., where he will serve as pastor of the First Unitarian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Blackwelder and children returned to their home in Fort Stockton Tuesday after visiting here with his mother, Mrs. J. R. Blackwelder, and Sharon Ann.

**Political Announcements —**

The following candidates have authorized The Times to publish their names and the office they seek subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July.

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**BIRTHS**

Two births were reported this week.

To Mr. and Mrs. H. U. McGinty was born a daughter, Kathi Lou, on Thursday, June 21. Her birth weight was eight and a half pounds. Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Halley are the maternal grandparents.

A son, Juan David, their fourth child, was born on Sunday, June 24, to Mr. and Mrs. Felix Valles. The birth weight of the infant was four pounds and eight ounces.

**Correction**

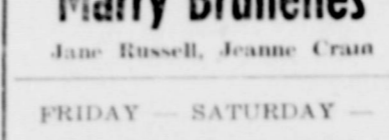
Through error last week, the name of the S. H. Underwoods' new grandson was James Ross. It should have been John Ross, as he was named for his maternal grandfather, John R. Shaw, and his father, Ross Underwood, both of Arcola, Miss.

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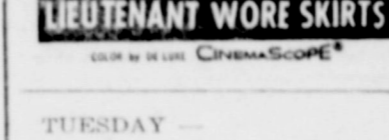
SUNDAY — MONDAY —



TUESDAY —



WEDNESDAY — THURSDAY



Mrs. H. C. Rock visited in Del Rio last week with her children, Eva, Mary Jane and Charles Bentley, who are attending summer school there. Her nephew, J. T. Hooten, accompanied her home to spend a week.

Mrs. E. E. Harline's children were in Fort Stockton last week for dental work. They visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cochran. Mrs. Cochran accompanied them home and will go to Fort Stockton Sunday.

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