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John E. Reed Named Local Chairman for USO Drive, Quota \$135

John E. Reed has consented to be chairman this year for the USO drive, according to announcement by Billy G. Wood, county chairman. The local quota has been set at \$135.00, and it is hoped that the sum can be raised readily so Hico can report another good job well done.

There are 201 men and women in the armed services from Hamilton County at the present time, the county chairman's survey discloses, practically all of them serving in camp away from home and many of them overseas.

The drive is set to open today, Friday, Nov. 20.

Local people will be interested in raising funds in this drive because of their sons and daughters away from home and in far distant lands, in making USO services and entertainment available to them.

President Dwight Eisenhower is the honorary national chairman, with Lt. Gen. James Doolittle the national campaign chairman. Ben H. Wooten, Dallas banker, is the Texas chairman, with Dudley K. Woodward as state campaign director.

Besides the local studio owner, other chairmen named in this area and the quotas assigned were: Carlton, Mary Cox, \$20.

Fairy, Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers, \$30. Lanham, Mrs. Irvin Jones, \$15. Olin, Mrs. Fred Gromatzky, \$10. Sunshine, Mrs. Odie Shaffer, \$15. Don McKinney is local chairman at Hamilton, with a quota of \$310.

Gatesville District Methodists to Meet At Clifton Sunday

The Methodists of the Gatesville District will have a district meeting at Clifton Methodist Church Sunday afternoon, Nov. 22 at 2:00 o'clock.

The meeting is to be a workshop on Sunday School teaching of the children's division, which includes children through 12 years of age. The meeting will be carried on in similar fashion of the vacation church school institutes that has been held each Spring. There will be a general assembly with general information and helps given by Mrs. Wm. H. Cole of Waco, conference director of children's work, and Mrs. Hubert B. Viertel, Gatesville district director of children's work.

The delegates will then break up into each department of the children's division where the December unit of Sunday School literature will be worked up and discussed.

All teachers of nursery, kindergarten, primary and junior departments of each church in our district are urged to be present. All pastors and church school superintendents are welcome.

MRS. HUBERT B. VIERTEL, Director of Children's Work.

Three Football Games Will Feature Humble's Broadcasts Saturday

Humble Oil & Refining Company will broadcast three football games Saturday for fans all over Texas. Broadcast time for all games will be 1:30 p. m.

The Baylor-SMU game will be described from Baylor Stadium, Waco, by Kern Tips and Alec Chesler. Radio stations carrying the game are WACO, Waco; KRLD, Dallas, and 16 other affiliated stations.

A play-by-play account of the TCU-Rice game will be brought from Fort Worth by Ves Box and Eddie Barker over radio stations WFAA-WBAP-820, Dallas-Fort Worth, among other key stations. Action from the Texas Tech-University of Houston game will be described from Rice Stadium, Houston, by John Ferguson and Bob Walker. The game will be carried over several West Texas and New Mexico stations.

Refreshments of home-baked cakes, coffee and cold drinks were served. All left admiring this to be one of the happiest occasions and looking forward to another meeting.

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DEPTHS OF DESPAIR



Class of '82 Represented At Iredell Homecoming Held Last Saturday

The Iredell School had their first homecoming in the history of the Iredell Public Schools on Saturday, November 14. It was sponsored by the P-T-A.

Registration began at 2:00 p. m. Superintendent J. M. McCroskey was master of ceremonies, and introduced the following program: Invocation, Rev. Ralph Collier; welcome address by Ralph Bradley; response by Jerry Phillips; songs by six 1954 senior girls; dance numbers by Jan Strong and Betty Ann McCroskey, Nicki McAden and Ann Sadler of Iredell, Judy Ellis of Dallas; introduction of all ex-teachers and students by classes.

The oldest class represented was that of 1882, being Mrs. T. M. Davis of Iredell.

The largest class was that of 1928, there being 10 present. Recognition was given to former and present trustees, also to Dr. A. N. Pike as a former trustee and present trustee of the County Board, also an ardent worker of the Iredell schools.

There were 16 ex-teachers, 236 ex-students, 141 visitors registered making a total of 393 to register. The first to register was W. B. Phillips of Fort Worth. The last year he attended school was 1895.

It is estimated there were between five and six hundred present at this meeting since a large number did not register at all.

At the organization Jerry Phillips was elected president; Jewel Ramage, vice-president; Mrs. Alberta McAden, secretary, and William Helm, treasurer. These officers were instructed also to make plans for the meeting in 1954.

The date set for next meeting will be the first Saturday in October, 1954, beginning at 2:00 p. m. The one coming the farthest distance last Saturday was Mrs. Carrie Sanders Potter of Fresno, California.

Other deer hunters leaving Thursday night were Buck Meador and Orville Ogle, who will hunt on the Otto Brogdon Ranch near Fredericksburg in Gillespie County.

Charlie Meador, the wandering deer hunter, goes down early every morning to Bosque County. So far—no luck.

There are doubtless many others from this area engaging in this seasonal sport who have already departed but upon whom no report has been received. Several more will go to various places at different times throughout the season.

Daily newspaper reports indicate that hunting has been good so far this season, with storage facilities in the deer country taxed to capacity.

NEXT WEEK'S PAPER TO BE EARLY

Due to the fact that next Thursday, Nov. 26, is Thanksgiving Day, the News Review will be printed on Tuesday instead of the regular publication day.

There are two reasons for this; one, of course, is to allow the force to take the holiday along with the rest of the citizens, and the other is that we can better serve merchants and readers this way.

Cooperation in the way of early advertising copy and news items will be duly appreciated. It is not too early now, but after Tuesday morning it might be too late. Correspondents will take notice, please, and mail their letters by Monday.

Advertisers are invited to call on us for cut and copy suggestions for timely advertising messages.

Jackets' Sting Felt, But Tigers Close With Sportsmanlike Record

By BUCK MEADOR

The Hico Tigers closed out the 1953 football campaign last Friday night at Meridian, where the Yellowjackets stung the locals 27-0. The loss left the Tigers with a record of 3 wins and 6 defeats over the season route, while winning one and losing four in district play, to finish in 4th place ahead of Cranfills Gap, who fills the cellar position this year in District 15-B.

The Meridian victory over Hico sets the stage for the championship game of District 15-B tonight when the Jackets tangle with the potent Valley Mills Eagles for the right to represent the district in post-season play-offs.

In the game last week Meridian had complete charge all the way, allowing the Tigers only one first down and a mere 26 net yards rushing. Hico didn't complete a pass all night to get a zero on the passing side of the ledger.

The first quarter of the game was played on almost even terms, neither team scoring, but on the first play of the second quarter, Meridian got off a pass-and-run play that netted 28 yards and their first touchdown. Try for point was good and the Jackets had a 7-0 lead. Before the half was over Meridian had scored another touchdown and kicked the extra point to take a 14-0 lead at intermission. They scored again in each of the final two periods to post the game-ending score of 27-0.

Playing their last game of high school football for Hico were Don Ross, James Lewis, Ray Battershell, Orville Templeton, Fenton Sandlin, and possibly a couple of others.

The local team shouldn't feel too bad about the season record posted as they played one of the toughest schedules that has been played by a local team in several years. They played hard and clean throughout the season and were always trying. The true sportsmanship is what counts and Hico surely had one of the cleanest teams in the district.

Hamilton County Agent Honored for 20-year Service Record

Hamilton, Nov. 14.—E. R. Lawrence, Hamilton County agriculture agent for the last eight years was among 15 such agents receiving a certificate of 20 years of service from Epsilon Sigma Phi, honorary extension fraternity at Texas A & M College. The award was presented by Jack Sloan at a meeting held at the Memorial Student center at A & M.

Lawrence has been outstanding in his work here, especially in 4-H clubs and livestock feeding programs. He conducts a folksy column in the Hamilton Herald-News and has been active in many civic enterprises outside his duties as county agent and is identified actively with the program of his church.

Lions Show Ticket Sales Being Pushed

Plans for the forthcoming Lions Club Amateur Show set for Nov. 30 occupied the membership at Wednesday's weekly meeting.

The committee in charge of obtaining interesting entries throughout the community has been busy, according to the chairman, R. B. Jackson, and much interest is being aroused. Several acts are already signed up, and a number of others expected before the deadline for entries which is next Friday, Nov. 27.

Authority was given to the president to work with the committee in deputizing FFA boys, Home Ec girls, and possibly others to push sales of tickets at a specified commission. It is hoped that public response will be liberal, not only to promote attendance at the show but to help worthwhile enterprises sponsored by the youths who will offer the tickets for advance sale.

Truman Roberts reported on attendance at a steak dinner at Hamilton with three others, Harold Walker, Edgar Bulloch and Odie Petrick. The occasion was a regular meeting of the Hamilton County Registered Beef Breeders Association, held Tuesday night for reorganization.

Rev. D. R. McCauley was appointed as chairman of the club's Christmas committee, other members of which are W. H. Greenslit, W. M. Horsley and Ray Cheek. They were instructed to proceed along lines followed in the past with distribution of Christmas baskets.

President Walker agreed to take responsibility for erection and decoration of the traditional Christmas tree in the center of town, and was authorized to increase his expenditures to secure a larger and more sightly tree this year.

Hamilton-Coryell Soil Conservation Offices Occupies New Quarters

The "Japanese Village" of World War II days at Fort Hood was responsible for the present offices of the Hamilton-Coryell Soil Conservation District, located just east of Gatesville at highway junctions 84 and 36.

Supervisors of the Hamilton-Coryell district received surplus barracks from the "Japanese Village" after the war. In 1947, the supervisors decided to build their own offices. They purchased a lot with a 75-foot frontage and 386 feet deep.

There are three main rooms to the offices. One is 20 feet by 20 feet, another is 16 by 20 feet, and the other room is 9 by 20 feet. There are also garage parkings for six cars, two rest rooms, and miscellaneous storage.

"I don't know what we would do without these offices," Tom Holeyfield, work unit conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service said. "We have plenty of room for our records, and of course the supervisors hold their meetings here too," he said.

The supervisors also have found good use for the huge lot. Most of the district soil saving equipment is kept at the rear of the offices.

The Hamilton-Coryell district was the third officially formed in the state. Unofficially, it had its papers into the state office, but technicalities kept it from having the No. 1 title.

"But, we think it's number one by providing these fine offices," Holeyfield said.

Present supervisors are Roland Mack Riley, Pottsville, secretary; Bill Lackey, Fairy, vice chairman; E. G. Boerwinkle, Gatesville and Charlie Raibourn, Aleman, members.—Waco News-Tribune.

WITH THE COLORS

MORE SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRANTS ORDERED TO REPORT FOR INDUCTION

The following registrants were ordered for induction November 18, 1953, according to information received from headquarters at Gatesville:

- Don Wesley Thompson, Gatesville, Texas; Weldon Garnett Isensee, Rt. 1, Ireland, Texas; Roy Lee Lofland, Coryell City, Texas; Edwin Mervil Thomison, Leon Junction, Texas; James Gaither Green, Rt. 3, Hamilton, Texas; Wesley Eugene Graham, Purlmea, Texas.

County Beef Breeders Enjoy Steak Supper, Elect New Officers

Representing the Hico Lions Club and the Hico Chamber of Commerce, Odie Petrick, Harold Walker, Truman Roberts and Edgar Bulloch were in Hamilton Tuesday night to attend a steak dinner given for the Hamilton County Registered Beef Breeders Association.

The invitation was extended in behalf of the cattle group following courtesies they received from the local groups during their recent fall show held in Hico.

Following the dinner the association held election of officers for the coming year, as follows: Sam Watts, president; Ovis Brummett, vice-president; Geo. B. Golightly, secretary; Bob Jones, treasurer; Paul Gromatzky, J. S. Flowers, and Bob Myers, directors.

The members voted to hold a calf show in connection with their next annual show, which is also planned for Hico. Prizes amounting to \$85 will be offered, \$15 first, \$10 second, and \$5 third, in each of two weight groups above and below 650 pounds, with \$5 additional for grand champion.

Free Livestock Clinic Field Day to Be Held At Stock Barn Dec. 15

Plans are being made to hold a livestock clinic field day at Hico, according to announcement this week by Harold D. Walker, vocational agriculture instructor at the Hico Public Schools and president of the Hico Lions Club.

Through the courtesy of Howard Franklin Serum Company, a group of livestock specialists will demonstrate the latest techniques in dehorning, vaccination, removal of growths, and treatment for pest and insect control on different aged animals.

Many of these treatments can be done by the average farmer, rancher or dairyman and by learning a simple technique the livestock man may save many dollars over a period of time.

The specialists will work with local livestock and those having a special case to be treated should contact Bill Howard or Harold Walker in order to get the program lined up. Sheep, goats and hogs are also welcome for demonstration purposes.

The clinic will be held under the livestock show barn at the City Park Tuesday, Dec. 15, starting at 1:00 p. m.

"Let's all be present and learn how to do a better, more economical job in taking care of our livestock," the local vocational agriculture teacher urged.



RHEE GREEN ALLEN . . . U. S. Ambassador to India, George V. Allen, visited President Syngman Rhee in the presidential mansion in Seoul, where Korea truce negotiations and peace treaty were discussed.



AUSSIE ARRIVAL . . . Young camel protests at 15-day quarantine at Los Angeles after boat trip from Australia with 22 buddies destined for American zoos and circuses.

Here in Hico was reluctant Tuesday to decline an invitation to attend a party at Houston for the King and Queen of Greece.

Mayor received a wordy telegram from Houston Mayor Roy Hoffmeyer authorizing him to bring the whole community down for a command rodeo performance at a friend's ranch. At least that's what it looked like the wire said.

The traveling envoy of the force was gone and the rest of us had to work. So far as we know, Hico went unrepresented at the affair. It rained, anyhow, we hear.

Rodeos are getting to be a career with Boys House—not riding and roping, however, but writing. Well known throughout this section where he has appeared often as master of ceremonies at various events, House has a wide acquaintance. He even picked out the editor's red-headed daughter in a grade school group at one of his addresses, without previous introduction.

The former West Texas Oil Belt editor and author of "I Give You Texas" has just been appointed publicity director of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show. This will be his fifth season with the Fort Worth Show, which features the "world's greatest indoor rodeo." He served in the same capacity for the recent Heart O' Texas Fair in Waco which presented a spectacular indoor rodeo, and he directed the publicity for an outstanding outdoor show, the Possum Kingdom Roundup in Graham.

House edited newspapers in Ranger, Eastland and Cisco some 20 years ago and has written two books about the Eastland County oil boom.

You've heard of the technique sometimes employed by big shots whereby they write scurrilous letters burning up an adversary on some topic causing disagreement—then tear the letter up and consign it to the waste basket. That's what happened to this column's commentary on the current political squabble, in which both sides operate under the guise of patriotism. See city dump for said remarks.

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ACROSS the DESK
 ideas from other editors

From The Italy News-Herald, Italy, Texas: The current furor over prisoners of war who do not wish to return to their homes reminds us of the old nursery rhyme about Little Bo-Peep's sheep, and to some extent the recommended solution to her predicament is applicable in the case of the POWs— "Leave them alone and they'll come home, wagging their tales behind them."

No American—be he a member of the armed forces, a government employee in Washington, a movie star, or just plain ordinary John Doe—has not had ample opportunity to know and understand the philosophy behind communism and democracy. In our opinion the only reason anyone accepts the communist line is because he thinks he will be a "big shot" come the revolution. We believe the so-called brain washing to be largely "hog wash" and the American who is taken in by it is deserving of a full measure of communism.

Why become alarmed because 23 soldiers out of several thousand fall for the communist line? Hasn't it been shown that right here in the United States some of the most prominent people have succumbed to the wiles of the communists? If these 23 men want to be communists, then let them be, but let them be communists in a communist

country. It is too bad that there isn't some way we could send those here at home who espouse the false doctrine to China or Russia where they can get all of it they desire.

Families of the men who have succumbed to communism are suffering from the shock of the thing, to be sure, and they have our sympathy, but if there was a weakness in the character of their son that made him an easy victim of communist propaganda the chances are that that weakness is the family's fault.

We're not too worried about 23 American soldiers who want to be communists. We think the best "brain washing" they can get is a little real life under communism. Then they'll come home—probably dragging their tails behind them—but they'll have much more appreciation for the things that are American and should make much better citizens.

From the Hunterdon County Democrat, Flemington, N. J.: In offering to have their mechanical staffs go to any location within the area served by the State Police of Flemington, to remove hinges from discarded ice boxes or refrigerators, two local dealers are performing a useful service that may save a life or lives.

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BAND VISITS TARLETON HOMECOMING

The Hico Tiger Band journeyed to Stephenville Saturday, November 7, to participate in the Tarleton Annual Homecoming. Julia Hedges, Hico band sweetheart, rode on a float with the other band sweethearts in the parade Saturday morning. The band marched with approximately ten other bands in the parade.

Following the parade, lunch was served to the band students in the college dining hall. During this time the students could view the campus and visit in some of the buildings.

Before the football game started, Julia Hedges took part in the crowning of the Homecoming Queen. The band then played "The Star Spangled Banner" with the other bands and at the half-time marched on the field.

Dr. Morton, head of the Tarleton Music Department, presented to all the bands, a plaque to hang in the band rooms to show that they had participated in the 1953 homecoming activities.

— H H S —

FOOTBALL AWARDS

The boys ordered their football jackets and sweaters from W. A. Holt & Company of Waco last week.

Lettermen will receive jackets, substitutes will receive sweaters, and every other boy who came out will receive a letter "H".

The lettermen are not known yet, as only the boys and Mr. Willis, who will coach boys' basketball after the football season, know who will receive a jacket, sweater, or letter.

— H H S —

NEW LIBRARY BOOKS

The Hico High School Library has bought 27 new books. A number of others have been given to the library as gifts by the Review Club. These books will be on the shelves shortly.

For boys who are interested in sports there are three new books that will interest them. Louis Oshin's "Champion's Book of Sports" has much information on different sports including explanations and illustrations of the correct form for each sport. Connie Mack's "Baseball Book" contains information on how to play baseball. "Baseball Personalities" by Jimmie Powers has short sketches of great baseball figures.

There are also many other true stories. "Lady With a Spear" by Eugenie Clark has much interesting information on deep sea fishing. "The Girl Who Ran for President" is an autobiography by Laura Kerr. "Decatur of the Old Navy" by Helen Nicolay is the story of Stephen Decatur, a hero of the navy. "The Story of Ernie Pyle" by Lee G. Miller is the story of a newspaperman who went to Europe and wrote stories of World War II as the soldiers saw it. He went later to the Pacific where he was killed.

Among the fiction books is "Come a Cavalier" by Frances Parkinson Keyes. This is a novel of World War I and II.

Also a number of murder mysteries has been added to the library.

No matter what your choice of good reading is, you will surely find it here.

BEGINNING OF HICO GIRLS' BASKETBALL

The girls have started their basketball season by playing Stephenville Tuesday night. They went to Stephenville Thursday night and played again.

The girls who were on last year's team who will be on this year's team are: Alice Behrens, Martha Britton, Peggy Ellis, Velma Jaggars, Kay Jernigan, Phyllis Jones, Patsy Little, Quata Lowry, Jean Sherrard, Leona Smith, Peggy Warren, and Shirlene Witt. Marlene McLendon was appointed manager for this season.

Others trying out for the team are: Peggy Ables, Paula Boone, Betty Booth, Quata Burgan, Quata Burgan, Jean Clark, Jerre Dunklin, Diane Harris, Sherry Herod, Jimmie Jackson, Bonnie Johnson, Joyce Lowe, Maxidene Luckie, Myrna Mayfield, Shirley Morgan, Rachell Ogle, Margo Partain, Deborah Pruett, Jean Rainwater, Wanda Roberson, Monette Salmon, Gay Sandlin, Katherine Sparks, Nancy Stephens, Betty Drake.

Mr. Chandler hopes for a very successful season this year.

— H H S —

HOMEMAKING PLANS

This week there will be a safety exhibit in the Homemaking cottage, arranged by the Homemaking girls.

The girls of Homemaking I are sponsoring a sort of hazard hunt. They are giving their homes a thorough check to reveal the repairs and changes necessary to make the home safer for all the family.

Each girl has the responsibility of helping every member of the family develop safe working habits and a safety conscious attitude. Striving for safety can strengthen family ties through cooperative efforts in reaching the challenging goal of becoming "Safe at Home."

— H H S —

THE SHADOW KNOWS

If you've been wondering why the Shadow hasn't been haunting lately, it's just because I caught some of the colds going around. These ball games really do bring the sniffles out. I didn't get to sneak a ride to the Tarleton Homecoming game with the band, but I have it on good authority that it was cold! If you see the band members still sniffing, that's the reason. Those colds might have been helped along Friday night at the Meridian game. I floated over and yelled my throat hoarse for the Tigers. Hats off to the boys for their good game, and to the Senior boys who played their last one! Last Saturday night there was a dance in the Firemen's Hall that was worth looking into, so I went over. Everyone seemed to be having fun, too. These Hico kids really like to dance.

Well, this week the SHADOW WOULD LIKE TO KNOW: Which one of the Burgan twins is which?

What goes on at the end study hall table when Harvey Jones is in there?

Who taught Deborah P. how to drive?

Well, that's it for this week. I'll be watching you.

— H H S —

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

I think that I shall never see A boy who quite appeals to me. A boy who doesn't always wear A glob of grease upon his hair. A boy who tucks his shirt-tail in. And doesn't wear a stupid grin. But boys are loved by fools like me For who on earth would date a tree?

Mr. Willis: I see you missed my Algebra class yesterday. Student: Oh, no I didn't. Not a bit.

Clairette

— Dr. —
 Mrs. Henry Mayfield

A good crowd attended the Wednesday night community night. Miss Eunice Lee and Mrs. Henry Mayfield will serve on the committee the second Wednesday night in December. Everyone remember this date and come.

Mrs. Reno Dunbar and Mrs. John G. Lightly attended the Farm Bureau State Convention in Mineral Wells Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richbourg spent November 11 with their daughters in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Reno Dunbar, Mrs. Mary Earll and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mayfield and son went to Stephenville Tuesday night to hear Senator Lyndon B. Johnson speak at the court house.

Mrs. Jessie Lee visited last week in Dublin with Mrs. Willie Wolfe.

The Busy Bee Club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Bill Christian. The club decided to have their annual Christmas party and supper Thursday night, December 17. Names were drawn to exchange gifts for the Christmas party.

Mr. and Mrs. Brum Gatlin of Temple visited Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson.

Lois Johnson and family and their daughter and son of Kingsville visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Duncan and Shirley of Fort Worth were dinner guests Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mayfield and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Roberson and Roland Dale visited Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Roberson.

Mrs. Wayne Garner and girls of Selden visited the Herman Robersons Sunday afternoon.

WORLD'S LARGEST FARM ORGANIZATION SHORTENS NAME AT CONVENTION
 Waco, Nov. 16.—The largest general farm organization in the state henceforth will be known as the Texas Farm Bureau. The word "Federation" was dropped when the voting delegates to the 20th annual convention in Mineral Wells Nov. 9-11 adopted new by-laws to govern the organization. The state Farm Bureau organization has been using "Federation" in its title since its affiliation with the American Farm Bureau Federation in 1939. Before that, it was called the Texas Agricultural Association.

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Washington

"As It
Looks
From
Here"



Washington, Nov. 19.—This being
an "off year" politically, a
discussion of campaign promises
seems appropriate.

First, let me say that I have
never made campaign promises. It
has been the custom and usual
practice since time immemorial for
a candidate for public office to
represent himself as an honest
man, and one who would serve the
people whose votes he solicited,
"honestly and efficiently." Well,
certainly he would not say he
would be dishonest in public
office, nor that he would be ineffi-
cient.

My father used to say that no
man need claim credit or unique-
ness for being honest. Every man
is supposed to be honest, and
should be considered so until he
himself proves otherwise. Why
should any man boast that he is
honest?

Now all of us have heard these
remarks by candidates running for
office. It is something to say, and
they mean it sincerely, but why
should it be necessary to make
such a claim? It may be as well
for the candidate to say that he is
opposed to crime and sin.

Well, these are the obvious
campaign promises. But what about
the candidate or the political
party which promises to do a lot
of things which appear to be the
popular thing at the time? We
have all heard candidates say,
"When I am elected, I will do so
and so." In some instances, on
specific issues and in certain
circumstances, this may be perfectly
proper, but in the broad sense,
and particularly in a legislative
office, he is likely talking through
his hat. He either doesn't know
what the limitations are to carry
out his specific promises, which
means ignorance of the situation,
or else he does not care whether
or not he can fulfill those promises.

The same is true with the political
parties and of the platforms
they announce. Broad policies
and philosophies should, of course,
be set forth as definitely as possible,
but statements of positive intent
are one thing, and the execution
of those intents and purposes is
another.

For instance, the candidate for
Congress tells folks about the
things he is going to do when he
reaches Washington. He is likely
to appeal to the popular sentiment,
whatever it may be at the time.
Well, there are 435 members of
the House of Representatives and 96
Senators—a total of 531 members
of Congress. They represent the
48 states of the Union—the big
cities, the shipping centers, the
coal fields, the great industrial
and manufacturing areas, and
agriculture. All have their peculiar
problems and are trying to represent
their people. There is conflict
of interest and many different
ideas on what should be done,
and especially how it should be done.
So, most everything to some degree
becomes a compromise. You do
the best you can, but seldom
get things exactly as you want
them.

Political parties are very liberal
in promising the people many
things, but once in power, it seems
those promises grow dim, or else
they find they cannot be carried
out.

Since writing this newsletter, I
have returned home and am making
more visits over my Congressional
District. Anyone wishing to
contact me is invited to do so at
any time.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heart-
felt thanks to our many friends
and neighbors for every expres-
sion of love to us during the recent
illness and death of our dear
husband and daddy. We thank the
Hico Hospital doctors and nurses
for their unfailing attention to
him.

May God's richest blessings be
with each of you is our prayer.

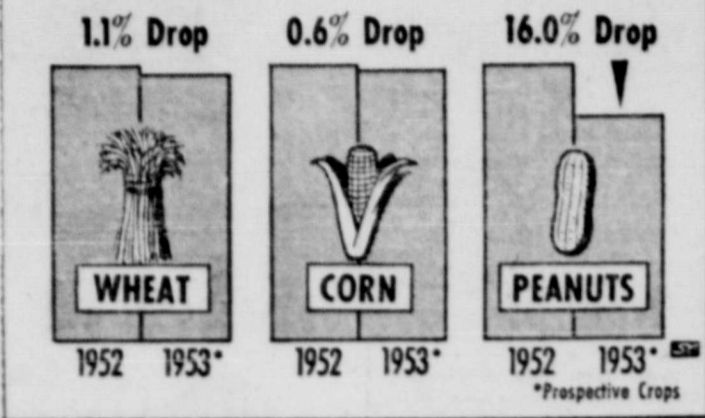
Mrs. Leonard Adams & baby.

Peanut Acreage Takes Big Cut

U. S. acreage allotment
programs have cut peanut
acreage 16 times as much
as other major foods



Three Important Crops—1953 vs. 1952



Among three important crops in different farming areas of this country, the peanut crop is "low man on the totem pole." Peanut acreage has been cut 16 times more severely than either wheat or corn.

In the face of increasing population, such peanut acreage losses have cost the peanut farmer thousands of dollars in take home pay. In fact, peanut farmers as a whole have had less take home pay every year (except 1950) since 1948, when the Farm Value of the entire peanut crop was more than \$246 million, at 10 1/2 per cent. In 1952, last year, the Farm Value was only \$150 million, and at about 11c per pound.



IT'S THE LAW in Texas

MAKE CONTRACTS SPECIFIC
AVOID DISPUTES

Nearly every day all of us are
making agreements with our fellow
citizens. Our whole system of
free enterprise and trade is based,
to a large extent, upon mutual
agreements or promises to do
something in the future. The im-
portant thing we need to remem-
ber is to make every agreement
perfectly clear whether it is oral
or written.

Generally speaking, you can enter
into a verbal agreement that is
just as binding as a written
contract. Consequently, the great
majority of contracts that we enter
into are never put into written
form. But exact terms of an oral
contract may be difficult to estab-
lish if a disagreement arises, and
a well drawn written contract will
help to avoid the unfortunate dis-
putes which arise from honest
misunderstanding.

Not every written contract meets
the test of clarity, however. Sup-
pose Mr. Householder has a piece
of paper on which is written the
heading "Proposal" and which
thereafter reads as follows:

"We will build a garage for you
on your lot for the estimated price
of \$800, work to be done in a
workmanlike manner. All of our
work is guaranteed to your satisfac-
tion. Subject to the conditions
printed on the reverse side."
This is signed by the XYZ Com-
pany. Under this signature is the
word "Accepted" followed by a
line for the signature of Mr. House-
holder. His question is, should he
sign it?

Here are some of the misunder-
standings that might arise from
such an agreement: The company
has agreed to build a garage—
yet nothing is said about the size
or type of construction. It has not
even been stated whether it is to
be a single or double garage.
There is no indication in the agree-
ment as to where on the lot the
garage will be built. It says nothing
about when the work is to be
finished. There is no agreement as
to whether Mr. Householder is to
pay in advance, in installments, or
until it is completed.

Further, they have not actually
agreed upon a price. The agree-
ment refers to an estimated price
of \$800. They should be specific
and make either a fixed price con-
tract or an agreement whereby
the builder is reimbursed for his
expense plus a definite profit per-
centage. Perhaps the XYZ Com-
pany feels that if their expenses are
higher than anticipated, they will
be able to charge more than the
estimated \$800. On the other hand,
Mr. Householder probably feels
that \$800 is the maximum price
he will have to pay.

The most important prerequisite
of a clear contract is that it cover
the essential elements of perfor-
mance. This is not as difficult as
it might seem. Here is a good
rule to follow: As to the acts of
each party determine what is to
be done, when, where and by
whom. See that these essential
parts are included in your agree-
ment.

In addition, remember that if
a contract is worth signing, it is
worth reading and understand-
ing—all of it.

(This column, based on Texas
law, is written to inform—not to
advise. No person should ever ap-
ply or interpret any law without
the aid of an attorney who knows
the facts, because the facts may
change the application of the law.)

Well Rounded Diet Necessary for Maximum Health of Children

Austin, Nov. 16.—In speaking
about the food requirements of a
child enjoying maximum health,
Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Of-
ficer, emphasized the importance
of a well rounded diet and stated
that a healthy and well nourished
child enjoys life because he is
physically fit.

Stressing the importance to
health of an adequate and well
balanced diet, Dr. Cox stated fur-
ther that when a child is in good
health, his appetite is good, elim-
ination regular and sleep is sound
and untroubled.

"A child's appearance can usually
help parents to judge the state
of his nutrition. A well nourished
child has good skin color and there
is a moderate padding of fat over
the bones and muscles of the arms,
legs and body. Muscles are well
developed and strong. Teeth are
good and the gums firm and pink,"
Dr. Cox said.

That finicky appetite or a tired
feeling after a little exertion in-
dicates a possible malnutrition and
the child should see the family
physician. Poor appetite can also
mean the beginning of an illness
and possibly that the child does
not require as much food as he is
being urged to eat.

Required as a diet for the pre-
school child and those of school
age, Dr. Cox included milk, fruit,
vegetables, eggs, meat, fish or
cheese, cereal and bread and added
that cod liver oil and other
vitamin preparations are important
in winter and early spring but
should be prescribed by a doctor.

National Program to Lower Surplus, Up Price Urged by Farm Bureau

The Texas Farm Bureau has
adopted a national farm program
which is designed to alleviate the
surplus problem and insure price
stability in the agricultural in-
dustry. The plan will be recom-
mended for adoption at the Ameri-
can Farm Bureau Federation con-
vention Dec. 14-17 in Chicago.

The 504 voting delegates at the
state Farm Bureau's 20th annual
convention Nov. 9-11 at Mineral
Wells also recommended the "con-
tinuance and expansion of the
beef purchase program to a point
of accomplishing stability at 100
per cent of parity."

Under the farm plan adopted at
the convention, the percentage of
tiltable acres that are responsible
for surpluses would be taken com-
pletely out of production. However,
producers of basic commodities
would still retain the right to
exert control over their commodi-
ties, as they do now under the
present law. A system of flexible
supports, ranging from 75 to 90
per cent of parity, would be pro-
vided for the non-basic crops if
producers favored marketing
agreements for those crops.

Statistics show that the over-
all national over-production aver-
ages from 5 to 15 per cent. If, for
example, the over-all surplus
amounted to 10 per cent, then each
farmer would retire 10 per cent of
his tillable acres. To be eligible for
supports, the producer would have
to comply with a soil conserving
plan for his retired acreage. Shift-
ing of production from over-pro-
duced crops to those in short sup-
ply would be encouraged by the
price support system. Thus, the
plan would bring supplies in line
with demand and also enforce good
soil conservation practices.

The convention endorsed a com-
promise plan to amend the present
cotton acreage law in the next
session of Congress to increase
next year's national cotton allot-
ment from 17,910,448 acres to
21,500,000.

Delegates from 139 counties voted
to continue supporting wheat
at not less than 90 per cent of
parity with acreage control and
marketing quotas in effect. The
convention delegates recommended
increased appropriations for an
expanded research program, both
at the state and national levels.

The delegates favored sending
food and fiber, instead of dollars,
to any country receiving U. S. aid
where agricultural products are
needed. The group also endorsed
reciprocal trade agreements as a
means of disposing of agricultural
surpluses.

Speakers at convention included
Allan B. Kline, president of the
American Farm Bureau Federa-
tion; Sen. Lyndon Johnson; Dr.
Herbert E. Stotts, professor of
sociology of religion, Hiff School
of Theology, Denver; and J. Wal-
ter Hammond, president of the
Texas Farm Bureau.

Miss Fayteen Peoples of Quail,
Collingsworth County, was chosen
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a field of 11 other candidates.

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Listen as the Redbird Rambles

By Carolyn Holford

PAYS TO ADVERTISE . . . we
note again, as we had no way of
finding out who had won the gift
subscription at the Halloween
Carnival. After putting out a ques-
tion in this column to that effect,
we received a letter from W. P.
Brimmett, Hico Route 3, enclosing
the purchase slip from the carnival.
We are now wondering how
much he hid on auction for the
year's extension to his subscrip-
tion.

ANY VOLUNTEERS . . . for
counselor for the youth group at
the Methodist Church? This scribe
had faithfully promised to go with
the group to Walnut Springs to a
sub-district meeting Monday
night when an unpremeditated
trip took me out of town at the
time. Mrs. Wayne Rutledge had
talked right fast about needing
another counselor and after her
husband said that they sometimes
eat on these occasions, I was sold
on the idea. Didn't know then that
the Redbird was going to fly out
of town, and will bet that Aveo
Rutledge is now looking for an-
other prospective counselor.

PEOPLE MUST BE . . . too en-
gulfed in arguing present-day poli-
tics to dig-up old bones to pick.
Would have thought that the re-
cent feeler put out about a ques-
tion of date when the old school
building was put up would have
brought a small flood of answers,
and possibly a variety of answers,
out of which we might deduce the
exact date. Guess those who read
about it must have been satisfac-
ted with the proximity of the
date given, cause we didn't get
any argument.

DEER HUNTING . . . mean-
while, is probably occupying the
time of two other gentlemen who
might have been involved in an

argument. In writing recently
about school transportation, we
credited Roy French as being the
first bus driver to have a contract
for school buses in Hico. This
wasn't exactly untrue, but after
we put the story in print, Jake
Blair informed the Redbird that
he drove a school bus before Roy
French was given this contract.
Technically we still maintain that
we were correct, as Jake drove
without a contract, and still we
could say correctly that Roy was
awarded the first contract to
drive the buses. Still in order to
give credit where credit is due, it
would be only fair to mention that
Jake Blair was among the first
bus drivers.

WE STILL GET STATIC . . .
every now and then from Buil
Havens, who was bus driver last
spring, before changing to his
present job of driving a butane
truck. When the Redbird went on

a bus route with Roy French and
came back to print a picture of
him and Clifford Mackey, Mr. Hav-
ens made us think that he was
all fired up because we had neg-
lected to print a picture of him.
He came by the office several
times to tell us that he was ready
to have his picture made if there
were any films left.

In the bank the other day, he
told us that he had given up
the idea of our ever taking his
picture, since we had run one of
Bill Williams and that probably
broke the camera. Perhaps, he
said, he could get one of the girls
working at the Recordak machine
in the bank to take his picture,
and then we could use that in the
paper.

We agreed that if he could pro-
duce a print from the Recordak,
we'd see what we could do about
running it in the paper. (Don't
cancel your subscription yet; we
doubt if he'll get this job done.)



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IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Echols and son of San Antonio were week end guests of his mother and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Harris.

Bobby Jack Wilson of Wickett visited his mother from Wednesday until Friday. His son, Michael, who had been with him for some time, accompanied him here where he visited until Sunday, when he went to his home in Dallas.

Mrs. Danny Wilson of Odessa visited his mother a few days this week.

Mrs. Roy Thompson and children visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Trotter of Walnut Springs Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Locker and son and their daughter, the former Miss Hazel Locker and baby of Sinton spent the week end here and attended the homecoming of the ex-students. Their son finished here last year.

Mr. and Mrs. Burk Phillips, her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Rickett and their daughter, Mrs. Jones and baby all of Fort Worth were here Saturday.

Mrs. Lilly Vanwinkle of Cleburne is visiting her son and family who recently bought a farm on Spring Creek.

Mrs. Stella Schumacher has opened up her variety and dry good store and it is nice and very pretty. The Iredell people are certainly glad.

Mrs. Retta Sanders of Waco and daughter, Mrs. Carrie Potter and son of California spent the week end here and attended the homecoming of the ex-students.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sawyer and son of Fort Worth spent the week end here with his mother, Mrs. Len Sawyer. He finished high school here. They attended the homecoming of the ex-students.

Mrs. Walter Tompson was taken from the Harris hospital a few days ago to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lee Mize at Alvarado.

Mrs. Myrtle Duncan visited in Fort Worth this week.

Mrs. Mae Jones of Burleson spent the week end with her brother, Mr. Vanwinkle and family on their farm at Spring Creek and she also visited Miss Stella Jones on Saturday afternoon. Her husband is my cousin. I sure enjoyed her visit very much.

A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Sprontz in the Holt Hospital a few days ago, and lived 36 hours. The funeral was here in the Methodist Church on Saturday afternoon. Wasn't very many knew about it. Rev. Terptratz conducted the funeral. The burial was in the New Cemetery. The parents have the sympathy of their friends in the loss of their baby.

Mrs. Nola Wingreen and her brother, Paul Patterson and their nephew, Bobby Gene Patterson, all of Dallas spent the week end with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson. Nola, Paul and Bobby Gene attended the homecoming of the ex-students. Paul finished, but Nola and Bobby Jean never finished.

Mrs. Will Kennedy and two children, Carl and Nelly, all of Cleburne were here Sunday seeing old friends. They lived here for several years. All were glad to see them.

Mrs. Wayne Allison of Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gosdin.

The homecoming of the ex-students was well attended and was a great success in every way. After the program was over, all went to the cafeteria where hot coffee and cake were served and it was fine. Was certainly a large crowd there and all enjoyed it so much.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Terptratz of Iowa visited their son and family a few days this week. Were accompanied by Carrol Butin, Mrs. Noisy and Miss Ruth Noisy and her boy friend. These spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Terptratz.

The building where the Oldham store was, is being fixed up and another dry goods store will open up here in the near future.

Some of the ex-students that were here at the homecoming of whom I knew were: Rev. Collier of Cisco; Mrs. Bill Elkins and family, Dallas; Mrs. Rex Ellis and her sister, Mrs. Ruth Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Thompson and son of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Gallo-way and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Noel and family, Dublin; Mr. and Mrs. Lelan Nabors and son, De Leon; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lawrence and children, Duffau; Mr. J. S. Lamar and daughter, Hico; Miss Jeclin Moore, who is in Tarleton State College; Mrs. Edwards and son, Marlin; Mrs. Wickman and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wilson, Fort Worth.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ross and family of Poolville; Mr. and Mrs. Scott, Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Early and daughter, Fort Worth; Mrs. Agnes Weeks and son, Terrell and Dallas; Dr. and Mrs. Vance Terrell and his mother, Mrs. Will Terrell, Stephenville; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jack Blakley and son, Fort Worth; Mrs. Tom Cook, Dallas; Mrs. Clarke Bowman, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gibbons of near Meridian; Mr. and Mrs. Boyett and daughters, Stephenville; and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McAden of Waco. Some of these remained with their parents until Sunday, while some went home Saturday night. Some of them have made teachers, some preachers and doctors.

Mr. R. Y. Patterson is confined to his bed and his room. Last Monday morning he had a dizzy spell and fell in the kitchen. He can't walk. All are sorry of his bad luck and hope he will be up soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Phillips and daughters of Seagraves and Miss Betty Bradley, who is a teacher in a school in Fort Worth, also attended the homecoming.

The program for the WSOS on Monday afternoon was led by Mrs. R. O. Burns. Those on the program were Mrs. Burns, Miss Stella Jones, Mrs. Terptratz and Mrs. Blakley. All enjoyed it. The program was on social relations.

Fairy

By Mrs. Eunice Massengale

We have had ideal weather the past week for pulling cotton and other farm work. Several have finished pulling, while there are several farmers yet, who have some to pull. The cotton yield this year has been the best in years; some farmers producing a bale to the acre.

We were very sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. W. C. Wyche, wife of Dr. Wyche of Dublin, who passed away in the Dublin Hospital last Thursday night. Funeral services were held in Dublin Friday afternoon. Mrs. Wyche had been seriously ill for six months or longer, of inward shingles. She will be greatly missed by her many friends. We extend sympathy to her family.

We were also sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Lissie Moore recently. Mrs. Moore, who was the former Lissie Surber, had taught in the Fairy public school and made many friends during her residence here.

Mr. and Mrs. Texie Dell Allison came in last Friday night from Arkansas where Mrs. Allison had gone to meet him. Texie has been quite busy greeting his many friends and relatives since his return.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Allison enjoyed a visit Sunday with several of their children and families who came to be with their brother, Texie Dell. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Seilheimer, Danny and David of Fort Worth, who spent the week end here, Mr. and Mrs. Dellis Seago and Sherry of Waco, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Allison, Ruby Jean and Darrel of Dublin, Mr. and Mrs. George Stringer and family of Hico, and Mr. and Mrs. Texie Dell Allison. All enjoyed a happy reunion with their son and brother on his return from an eighteen month stay in Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Waynard Allison and Johnny of Baytown spent Armistice Day here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Allison, and also visited in the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Allison and family of Dublin on Wednesday night. They came in hopes of meeting his brother, Texie Dell, but missed seeing him by just one day.

The writer attended singing at Warrens Creek last Sunday. On our return to Hamilton after singing hours, we visited a while with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Oglesby and her mother, Mrs. Minnie McCarty.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Adams of Hamilton visited with relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Mona Higgins of Alhambra, California, returned home last Thursday after a week's visit here with her mother, Mrs. Ernest Brummett and other relatives. Her mother returned home with her, taking a trailer load of their household effects. She will join her husband, who has been employed there for the past several months. We regret very much to lose them from the community since both have resided here since childhood and will be greatly missed by their many friends, but we wish for them much happiness and prosperity in their new location. Their son, J. C. Brummett of Waco, will have charge of their farm here.

Mr. Byrd Slater was hospitalized Monday afternoon and Tuesday of last week at the Meridian Hospital due to burns he received on his hands and arms Monday at noon when he attempted to rekindle a smoldering fire with gasoline. He stated there seemed to have been an explosion which blew the gas back on him. He hurriedly removed a leather coat he was wearing which was ruined from burns. His outer clothing also being burned before he reached a watering trough and put out the flame. His hands and wrist were badly burned, but glad to report him doing as well as can be expected at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers, Carolyn and Jimmie Don visited Sunday afternoon in the Edd Allison home.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Berry and family of San Antonio spent the week end here with her sister, Mrs. Bill Lackey and family and her mother, Mrs. J. C. Sills of Hico and Herman Sills and family. They, with Mrs. Sills, attended church here Sunday. Mrs. Sills contemplated returning home with them for an extended visit. Mrs. Berry is the former Miss Velma Sills of Fairy.

Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Lee Parks of Fort Worth spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. M. E. Parks, Audie and Elsie.

Birthdays for last month were Mrs. Edd Allison, Oct. 23; Carl Ray Sellers, Oct. 15. Birthdays for this month that we think of at this writing are our deceased son, James Dudley Richardson, Nov. 18; Mrs. Brittle Little, Nov. 16, who was 80 years old. She received several nice birthday cards, gifts and flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Goynne Wilma Grace and Lynda, Miss Zella Goynne and Miss Mary Beth Ogle of Hico attended church at the Methodist church here Sunday. Mrs. Goynne and daughters are residing in Dublin during the school term, Mrs. Goynne being a member of the faculty there. Wilma Grace is attending Tarleton State College in Stephenville.

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 2:30 p. m. Norwegian Communion services at the Rock Church, Pastor N. J. Njus, guest speaker.
 7:00 p. m. Junior Luther League Musical Evening.

Wednesday, November 25.—
 7:00 p. m. Senior choir rehearsal. Note change in day.

Thursday, November 26.—
 10:00 a. m. Thanksgiving Day services with offering for pensions.
 The St. Olaf Ladies Aid Society of Cranfills Gap will hold their annual bazaar and lufefisk and turkey supper on Friday, Dec. 4. Serving will begin at 5:30 and will be family style. Adults \$1.25 and children under 12 75 cents. All are welcome.
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By — Mrs. Pascal Brown

Bro. Gerald Fruzia of Abilene will preach at the Church of Christ Sunday. His sermon Sunday morning will be "What Am I Worth to this Church."

A meeting will begin Monday night, Nov. 23, at the Church of Christ. The speaker will be Bro. Willard Morrow, gospel evangelist of Fort Worth. He holds over 25 meetings every year and has preached all through this part of Texas. The time of services will be 7:30 p. m. Big crowds are expected.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rogers during the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Rogers and children, Janene, Wendol and Deborah, Mr. and Mrs. George French and children, Agnes and George Jr. of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Rogers and daughter, Marsha Lynn, Wayne, Okla. and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Giesecke and sons, Rony and Reece.

Mr. and Mrs. Hang Newman and Mrs. Annie Newman visited relatives in Fairy Sunday.

Mr. Walter Hollis of Hico visited his niece, Mrs. M. E. Laney Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. M. Nelms and Mrs. W. C. Rogers visited Friday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Anderson in Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sessom visited in Aledo and Fort Worth over the week end with their children.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Cavitt have moved to the C. E. Guthrie place. Artie Van will be employed at Wieser Mill at Hico.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Ables are building a new house.

Miss La Verne Stipe of Fort Worth spent the week end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stipe.

Lester Herod returned home last week from Michigan where he has been employed for several months.

Charles Talley is a patient in the Hico Hospital, suffering from a broken arm received at school Friday morning while playing in the gym.

Mrs. M. E. Harding spent the past week visiting relatives in Oklahoma.

Visitors attending services at the Church of Christ Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Giesecke of Stephenville, Miss Oneta Giesecke of Bonham and Mrs. M. E. Goepfinger and daughter Sharon of Big Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Prentis Newman spent Sunday in Fairy in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Richardson and son Jerry, and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hoover.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Evans accompanied Mrs. J. D. Hutson to Morgan Mill Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral of Mr. Bandy.

Mrs. E. M. Hoover of Fairy spent Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Prentis Newman.

Mrs. Dennis of Moran spent the past week in the home of her aunt, Mrs. O. M. Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Naul and family attended the funeral of her uncle, Mr. Bandy of Morgan Mill Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Belue of Stephenville and Dale Elkins, also of Stephenville were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Elkins during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ancel Morgan and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Morgan, all of Goldthwaite and Mr. and Mrs. George Gillentine of Stephenville were visitors in the home of Mr. M. H. Gillentine and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Ash spent the week end in Desdemona with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gillentine of Fort Worth spent the week end in the home of Mr. M. H. Gillentine and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shaffer and family spent the week end in San Antonio with relatives.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

After 16½ years spent in helping people in Hico take care of their yards and premises, I have decided to quit before I am forced to. Upon resigning my duties effective the last of November, I would feel ungrateful if I failed to express my appreciation to all past customers, including those who have been so loyal throughout this long period and those who for some reason or another may have made other arrangements. I realize that no one can please everybody, but I have done my best and can sincerely say that I am quitting my work with the best feelings for everyone. Thanks again.

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By John C. White, Commissioner
PART-TIME FARMING

Farmers are often asked for advice by friends who long for "a little place in the country." What do you tell them?

The first thing you can tell them is that a great number of people are already trying it. A recent census listed two-thirds of a mil-



lion part-time farmers in the United States. Another million "residential" farmers do a little farming for income. Altogether, these small farms make up a third of all farms in the nation.

A lot can be learned from the small farm operators who are established. Probably they will recommend strict planning of land use. Besides a house and garden, about an acre and a quarter will be needed to raise grain to feed a couple dozen hens and 40 chicks. For a cow, the "new" farmer may need two more acres to produce hay and pasture and three-quarters of an acre for grain.

To feed three pigs six months takes about an acre each for grain and pasture. And to keep a horse requires three good acres to grow pasture, hay and grain.

These estimates are based on acre yields of two tons of hay and 4½ bushels of corn. If he plans to raise only fruit and vegetables for home use, half an acre to an acre of good land might be enough.

A large garden properly cared for will net about \$100 to \$300 a year in fresh and preserved food. More labor, skill, equipment and a larger investment are required to produce milk, meat and most specialized crops.

Both the advantages and disadvantages should be counted before plunging into part-time farming.

Among the advantages: It provides a wholesome and healthful environment for children. It gives a measure of security if the part-time farmer's regular job is lost. It furnishes outside work and recreation beneficial to the health. It supplies the means for profitable use of spare-time family labor and lowers the cost of living.

On the other hand, the job is confining, especially if he raised livestock. In times of crisis on the farm, he may get little sleep at night after a hard days work, frequently in hot sun or cold rain.

It costs a lot of money to get started and keep going. Land near town is expensive and supplies and equipment come high. It is hazardous by reason of drought, hail, disease and insects. This cuts deeply into earnings and sometimes capital.

A good rule-of-thumb to follow is get a farm that has enough acreage to bring in the income expected—and don't set the sights too high. There is a lot to do, and a lot to learn that first year.

Fort Worth, Nov. 17.—The cattle business ran into trouble again this week. For better than two years just about everything seems to have hit the cow business that could have hurt. In the wake of the year's biggest run of cattle to market just a couple of weeks ago, it was felt that certainly the excessive runs were now behind. But look at what happened.

Twelve major markets reported over 160,000 cattle and over 32,000 calves last Monday, the second biggest run of the year.

Following the frost that nipped a lot of Johnson grass and other pasture a week earlier, Fort Worth had the year's largest run Monday.

The reports from all markets were the same. Weak to 50 cents lower, some spots 50 cents to \$1 lower.

Cattle and calf prices were saved a worse break by the fact that demand for stocker and feeders was broad on the better kinds. Some 997-pound feeder steers at Fort Worth cashed at \$17. Numerous sales of high grade yearlings and calves were reported in the \$15 to \$17.50 bracket to stocker and feeder outlets.

There was a steady demand for replacement cows. Heifers and heifer calves have a hard time finding a home, except in a packing house.

Good and choice fed steers and yearlings drew \$17 to \$23. In this bracket were a load of 975-lb. steers from Joyce Coffee, Love County, Okla., at \$23; and a load of 975-lb. steers from Lillie Sullivan, Carter County, Okla., at \$23 and \$8 fed heifers from V. O. Hildreth of Parker County at \$21.50. Common and medium steers and yearlings sold from \$10 to \$16, and in this field were a load of 856-lb. steers from Geo. W. Higgins, Baylor County, at \$15; a load of common steers at \$27 lbs. from Dudley Taylor of Harrison County; a load of steers at 744 lbs. from Beggs Cattle Co., of King County at \$13; Dannie Portwood Fancher of Baylor County had a load of 690 pounders at \$16. B. Allen, Uvalde County, had a load of 873-lb. steers at \$13.50. J. L. Dugan, Taylor County, had three loads of 997-lb. feeder steers at \$17. Ralph Wittly, Tarrant County, had about four loads of 672-lb. steer yearlings at \$20. Some shelly kinds of steers and yearlings sold from \$7 to \$9.

Fat cows cleared at \$9 to \$11.50, and a load of heiferettes topped at \$13 and averaged 887 pounds from G. R. Davis, Taylor County. Canners and cutters drew \$6 to \$9, with some shelly, low yielding canners below \$6. Bulls cashed at \$7 to \$12.

Good and choice slaughter calves bulked at \$12.50 to \$16 and common and medium sorts sold from \$9 to \$12, with culls from \$7 to \$9.

Good and choice stocker and feeder calves and yearlings drew \$13 to \$17.50. In this bracket were a short load from Wayne Adams, Comanche County at 518 lbs. at \$17.50; a load weighing 356 lbs. came from Arthur Teich of Johnson County, a half load at 407 lbs. drew \$15 and 64 head at 408 lbs. drew \$13.85 for D. H. Dawson of Franklin County; Mrs. C. A. Hall, Leon County, had some \$14 calves; J. L. Cooper, Freestone County, had some \$15 calves; Elvin Ott, Erath County, had some 471-lb. calves at \$17.50 and odd head at \$16. Mrs. Fayette Tankersley, Irion County, marketed some 582-lb. yearlings at \$17. H. C. Thompson, Eastland County, had a load of 425-lb. calves at \$17.25. Morris A. Glimp, Burnet County, had a load of 684-lb. yearlings at \$17.50.

Hogs were steady to 50 cents higher, topping at \$20.75 to \$21.25. Sows were steady to 50 cents higher at \$19.50 down.

Most sheep and lambs were fully steady, some tippy feeders sold 50 cents higher. Feeder lambs drew \$14 to \$17.50, the latter a new high for the past few months. Woolled fat lambs drew \$16 to \$19, and shorn fat lambs from \$17.50 down. Lower grade lambs drew \$8 to \$14. Old ewes drew \$6 to \$6.50, with stocker ewes \$7 to \$10. Old wethers sold from \$7 to \$10. Slaughter yearlings sold from \$10 to \$15.

An unusual feature of the trade was some top sheep and lambs that came from Louisiana. Many people believe that East Texas and Louisiana are not a desirable ground for sheep raising, but in recent years a number of breeders are getting fine results.

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2. (c) 62 million

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Central Texas Eyes Whopping \$57,975,000 Sum in Cash from Cotton

Waco, Nov. 16.—King cotton is having his best year in 20 years in Central Texas. A whopping \$57,975,000 gross bumper cotton crop is estimated for 12 Central Texas counties this year. That's almost a third more income than was realized from the crop last year.

Yields are running close to a half bale per acre average in the 12-county area; in many cases, fields are producing from three-fourths to over a bale per acre. One farm in Hill County reportedly produced 14 bales of cotton on five acres without irrigation. The nearly half bale per acre average compares with about a third of a bale per acre average in normal years.

It's about time the Central Texas cotton farmer had a break. His yields have been below normal for the past three or four years due to the drought.

The farmer's net from his huge cotton crop is a far cry from what his gross is. About two-thirds of the estimated \$57,975,000 gross can be counted off to costs of production. The 12-county area net should run about \$20,000,000.

And that's the money the farmers are spending for television sets, furniture, deep freezes, automobiles, repairs, doctor bills, and so forth.

The money started moving as soon as harvesting began last August and September.

It is continuing to move and will probably reach its height shortly before Christmas. After the first of the year, like most everywhere else, most farmers will go to the bank and borrow money for next year's crop.

But as bright as the cotton crop is this year, there are carry over factors and future aspects which somewhat tarnish the picture. Central Texas cotton farmers are still feeling the effects of the drought. One year's bumper cotton crop doesn't make up for the below-average income during those drought years. And the extreme cattle price slump this year has pulled down the entire agricultural financial worth. But even at that, one farm expert estimated an 8 to 10 per cent increase in overall farm income this year over last year in McLendon County. He is Louis Lee, Farmers Home Administration supervisor.

Next year's cotton allotment program and continued low cattle prices (though cattle prices have increased some during recent weeks) causes many farm experts to worry about the future.

The agricultural situation, on the whole is good in Milam County, but there's still the big problem of cotton allotments and low cattle prices to contend with next year. You can't say that cotton income this year made up for losses in cattle prices in Milam County," Farm Agent J. D. Moore said.

But on the whole, experts pretty well agree that cotton has in most cases carried the cattle through. During the past few years, the reverse has been true.

In the 12-county area, Hill County appears to be the leader in cotton production this year. Unofficial estimates place that county's cotton crop this year at 100,000 bales. Last year's production was about half that—52,000 bales. Brazos County showed the least increase from this year over last of about 2,000 bales. An estimated 20 per cent of the crop is yet to be harvested, but is included in these estimates.

Whooping Cranes Must Be Protected By Rerouting Traffic

Austwell, Nov. 16.—If the Whooping Cranes could only realize how important they really are maybe they would hurry back to their winter home, said Julian Howard, manager of the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge where the giant birds winter.

Howard has just emphasized the important role the Whoopers play in the Refuge routine by announcing that the area occupied by the big white birds will be out of bounds to visitors.

"We regret to say that we will have to route traffic on the refuge away from the Whoopers' area," said Howard. "But this is the only way we can provide maximum protection."

Howard said arrival of the first Whoopers with a few young is raising hopes that their numbers may have increased.

City Is Invited To Have 'Day' at Fort Worth Show

Hico has been extended an invitation by President-Manager W. R. Watt to have a special day at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show. Dates of the Fort Worth show are Jan. 29 through Feb. 7.

The letter received by the Chamber of Commerce states: "For 57 years now, the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show has been serving the livestock industry of this great section. The show has grown steadily through the years due to the support it has received from many individuals and cities.

"We are sincerely putting into motion the plans for the 1954 show, and it is a pleasure to extend an invitation to your city to have a special day, with your Cowgirl Sweetheart being introduced to the thousands at the rodeo, your band and other entertainers giving a program on the stage and your citizens with hatbands or ribbons publicizing your city and some civic enterprise, such as your own rodeo.

"Your community's participation and help in the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show will be publicized before and during your visit, and you will all have a good time while attending the show. We will be looking for your acceptance soon."

Carlton By Mrs. Fred Geyer

MRS. JOHN BOLTON
Burial was made in the Carlton Cemetery Saturday afternoon for Mrs. John Bolton, who passed away Friday, Nov. 13, 1953, in Dallas, after a four-day illness.

Nellie S. Caruthers was born in Arkansas Dec. 4, 1871. On Feb. 13, 1889, she was united in marriage to John Bolton and to this union was born five children. Her husband and three children preceded her in death. Her daughter, Mrs. John (Flossie) Kerley and husband passed away during the flu epidemic in 1918, leaving a small daughter, whom her grandparents reared. One son, Judge, a World War I veteran, passed away a few years ago in Dallas.

She is survived by two sons, Perce Bolton of Hico and Carthel of Dallas; nine grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren; one brother, Tom Caruthers of Little Rock, Ark., other relatives and many friends.

The Bolton family were former residents of Carlton for many years and made many friends while living here. She joined the Baptist Church in early girlhood and lived a true Christian life. Her membership was with the Highland Baptist Church in Dallas at the time of her death.

Services were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Barrow-Rutledge Funeral Chapel in Hico, conducted by Rev. L. H. Davis, pastor of the Hico Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. W. D. Broadway, pastor of the Carlton Baptist Church. Pallbearers were Richard Tooley, Tom Johnson and William Hicks of Hico, Dock Smith, Fred Geyer and Edgar Smith of Carlton. Barrow-Rutledge Funeral Directors of Hico had charge of all the funeral arrangements. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the sorrowing relatives in the loss of their loved one.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Smith of Waco spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Culmer Jordan. Mr. Smith and Mr. Jordan were in Norman, Okla., Sunday and Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Byrd and Eugene of Stephenville spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Lilla Byrd.

Mrs. Dow Self returned to Temple Friday after spending a few days with her children. She reports her husband, a patient in the Scott & White Hospital, to be improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pierce visited Armistice Day near Jacksboro with their daughter Mrs. Lutha Williams and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Whitehead and J. B. Jaggars were in Fort Worth Friday on business. While in Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Whitehead visited their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Parks and son, Rickey.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Turney were Sunday afternoon visitors in Temple with Mr. and Mrs. Dow Self.

Mrs. Jim D. Wright and daughter, Mrs. Geary Cheek and children of Hico visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowden Sr., and Robert Jr. of Waco and his daughter, Joan, spent Sunday in Fort Worth with their son and brother, Russell Bowden and family, who are entertaining a new son in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Proffitt were visitors Sunday in Fort Worth with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Vaughan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Reeves and children of Houston spent the week end with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Reeves.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Chapman and children of Irving and Mrs. Fred Brown of Waco spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Watt Sharp Sr.

Louetta Taylor visited over the week end in Brownwood with Annette Littleton of San Angelo.

Mrs. Bettie Fisher, Mrs. Fred Geyer, Mrs. Edgar Smith and Minister Price Bankhead attended the funeral in Hico Saturday afternoon for Mrs. Nellie Bolton.

Cancer Society Leaders Gather at Waco for District 12 Meeting

Leaders of the American Cancer Society's program in Hamilton County have been invited to the fourth annual meeting of the Society's District 12 to be held Thursday, November 19, in Waco.

County cancer committee members are delegates to the district meetings. Hamilton County committee members include Dr. Cyrus E. Cathey and Dr. Robert A. Kookca, both of Hamilton.

The Society's program of cancer education and service in Hamilton and the 15 other Central Texas counties in the district is the subject of the meeting, held in the Roosevelt Hotel.

Hamilton County representatives were expected to report on the county's cancer control program during the past year. They also were to take part in the election of two new district directors.

The program also featured talks by county, district and state officials and includes showing of a new cancer film, "The Warning Shadow." The film is designed as an education weapon against the rapidly-increasing number of deaths from lung cancer.

Main purpose of the meeting is to strengthen the Society's program in the area and to better enable volunteer workers to save more lives. District 12 had 662 deaths due to cancer last year. Seventeen persons died of the disease in Hamilton County. A total of 8,701 persons died in Texas from cancer in 1952.

Ducks Are Making Themselves Obnoxious At Fish Hatcheries

Austin, Nov. 16.—The annual hassle to convince migrating wild ducks that state fish hatcheries are exclusively for fish is now under way, according to the Chief Aquatic Biologist for the Game and Fish Commission.

He said practically all of the thirteen state hatcheries have been invaded again this fall. Some of the traveling waterfowl become a problem, especially the diving ducks which penetrate the bottom and sides of the ponds. These insistent ducks sometimes feed on vegetation along the walls and puncture the sides, causing seepage.

The Chief Aquatic Biologist said the ducks don't bother the fish, but that some of the touring shore birds nab black bass and other species.

He said a good word for the geese. They may drop in for a short stop at an isolated tank but usually get up and get going without making a nuisance of themselves.

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