

W. O. REED VISITS CISCO IN INTEREST OF HIS CANDIDACY

The Gay Philosopher

By J. W. S.

WENT OUT TO Lake Birnie late yesterday to scout the results of the good rain. And the little lake was spilling over the dam — running down through Mr. Albert Hansen's creek to Lake Cisco. A goodly crowd of local folks were out to see it all. Couldn't tell that Lake Cisco was up much, but it takes a heap of water to make the big lake go up. One group was having a fish fry at Lake Birnie. Told us the fishing had been especially good out there this week. The bream are — or were — biting. And The Spang Calendar says you can't miss this week.

THE SCHOOLS of the country are busy hatching off a new crop of graduates these days. This is a busy time in the life of a senior. We've heard of two good deals for the local seniors. Nick Miller's The Man's Store has gifts for the boy and girl graduates of the high school and junior college. Boys are receiving a Hickok tie chain with the numeral "50" on it. And the girls are getting a pin with the same numeral! And the Ralph Glenn Furniture store is gifting girl graduates with miniature cedar chests. Maybe there are others we haven't heard about.

MR MILLER, whose new store getting along fine and will be ready for occupancy in a few weeks, has made all the golfers at Cisco Country Club an offer. The new score cards tell you that a hole-in-one witnessed by three persons will get you a \$10.00 hat at The Man's Store. You can sharpen up the shooting irons.

WAS GLAD to see Mr. Floyd Poole, the Moran banker and rancher, in Cisco today. He is recovering from injuries in a recent auto accident. Mrs. Poole, also injured in the mishap, was with him and they were en route to Fort Worth for a checkup. Mr. Poole is certainly highly regarded and appreciated by his people in Moran. A year or so ago we went to a banquet of the Moran Luncheon Club and they named him "Citizen of the Year."

TODAY IS Texas Ice Day, in case you haven't heard. The state has 600 ice plants, with 7,500 employees, and the Governor has proclaimed the special day. Cisco has two of the 600 plants, so our town has extra reason to celebrate. When you consider it, ice has meant an awful lot to the progress of our state and nation. The third ice-making machine in all America was built in Jefferson, Texas, in 1875. Our economic system would be hampered beyond belief by the limitations inherent in shipping perishables without ice to preserve them. Industry, too, would be much different, for ice is indispensable in hundreds of manufacturing processes; and the lack of such things as seafoods, fresh vegetables, meats, and dairy products that the homes of our state would face is so obvious that it need not be stressed. It is entirely fitting that we Texans observe Ice Day and applaud the work of the people who have contributed much to progress.

Buchanan Buys Service Station

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Buchanan, formerly of Eastland, have moved to Cisco and plan to make their home here. Mr. Buchanan has purchased a service station located at West 8th and Ave. N. From Dean Wilkerson. Before coming to Cisco Mr. Buchanan operated a Humble station in Eastland for a year and before moving to Eastland was employed by the American Liberty Oil Company in Talco for more than 11 years. Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan and her mother will live at 802 Ave. N. in the home purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Wilkerson, who had an extended vacation before retiring to their farm near Mineral Wells. The Buchanans are members of the Baptist Church.

W. O. Reed of Dallas, former Speaker of the House of Representatives, was in Cisco Tuesday in the interest of his candidacy for Lieutenant Governor of Texas.

Mr. Reed was endorsed for the post this week by Boyce House of Fort Worth, former Eastland County newspaperman, who polled 446,000 votes in the runoff election for the same office four years ago.

In his statement, Mr. House declared that he had decided not to run himself, but that his regard for the welfare of Texas was as great as ever.

"Texas has serious problems which the next Lieutenant Governor must help deal with, particularly the rapid rise in the cost of state government. Either through more efficient operation and economy, the cost must be reduced or else new and heavier taxes must be imposed."

Declaring himself in favor of economy and more efficient operation, Mr. House pointed out that the Lieutenant Governor presides over the Senate, appoints committees, guides legislation and provides leadership.

"W. O. Reed proved his ability to do these things when he was Speaker of the House. During his term as speaker, state expenditures were held within the revenue and a surplus of approximately \$90 million was placed in the treasury.

"In addition W. O. Reed sponsored and led in enacting the constitutional amendment against deficit spending. His record shows that he not only favors economy in government but he has done something about it."

Mr. House stated that these considerations and W. O. Reed's thorough knowledge of the state problems gained in 18 years' service in the legislature had led him to support the former speaker in his race for Lieutenant Governor.

Progress Report Made On Center For Polio Work

AUSTIN, May 17.—Governor Allan Shivers announced here this week that Mrs. J. Howard Hodge of Midland has agreed to serve as state co-chairman of the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation. The governor, as general chairman, has headed a movement during the past year to expand and improve facilities at Texas' own Warm Springs treatment center for polio victims and children stricken by other diseases.

Mrs. Hodge is president of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs. She was in Austin to meet with the federation's executive committee.

"I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in this appointment," Mrs. Hodge said in accepting the post.

"My interest in working for the betterment of all people of the state, and particularly the handicapped, is unbounded."

"Polio is a dreaded thing. We never know where it will strike next. We all want to do all we can to alleviate the toll that is being taken by polio and other crippling diseases."

Seven citizens of Midland recently contributed \$50,000 for the addition of another building at the Texas treatment center.

Gov. Shivers pointed out that the foundation is playing a great part in rehabilitating crippled children.

"During the past year, more than 400 Texas children have received treatment at Gonzales," he said.

"A report from the foundation hospital shows that in the physical medicine department more than 30,000 physical therapy treatments and tests have been given. 2,442 laboratory examinations, 1,303 X-rays and 598 dental treatments; and 798 pairs of braces have been delivered.

"With all of this excellent hospital care and treatment, a rounder program of schooling, occupational therapy and recreation was given. It is the philosophy of the foundation to treat the whole child."

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HERE'S THE PROOF—This is Fannie, a wild coyote at Kansas State College, in Manhattan, with her three hybrid male puppies, products of intergeneric cross with a shepherd dog. Fannie's babies have helped prove long-standing controversy over the possibility of crossing coyotes and dogs. The puppies appear healthy and normal except for being somewhat darker than most coyotes.

MEETING CALLED TO CONSIDER TELEPHONES IN RURAL AREAS

Residents of the Scranton area who are interested in obtaining telephone service have been asked to attend a meeting at the Scranton School on Thursday night, May 25, County Agent J. M. Cooper reported today.

Sponsored by the Eastland Co. Farm Bureau, the meeting will be devoted to explaining the value, cost and possibilities of rural telephone service. The project is also being sponsored by the REA of this section.

To be eligible for the service, rural residents do not have to live on routes served by the REA, it was pointed out. Engineers will be present to explain the program to those interested. Mr. Cooper said that similar

Increase Noted In Employment Of Four States

Manufacturing employment in four southwestern states increased 4,500 in March according to Brunswick A. Bagdon, Regional Director of the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statics in the South. Plants producing durable goods accounted for 4,100 additional workers with the remainder of the increase occurring in the nondurable goods industries. The current level of 591,300 factory workers represents a decline of 2 percent from last year as compared to a decline of 2.7 for the nation.

Employment in durable goods industries increased in each of the four states. Present employment of 242,200 is approximately 8,000 under that of a year ago. The number of workers in nondurable industries increased slightly in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas during March but declined 1,300 in Louisiana where food processing activities required 1,200 fewer workers.

Food processing, the largest industry in the region in terms of employment, required 110,400 employees in March. Minor increases were noted in each state except Louisiana. All states showed some decline from last year. Present employment is approximately 4,000 below that of March 1949.

The region's second largest industry, lumber and wood products, gained approximately 2,000 workers in March. Arkansas factories employed 1,500 more workers than in the previous month. Louisiana plants accounted for the remaining 500. The industry was steady in Oklahoma and Texas.

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Dairy Committee Meeting Is Called

The Eastland County Youth Dairy Committee will meet at the Chamber of Commerce director's room here Friday at 7:30 p. m. to hear reports on the progress of the agency's work, Secretary B. A. Butler reported today.

Theo Lamb of Eastland is chairman of the committee. The agency issued 19 registered Jersey heifers to club boys of the county last fall.

Were You Counted?

Did a census taker count you and your family? If not, a census enumerator will call on you if you will call the City Hall in Cisco and leave your name. Census officials are anxious for the 1950 count to include every person in the city and county. Census workers are now endeavoring to complete the work. You can help by calling in if you were missed.

ATTENDS CONVENTION

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spears have returned from Fort Worth where they attended the annual Texas Bankers Association Convention. Mr. Spears is president of the First National Bank in Cisco.

Holiday Man Made Director Of Cisco High School Band

PLANS FOR COMMUNITY CHEST OUTLINED AT C OF C MEETING

A community chest organization to handle all fund raising activities in the Cisco area will be completed in the near future, directors of the Chamber of Commerce were advised at their regular semi-monthly meeting at noon Tuesday at the Hotel Victor Coffee Shop.

Plans for the community chest have been formulated by a committee of Chamber of Commerce leaders headed by Chairman John Speir.

To complete the community chest, all public fund supported agencies in the city are being asked to appoint a director. When these directors are all named, they will meet and appoint an equal number to represent the public at large.

The directors so named will in its program planning. The annual finance drive is expected to be held in the fall.

The Chamber of Commerce will handle all details of the agency rectorate heard other routine committee reports.

Students Ready To Present Play

Romance, tragedy, comedy and drama will all be found in the three-act play, "Little Women," which will be presented by the Speech Club in the high school auditorium the evenings of May 13 and 19, at 8 p. m.

The play was obtained from the Northwestern Press and is one of their latest publications. It was adapted by Arthur Jearue, famous playwright, from the celebrated novel by Louisa Mae Alcott, and is said to be as refreshing as the novel itself.

There have been other dramatizations of "Little Women," but Mr. Jearue's version is regarded as the most ideal for high school and little theater presentation, and those who have read the play are enthusiastic over the manner in which the elements of the novel have been preserved. All of the well-known characters are there, living out their lives and loves behind the footlights.

Fort Worth Man Talks To Lions

Leonard Lamb, Fort Worth, research biologist for the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, told members of the Cisco Lions Club of the work of a junior anglers' club in Ft. Worth in a talk at the weekly luncheon meeting at the Victor Hotel today.

The club's primary appeal is to boys who lack interests for their spare time. He told of work with underprivileged boys and of their accomplishments in the club. He outlined a program under which local agencies could sponsor a similar club.

Mr. Lamb also spoke on the assembly program at Cisco High School.

Lion Fleming Waters was in charge of the luncheon program.

New Man To Report Here On June 1st

Kenneth St. Clair of Holiday today had accepted an offer to become band director for Cisco High School, and he will report here on June 1 to take the post from which Paul Forgy recently resigned.

Mr. St. Clair is a graduate of North Texas State College, Denton, where he was a classmate of Robert Clinton, musical department director at Cisco Junior College. He has had four years experience as a band director.

School officials reported that Mr. St. Clair was highly recommended to them and they were confident his experience and training has been sufficient to enable him to do a good job here.

The offer of the band directorship here was extended to Mr. St. Clair following a meeting of the board of trustees of the Cisco Independent School District here Monday night. Other routine business matters came before the board.

School officials expected architects to complete plans and specifications for a new gymnasium in the early future.

Funeral Rites To Be Held For Former Resident

Funeral services for Mrs. C. A. Dawson, 72, a former Cisco resident who died in the Ector County Hospital in Odessa Tuesday, will be held in the First Baptist Church here at 3 p. m. Thursday with Rev. Otis Strickland in charge. He will be assisted by Rev. Herman Boyd, minister of the First Methodist Church in Olney.

Mrs. Dawson had been ill since February and had been living with her daughter, Mrs. Lory Boyd, in Odessa for some time prior to her death.

She was born in Munday, West Virginia, on March 16, 1878, and was married to C. A. Dawson in Burning Springs, West Virginia, on June 20, 1900. Mr. and Mrs. Dawson lived in Cisco at 701 West 18th Street for many years.

Prior to going to Odessa to be with her daughter, she had lived in Fredericksburg. She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Lory Boyd of Odessa; one son, W. F. Dawson of Harper; two sisters, Mrs. A. A. Haught and Mrs. Bessie Haught of Parkersburg, West Virginia; three brothers, R. C. Halbert, Pineville, West Virginia; Ray Halbert, Youngstown, Ohio; and Cecil Halbert, of Cisco.

Also surviving are four grandchildren.

Funeral will be in Oakwood. Pallbearers will be George Boyd, Roy Huffmyer, J. M. Wilson, Clyde Karkalits, Algie Skiles, and Mart Agnew.

FARM AREA FLOODED

A small area of farm land south of Eastland was flooded by the Leon River's waters for a time Tuesday afternoon and night, it was reported here today. The river was going down early today and no additional flooding was expected.

SCHOOL IS PLANNED

Pastor L. C. Anderson today announced that a school for prophets will be held at 900 Avenue A on Thursday from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. Elder Jolly of El Dorado, Ill., will be in charge.

UP FIVE INCHES

The water level at Lake Cisco was up about five inches today as the result of rains in the area Tuesday morning, it was reported. Lake Birnie was full and water ran over the dam into Lake Cisco Tuesday afternoon and night.

Turtles live longer than elephants or man. Sharks never sleep.



AT IT A LONG TIME—Mrs. Bertha Huntington, who has been a lady barber in Rochester, Vt., for 62 years, celebrated her 80th birthday by cutting the hair of her great-granddaughter, Marcia Fay Hill. Later, the tot helped her grannie blow out the 80 candles on her cake.

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IT'S ONLY MONEY

Those who are bewildered by the fact that the federal government can't seem to make both ends meet no matter how great its tax revenues are, would do well to read — and reread — a piece in the May 1 issue of Newsweek called "Well, It's Only Money."

It deals with Senator Paul Douglas' brave but wholly ineffectual effort to do something about a \$1,165,000,000 rivers and harbors bill.

These bills are the traditional pork-barrel measures. As Newsweek puts it, "The whole principle is: 'Don't ask questions. You vote for my project, and I'll vote for yours.'"

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H-U Expects Big Summer Classes

ABILENE, May 16.—The demand for elementary teachers in schools throughout the Southwest will boost the summer enrollment in that field and will call for an expansion of such courses, Dr. Robert A. Collins, chairman of the Hardin-Simmons university education department, said this week.

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Due to the freezes and frosts of Spring, Spencer expects only a 30% yield from his orchard this year...

In addition to his orchards, J. E. Spencer is also interested in his oil holdings and the income which he receives each month from oil royalties.

After coming to Texas at the age of 20, he says that the first thing he did was to make a crop. Then, as time permitted, he attended High School at DeLeon.

His hard work and determination to get an education was not in vain. For in 1900, he got a job as a "bookie" in the bank at DeLeon.

His efforts were responsible for the opening of the Bank at Gorman and Carbon. Spencer and his associates were also responsible for the founding of the Rising Star and Cross Plains Banks.

During this time, he was active in the oil business, operated an automobile accessories business in Dallas, and owned a number of lumber yards across Texas.

With all of his interests, he took time out to work to make the towns in which he lived better towns. When the members of the First Baptist Church here were seeking to build their present structure, J. E. Spencer was elected chairman of the Building Finance Committee.

For eight years during the depression, Spencer served as Secretary for the Cisco Chamber of Commerce. He says that most of his work during this time was relief work, helping to provide the needs of the citizens of his community by working in cooperation with the American Red Cross.

His efforts were largely responsible for building the hard surface highway over the dam to Moran. He also led in routing highway 80 down Eighth Street

in Cisco and the building of the viaduct over the MKT tracks.

Mrs. Spencer is the former Alice Poe, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Cap Poe, pioneer Eastland County residents. The Spencers have one daughter, Alice Estel, who is the wife of Billy C. Frost, an Eastland attorney.

For 30 years, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer have lived in the beautiful brick home at 510 West 3th. The 72 year old farmer and his wife hope to be able to keep active during their future years.

Banding Of Doves Begins In State

AUSTIN, May 16.—Seasonal mourning dove banding, a vital phase of game bird management, is just getting under way in Texas, according to the assistant director of wildlife restoration of the game, Fish and Oyster Commission.

Game Wardens, protecting wildlife in the state's 254 counties, handle most of this work which is done while the young birds are in the nest, preferably just before they fly away. But game biologists, lake biologists, hatchery staffs and others help out.

The bands bear a number and the words "Game Department", Austin, Texas. The Wardens record the banding date. Mourning doves probably supply more hunting than any other single game species in Texas. The status of mourning dove populations in various states also have become a source of growing concern.

Banding of the doves, where they go after leaving their nests, where most dove hunting occurs and the percentage of young and old birds killed each year. All of this will help to guide department in recommending seasons and bag limits.

"Calculus" in medical terminology, means a kidney or gall stone.



FAST FRENCHMAN—Y. Camus, of Paris, breaks the tape to win the 440-yard race just ahead of Olympic Games athlete Arthur Wint, left, during the annual athletic match in London, England, between the University of London and the University of Paris.

OSCAR SCHAEFER PROVES THAT RUNDOWN LAND CAN MAKE GOOD

The development of run-down sandy land into a large efficient livestock farm is a big undertaking. Oscar Schaefer, through hard work, has shown that the job can be done. He lives some 15 miles southwest of Cisco.

Mr. Schaefer bought his first section of land in 1930, which he increased to 880 acres in 1936-37. For several years, he followed the usual peanut route, with about the average yield of 20 bushels per acre. His only big crop was in 1934, when he averaged between 50 and 60 bushels. But he had to sell them for 25 to 30 cents a bushel.

In 1938, Mr. Schaefer went into business, first as a peanut buyer, and then into the implement business. He began his business as a sideline, but his popularity with the public soon built his business, until it was a fulltime job.

In 1946 he bought some run-down sandy land which increased his holdings to the present 1327 acres. By 1948, he was tired of two fulltime jobs, so he sold his business and began devoting his time to his land.

Probably the most outstanding accomplishment of Mr. Schaefer has been his clearing of shinnery brush land and developing it into excellent native range. He had the theory that flush goating with a large number of goats per acre would be a good practical method of killing brush on his sandy land. In 1943-44 he set out to test his theory, by cutting the brush on his south pasture and began goating in May 1944. He used 888 goats on 61 acres 14 days in May, 9 days in June, 7 days in July, and again for 8 days in September. By resting the pasture between goatings he allowed his grass seed stock to recuperate faster than the brush. The next year, he goated for only 10 days in June and three days in September, with a complete rest between goatings. In 1946 his brush had decreased and his tall native grass increased, until he was able to run six cows for eight months and only used 400 goats for 10 days the whole year for brush eradication.

500 More Acres Using the same system, Mr. Schaefer has since eradicated some 500 more acres of brush, a part of which he has put in cultivation. In addition to clearing brush for pasture, Mr. Schaefer has put in about 200 acres of new land in cultivation.

Mr. Schaefer actually began his conservation back in 1937 when he began terracing. In 1948 he started his soil improvement program, when he began planting vetch and rye. He is proud of the fact that conservation farming has paid him big dividends. Last year his wheat, which was all on either new land or following vetch, averaged 12 bushels per acre and brought \$2 per bushel. His vetch and rye harvested \$26 to the acre, beside his winter grazing. His barley averaged 35 bushels per acre.

Before he began eradicating the brush, 30 mother cows and 300 goats were all he could winter without heavy feeding. Last winter he brought through 90 mother cows, 50 sheep, and 500 goats in good condition with plenty grass to spare. His goats used to clip an average of four to five pounds. They now clip eight to nine. This year his sheep have raised considerably over 100% lamb crop. Last year he tried dry-lot feeding 50 head of steers. Heifers he

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Political Announcements

The Press has been authorized to announce candidates for public office in Eastland County, subject to action of the Democratic primaries, as follows:

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County Judge C. S. ELDRIDGE ("If at first you don't succeed, try, try, again.") P. L. (Lewis) CROSSLEY (Re-election) JOHN S. HART

County Treasurer H. A. (Hiram) McCANLIES JOE COLLINS (re-election)

County Commissioner ARCH BINT J. E. (Ed) McCANLIES

Eastland County Sheriff: J. B. WILLIAMS (reelection). JOHN C. BARBER J. F. (Frank) TUCKER

County Attorney ELZO BEEN (for elective term)

Tax Assessor-Collector STANLEY WEBB NEIL DAY (2nd Elective Term)

District Clerk ROY L. LANE (re-election) BEUNA VAN WINKLE

County Clerk W. V. (Virgil) LOVE (Re-election)

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plant an additional 28 acres this fall.

Mr. Schaefer's future plans include eradication of 400 more acres of brush in addition to 137 acres now being goated. This year he plans to plant some peanuts and cotton beside the small grain he will combine. The balance of his cultivated land will be in grazing crops.

Anyone visiting Oscar cannot help becoming enthused with livestock farming in this section. He is a man who can look into the future and see tall grass on every sandy hill now covered with shinnery, because he has been able to eradicate brush and make money doing it. He considers brush cur No. 1 range problem. When a large area of his bluestem pasture burned accidentally this spring, he was very downhearted and said that he had much rather his house had burned, because he could have built it back much

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FARM NEWS

By The Hired Hand

Farmers over the county are now waiting for their land to dry up so that they can get into their fields and go to work. According to reliable reports, if it stays dry for a couple of weeks, most of the farmers of this area will be ready to plant peanuts and other crops.

Henry Reed of Long Branch has a new and odd-looking calf on his place. The calf has a face similar to that of a bull dog and is hair-lipped. Well, if you don't believe it, drive out to Henry's and take a look. The calf is one of 35 head of Cattle on the Reed farm.

Everything is looking good for the farmers of the Dan Horn community, according to Herman Threut. Threut is raising alfalfa, maize,

and wheat this year. He also has a number of fine cattle and chickens on his farm.

We met three successful farmers at the J. W. McKinney place, south of town. Arriving at the farm late yesterday afternoon, we found Travis McKinney, 16, getting ready to kill and butcher a cow. His little brother, Clifford, 13, was getting ready to milk and Dad McKinney was busy out in the field.

On the McKinney farm, there are now some 400 fryers, 192 hogs, and 20 head of cattle. They have a good crop of oats, vetch, clover, and alfalfa on the way. Clifford is also in the dog business too. He showed us six puppies which had recently arrived.

At the Frank Ziehr farm we met Frank's son, Joe Ziehr, who told us that his mother was taken to a Fort Worth hospital yesterday morning for an operation. We hope that the operation is a success and that Mrs. Ziehr will soon be back home.

The Ziehrs have a god-looking orchard just west of their home. Also at the Ziehr home, we met W. J. Holt, a retired farmer.

Holt moved to Eastland County from Mississippi, 41 years ago. Down the road a piece, we had a very enjoyable visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reich and their two children.

During the past year, they have done a remarkable job of remodeling the home which they now live, and rebuilding the barn on the place.

Ernest intends to plant 240 acres of peanuts and maize this year. Some 175 chickens, 19 head of cattle, and 9 hogs help to keep this young farmer mighty busy.

Mrs. Reich seemed happy about their small vegetable garden near the house.

The folk out at Mitchell are happy that the congregation of the Mitchell Baptist Church is now worshipping in their new auditorium. Pastor Charlie Hargrave is happy over the growth of the Mitchell church.

The farmers who attend the Nimrod Baptist Church have volunteered their labor to build six new Sunday School rooms and remodel the auditorium of the church. Rev. Moultrie Ervin is the pastor of this rural church.

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Mrs. Sherman Little and two children of Dallas spent the weekend here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Cliett and son, Freddy, of Coleman spent the weekend in Cisco with Mr. Cliett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Cliett.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McCannies visited at Glenrose Sunday with their niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Nichols.

Mrs. Charles Lee has returned to Desdemona after a visit in Cisco with her niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Cutting and friends, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Lawson.

Robert Black of Eldorado, Ark., was in Cisco Monday visiting friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lewis and family. Mr. Black is

proprietor of the Black Motor lines.

Captain Bill Webster of the U. S. Air Corps accompanied by Mrs. Webster and their two daughters, stopped here for an overnight visit Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Lawson while enroute to Lubbock for a visit with his mother, Mrs. C. E. Webster, a former Ciscoan.

Mrs. J. H. Reed of Meridian is visiting here with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hazel.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil McCannies and baby daughter, Kay, of Abilene visited here Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McCannies.

Mrs. M. E. Fry accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. John Petty, and Mrs. Henry Fry, went to Woodson early today to attend

at the bedside of their father and grandfather, J. N. Miller, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lewis spent Mother's day in Fort Worth with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Palmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Clemon Agnew visited her mother, Mrs. Hart, near Thurber on Mother's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Fambro of Breckenridge spent Sunday in Cisco with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Huestis.

Mrs. L. T. Bains, Mrs. W. L. Johnston and daughters, Tana and Vickie, of Odessa, spent last week with their mother, Mrs. W. C. Spoon. They were joined here Saturday by W. C. Spoon, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Spoon and children Jerry and DuJuan of Odessa, and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Spoon of Breckenridge who visited Saturday night and Sunday in the Spoon home here.

Mrs. Winnie Linebarger, Mrs. W. C. Spoon, Mrs. L. T. Bains,

Mrs. Marvin Spoon, Mrs. W. L. Johnston and little daughters spent Wednesday in Waco visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gentry. Mmes. W. C. Spoon and Linebarger are sisters of Mr. Gentry.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Henson have returned to their home at Vernon after a brief visit here in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lewis.

Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Bates Are Visited By Group On Mothers' Day

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bates were favored with visits from their daughters and members of their families here on Mother's Day. A nice dinner was served at noon; and other relatives and friends joined them here in the afternoon.

Those with them were their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Elder, and their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Maxwell, and two sons, all of Breckenridge; Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Farnsworth and son Don of Cisco.

During the afternoon they were joined by two nieces, Miss Lela Mae Johnson and Mrs. Ralph Woods, Mr. Woods and their two sons, Johnny and Jimmy, all of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Farnsworth, Jr., of Fort Worth.

A group of relatives, students at Abilene Christian College, also arrived for a short visit. The young people live in Oregon, but are in Texas for the benefit of their church college. They are Charles Higgins, Newman Graves and Don Lindsay.

"Driver" ants of South America occur in such numbers that the largest animal will fall victim to them unless it takes to flight.

SOCIETY AND CLUBS

AND NEWS OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Royal Ambassadors Meet Monday P. M. In Counselor's Home

Royal Ambassador group of East Cisco Baptist Church met Monday afternoon in the home of their Counselor, Mrs. R. E. McCord. Billy Marsh presided and at the close of the business session turned the meeting to Rev. Paul Stephens for the fine afternoon devotion. Scripture used was Psalm 40.

A cold drink was served by the Counselor to Rev. Stephens, Billy Marsh, Billy Joe Whaley, C. L. Thetford, John McCrary, H. K. Neely, Loy Grider, Leon McCrary, Joe Gilmore, Charles Dryden, Jerry McBeth, Hubert Coats, Douglas Harrell, James and Dayle Maroney, Willie Joe Reeves, and Mrs. McCord.

The remainder of the afternoon was spent in recreation and ball games.

Mrs. Cora Plumlee Is Hostess For Luncheon & Meeting

Mrs. Cora Plumlee was hostess when Word Home Demonstration club met Thursday in her home for a covered dish luncheon and an all day meeting. Members began to arrive at 10 a. m. and commenced the task of cutting out aprons and pillow cases which they plan to sell when made to enlarge the treasury funds.

Luncheon was served family style with members seated at a long table, after invocation was

offered by Mrs. James D. Hall. The table was arranged with dishes of meats, vegetables and salads placed at intervals. A nice de-

sert was also served. A lovely tray of food was carried to Mrs. W. C. Clements, a member who is recovering from recent surgery.

Following luncheon the "group" was called to order for a business session. Minutes of the last meeting and membership roll were read by Mrs. I. D. Strawn. Routine business affairs were looked after, following which the lesson was presented by two members, Miss Willie Word and Mrs. Schae-

ffer. "Finishing Your Sewing" the topic discussed and was ably illustrated by the teachers.

At the close of the lesson J. E. Whisenant conducted recreation period.

Those enjoying the day were Alice Bacon, and Mesdames Hall, D. I. Graves, M. P. Worth, Bacon, Strawn, and Cora Plumlee, the hostess.



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