

By VERN SANFORD
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Austin, August 2.—State candidates in the runoff races are now on the firing line, blasting away.

In the gubernatorial race, Governor Allan Shivers and Judge Ralph Yarborough have re-formed their lines and are in a showdown battle for the state's top job.

Both candidates for governor had reasons for failing to score a victory in the first primary.

Shivers said that his supporters were too confident and had not turned out at the polls in the expected numbers. He encouraged them to exercise their right to vote in the coming election.

Yarborough said that he would have won the first primary except for Texas Republicans who neglected their own primary to vote against him.

Three Factors Decide.
Capable of determining the August election were 400,000 Texans, eligible to vote, who stayed away from the polls July 24.

A smaller factor was the 36,000 who cast their votes for Davis and Holmes.

Also to be considered were the Republicans who voted in their own party primaries in July, but who are free to cast their ballots in the Democratic second primary. Most of these votes, it was generally conceded, would go for Shivers.

Scott in Court Runoff.
Austin Attorney Alfred Scott will be in the runoff with Judge Few Brewster, for Place I on the Supreme Court.

This race will gain more than a little attention, as will the campaign of Judges Alan Haley and Lloyd Davidson for the Court of Criminal Appeals.

Fires Hit Area.
Hardly had the embers of the political fires cooled when forest fires broke out both east and west of Austin.

Thousands of acres of woodlands, and three homes, now lie scorched, burned and bared as the result of fires around Volente (Dodd City) on Lake Travis west of Austin.

On the opposite side of the capitol city, the eastern portion of Bastrop State Park lost 7,000 acres of pine and live oak as the result of an eight-day brush and timber fire—squashed finally by sudden showers.

Drouth Aid Arrives.
Just as the hot sun has made flammable the forests in the area, so has the temperature and lack of rain taken its toll of the ranchlands.

Agricultural Commissioner John Whit has renewed efforts to obtain drouth relief in the form of a federal and state-backed hay program.

Ranchers in 23 Central and West Texas counties will be eligible. Allocations for the aid, amounting to \$600,000, were provided largely by the federal government with a \$500,000 helping hand. The state will counter with the balance.

Titled "Operation 'Haylift'" the program is the third since 1952 for state ranchers who now are weathering the worst drouth in their history. The program will be almost identical to the other two and will allow ranchers to benefit from reduced transportation charges on hay.

Nine other state counties also are being considered for recommendation to the U. S. Agricultural Department.

Counties now receiving aid are Bastrop, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Bosque, Coryell, Erath, Hamilton, Hays, Kendall, Lampasas, Lee, Llano, McCulloch, Mason, Mills, San Saba, Travis, and Williamson.

Judge Re-ruled.
Operation of the Commercial Security Insurance Company of Houston, already once halted and continued, has been stopped again by District Judge J. Harris Gardner.

Gardner, who issued a previous order restraining the firm from business and a later one allowing it to continue, issued the latest ruling on grounds that the company had gone into business on borrowed capital, thus violating state law.

State action charging fraudulent organization against the \$250,000 fire and casualty firm was initiated July 15 by Attorney General John B. Shepperd. He said he had asked the temporary restraining order at the request of the State Board of Insurance Commissioners.

The order was modified a few days later to allow continuance of the firm's business.

J. D. Wheeler, liquidator for the insurance board, has been named by the court as receiver to supervise all affairs of the company. Ben B. High, company president, said shareholders would receive no loss if the receivership is handled properly.

Business Perks Up.
Good news to Texas businessmen that the state's recession-plagued business situation will soon perk up has been issued by the University of Texas Business Research Bureau.

An upswing in business should be noted after a few weeks of stabilization as the present recession has hit its bottom, the bureau reported.

A survey of 2,865 retailers over the state showed June sales equaling those for May but four per cent down from last June. For the first half of 1954, sales were seven per cent below 1953 showings.

County Democrats Follow Set Pattern, Hook, Line and Shivers

At a county Democratic convention Saturday which was acclaimed by several delegates as "the most lively and interesting session we have ever had," many opposing viewpoints were heard, but the outcome was the same as in conventions of recent years. Three resolutions, each favorable to Shivers, were adopted.

Delegates from Hico to the convention in Hamilton had been selected as a result of the precinct convention held here the previous Saturday. This meeting had named the following delegates: Fred Red Harris, Odie Petsick, Mrs. L. N. Lane, J. B. Woodard, A. A. (Doc) Brown, Truman E. Roberts, L. N. Lane, S. J. Cheek Sr., Lusk Rands, Mrs. Odie Petsick, Mrs. Fred Red Harris, Mrs. Truman E. Roberts, Mrs. J. B. Woodard, T. A. Randals, Edgar Bulloch and M. I. Knudson; and the following alternates: Miss Nettie Wieser, W. C. Howard, Mrs. W. C. Howard, J. N. Russell, Mrs. J. N. Russell, Dr. and Mrs. H. V. Hedges.

It had been duly moved and seconded by a unanimous vote that this delegation was instructed to vote under the unit rule. They went to the county meeting unopposed.

Highlights of the meeting are contained in the following excerpts of minutes as kept by Mrs. Erma Maddox, secretary.

"The Democratic County Convention of Hamilton County, Texas, was called to order at 2:00 p. m. on July 21, 1954 in the Courtroom of the County Courthouse in the City of Hamilton by the Hon. B. D. Corrigan, County Chairman of said County.

"First in order of business for the day was election of a temporary chairman. B. D. Corrigan was nominated by H. W. Allen, seconded and unanimously elected. Mrs. Erma Maddox was elected temporary secretary. B. D. Corrigan was then elected permanent chairman and Mrs. Maddox, permanent secretary. Fred Red Harris moved that no sergeant-at-arms be elected at this time. Motion carried. . . .

"Chairman Corrigan appointed a Resolutions Committee: H. W. Allen, chairman, L. N. Lane, Seth Moore, Rev. C. N. Gilbert and A. G. Thompson.

"Chairman Corrigan appointed a Nominating Committee: Truman E. Roberts, chairman, Dr. C. B. Cathey, Odie Petsick, Dr. A. G. Livingston, and Mrs. S. E. Applewhite.

"Cyrus Cathey called for a caucus of Precinct 22. . . .

"The delegates were informed they would be representing ten (10) votes for Hamilton County, which could be cast either singly or together, and that they were being sent to the state convention 'uninstructed.' . . .

"At 4:30, there being no further business, Fred Red Harris moved that the meeting be adjourned, subject to recall by the chairman." . . .

Following the resolution committee's report on the first resolution in favor of Governor Allan Shivers, Fred Red Harris made the motion that the resolution be adopted; Truman Roberts seconded. Motion carried, four opposing votes.

The second resolution was adopted with six opposing votes, and after lengthy discussion on the third resolution, it was adopted with 33 votes for, three opposing.

Delegates who were elected from the county are listed as follows: Odie Petsick, Fred Red Harris, Truman E. Roberts and J. B. Woodard, all of Hico; Cyrus B. Cathey, Mrs. Frances Edgar, Bradford D. Corrigan Sr., H. W. Allen, A. G. Thompson and C. Applegate, all of Hamilton.

Alternates named are Mrs. Odie Petsick, Mrs. Fred Harris, Mrs. Truman E. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lane, all of Hico; Travis Barnett, Evant; Mrs. Cyrus Cathey, Mrs. H. W. Allen, Mrs. Kate Applegate, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Manning, P. M. Gerald, Paul Henderson, Mrs. Frankie Golightly, C. E. James, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Shemen, Mrs. Ruby Huddleston, Mrs. Ed Perkins, Charles N. Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Winn, Seth Moore and T. D. Craddock, all of Hamilton.

Plans for Reunion Occupy Lions at Wednesday Luncheon

Twenty-one members and two guests, Leighton Lemax of Burris Mills, Dallas and Fret Worth, and Porter Willis, Hico football coach, made up an average attendance at the Wednesday noon luncheon meeting of the Hico Lions Club.

Plans for activities at the Hico Annual Reunion composed most of the business session.

Paul Neel, chairman of the parade committee, reported ready.

President Wayne Rutledge gave last-minute instructions to crews of workers who will man the Lions Club soft drink booth at the park.

Reunion Manager Weldon Pierce thanked the club for cooperation received, and called special attention to the fact that Bill Hames was bringing \$450,000 worth of carnival equipment to Hico this year.

ADDED ATTRACTION FOR THURSDAY NIGHT REUNION PROGRAM



NEW STRING BAND—"Country Rhythm Boys" are currently scheduled to appear on Thursday night's program at Hico's 68th Annual Reunion. Recently organized at De Leon, the boys will play western and hillbilly music at the park pavilion at 8:45 p. m., after songs by a Dublin male quartet at 8:00 p. m. Thursday. The string band has played at several surrounding towns and will perform at De Leon's Peach and Melon Festival August 20 and 21. The band consists of Herman Hardin of Ruckler, steel guitar; Alvin Frasier, Gorman, rhythm guitar; Slim Swinney, De Leon, electric guitar; Burton Henry, Gorman, drums; Vardie Huff, Gorman, bass violin; James Steed, De Leon, guitar; Gail Broughton, De Leon, piano. Reunion Manager Weldon Pierce is enthusiastic over being able to add these performers to one program during the four nights of the Reunion, and invites the public to come out and hear the program free of charge.

Sept. 30th Deadline Set on Application for Drouth Relief Hay

Deadline for applications under the federal drouth relief hay program is Sept. 30, according to Johnny Huston, Bell County Farmers Home Administration supervisor. Huston added that the deadline probably will be extended if the need arises.

Meanwhile, applications for the hay program are now being accepted in counties declared eligible for the drouth aid. Those counties in Central Texas declared eligible are Bell, Bosque, Coryell, Hamilton, San Saba, Lampasas, Erath, Williamson, Bastrop, Bexar, Blanco, Brown, Burnet, Comal, Comanche, Hays, Kendall, Lee, Llano, McCulloch, Mason, Mills and Travis.

Other counties, which have applied for the aid and are not yet declared eligible are McLennan, Limestone, Falls, Milam, Navarro and Hill.

Here are the general rules for farmers to follow in applying for hay aid. The hay program is separate from a grain program which is not yet in effect.

The farmers in the eligible counties make application to their county Farmers Home Administration committee. The committee will determine if he is eligible to receive the aid. The general eligibility rules are:

1. The applicant must be a bonified farmer or rancher. Windshield or city farmers are not eligible, Huston said.

2. The applicant must have less than a 60-day supply.

3. No more than a 60-day supply will be granted at one time.

4. The farmer will buy his own hay. He is to get a receipt from the seller and send it with a form for reimbursement to the State Department of Agriculture in Austin, which will reimburse the cost of transportation not to exceed \$10 per ton.

Melon Festival and Harvest Time to Be On 'Texas in Review'

The Minocla Watermelon Festival will be featured next week, on The Humble Company's TV program, Texas in Review. Texans will enjoy watching free slices of watermelon being given to visitors to the East Texas city.

Other interesting items on the program will be the picture story of a battalion of combines in action during the wheat harvesting on Texas' High Plains around Amarillo; and a visit with John Mooseberg, retiring county agent of Shelby County, a key figure in the growth of the poultry industry in that county.

Monday, August 9, Texas in Review can be seen over KRLD-TV, Dallas, 9:00 p. m. and WRAP-TV, Fort Worth, 8:00 p. m.

Tuesday, August 10, the program will be carried in this area by station KCEN-TV, Temple, 7:00 p. m.

Bob Thornton, Born Here in Dugout

Mr. Dallas to Be Honored On 74th Birthday Aug. 10

Mr. Dallas—otherwise known as Mayor R. L. Thornton Sr.—will be seventy-four years old on Aug. 10.

So a bunch of his friends have cooked up a big public birthday party for him to honor his half century of leadership in building Dallas.

It will be a barbecue, beans and soda pop party in the new air-conditioned Women's Building in Fair Park where Uncle Bob also runs things as President of the State Fair of Texas.

The time is 6:30 p. m. Tuesday, Aug. 10, and it will cost one and all \$2.50. Tickets will go on sale Monday morning in the ticket office at the First National Motor Bank, 1315 Elm.

The tickets describe the affair as "a rip-roaring tribute to a grand guy by the citizens of Dallas." And they say, specifically: "No gifts, please."

"There will be no formality about it. 'Come as you are—dressed for comfort and a good time,' says the ticket.

There isn't going to be any politics, and very little speaking.

President Willis Tate of Southern Methodist University will be the toastmaster. Speakers will be Dr. Marshall Steel, pastor of the Highland Park Methodist Church, and Fred L. Florence, who is going the Mayor one better by building his new Republic National Bank Building taller than Thornton's Mercantile National, which has been Dallas' tallest.

Ben E. Cabell is chairman of the committee which whopped up the party. Others are W. H. Cochrum, E. M. (Ted) Dealey, John Runyon, S. J. Hay, J. Peyton Hunter, Albert Jackson, Ben Wooten, William Johnson, Frank D. Mason, Ed Maher, Felix R. McKnight, Laurence R. Melton, John E. Mitchell Jr., Morelle K. Ratcliffe, John H. Rauscher, Julius Schepps, James H. Stewart, James R. Temple and Earle Wyatt.

Mayor Thornton was born Aug. 10, 1880, in a dugout home near Hico, Texas, on the banks of the Bosque River. He chopped a lot of cotton and cleared a lot of underbrush. He started his business career in his teens, clerking in a store and then as a traveling candy salesman.

Early in the century he settled in Dallas, and in 1916, borrowed enough money to start a small loan company which has grown into the Mercantile National Bank.

Civic-wise, Thornton's first love is the State Fair of Texas, which he reorganized and has headed for several years.

Thornton, who has served as president of the chamber of commerce and headed many civic enterprises, was elected Mayor in April, last year, after a group of civic leaders persuaded him to run.—Dallas Morning News.

Pitcher Not Blamed For Hico's 'Present' To Dublin Sunday

Dublin, Ireddell and Glen Rose were winners in Sunday's game! Dublin won over Hico 4 to 1, Glen Rose over Alexander 9 to 4, and Ireddell over Gorman 8 to 4.

Hico lost their game the hard way. Dublin got three runs on Hico's errors. The game should have been Hico 2, Dublin 1. Hico had the bases loaded with Joe Stasey on third, Woods on second and a runner on first with only one out. Woods, forgetting there was a runner on third, ran to third, forced Stasey off and out. The next ball pitched was a wild pitch that would have scored Stasey. But these things do happen in baseball.

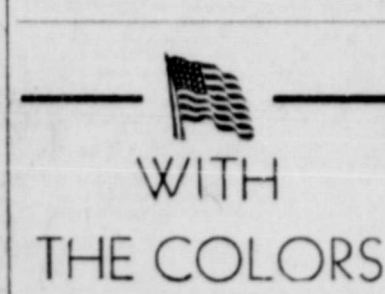
Young pitched all the way for Hico getting lots of strike-outs, allowing only four hits in the entire game. Young won—but Hico lost. Next week Hico plays host to Gorman at Meador Field, Glen Rose goes to Dublin, and Alexander will play at Ireddell.

Go see these games. Only three more—then the play-off.

STANDING:

Team	GP	W	L	Pct.
Dublin	17	15	2	.885
Hico	17	11	6	.648
Ireddell	16	10	6	.625
Glen Rose	17	9	8	.525
Gorman	17	3	14	.177
Alexander	18	2	14	.125

Crowds Gathering for 68th Annual Reunion



PVT. DONALD R. PRATER SERVING WITH 10th INFANTRY
Fort Riley, Kan.—Pvt. Donald R. Prater, 21, son of Mrs. Hortense Rhodes, Hico, is serving with the 10th Infantry Division at Fort Riley, Kan.

An artilleryman in the division, he attended Hico High School before entering the Army in February of this year.

RETURNS FROM KOREA
Pvt. John M. Phillips, who has been serving United States armed forces with the infantry in Korea for a year, returned home recently after receiving his discharge.

For the present he expects to remain here for a visit in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Phillips, and family.

WITH THE COLORS
Alc. Freddy Joe Howerton returned Thursday to Chanute Field, Illinois, after spending last week in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Howerton.

Voting Returns from Carlton Box Revised, Little Change in Totals

Final official returns of the first primary election on July 24, in Hamilton County, revealed very little change in totals for the various candidates. And the results of the closest county race, that of county clerk, remained the same with Mrs. Vada Williams winning by a margin of 19 votes.

The mechanical composition of the unofficial returns, loaned to the News Review last week through the courtesy of the Hamilton County representation of the official totals. However, through an unavoidable error in mechanical composition, there were incorrect figures in most of the races, in the Carlton voting box column.

Most of these were inconsequential in state offices and totals were unaffected; however, the News Review is printing the corrected totals from the Carlton box for the contested local offices, as follows:

For Representative:
Bill Shannon—81
W. W. Perry—51

For County Judge:
H. B. Gordon—59
W. E. (Gene) Tate—88

For County Clerk:
Mrs. Vada Williams—75
Ira Moore—75

For Sheriff:
Ed Frost—24
W. W. (Woody) Young—84
Newman Fuqua—15
N. Y. Terral—26

For County Superintendent:
W. B. McPherson Jr.—42
D. Cecil Stanley—12
Forest O. Harper—93

When the second primary election is held by the Democratic party on August 28, there will be no run-offs in this section of the county. There is only one race in the county which required a run-off, and that is for justice of the peace of another precinct. The ballot for Hico voters will be as follows:

For Governor:
Allan Shivers
Ralph W. Yarborough

For Associate Justice of Supreme Court (Place 1):
Few Brewster
Alfred M. Scott

For Judge of Court of Criminal Appeals:
Lloyd W. Davidson

De Leon to Serve Free Melon During Festival, Aug. 20-21

De Leon welcomes visitors again this year when they will hold their annual Peach and Melon Festival on Friday and Saturday, August 20 and 21.

Festivities begin with the parade on Friday at 6:00 p. m. down the streets of De Leon, after which will be the coronation of the queen at their new football stadium. Queen's ball will follow the coronation.

Saturday afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock, free watermelon will be served downtown. A square dance will be held at 4:00 p. m. with an old fiddlers contest beginning at 5:00 p. m.

Following the speaking came the screening of a sound color film related to dairying. Then a number of watermelons more than sufficient for all present, were served and another film shown for those who cared to remain.

Mr. Randals said this was only one of a series of meetings along this line, and that others would follow. He thanked the guests for their attendance, and sought their continued interest in what he considers a vital matter for farmers and businessmen alike.

Fine Programs and Midway Attractions Expected to Please

Following a custom of long standing, J. C. Barrow will give the welcome address and will serve as master of ceremonies of the parade which will open Hico's 68th annual Old Settlers Reunion at 6 p. m. Wednesday. Barrow, a former mayor and county judge, has called Hico home for the past 66 years.

Some of the town's oldest citizens will ride in a special car in the parade, and will be presented with flowers. If her health permits, Mrs. Nannie Foster Keith, 102, the oldest resident, will be among the group.

A total of \$102.50 in prizes will be awarded to parade entries adjudged best in five classes. Horses and riders from the Lightning C Ranch at Dublin, from Hamilton, and other neighboring towns and old model cars will be included in the parade, which will be led by the Hico Band and will proceed through the business section to the City Park.

Approximately \$1,000 worth of merchandise will be given away at the pavilion immediately after the old fiddlers contest Saturday night. To be eligible to win, visitors need only to register at exhibitors' booths at the livestock barn. Cash prizes of \$15, \$10 and \$5 will be awarded to the three best old fiddlers.

Entertainment will include a Hico Band Concert Wednesday night, performances by a De Leon string band and a Dublin male quartet Thursday night, and a show by Bewley's Chuck Wagon Gang and a square dance Friday night.

Carnival attractions will be provided by the Bill Hames Shows of Fort Worth.

Dairy Meeting at Park Drew Good Attendance In Spite of Shower

Although perhaps keeping some away who had planned to attend, last Friday's rains failed to dampen the enthusiasm of some half-hundred dairy farmers and their wives who joined Hico businessmen in a dairy meeting at City Park.

T. A. Randals, president of the Hico Chamber of Commerce which sponsored the meeting, introduced various members present and described them as "loyal and enterprising citizens, willing and ready to cooperate in any worthwhile project."

He then voiced recognition of the importance of the industry represented by the guests which he described as one of the most important in the United States, and declared that it behooves every citizen of this section to become interested in and familiar with this line of work.

C. W. Gibson of Waco, who has done a lot of work in this section promoting the interests of dairy farmers, was then introduced and launched into an interesting and enthusiastic presentation of prospects for increased dairying activity.

Mr. Gibson honestly thinks no county in Central Texas is as well adapted to dairying as Hamilton County, and gave a number of reasons for the opinion. "Dairying is work, but it pays off big, and I know no other industry to beat it," he declared.

The speaker cited an example or progress in another county in Texas which has 365 Grade A dairies and enjoys a revenue of seven million dollars a year. "You folks in this good county should be ashamed of having only 15 or 16 Grade A dairies—you are overlooking a wonderful opportunity," he declared.

Elaborating on Mr. Gibson's remarks, Mr. Woodward and Mr. Wright of Waco agreed that there is plenty of room for expansion, and were positive that a market would follow establishment of sufficient production to justify it.

George Holladay, local dairyman who is an official in the Central West Texas Milk Producers Association, verified this opinion with facts from his experience.

Other out-of-town guests recognized at the meeting included Cecil James, Ralph Lawrence and Mr. Chumney of Hamilton.

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DUFFAU

By Mrs. Pascal Brown

Roline Chaney of Hico will preach at the Baptist Church Sunday, August 8. Everyone is invited to attend.

Beverly and Wayne Witt of Weatherford spent part of the past week in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hutson and daughter Brenda, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hutson and family.

Mrs. O. M. Evans is visiting in Weatherford in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Witt and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Land and children of Lake Charles, La., spent the past week in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Land.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Talley, Mrs. Erma Sherrod and son, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Scott and son Randy to Austin and San Antonio on vacation the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hutson and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hutson and Brenda were in Santo Saturday night to attend services at the Church of Christ where Bro. Clovis Allen is holding a meeting.

Mr. Elmer Robbins of Portales, New Mexico and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carson of Hamilton spent a short time Friday afternoon with Mrs. M. Nelms.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Elackburn spent the first of the past week in Lubbock to be at the bedside of their daughter, Mrs. John B. Fouts, who was a patient in the hospital there following an appendix operation the past Friday. John Willis returned home with them for a short visit. We hope a speedy recovery for her.

Mr. Louis is on the sick list this week. We hope he is feeling better soon.

Those helping to enjoy the birthday cake and ice cream with Mrs. Chester Land on her birthday Friday

day were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Land, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Dickerson and Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Brown and family.

Mr. and Mrs. McGlothlin and children of Brownwood visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shaffer and family Sunday.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sessom Sunday were their son and family of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Sessom and children.

Word was received that Wade H. Lewallen of Blackwell son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lewallen, formerly of Duffau is seriously ill in a hospital near Blackwell, following a car wreck which occurred Saturday killing one baby, a niece of Mrs. Lewallen and injuring her brother and wife. We hope they will soon be better.

We received one and four-tenths of an inch of rain Friday afternoon and night which we are very thankful for and was so badly needed.

Miss Vieta McAnally returned home the past week from Oregon where she had been visiting in the home of her brother and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pennington, who are employed at Fort Worth, spent the week end at their home here.

Clairette

By Mrs. Henry Mayfield

Mrs. Reba Carter, Mrs. Vance Wadlington and Mrs. Maude Martin sponsored a pink and blue shower Wednesday afternoon at the school building for Mrs. Leta Hoskins.

The Busy Bee Sewing Club met Thursday afternoon with Miss Nola Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Phillips and family of Snyder were here last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Grady Wolfe and doing some repair work on their farm home where Mr. and Mrs. Van Scott live.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Hicks of De Leon visited Thursday evening with the Henry Mayfields.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lee and sons of Fort Worth visited Misses Eunice and Nola Lee Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Fry and son of Fort Worth visited in the Ike Salmon home Sunday with his Uncle, Ike, and his mother, Mrs. Ruth Fry.

Mr. Wiley McCarty and Billie and Bill and Phillip Carr attended the funeral service of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Taylor's grandchild at Abilene Wednesday.

Duane McCarty of Odessa has been here on his vacation visiting Wiley McCarty and Billie. While on his vacation, the McCartys made a trip to Denver, Colo.

Horace Richbourg, a student at the University of Texas spent the week end with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richbourg.

Mrs. W. J. Connaway and Diane of Fort Worth spent Wednesday and Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richbourg.

Richard Lee Wheeler, son of Sgt. and Mrs. Dal Wheeler of Killeen and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Burl Havens, celebrated his 7th birthday with a party Sunday afternoon at the school building.

Brad Clark of Galveston and Truman Smith of Ranger visited Friday in the C. D. Richbourg home.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Roberson of Granbury visited Sunday in the Herman Roberson home.

Mrs. Tom Shockley of Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richbourg visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wallace of Lampasas Sunday afternoon.

My neighbors Mr. and Mrs. John Burks, bird farm and several pictures and a write up about the farm were carried in the Farm and Ranch section of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram Sunday. If it doesn't soon come a good big rain, Mr. Burks story stated, he would have to dig a well to supply water for his tank for the birds' use.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Culver of Dublin visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Halsey.

Etheridge Sherrard and daughters of Fort Worth visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sherrard and Mary.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Alexander and Mrs. Nila Denton and sons left Sunday for Beauxite, Arkansas to visit Mr. and Mrs. Earl Austin.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard Johnson of Mullin and Richard Gaines of Stephenville attended church at the Methodist Church Sunday night.

M. Autry of Gustine visited Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Pruett and Deborah.

Those visiting in the H. K. Self home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Self and family of Madison, Wis., Dow Self and family of Carlton, Mrs. W. C. Smith of Stephenville, M. L. Dowdy and Mr. and Mrs. Les Dowdy. H. L. and family are here on a vacation. He recently completed a course at the University of Wisconsin and has accepted a position in the college there.

Rev. Miller was a dinner guest in the Artie Thompson home Sunday.

Everyone was proud to get the rain Friday night and Saturday afternoon. About one and eight-tenths of an inch of rain fell at this writers home.

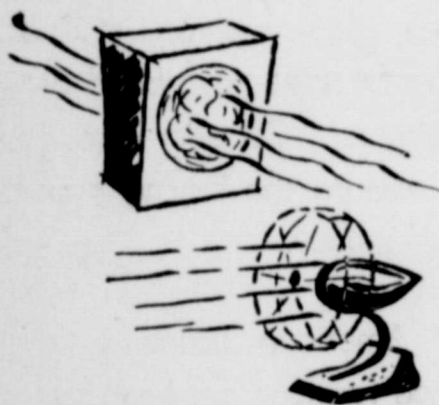
Mrs. Dal Wheeler and son of Killeen visited the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Burl Havens.

DUFFAU CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday—
10:00 a. m. Bible Study.
11:00 a. m. Worship & Communion.
1:00 p. m. Herald of Truth, WBAP.
6:30 p. m. Young People's Class.
7:00 p. m. Evening Worship.
Wednesday—
Preaching by Gerald Frucis.
7:00 p. m. Mid-week Class.

July was a scorcher!

(One of the hottest on record)



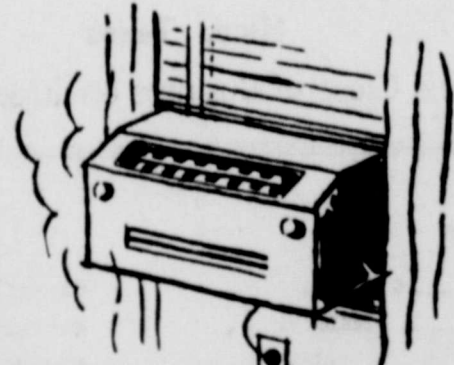
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Hico, Texas, Friday, Aug. 6, 1954.

WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

Time again to scan over the subscription books and glean a little news in notes that often accompany subscribers' renewals.

E. L. McGuyer of Rockdale, a former citizen here for a visit before he got so busy with his wholesale minnow business, has sent in his usual check.

"Holford, you'd better get on the ball on Here in Hico, for that Redbird is about to pass you up," was the pert note accompanying a renewal subscription from Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Hollis of Midland.

Mrs. Alice E. Linch, who was planning a trip to Pampa last month, sent in her money for renewal subscription before departing, saying she wanted to keep up with what folks are doing in her old home town.

Mrs. Jackie McCook, renewing her subscription from Bruce, Florida, as usual was anxious to know how everyone here is getting along. "We have had lots of fishing, which has been extra good," she said.

"I really don't think your sheet is worth \$2.13, but that's what it's costing me," says a note accompanying renewal from Frank McClure at Waco.

"Hi. Best regards to everyone," was the cheery note Mrs. J. D. Seago of Waco sent along in renewing her subscription, together with one for her sister, Mrs. L. J. Patterson of Dallas.

Jewell Faulk, another Hicoan who gravitated years ago to Fontana, California, has been on our list so long that we became worried when he failed to renew his subscription last spring.

"Our city has been in the process of being re-numbered, so I waited until I received my new address," from Rankin, where it was raining when he wrote on June 29, came a subscription renewal from C. W. Griffiths, who probably has been back here for a vacation since we were so long mentioning his note.

"I want to renew my paper when I was in Hico visiting Jim D and family the first of June," wrote Jess Wright from Dickinson, "but you were out. So here comes my \$2.00. We can't seem to get along at all without our hometown paper.

Several gift subscriptions have been entered, among which were a number sent as birthday presents. Numbered in these was one to Raymond Hefner at Waco, sent by his father, O. W. Hefner Sr.

Other new and renewal subscri-

tions entered within the past month, not noted above, include the following for which the management is duly appreciative:

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Listen as the Redbird Rambles

By Carolyn Holford

BIRD BATHS... are available in many more puddles now, and it's mighty refreshing since the cool, cleansing rain that washed several coats of dust off heavy-laden leaves and grasses.

For one time, the weather seems to have pleased everyone, and we haven't heard of anyone complaining. Usually after waiting for a rain so long, you will find one killjoy who will come up and tell you that the rain came at the wrong time, and it was too early or too late, or of all things—too much!

But this time, folks just seemed gratified to know that it could rain even that much, and they were glad for the cool relief from more than 21 days of torrid weather. During the rain Friday afternoon, the Redbird saw Hershel Sherrard and asked if he had ordered the showers.

"As a matter of fact," he said, "I've had it on order for a long time now."

He went on to talk about how nice it was and then admitted that if we got the kind of rain he really wanted it would have to continue for quite a long time. Agreeing that he wouldn't want to ask for a change, he smiled and admitted: "You know how it is with everything you order though."

BEAT THE HEAT... in more ways than one. Some folks run home and hibernate under an air conditioner. Others have to be out working under the sun a great deal of the time. But the ones who seem to suffer the most are those who stand in the shade, gaze out on the parched earth, and moan about how hot the weather is.

Did you ever notice that the more you hear someone complaining about the heat, the hotter you become? While, on the other hand, if you think about something else, you don't notice the heat for maybe thirty minutes or so.

COUPLE OF... sisters we know have made an agreement that they will not mention the heat in a personal reference for the entire summer, realizing that this type of conversation merely makes them suffer more. They might prefer to remain anonymous, but here's how they work the system.

They cannot say that it's an unusually hot day, or that they are melting, or some similar reference. If anyone else says that it is too warm, they cannot agree with it. In fact, they must say something to counteract that opinion.

Finally, if one of them slips and the other finds out, they have a pretty severe penalty on losing the wager. So think nothing of it some day if you see either Genevieve Horton or her Yankee sister, Miss Elaine Lazar, walking down the street on some far-from-cool afternoon with an ice cream cone in one hand, and all-day sucker in the other, taking a lick from first one and then the other.

They haven't been victims of the heat or suffered from overexposure—that's merely the penalty if one of them slips and mentions that the day is a little too hot. And with such a public spectacle as that staring them in the face, surely neither one of them would dare to complain about the weather.

Don't you feel cooler already, just thinking about it?

LAST WEEK'S... booster trip contained enough funny incidents to fill this entire column, but at the risk of boring those who may have been on similar booster trips and are familiar with what usually occurs, we'll brief off these comments.

For a dollar, Paul Neel said he'd turn a handspring. There were enough spectators in Clairette who thought it would be worth contributing toward that dollar to see him. To really get their money's worth, however, they would have had to go to Meridian, where Paul finally found a courthouse lawn soft enough to risk a handspring—and at that, he didn't fall.

Bud Herrin's fiddling was livened up at Walnut Springs, when Henry Davis displayed an old-time jig, and put on a good dance for the spectators.

These are just a few of the events of the trip, which included in the main show a clown and gorilla act, put on alternately by Rollie Chaney, George Kilgo and Paul Neel. It was enough to scare little children, and excite curiosity nearly every place.

Large crowds came out to watch the boosters, and from all indications many of them planned to be present for the Reunion.

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"When the Hico Reunion opens August 4," Mr. Higgs told the world in his column, "it will have one of the greatest midway carnivals in the United States in operation—the Bill Hames Show. Bill at one time brought his show to

Stephenville, several times in fact, and he always left many friends behind him. Ordinarily an organization as large as Mr. Hames carries with him does not book dates in towns as small as Hico. But since the annual reunion is such a great attraction and brings so many people to Hico, Mr. Hames was interested and readily signed a contract with the committee in charge. The Reunion authorities acted wisely in booking Mr. Hames."

Ex-Hicoan Honored at Dallas for Originating Drive-In Food Stores

John M. Green, known to all Hicoans of a half century ago, has been repeatedly honored for originating the drive-in food store idea at Dallas in 1927, was again recognized last month and tribute was paid to his vision and efforts.

On the 27th anniversary of 7-Eleven Stores, a celebration was held and Uncle Johnny had his picture in Dallas papers getting first slices from a huge birthday cake being cut by Joe C. Thompson, president of 7-Eleven's parent Southland Corporation.

A marker was put up at the site of the first store, still in operation at Twelfth and Edgfield in Oak Cliff. Present with company officials was Mr. Green, who went to Dallas from Hico and who is credited as the father of the drive-in grocery idea.

Now in the midst of a \$1,000,000 expansion program, 7-Eleven will establish new stores and remodel old ones in the system, now numbering 140. The expansion has taken the firm into three new cities—Garland, Pasadena and Texas City in the past year. Through franchise, operations also were opened in Florida with two stores in Miami and one in Jacksonville.

New Texas stores have been built at the rate of two a month the past year, including 10 new Dallas 7-Elevens. About a third of the older stores have been modernized.

The anniversary was celebrated, rightly enough, on the 11th day of the 7th month. And special recognition was given all infants weighing 7 pounds, 11 ounces, born Sunday July 11 in any of the cities where 7-Eleven operates.

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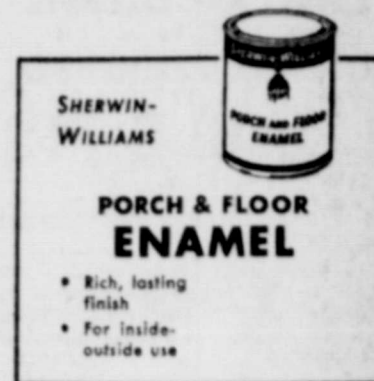
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Statement of Condition of THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK Hico, Texas

At the Close of Business on June 30, 1954

Table with 2 columns: RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Resources include Loans and Discounts (\$531,994.11), C. C. C. Loans (148,597.91), Overdrafts (1,433.16), Furniture and Fixtures (501.00), Stock in Federal Reserve Bank (3,000.00), U. S. Government Bonds (628,187.00), Cash and Due from Banks (607,354.57), Total (1,921,067.75). Liabilities include Capital Stock (\$50,000.00), Surplus (50,000.00), Undivided Profits (50,000.00), Reserves (38,084.72), Deposits (1,732,983.03), Total (1,921,067.75).

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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Patterson of Alexander visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Blair.

Joe Patrick of Houston arrived Sunday night in Hico for his annual visit to the Reunion.

Loneta Shipley of Pottsville, Kansas visited from Friday until Sunday with Peggy Ellis.

La Verne Barnhill of Iredell visited last week from Monday until Thursday with the Rex Ellis family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gage and Jerry Jr. of Waco were Sunday visitors with Mrs. J. C. Blackburn.

Regina Ellis returned home Friday night after visiting for two weeks in Fort Worth with the Ellis family and the James Kinwater family, and at Hurst with the Ralph Ellis family.

Frank Hart, educational director of Seventh and James St. Baptist church in Waco, was here several days last week to visit Roline Hays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Chaney. The boys went to Dallas over the week end.

H. W. Hanshaw, formerly of Hico, is now making his home with his son, Jake Hanshaw in Roscoe, here visiting with his brother, M. Hanshaw and family, and attending the Hico Reunion.

F. D. Hicks of De Leon was a reunion visitor in Hico Wednesday. "Whitey" is a former newspaper publisher at De Leon and his points, but is now classed among the "retired" newspaper publishers. Having formerly lived in Hico, he was visiting with old friends.

Frank Mingus left last Saturday for Ganado for a visit with his daughter, Mrs. James M. Bauknight and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lowe and children, Joyce and Mike and Mr. and Mrs. Don Hefner and son, Ronnie visited several days last week in Galveston.

Mrs. Lillian Riddle and granddaughter, Relda of Brownwood are visiting this week with her mother, Mrs. Mary Horton and daughter, Rena.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex H. Maus and son, Rex Denman of Grand Prairie spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Jimmie Ramage and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hardy of Yuma, Arizona, who left Hico in 1918, arrived Sunday for a visit with his brother, Will Hardy and Mrs. Hardy and to attend the Hico Reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Pettigrew and children, Dorcas and Linda, moved this week to Fort Worth, from their home in Hico. He had previously operated a Magnolia station in Hico.

Mrs. Earl Sneeth and granddaughter and son, Larry Sneeth, of Stephenville visited Saturday in the home of Mrs. J. C. Blackburn. Other visitors that day were Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lee and sons, Mickey and Max, of Fort Worth.

Captain and Mrs. Robert Sellers of Ann Arbor, Michigan are visiting several days this week in the home of his aunt, Mrs. J. N. Russell, and husband. They are en route to spend a vacation in Old Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Ratliff of Plainview visited Wednesday and Thursday with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Proffitt and his brother, J. B. Ratliff and wife. They were en route to Pearsall to visit their daughter.

Mrs. Sue Segrist was driven to Fort Worth last Thursday by her daughter, Miss Loraine Segrist of Dallas, who is spending part of her summer vacation here. They went especially to be in attendance at the third birthday party of little Debra Segrist, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Segrist. At the party they were joined by Miss Lucile Segrist, also of Dallas, and a number of other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. White and son, Billy of Houston spent the week end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones. They were en route home from Dallas, accompanied by their daughter, Devalca, who has been in the Scottish Rite Hospital in Dallas recuperating from surgery which she underwent on June 21. Although Devalca is still in a cast, she was permitted to go home with her parents to spend about eight weeks.

SERVICES HELD AT DUBLIN FOR O. C. COOK'S MOTHER

Funeral services were conducted at 2:30 p. m. Monday in Congregational Methodist Church in Dublin for Mrs. C. H. Cook, mother of O. C. Cook, superintendent of schools in Hico. Mrs. Cook, who was 83 years old, died Sunday afternoon in a hospital after an illness of about two weeks.

She was born in Arkansas and went to Dublin with her family 80 years ago. Her husband, a retired farmer, preceded her in death. Also surviving are two daughters and three other sons, one sister, a brother, 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

A number of friends from Hico attended funeral services.

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FIFTY YEARS of married life were observed by the Jordan family last Sunday at open house. Seated between floral decorations are Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jordan, with five of their children standing behind. Left to right are Royal Jordan, J. D. Jordan, Mrs. W. E. East, Mrs. J. G. Goughly and Mrs. Frank Stidham. They have one other son, Julius Jordan, who was unable to attend.

Golden Wedding Anniversary of Jordans Brings 140 Guests Sunday

In celebration of fifty years of wedded life, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jordan held open house Sunday, August 1, at their home in Hico. They entertained visitors who called to congratulate the couple and to visit with them between 1 and 5 p. m. During this time five of their children, two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren were present. One hundred forty relatives and guests registered during the day.

On July 28, 1904, Andrew Jackson Jordan, born August 7, 1872 at Blooming Grove, Texas, was married to Nora Poston, born February 26, 1880, at Athens, Texas. They were married at Eustace, Texas, and moved to Brownsboro where they lived one year, moving to Ballinger, Texas where they resided until 1915, when they moved to Hamilton County, where they have continued to live. In 1938 they moved to Hico, and at the present time are living at 300 West First Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Jordan have six children, namely, J. D. Jordan of Abilene; Mrs. John Goughly, Hico; Julius Jordan, Petersburg; Royal Jordan, Abilene; Mrs. Frank Stidham, Stephenville; and Mrs. W. E. East of Hico. Mr. and Mrs. Jordan have nine grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren.

The refreshment table was spread with a lace cloth over yellow and was backed by yellow gladioli. In the center was a three-tiered white wedding cake, decorated with yellow balls, and adorned at the top by a miniature bride and groom. The anniversary cake was

baked by a daughter, Mrs. John Goughly. A bowl of orange punch was served at one end of the table, and cake squares were served at the other end of the table. White napkins were inscribed in gold lettering: Nora-Andy, 1904-1954.

The cake and punch were served by Miss Florence Chenault, Miss Ruth Phillips, Mrs. J. W. Richardson, Mrs. George Christopher, Mrs. Zeph Carter, and Mrs. Grady Hooper.

Gifts brought in expression of love for the couple were shown by Misses Judy Griffiths, Janet Hooper, Mae Phillips, and Mrs. Ray Keller. Mrs. Wendell Burden and Mrs. J. D. Jordan of Abilene had charge of the guest register.

Out-of-town relatives present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jordan, Royal Jordan, Mrs. Wendell Burden and son Randall, Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Deskin, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stidham, Mrs. Lorand Heffley and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Thornton, Stephenville; Mr. and Mrs. Gus Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith and Betty Mabank; Mr. and Mrs. Revell Poston, Talco; Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Poston and family, Grand Prairie; Mrs. Charles Goughly and sons, Charles Jr. and John, Luther, Oklahoma.

Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Witt, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Sharp, Mrs. Edna East, Mrs. Annie West, Dr. and Mrs. H. Hampton, Stephenville; Mr. and Mrs. M. W. East and daughter Karen, Mrs. Chester, Fort Worth; Mrs. Linnie Hudson, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Arliss Brooks, Brownwood.

Present at the shower, with the honoree was her mother, Mrs. Fred Hyles, and her grandmother, Mrs. S. C. Raiback. Approximately 40 guests called and signed the bride's book, which was kept by Mrs. French. Mrs. Cox served punch and cookies from a table centered with a lovely arrangement of purple asters.

Linda Stone Enjoys Birthday Party Upon Reaching Seventh Year

Linda Stone was entertained last Saturday afternoon at the park with a birthday party celebrating her seventh birthday, with her mother, Mrs. F. E. Stone, serving as hostess.

Favors were gum, balloons and plastic cars. Refreshments of cake and ice cream were served to the following guests, Bob and Lounett Williams, Sandra Rhodes, Linda and Dianne Jaggars, Mary Ann McClure, Suzanne Burden, Charles Sowell, Diane Dunlop, Brenda Sue Smith, Rebekah Archie, Lynn Brush, Carl Johnson, Scott Patterson, Glenda Ogilvie, Doyleene Archie of Novice, and Wanda Kay Jackson of Idalou.

Mothers present were Mrs. Moody Smith, Mrs. Oliver Sowell, Mrs. J. B. Brush and Mrs. C. R. Jackson.

ATTEND JORDAN REUNION

Relatives from here who attended the annual Jordan Reunion held at Buffalo Gap, Wednesday, July 28, were Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. East, Mr. and Mrs. John Goughly, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Keller and daughter, Vicki. Sixty-five relatives and five guests were present.

A. J. Jordan, and Mrs. Lydia Carver of Knox City were the only surviving children of the late J. D. Jordan present for the reunion. Two other brothers, L. J. Jordan of Hico, who was ill in the Hico Hospital, and B. C. Jordan of Tyler, were unable to attend.

LETTERS from Readers

HOPES FOR ENJOYMENT DURING HICO REUNION

Drought... thirsty, hungry cattle... parched crops... A-bombs, H-bombs... Communism, McCarthyism and what-have-you... all seem to be part of our present background.

But why can't we of the elder generation go back in memory to the saddle-horse and the horse-and-buggy days—at least in retrospect for a day or two. Those days were not perfect models of Paradise to us then but, as we look back at them now and compare them with our present time, they look tame and secure.

We recall the time when there wasn't an automobile or a car in the country. At that time mothers didn't lie awake at night and wonder if their sons were being blown to bits on some foreign battlefield or if they were captives rotting in a prison camp ten thousand miles from mothers and dads and homes.

We hitched Old Sorghum to a buggy and steered down a winding, rutted road past Turpentine's place to Hog Jaw, Bug Scuffle, Pull Tight, or Buzzard's Roost, where an old-time parson told us how to be good. Or we paused at a school-closing exhibition or sweltered and fought mosquitoes on the creek at a fish fry. Or we left Old Sorghum to cool his shanks and munch hay at home while we (the party of the first part) journeyed on foot to the old swimming hole, or perchance we took a night stroll hunting 'possums or skunks or watermelon patches by the light of the moon.

Of course there was hoeing and picking cotton under a scorching sun, but we have forgotten that because we wanted to forget it.

What we do look back and see clearly is our first sweetheart or Mother's chicken and dumplings. Why can't we boys and girls of yesteryears meet and revive these

memories? Can't we forget this world of reality for a day or two and dream together of a past that is gone forever, but in retrospect is quite pleasing to us who lived it? We don't like commercialized entertainment. What is under the pavilion at the Reunion here in Hico is not commercialized.

Moral: Let's get together under the pavilion at the Reunion. Each of us is eager to see and hear where the other is and to know what his or her experiences and reactions have been through the years. Let's meet our old-time friends, neighbors and relatives at the Hico Reunion.

ROY DERRICK

Candidates are the only live things on TV these days—and most of them are re-runs.

BIRTHDAY PARTY AT CLAIRETTE GIVEN FOR RICHARD L. WHEELER, 7

Richard Lee Wheeler, who was seven years old on August 2, was entertained with a party Sunday afternoon from 3 until 5 o'clock at the Clairette Schoolhouse. His mother, Mrs. Dal Wheeler, and grandmother, Mrs. Birl Havens were co-hostesses, assisted by Miss Eunice Lee.

Favors were paper hats, balloons, stick candy and toy horns. Refreshments were served to the following guests: Junior and Cathy Haley, Gretchen Fryer, Charles and Larry Erick, Allen Ray Little, Harry Wayne and Diane Hoskins, James and Howard Huggins.

Others present were John Alexander, Birl Havens, Ross Fryer and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Haley.

THANK YOU My Fellow Texans

From the bottom of my heart, I want to thank all of you who supported me in the First Primary. Your interest in good government and your enthusiasm in this fight for Texas is an inspiration to me. Together, we will continue to discuss the issues and carry on the clean, hard campaign which will result in a decisive victory for Texas in the Second Democratic Primary on August 28.

Sincerely,



ALLAN SHIVERS

(Pol. Adv.—Paid for by J. T. Potter)

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"FIREMAN,
SAVE MY CHILD"

IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Mrs. Leon Roberts of Waco visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tidwell this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Adams and daughters, Betsy Ruth and Caroline Ann of Tahoka spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Gilbreath.

Mrs. W. C. Carey and her grandson, Carey Miles of Stephenville spent Monday night and Tuesday with her brother-in-law and sister, Mrs. Virgil Martin and husband.

Mrs. Kleibrink and children of Clifton spent a few days this week with her mother, Mrs. Franklin, who is sick.

Mrs. Nola Wingren of Dallas was called to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson on Thursday. Her mother is ill. Mrs. Bobby Ray Freeman came with her. Mrs. Patterson was taken to the Meridian Hospital.

Mrs. J. J. Martin is visiting in St. Louis, Mo.

Miss Laye French of Fort Worth visited Mrs. French this week.

Paul Patterson of Dallas visited his parents this week end.

Junior McDonel of Dallas is visiting his mother. He is on his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Pruitt of Groesbeck spent Friday night and part of Saturday with his father.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ward spent Friday in Dublin with her sister, Mrs. Herman Kilgo.

Mr. and Mrs. Arrol Nystle and children of Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loader.

Mr. Walter Hanshaw of El Paso spent the week end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Guinn and sons of Hico were here Saturday and visited her mother, Mrs. Nora Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Luck of Dallas spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. T. M. Davis.

Mr. W. A. Pylant and his brother, Walter, both of Dallas were here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Randall of Springfield, Colo. spent Friday night with her brother, Bill Stroud and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Wilson and son of Fort Worth spent the week end with his mother.

Michael Wayne Wilson returned to Dallas Friday night after a visit here a few days.

Miss Betty Bradley, who works in Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Appleby and son of Hico spent the week end here.

Mrs. Maness, who works in Dallas spent the week end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Null and daughter of Waco spent Sunday with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Wade. Their sons that spent the week here returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moore and Barbara of Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Webb.

Mrs. Graham Appleby and children of Dallas spent the week end here.

Mrs. Nola Wingren returned to her home in Dallas Friday night and returned Sunday. Came by Meridian and brought her mother, Mrs. Patterson home from the hospital. She is doing nicely. Nola was accompanied from Dallas by Mr. Blince McKee.

Mrs. Burson returned Friday from Meridian where she had been with her sister, Mrs. Young.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Fouts and children, her mother, Mrs. McDonel and her son, Duff Jr., and Michael Phillips spent from Saturday until Tuesday in Corpus Christi with their son and brother, Lee and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thompson and children spent Sunday in Walnut Springs with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Trotter.

The study on alcohol was finished Monday morning at the WSCS by Mrs. Jack Blakley. The devotional was by Mrs. Wade. All enjoyed the study. All the members come next Monday morning at 8:30. Will have a program.

Last week I failed to mention that Rev. Ellis had a Bible study for the older ones while the Vacation Bible school was on. I had the pleasure of going every day but one and I enjoyed it.

The Baptist revival closed Sunday night. A good attendance at all the services. There was 3 or 4 conversions and some joined by letter. The converts will be baptized Sunday afternoon. The meeting was good and all Christians got revived. All enjoyed the meeting.

The Flag Branch Baptist revival begins August 8 and continues through August 15. There will be night services only. Prayer service begins at 7:30 and preaching at 8:00. The pastor, Rev. G. W. McDowell will do the preaching. The public is invited.

Miss Betty Bradley, who works in Fort Worth, is at home for the summer with her parents.

Had a nice rain Friday which will help things. The weather is much cooler.

Fairy

By — Mrs. Eunice Massengale

We have had much cooler temperatures since the intermittent showers we received on Friday of last week. However today (Monday) we have had around 100 degree temperature. We received about one inch of rain last week, which will be beneficial to late maize and other late feed crops and grasslands.

We were very sorry to learn of the recent passing of Mrs. Rachel Leslie, wife of the late Mack Leslie. They formerly resided near Fairy. Mrs. Leslie is the former Rachel Ogle, sister of the late Jake Ogle and an aunt of Mrs. B. J. Parks, J. C. Massengale of Fairy and the late Jesse Massengale. Mrs. Leslie was 85 years old and was the last surviving member of the Ogle family of eleven or more children. The Leslie farm near Fairy has changed owners several times since the Leslies owned it, but is presently owned by Winifred Gardner. Mrs. Leslie is survived by one daughter, Miss Loye; two sons, Robert and Milton. She was preceded in death by her husband and one son, Dr. Willie Leslie. Our deepest sympathy is extended to those bereaved in her passing.

Mrs. Irvin Jones, Mrs. O. J. Clark, Mrs. Ted Arrant and Mrs. Dean Barnett were joint hostesses for a miscellaneous bridal shower honoring Miss Joyce Fields, bride-elect of Boyd Lowery of Meridian, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Fields last Thursday afternoon, July 29. Miss Mary Nell Jones presided at the guest book and registered the guests as each arrived. Following registration each passed to the serving table where iced punch and cookies was served to some 50 to 60 guests. Bouquets of various hues of zinnias and other cut flowers adorned the rooms of the home.

After all guests had arrived and serving was finished, Bible questions and answers were enjoyed by those present. After which Miss Joyce opened the huge assortment of nice and useful gifts and passed them to the guests for inspection. The wedding date has been set for Saturday, August 14, at 7:00 p. m. at the Fairy Baptist Church. Miss Joyce is a graduate of Fairy High School of last May and Mr. Lowery has been a member of the Fairy High School faculty the past several years. They plan to make their home at Fairy where he will again serve as a faculty member and is also ball coach. Our best wishes and congratulations are extended to them.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Parks and family of Fort Worth spent the past week visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ercy Parks and other relatives here and at Hico. Mrs. Parks and three of the children had also been visiting here week before last.

Announcements were received here recently announcing the approaching marriage of Miss Mary Jane Vaughn to Mr. James Arthur Brown, both of Circle, Texas (near Otton), on Friday, July 16 at 8:00 p. m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Moses, also of Circle. Mary Jane is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Vaughn of Circle and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Brunsmott of Fairy and Mr. B. S. Vaughn of Carlton.

The revival meeting at the Fairy Baptist Church closed Sunday night with several additions to the church.

The Agee revival also closed Sunday night with two conversions. Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Allison of

Dublin visited a while Sunday night in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Allison, after which the writer accompanied them to the home of our daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Parks of Fort Worth visited during the past week in the home of his mother, Mrs. M. E. Parks and Audie while on their vacation.

Mrs. V. D. Fulbright and two little sons of Kerrville returned home Saturday after a few days visit in the home of her mother, Mrs. M. E. Parks and Audie.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sumerford of the Ohio community south of Hamilton visited Sunday with the writer. In the afternoon we attended singing at Stephenville. On our return to Fairy we drove by and inspected the new school building and remodeling project underway at the Fairy school and must say it is going to be very nice and something we should all be very thankful for.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers, Carolyn and Jimmie Don attended the Sellers family reunion last Saturday night and Sunday which is held annually at the old Jonesboro bridge near Jonesboro, on the first Sunday in August and the Saturday night before.

The writer and sister, Mrs. Gladys Cox were shopping in Stephenville Wednesday of last week.

We learn that our government trapper, Mr. Campbell, found a place near the river, reported to be the Rice place recently vacated. We feel sure his services will mean much to livestock owners of this and surrounding communities.

Dewey Sellers of Pecan came up Monday to assist Mr. and Mrs. Woodward Brummett in moving to their new residence recently completed on the west side of their farm near farm to market road 1602. The farm is the former Jim Grogan property.

Birthdays for August that we have in mind are: Mrs. Evelyn Enger Smith, Brady, August 3; Grady Enger, August 13; the late Mrs. L. P. Richardson, August 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Allison went to Waco Monday for a visit in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dellis Seago and Sherry.

The D. E. Allison of Dublin reported two inches of rain there Saturday afternoon. The cloud passed on to Stephenville giving

them a good rain also. We did not learn the precipitation received there but noted water was still standing in fields along the highway Sunday afternoon.

Walter Porterfield returned home last week after an extended visit in the home of his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hurt of Los Angeles, Calif. He has been proudly showing the picture of his only granddaughters, seven month-old twin daughters of the Hurts, which he secured while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Barnett of Amarillo returned home the past week end following a two week visit in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Clark and other relatives of Fairy and at Hico with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Barnett and other relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. Bill Stone and little son returned to their home in Fort Worth Monday after a month's stay here. They made their home while here at the Jim Grisham home, also occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lackey. However we learn that Mr. and Mrs. Lackey have been recently residing in Hico for several months since their illness. Rev. Stone is pastor of the Fairy Baptist Church and took up residence here to assist in the vacation Bible school and two weeks revival meeting just closed.

Word has been received stating that Waynard Allison of Baytown, who was severely burned recently had been released from the hospital and hopes to be able to come up in a few weeks for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Allison and other relatives and friends.

All are very glad to learn he is now on the road to recovery.

Miss Wilma Grace Goyno of Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Goyno and Lynda, Dale King of Fort Worth also visited in the Goyno home over the week end and Wilma Grace, Lynda and Miss Bobby Prater accompanied him back to Fort Worth. Miss Prater had spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Prater and family. Lynda will visit this week with her sister, Wilma Grace.

Bible School will be held at Fairy Methodist Church, Aug. 9-13, from 8 to 10 a. m. Registration will be at the church Saturday, at 9 a. m. Children invited.

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Katy President Sees Brighter Prospects for Business Activities

St. Louis, Mo., July 31.—There are encouraging signs that the downward trend in business activity has run its course and that the second half of the year will bring a pickup. Donald V. Fraser, President of the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad Company, told stockholders in a midway report issued today.

Fraser cited strengthening retail sales, the improvement in construction expenditures and the rapid correction of excessive inventories to support his view. The Katy, "along with most other railroads of the country," suffered a marked decline both in carloadings and net income during the half-year ended June 30, he reported. The general business decline, he said, had been further aggravated in Katy-served territory by the cumulative effects of severe drought which held much of the Southwest in its grip for several years.

Other factors which contributed to reduced carloadings and to a lower average revenue per car as well, he said, were the pronounced reduction in exported agricultural commodities, diminished movement of products from two large defense plants on the railroad, and restricted building programs throughout the territory served. Fraser said "it would seem reasonable to expect" a pickup in carloadings during the balance of the year which would brighten the company's earnings prospects for 1954.

The Katy's operating revenues for the first half-year were \$36,394,930, a decrease of \$7,482,171, or 17.1 per cent, under the same period of 1953.

Net income was \$1,733,409, a decrease of \$1,838,792, or 51.5 per cent.

Operating expenses totalled \$28,596,388, a decrease of \$2,545,016, or 8.2 per cent. "Despite the general decline in business activity which has marked the year to date, the long-range prospects for the country as a whole, and for the Southwest in particular, are bright," the Katy president reported. "Temporary readjustments are to be expected, but they need not be overly serious or of long duration when the economy is basically dynamic and expanding."

Citation by Publication—THE STATE OF TEXAS

To Thomas J. Babbitt, GREETING:

You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 13th of September, A. D. 1954, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. before the Honorable District Court of Hamilton County, at the Court House in the City of Hamilton, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 24th day of June, 1954. The file number of said suit being No. 4673.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Lola Viola Babbitt, as Plaintiff, and Thomas J. Babbitt as Defendant.

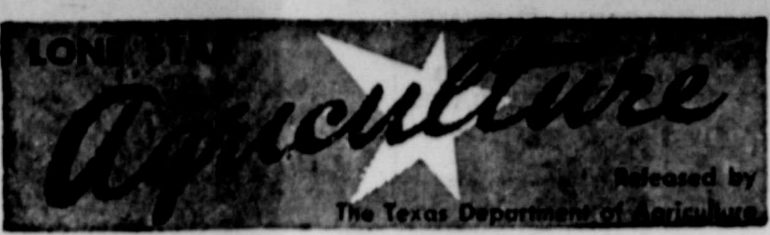
The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Suit for Divorce on Grounds of Cruel Treatment.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this 27th day of July A. D. 1954.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Hamilton, Texas, this 27th day of July, A. D. 1954.

C. E. EDMISTON, Clerk District Court, Hamilton County, Texas (12-4tp)

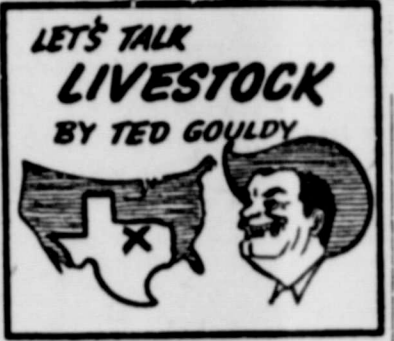


TEXAS CROP REPORT

Some 26.1 million acres of Texas land have been put into crops for harvest this year—more than any year since 1949.

Texas farmers had to shift a large number of acres of land to other crops to offset restrictions on cotton and wheat plantings this season but the crop land is still about three million acres above the twenty-three million finally harvested in 1953. Reductions in cotton and wheat were exceeded by a record acreage of sorghums. Plantings of corn, oats, barley, rice, sweet potatoes, and hay crops also were increased.

The 1954 season got off to a slow start in central, southern and southeastern counties. This was due to delayed planting, irregular germination and slow early growth brought on by critically dry conditions. The plains area and South Texas have been relieved by some rain.



Big Differences of Opinion Loom on Prices

As the season progresses it is becoming more and more evident that the ideas of Corn Belt feeders and the opinions of Southwestern cattle producers as to the prices of stockers and feeders this year are almost poles apart.

Theories of slaughter buyers as to what grass cattle and slaughter calves should bring and the opinions of the people who own the cattle and calves, are equally far apart.

The immediate result of these differences of opinion is smaller than seasonal numbers of cattle and calves moving to market during July and on the opening session for August. The long range results appear to be that the numbers of cattle and calves marketed late in the year and early next year will be larger than usual if the present trend in the Southwest continues.

Many areas in the Midwest and in the Central and South Atlantic States into which large numbers of Southwestern stockers and feeders go each year are currently in varying degrees of drought. This serves to dull their desire to buy stockers and feeders since the grain and forage crops are in jeopardy.

Currently there are 20 to 40 counties of Texas in more or less critical drought conditions, and many of the sections that a year ago were in hard shape are this year doing very well despite some suffering from high temperatures.

One old-timer sized it up this way: "Looks like the folks with cattle to sell think they will be higher, and those with cattle to buy look for them to be lower. That's what makes trade, these differences of opinion and the eventual arrival at prices."

Brings to mind a favorite expression of an old-time grain market speculator. He said: "The market is never wrong. Some times people trying to figure the market are wrong."

Cattle Open on Stronger Basis

Cattle and calves sold in an active trade at fully steady to stronger prices at Fort Worth Monday. Numerous spots were 25 to 50 cents above last week's close. The salesmen were asking substantially higher prices on most kinds and buyers were inclined to resist but apparently needed supplies badly enough to make concessions.

Good and choice slaughter steers and yearlings drew \$18 to \$21.25 while common and medium grassers sold from \$10 to \$17. Stocker and feeder steers and steer yearlings sold mostly from \$12 to \$17, with some choice feeders to \$18.50. Fat calves drew \$15 to \$18.50, when good and choice and some light yearling kinds sold to \$19 and better. Common and medium sorts sold from \$10 to \$14, and culls from \$8 to \$10.

Stocker steer calves of the better kinds sold from \$15 to \$19 and plain sorts sold from \$12 to \$14. Heifer calves ranged around \$2 under steers.

Fat cows drew \$9 to \$12, and canners and cutters cashed at \$6 to \$9.50. Bulls drew \$8 to \$12.50 a few to \$13.

Hogs Open With Small Gains

Butcher hogs moved to a \$23 top at Fort Worth Monday and this represented a 25 cents advance over the Friday close. Some of the heavy butchers were more than 25 cents higher, and some weighing up to 260 pounds and better drew the top prices.

Sows were steady to 50 cents higher and sold from \$13 to \$18.50.

Sheep and Lambs Sell At Fully Steady Prices

Trade was active and prices were steady to strong on sheep and lambs at Fort Worth Monday. Fat lambs topped at \$20, and feeders sold from \$14 downward. Old ewes drew \$3.50 to \$4.50. Old bucks sold around \$3. Yearlings cashed at \$7 to \$12.

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 EARLY-DAY HARDSHIPS, PLEASURES
 AND MEMORIES. HERE ARE THE
 RECOLLECTIONS AS TOLD BY ONE
 OF THE FAMILY DESCENDANTS.

High on the top of a beautiful hill in the Falls Creek community near Hico stands a rock house which has been the scene of many family gatherings and has fascinated the youngsters down through the years since being deserted by several groups of families which lived there at various intervals.

Not long ago, when the ancient stairways and floors were still intact, this was a favorite site for an afternoon outing, and many names carved on its walls disclose the identities of many of these latter-day excursionists.

Now in its 80th year, the old Stinnett homeplace looks from the outside as if it might last another century or so, and its strong mortar and straight-laid sides pay a silent tribute to the rock masons whose master workmanship has doubtless outlived them all.

Mrs. Lora Denman of Dublin, a granddaughter of the late Captain Rufus Stinnett, who built the house four miles south of Hico on the Bosque River, has obliged this newspaper with an account of the beginning and history of this structure. She wrote this information several years ago, having compiled all the facts she could recall about the homeplace. Her story is printed below.

Captain Rufus Stinnett had this old two-story rock house erected on the hilltop that overlooked the Bosque River, four miles south of New Hico, in the year 1874. It was built out of the native rocks on the farm and quarried on the hillside by rock masons from Chicago, Ill. Mr. Burns, Mr. Burns, Mr. Tatum and Mr. Cook built it; Mr. Brene and Mr. Cook were the rock masons. They spent several months digging out the rocks and quarrying them, and it took three months to build the house. In all, it took almost a year to complete everything.

One day Mr. Brene received a letter stating that some of his folks were sick and he must go back to Chicago, but the house wasn't quite finished. Mr. Brene told the captain that if he didn't come back he'd send another man in his place just as good as he, so the Captain carried him to Waco to catch the train back to Chicago, and the Stinnett family moved into the unfinished house, not having time to give a housewarming (which was very popular at that time when a new house was built in the community).

So one day about a month later, the captain got word to meet a Mr. Cook (from Chicago) at Waco at a certain time. The Captain hitched up his team of black mules to his two-seated hack (the only hack in that country) and went to Waco for the man, Waco being the nearest railroad station at that time. Mr. Cook came and finished the house.

A Mr. Marshall from Duffau did the carpenter work (or wood work) of the building. He was a brother to Mrs. Chamberlain and an uncle to Mr. Willard Chamberlain (all deceased) who lived at Duffau at that time.

I'm not sure how much the house cost; my mother said over \$1,000 at least, and her father, Rufus Stinnett, boarded all the men all the time they were at work quarrying the rock and building the house.

Captain Rufus Stinnett and his wife, Elizabeth, had five children: Lucie, Ella, Phillip, Web and Tom. Yes, those yellow roses are the same little yellow roses that originally came from France. They are the "yellow roses of France."

My grandfather—Rufus Stinnett's father—was John Stinnett, and was from Tennessee, but he came from France with his parents when he was a boy of six years, about the year 1784 or 1786. When his parents settled in Virginia about that year, they moved from there to Warren County in Tennessee,

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NO TIME FOR HOUSEWARMING when the Stinnett family moved into their new home as its first occupants 80 years ago. Its large airy rooms had Venetian blinds on all the windows, and beautiful chandeliers enhanced the interior. The chimneys still stand at either end of the house where the family enjoyed gathering around the two fireplaces. The house was completed in about a year. The cost was around \$1,000!

and when he was grown, John Stinnett went back to France and brought back those little yellow roses. He first brought them to Tennessee; from there he moved to Alabama; won to Arkadelphia, Arkansas; and from Arkansas, Rufus Stinnett moved to Cameron (Milam County) Texas, and then to Old Hico in 1872, bringing the little yellow roses his mother had carried with her from place to place. Now he and his wife, Elizabeth, brought them to Hico.

And there's a legend going around that those little yellow roses came off Napoleon's grave, but I'm sure that isn't true; however, they really are the little yellow roses of France.

The rooms of this early-day house were large and airy, being 30 or 40 feet square (I don't know exactly) with the customary wide hall between them, and the windows of the widest dimensions and the pretentious walls were plastered from top to bottom, with a basement of the same dimensions of the building, and two tall stately rock chimneys, one at either end of the house, each with its own wide fireplace.

And even in that early day, this grand old rock house was equipped with Venetian blinds throughout the building, and large crystal chandeliers dangled from the center of the ceilings, and lights glimmered and shimmered through the windows, casting a mellow glow over the hillside at night. The rooms were furnished with fabulous antique furniture and furnishings.

Captain Rufus Stinnett, a fairly well-to-do merchant and farmer, moved here with his family from Cameron, where he had been engaged in the mercantile business and had served as Sheriff of Milam County one term after returning from four years of the Civil War.

He started west to Comanche, Texas, but landed in Old Hico, Hamilton County, Texas, in January, 1872. He soon struck a trade with John Barber for the improvement of this farm of 360 acres of land, consisting of a large board house near the Bosque River, for a consideration of \$500. It consisted also of other buildings with pungent floors, barns, and part of the land was fenced with rails.

The Captain moved his family in and during the year 1872, he wanted to buy his land and to send up a surveyor, so a Mr. Frazier was sent up from Waco to survey the land. He not only surveyed Captain Stinnett's land, but all the land around Old Hico. The old settlers had to buy their land, as they were only squatting on the land.

A Mr. Puse from Waco owned all this land around Old Hico, so the Captain and all the old settlers bought their land. Captain Stinnett paid \$3.00 an acre for his 360-acre tract.

These old stone walls have seen much joy, gaiety and sorrow, and many weddings have taken place there. Ella, youngest daughter of Captain and Mrs. Stinnett, was married there to George Hall on the night of December 27, 1876. One hundred invitations had been sent out and an elaborate wedding took place. Following the ceremony, the guests were served to a sumptuous supper in the dining room in the basement. A toast was given and they ate and drank to the health of the bride and groom.

The Captain's wife died there on January 4, 1877. Then four years later, Captain Stinnett married his second wife, Martha Hyles. Then he sold his farm in 1884 to Mr. Elijah Goodnight (a brother to the famous Charlie Goodnight). He moved to the town of New Hico in 1884, and there he built a home near the Bosque River.

Mr. Goodnight lived in the old house until 1887, when he sold the farm to John Fitzgerald and later it was sold to Mr. Osley The R. L. Lewis family owns the property today, and J. B. Ogle owns the house on that land.

The wood of the old building has fallen to decay and the old rock fence around the property has crumbled down, but the aged stone walls are still standing there today as a silhouette against the sky. It stands as a landmark of early pioneer development in this part of the State.

The family of Captain Rufus Stinnett have all departed this life, and the last remaining of the Stinnett children was Mrs. George W. Hall of Dublin, Texas, who passed away on August 16, 1946, at the age of 88 years.



STURDY AND STRAIGHT are these native rock walls, which have withstood 80 years of exposure to the weather. A close-up of the mortar between these hand-quarried rocks reveals that it is still serving its purpose well and has crumbled in very few places. This view is from the front of the house, which faced the old road when the house was built. Since then, a new road has been built below the hill, this one discontinued.



LOST TIME: The schedule of the Senate was thrown off balance by the prolonged discussion of the Revised Atomic Energy Bill. As I write this, it is not clear just when adjournment of this session of Congress will come.

I wholeheartedly approve of the principle of full discussion of any proposed legislation. I have been disturbed by the fact that the extended debate on the Atomic Energy Bill, accompanied by day-and-night sessions of the Senate, delayed our taking up measures of great importance—such as farm legislation, social security, foreign aid, and others.

It is hoped that a final rush for adjournment will not result in these serious questions being given inadequate consideration.

SMALLER DEFICIT: The Federal Government operated at a deficit during the 1954 fiscal year, which ended June 30, but the deficit was smaller than it has been during recent years. Expenditures outran receipts during the 12 months by \$1,029,000,000. The deficit for the preceding year amounted to \$1,900,000,000.

Actual expenditures were cut \$500,000,000 under the level of the 1953 fiscal year.

Tax cuts approved during the present session of Congress are estimated to total approximately \$7,500,000,000.

DEFENSE Expenditures: Proper economy in the conduct of the Government is greatly to be desired, of course. But some observers feel that the Administration has cut too deeply into expenditures for defense.

Outlays for national security programs mounted to \$46,200,000,000 last year. That was a reduction of two and one-half billion dollars.

According to a statement from the White House, this cut reflects greater economies in operations, re-examination of military plans, reduced stock levels, less Atomic Energy Commission spending, and delay in the delivery of materials for stockpiling.

Only history can show whether the reduced military expenditures in this period of continuous world turmoil were justified. Certainly it is of the greatest importance that we remain strong. In the military and economic strength of the United States lies the only hope of maintaining freedom in the world.

WE MUST BE READY: A horrifying example of the perils we face in these times was given by the action of the Chinese communists in firing on American aircraft engaged in searching for possible survivors of the Cathay Pacific Airliner shot down by the communists.

We seem continually poised on the brink of disaster.

When the first announcement came of the attack on our aircraft, I made a brief statement in the Senate, pointing out that this is a time above all times for Americans to unite.

"The Chinese communists are shooting at our men," I pointed out. "There can be no partisanship or divided loyalties on such an issue."

"We must await the facts to determine the next step. But meanwhile, we must also resolve to be cool, decisive and ready to act as Americans must always act in the face of danger."

I feel confident that those are the sentiments of the people of Texas.

TEXAS DROUGHT: Reports of drought conditions in many Texas counties continue to be disturbing. We were able to get the President to declare 23 counties as a drought disaster area, making them eligible for some assistance in the matter of feed for cattle.

But the program at present authorized is inadequate to meet the serious situation that exists. Texas' able Agriculture Commissioner, John C. White, is giving his best efforts to this whole matter. I certainly shall be of any assistance I can.

PERSONAL: I would be ungrateful indeed if I did not say how deeply I appreciate the confidence Texans showed in me on July 24. I want all of you to know that your faith in me will make me work harder than ever to give you, the people of Texas, the kind of representation you deserve to have in the United States Senate.

Lady Bird and I thank you. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

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