

Odds and Ends

(BY E. I. THE ELDER)

The story of America ought to be of interest to every American. Many of us make no effort to learn that story because we are too busy or think we are too busy at making a living. All of us

who can possibly take time out to learn the story of our country certainly should do so. We would get both pleasure and profit out of it—not financial profit possibly but the mental profit that comes from the ability to understand better both past and current events. That rule applies all so in large measure to world history. And one of the means whereby we may understand better any great historic event is by visiting the scene and studying on the ground the events recorded by the historians or related to us by others.

A few months ago, while H. P. Cavens was visiting his daughter and her family in Ohio, he took advantage of the opportunity to visit the battlefield of that terrific struggle known as the Battle of Gettysburg, generally recognized as the decisive conflict of the so-called Civil War. Mr. Cavens had longed to view that battlefield because it was the scene of one of the most terrific conflicts of all history and especially because his own father had fallen there. Mr. Cavens searched out the point where it was believed his father had fallen and made a partial survey of both Cemetery Ridge occupied by the Union forces and of Seminary Ridge occupied by the Confederates. And he took some pictures of the battlefield to preserve for his children, and he showed them to this columnist a few days ago. It will be remembered that Mr. Cavens several months ago furnished to THE NEWS for publication some human interest stories he had written relating to incidents of this battle.

One can hardly read the story of this frightful conflict without being touched to the depths of his soul by the tragedy and the paths of it. Think of it! Some 93,000 Federals engaged on the one side and some 70,000 Confederates on the other, and thousands of them engaged in hand-to-hand conflict. The official losses are given as 23,003 Federal and 20,451 Confederates. We have had no such terrific losses in any single engagement in any war since. And the deepest pathos of it was that it was a war between Americans and Americans. And you readers may be assured that Mr. Cavens now knows his history like a spelling book as it pertains to the Battle of Gettysburg, and incidentally to other battles of that unfortunate war. In one or more of his contributions to The News Mr. Cavens made reference to a wonderfully beautiful drive up in the Alleghenies on the way from Akron, Ohio, to Gettysburg. Well, he took a picture of that scenery along the highway while he was on that trip and he had that picture with him the other day. That picture does indeed portray one of the most beautiful scenes that I have ever found anywhere—a group of perfectly shaped oval-topped mountains covered with perfectly formed flowering trees, the whole scene presenting a picture as beautiful as a rose on a stem or as a lily in the pond.

Now that is a good way to study Texas history. Read about the facts until they become reasonably familiar to you and then go and take a look at the terrain and the landscape. And I have found that one good way to learn Texas history is to learn it through the names of the counties, towns, creeks, and even frog-ponds that have been named in commemoration of some outstanding historic individual or of some important or thrilling historic event. But last week I did not get quite through with Gail Borden. There is one more chapter touch-

ing his life that is in itself interesting to study but that is more important because of the light which it throws on early missionary efforts.

When Moses Austin in 1820 secured his permit from the Spanish government to colonize Texas, this state was still a part of Coahuila, Mexico, and all Mexico was still a subject of Spain. All Spain was dominated by the Catholic Church and no religion was tolerated anywhere in the empire other than that of the Roman Catholic Church. Accordingly, during the whole colonization period, from 1820 to 1836, there was not a single Protestant church in Texas. There was one little Baptist Church which Elder Daniel Parker had organized in Illinois in 1833 and had moved to Texas. Its location was changed two or three times after reaching Texas but finally settled down permanently near Elkhart some 15 miles south of Palestine in Anderson county, and there its members were worshipping when the Texas Revolution broke out in 1836.

Many Protestants of various denominations had been permitted by the empresarios, who were the founders of the various colonies, to come into their respective colonies as permanent residents and home-owners, however without respect to their religious beliefs and affiliations, but they had never been allowed to build church houses or to hold open public church services. Many other Protestants had come into Texas "on their own" taking chances on the possibility of ever being able to worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences or of being obliged to worship God only in secret if they worshiped at all. Many others had come into Texas, of course, who were not members of any church and who worshiped no God.

It can be readily understood therefore that on the very day that Texas won her independence and religious freedom, movements started by various denominations to establish and build churches and that even great missionary movements should soon be launched.

As a matter of fact, many families and single individuals, expectant residents of Texas, had settled over on the east side of the Trinity, in the state of Louisiana, which had been United States territory ever since the Louisiana Purchase was made by President Thomas Jefferson in

1803, and at least one Presbyterian, one Methodist, and one Baptist Minister had been conducting evangelistic services over there on the east side of the Trinity for quite a little while before Texas won her independence; and Protestants and Baptists who resided over on the west side of the Trinity flocked across the River in great numbers to attend these services. So, as soon as Texas won her independence in 1836, there was a great revival of religious worship and activity throughout most of the Texas settlements.

Now this brings us back to the story of Gail Borden, but a rather roundabout recital, it must be, since we related a part of it last week.

We stated then that he was probably born in Georgia, since he married a native Georgia girl, a Miss Mercer, the daughter of Eli Mercer and a grand-daughter of the noted educator Thomas Mercer, president of Mercer College situated at Macon, Georgia.

But Eli Mercer and his family moved to Texas before the Texas Revolution broke out, and I have read since writing this column last week that Gail Borden came to Texas from Missouri, in the year correctly stated last week 1833. So, it seems probable that the couple met and married in Texas.

All this is rather unimportant, but I set it down here for the reason that I want to keep the record straight in so far as this column is concerned. One of the difficulties in writing this story about Gail Borden has resulted from the fact that the source writers have written so indefinitely, so confusingly, and so erroneously in many instances that it is difficult for any searcher for the truth to find out exactly what the truth is.

I told you last week about Gail Borden and his brother Tom starting a newspaper shortly be-

fore the beginning of the Texas Revolution in which they bitterly denounced Dictator Santa Anna and the Mexican government of that day and time for its duplicity, tyranny, and despotic methods in dealing with Texas.

I am now prepared to tell you that the first issue of that paper, which seems to have borne the long name of "Telegraph and Texas Register", was issued, not at Harrisburg but at San Felipe de Austin on the west bank of the Brazos River in Austin county which was the headquarters of

Stephen F. Austin. The first three issues were printed there in fact ostensibly with the moral and financial backing of Austin himself. But Borden made a gloomy financial report to Austin indicating that his little financial and political gun-boat was about to sink, and so they promptly steered it around to Harrisburg and began to pour forth their hot shot from there. Santa Anna sank it all right, as I told you last week, but he got sunk the next day too. Borden finally lifted his boat out of the mud

and set it to work again fighting the battles of freedom. I really do not know how long it was able to make the grade as a newspaper, but I have not really heard anything from it in any of the heated political campaigns that have been pulled off in Texas since. It might have lasted longer if Austin had lived.

But at that very time, Austin himself was a very sick man. It was doubtless the hardship he underwent in that Mexican prison for some fifteen months, the

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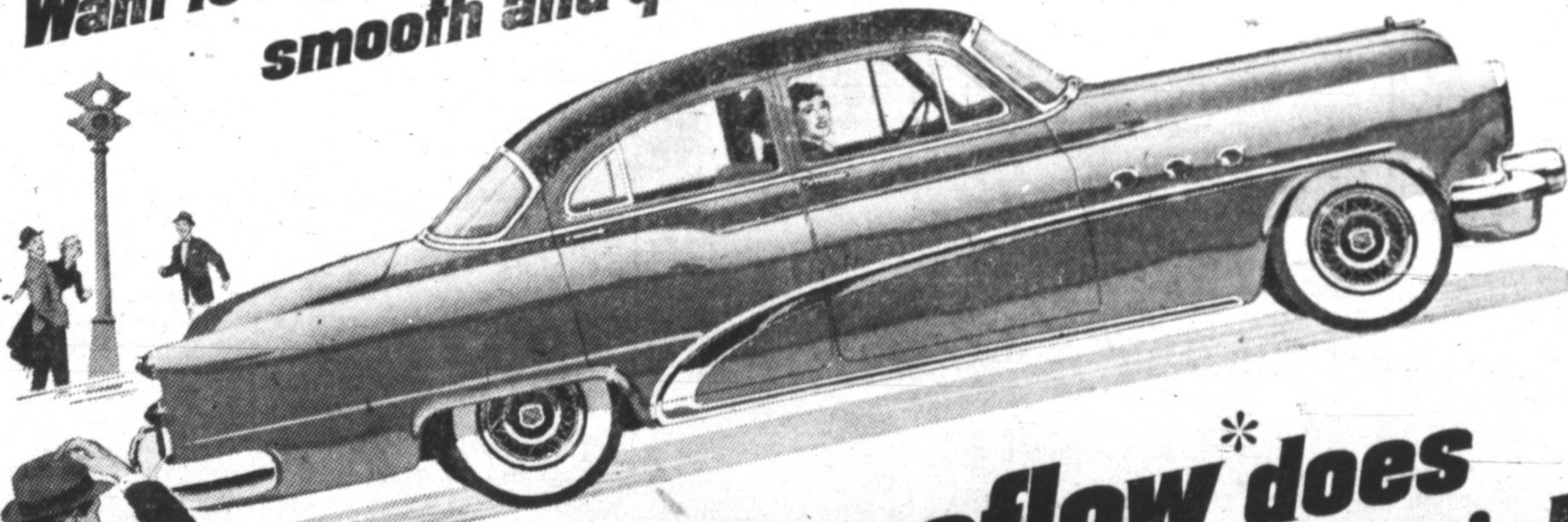
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problems constantly arising between the empresarios and the colonists on the one hand and the Santa Anna and the Mexican government on the other hand, aggravated by occasional Indian raids that worried and wore Austin down to a virtual invalid. When Burnet's term as President expired, friends and admirers of Austin had his name placed on the ballot as a candidate for the office against so experienced and effective a campaigner as Sam Houston, the hero of San Jacinto, and poor Austin, the "father of Texas," who had done so much for the state, was defeated and dispirited, and although Houston appointed him as secretary of state, his health was gone and he died in December, 1836.

But Gail Borden had remained loyal to his chief.

In fact, I have seen nothing but praise and commendation of Gail Borden in the public prints of his day. He seems to have gained the esteem and admiration of Ministers, public officials, educators, refined church women, and civic and political leaders generally. One lady from Richmond, Virginia, visiting in the growing little city of Galveston in 1840, wrote back to a friend in Richmond about "Gail Borden Esq., the agent of the Galveston City Commission—a man who, I presume, stands as high as any in the republic for sterling integrity, high-toned morality and the active interest he takes in every measure calculated to advance the moral and religious improvement of society."

Gail Borden and wife for years had been devout Christians but prior to the Texas Revolution had not had any opportunity to connect themselves with any church. No churches were permitted in Mexico except Roman Catholic churches, and very few Baptist or Protestant churches had been organized in the three years that followed the victory at San Jacinto. Boards or agents of practically all Protestant denominations were making applications to the proper authorities, however, to send missionaries to Texas from their respective church bodies. A number of leading Baptists down in south and southeast Texas had made an appeal to the Mercers at Atlanta, Georgia, to send a Baptist Missionary to that region. There was not a Baptist Church in Galveston, nor in Houston, nor in more than just a few other towns in all that vast region. The Atlanta people took it up with the Home and Foreign Mission Society in New York, and by the first of January, 1840, they had a Missionary on his way to Texas. Rev.

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James Huckins, a very scholarly and able man. He was a graduate of Brown University and Andover Theological Seminary—a very jumble and lovable man, he proved to be. A native of New Hampshire, he was welcomed to Texas with open arms. He came from New York to Atlanta, from Atlanta to New Orleans, and from New Orleans to Galveston. Probably he had never been in the South before; certainly he had never been in Texas. He was a young college graduate in a strange land. Up till twenty years previously when Moses Austin first came to Texas in 1820, Galveston Island was still the hang-out of the noted pirate Jean Lafitte. But since the United States had effected the Louisiana Purchase in 1803 and had brought New Orleans within her bounds, she had been cleaning up the Gulf and the Caribbean a bit, New Orleans was becoming a more decent city and Galveston Island had become as beautiful as the "pretty little girl in Blue." I am going to let young Mr. Huckins do most of the talking from here on out.

After paying high tribute to New Orleans, estimating its population at 100,000, noting the marvelous resources of the lands that surround it, and predicting that it was to be the second largest city in the United States, the preacher turned his thoughts and his attention to Texas. Dating his diary January 24, 1840, Huckins wrote down: Left New Orleans on the 22nd on the steamer Neptune bound for Texas, the land of promise and hope. About six o'clock this evening Galveston hove in view. Joy was lighted in every countenance. To the north, dark clouds of smoke ascended, indicative of the burning of extensive prairies which bound the shore and extend into the country for great distances. A prairie or a canebreak on fire is a grand spectacle. About seven

o'clock we came beside the wharf. Four or five steamboats, with ten to twelve other vessels, first attracted our attention. Next the city of Galveston, with its 600 houses and its 3,000 inhabitants, burst upon our view. The wharf, extending into the harbor some sixty yards, was crowded with men, all on the tip-toe of expectation, waiting the arrival of news, friends, and strangers.

And so that is what Galveston looked like in 1840. Twenty years before, when Moses Austin first visited Texas, it was the haunt of Jean Lafitte and other sea-robbers.

Noting in his diary the next morning that he had stayed on board the ship that night and went ashore next morning not expecting to see any one he had ever known and intending to go on to Houston that evening, to his surprise he met one of his old friends, who introduced him to others, and these prevailed upon him to remain over in Galveston and preach to the few Baptists there. He stayed with them and preached for two or three weeks, but it was only two or three days until steps were taken to organize a Baptist Church. A church of nine original members was organized, and three other Christians came forward as candidates for baptism. These three were Mr. and Mrs. Gail Borden and Mrs. Borden's unmarried sister, who, of course was another daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Mercer.

So, on February 5, Huckins wrote down in his diary: "This has been one of the happiest days of my life. God has given me the privilege of baptizing three individuals. Never before since the creation of man have the waters of the great Gulf this side of the Mississippi been visited for the performance of a rite so sacred. As long as life shall last I will cherish that scene, and it seems to me that my spirit

in eternity will love to linger around its portraiture."

Again Huckins wrote of this event, the following beautiful description of it: "Tuesday last at three o'clock was the time set for the baptism. The ordinance took place on the south side of the island. The day was fine and the congregation was numerous. The grandeur of the scenery conspired with the moral sublimity of the occasion to awaken the strongest and most thrilling emotions. On one side, as far as the eye could see, lay the vast prairies, on the other the boundless expanse of ocean, lashing with its deep blue waters the ground on which we stood. There too was to be heard the sound of the ever-rolling billows, resembling the distant voice of God. These all conspired to

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make us feel the majesty and power of that God in whose name we had assembled."

Gail Borden, the Minister continues, was the first of the three to be buried with Christ in baptism, next Mrs. Borden, and then her sister. There was much weeping for joy and gratitude to God by those who witnessed the sacred event.

And this gives you the background of the noble and useful Christian life of Gail Borden.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 1953

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Wilson, Texas
Rev. John A. Martin, Pastor
Sunday Services
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Worship Service 11:00 a. m.
Baptist Training Union
Union 7:30 p. m.
Worship Service 8:30 p. m.
Monday Services
Women's Missionary Society 2:30 p. m.

1st. & 3rd. R. A.'s & G. A.'s 4:00 p. m.
Wednesday Service
Mid-Week Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.
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WASHINGTON AND
"SMALL BUSINESS"
 By C. WILSON HARDER

A great glaring inconsistency noted by Washington observers is that so often a mighty hue and cry is raised over a huge problem, yet no attention is given to the solution right at hand.

As example, during tax hassle, statement was made that it may even be necessary to raise the national debt limit by the end of the year, so serious is the nation's financial plight.



Yet, Cong. C. W. Harder, Congressman Ralph W. Gwinn, of New York's 27th District, whose views are often circulated by the Committee for Constitutional Government, firmly believes at least \$47 billion could be lopped from national debt right now.

As one item, points to Public Housing, as in past 19 years, the public has been saddled with a 40-year mortgage totalling \$20 billion dollars.

Congressman Gwinn marshals many facts about public, low rent housing projects. Removal of property from local tax rolls creates a burden on local government. He also cites the apparent fact that only the politically annotated can secure this low rental housing.

Only families below a certain income are supposed to be eligible for the rentals which are about half the prevailing rental market, yet in one case a tenant with a \$34,000 per year income was found; in another case the mayor of Birmingham, Alabama was a public housing tenant.

But while the scandals are bad, Congressman Gwinn has not yet commented on the most interesting fact.

The Public Housing Authority has built somewhere around 500,000 family dwelling units. This means, based on Congressman Gwinn's figures of \$20 billion dollars, that public housing has cost somewhere around \$40,000 per family unit. Thus it becomes plain government has no business in real estate business.

If Public Housing Authority property was sold to the highest bidder, competent real estate operators would undoubtedly find attractive investments.

While the property would probably not be worth the full \$20 billion bled from taxpayers, a strong possibility is felt that sales to private operators should return more than half.

This reasoning is based on the fact that a fair portion of this housing was prewar built, some during the war, only a portion built during the postwar inflated cost period.

Therefore, at present day values, it is conceivable that a part of the housing could be sold for considerably more than it cost to build, despite bureaucratic waste, and that a big loss would only be taken on property built during postwar period. Such a move would slash \$10 billion from national debt save untold millions in interest and administration. It is common business practice to take a loss to avoid further losses, a principle presumed understood by an administration self-proclaimed as businessmen.

Congressman Gwinn also believes that the government could reduce the national debt \$27 billion by selling the Tennessee Valley Authority, or TVA.

Because consideration of this issue is bound to be highly controversial, it will be treated in the next column.

INTEREST IN INDIVIDUAL CAGE SYSTEM FOR LAYING FLOCK INCREASES

College Station, August.—A relatively new development in the egg production field, housing the hens in individual cages, is receiving an increasing amount of attention in Texas. According to W. J. Moore, poultry husbandman for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, this system of producing commercial eggs has both advantages and disadvantages when compared with more commonly used method of production—the laying house.

The cage system is an intensive method and requires a different management program for the laying flock, says Moore. The human element is an even greater factor than in the older and more standardizing floor system and, he adds, precision is the key to successful laying cage management. The system must be operated with clock-like precision if the hens are to do their work, says the specialist. The failure of one operation can throw the assembly line out of production. Feeding, watering, ventilation, cleaning and replacements all must be handled with precision.

Moore explains the advantages of the individual cage system this way. Egg production can be held fairly uniform throughout the year; cannibalism can be eliminated; competition between birds is eliminated; freedom from caccidiosis and roundworms; feed of efficiency can be improved and mortality will be lower.

On the disadvantage side, Moore lists the relatively high initial investment; the greater attention which must be given to details; fly problems and multiple brooding of replacements.

The specialist points out there other problems which need attention before such a plant is built. Mr. Moore says that all persons interested contact their local county agent for details and a copy of a new publication, C-338, Laying Cage Management.

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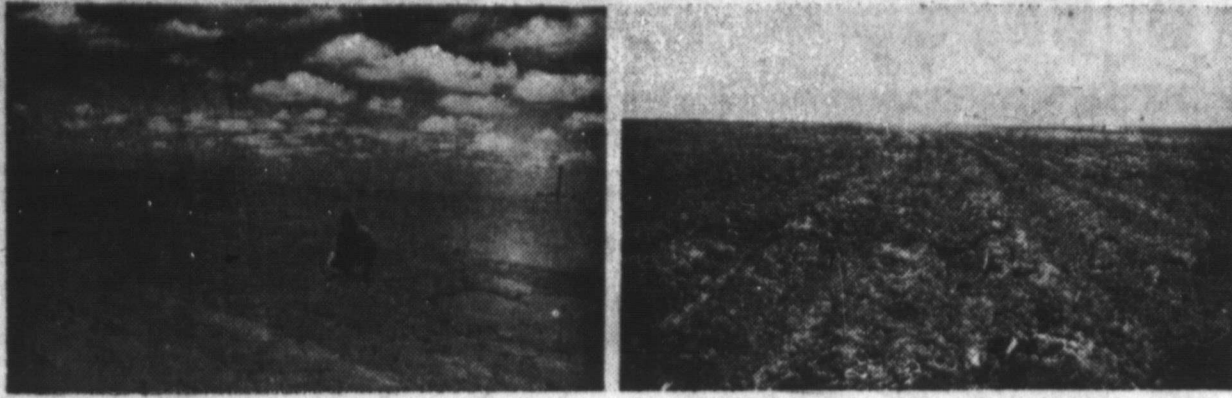
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For Lands Sake, Cover!



Dust has blown on this un-covered listed cotton land, causing extensive damage.

This cotton land, also listed, withstood the ravages of blowing sand much better.

By Allen H. King
Soil Conservation Service
For Lands Sake, Cover!
Soil conservation districts of the South Plains are emphasizing this timely theme for South Plains Soil Conservation week, August 9 through 16.

Cover and organic matter represent the great needs of this area's agriculture. Kay K. Moore, area vice president of the Texas Association of Soil Conservation District Supervisors, believes.

Moore thinks this area can profit by taking the progressive approach and beginning now to conserve soil and water. In this way, he says, we can avoid the mistake of other agricultural areas which waited too long.

Joe Walker Sr., chairman of the Lubbock County Soil Conservation District, in a meeting of the Board of Supervisors, pointed out that Plains soil still is abundantly rich in plant food. For hundreds and hundreds of years, grass enriched it with organic matter to a considerable depth, but one-crop farming, which allows for no significant return of organic matter and leaves the soil without protection from wind and water, is beginning to hurt

the soil. In some places the loss of topsoil has been severe and costly.

Many farmers with years of experience on the South Plains have told of declining yields on the same rainfall. This lowering of yields is undoubtedly due to dwindling supplies of organic matter, coupled with poor physical condition of soil. One of the practical ways of helping to remedy this situation is through crop rotation with heavy residue-producing crops on from 40 to 60 percent of the land each year. The residues should be managed to leave the top of the ground trashy. Wind erosion will be reduced, and rainwater will have a better chance of going into the soil. During dry periods such as this, we can appreciate the function of such crops and the value of their proper management.

Many agricultural authorities point out that new land frontiers suitable for tillage are limited. Increased production must come from better care and use of the land we now have. Considerable increases can be obtained through the conservation of soil and water. Eighty farmers and ranchers representing a cross section of

landowners practicing conservation in this area showed that a coordinated conservation program on their land increased yields of cotton 23 percent and of grain sorghum 49 percent.

The urgency for getting cover such as sorghums on dryland farms and soil-improving crops such as vetch, Madrid clover and alfalfa, on irrigated lands can be amply demonstrated. The sand and dust storms ought to be sufficient evidence in themselves. But studies made locally with winds at 25 miles per hour on bare soils in poor condition give more weight to the argument. Hard or tight lands showed a loss of about one-half ton of soil per acre. Soil losses on mixed sandy loams were five to fourteen times as great. On sandy lands the loss was twenty-five to one hundred times as great as on hard lands.

Studies with winds at 38 miles per hour showed that even a fair cover of combine sorghum stubble on dryland is two to four times as effective as machine-stripped dryland cotton stalks or feed cut short for bundles.

On irrigated lands similar losses may occur and are no exception to the rule. The possibility for different types of effective cover and for flexibility in cropping systems are much greater on irrigated land.

Dr. Arthur W. Young, head of the Agronomy Department at Texas Tech, reveals some possibilities for good use of soil-improving and cover crops. He reports that where sufficient moisture is available, legumes such as hairy vetch, winter peas and Madrid clover may be planted in sorghum stubble in the fall and turned under green in the spring in time for a row crop. Certain conditions may allow this to be done in cotton too. Better soil conditions, reduced wind erosion, and increased crop yields for an

average over a period of years should result.

For landowners whose turnrows and roads seem to be a starting point for wind erosion, County Agent Dave Sherrill recommends fall sown small grains along road shoulders and in the turn row itself. Sherrill also has demonstrated that some local farmers have obtained some benefits from cotton burrs. The burrs offer soil cover and they build up organic matter in soils. George Hindman, supervisor of Lubbock County Soil Conservation District, reports cotton burrs on his land help hold rainfall. Land covered with burrs took in twice to three times as much of a recent fast 2½ inch rain as adjacent land without the burrs. It helped to tie the land down too. The main trouble seems to be a worthwhile supplementary practice.

Tillage, such as deep breaking and turning up clods, is used widely in this area to help hold land against wind erosion. Soil scientists agree that it is a good practice if the characteristics of the soil are considered. Indiscriminate deep breaking can be very harmful to soil. Too much clay turned up to the top can mean trouble under dryland or irrigated conditions. A certain amount of deep breaking can be helpful on sandy soils underlaid with sandy clay.

Shallow soils may be harmed by attempted deep breaking. Some types of soils are uniform in texture or they may be a deep sand. Often nothing is gained in deep breaking such a soil. Plowing deep enough to break a plow sole, and to turn up cloddy material can be of real benefit, and when used with good soil improving cropping practices can be a real help in conservation. When in doubt a Soil Conservation Ser-

vice technician may be consulted. The South Plains is an agricultural area of which its landowners local citizens can be proud. Its productiveness can be praised with enthusiasm well-founded. Of the 23 counties which produced more than half of Texas' 5,842,041-bale cotton crop in 1949, fourteen counties are in or close to the area.

Untold wealth is locked in the Plains soil and with intelligent use these soils will support an industrious and progressive South Plains for many years to come.

Progress in the development of this land resource must be based on proper use and wise care. Farmers recognizing their problems and doing something about them can keep this the garden spot that it truly is. So—For Land Sake, Cover!

MOORES HAVE GUESTS FROM HILL COUNTRY

Mr. and Mrs. Hilmer Weiershausen from Fredericksburg, and Hilmer's brother, Dan Weiershausen from Hye, Blanco county, and Mrs. Ella Hodge of Austin, visited L. H. Moore Sr. over the week end. Mrs. Hodge is a sister of Lit and Ben Moore and Mrs. Dora Tunnell. Mrs. Hodge visited Mrs. Tunnell Sunday night and Monday.

These people and several others from the Hill Country came to be at the Blanco-Burnett county reunion in Lubbock Sunday, Aug. 9. They all voted this reunion was the best they had ever had.

Mr. L. H. Moore reports this makes the eighteenth year of the reunion, and Mackenzie Park is more inviting now than ever. It seemed every available nook was filled Sunday with the many county and family reunions held that day.

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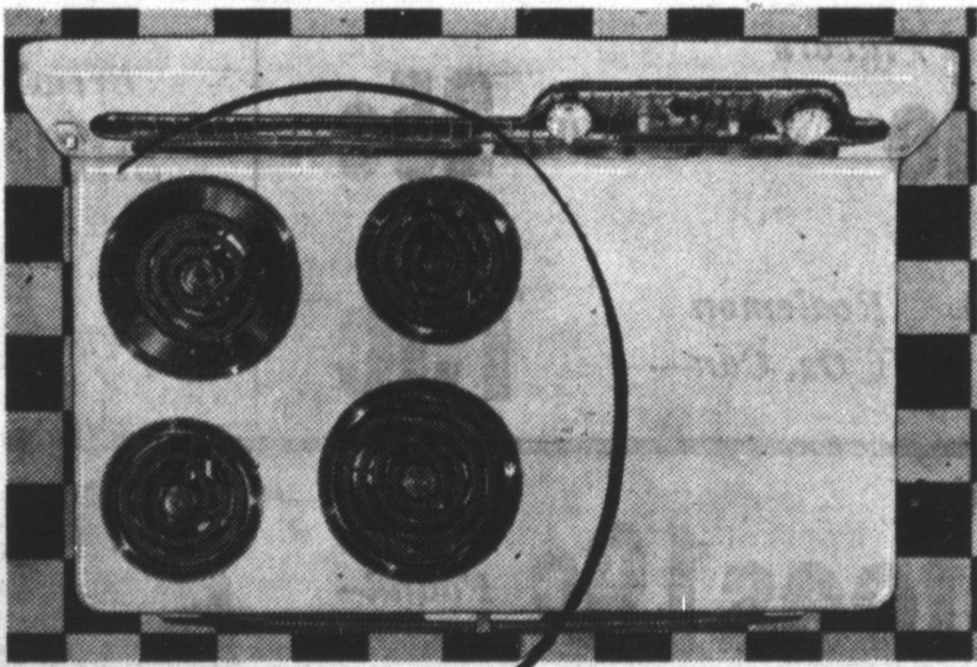
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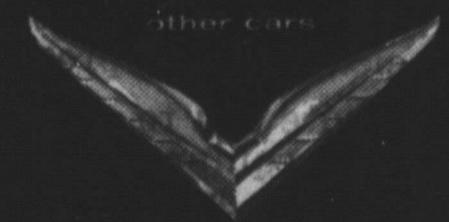
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MRS. FRANK SMITH

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Fountain and children of Amarillo spent the weekend with the parents, Mrs. H. C. Fountain and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Campbell. Other guests in the home of Mrs. H. C. Fountain on Saturday night were Messrs and Mesdames Earl Tunnel, Jay Womack and family all of Tahoka, Bill Deaver and daughter of Slaton, and Miss Timmie Williams of Amarillo.

Mrs. Pat Campbell and daughter, Mary Frances, were Lubbock visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thad Smith and daughter, Betty and grandson, Wayne visited Mrs. Smith's uncle and Aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Gardner at Abernathy Thursday.

A. R. Dworczyk of Houston visited his brother, Paul Dworczyk and family Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crooks and daughter, Martha, of Petty were in Wilson Monday visiting Mr. Crooks parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Crooks.

Mrs. C. D. Johnson and daughter, Mary Ruth, of Crosbyton visited Thursday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Walker and daughters. Mary Ruth remained for a several day's visit with her cousins, Joan and Patsy Walker.

Mrs. James Savell was on the sick list last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Holder and family and Mike Gatzki returned Saturday from Alamogordo, N. M. after spending a week with Mr. Holder's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Holder.

Mrs. Frank Henderson accompanied by Mrs. W. V. Kelley of Tahoka, shopped in Lubbock Saturday.

Sam Crowson of Sulphur Springs visited briefly with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Crowson.

Miss Maxine Bruce of Patricia and John H. Phillips of Wilson were united in marriage at the home of the bride's Uncle, Mr. Bruce, at Patricia Sunday morning at 8 a. m. They will make their home at Wilson where Mr. Phillips is employed at the Gatzki gin. Guests attending the wedding from Wilson were Messrs and Mesdames Hubbard Young, Elvin Walker, and Alfred Crowson.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Church and family and Mr. and Mrs. Prentiss Jones left Thursday for a ten day's trip to Yellow Stone Park, Grand Canyon and other points in that section of the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Winstead of Lubbock were supper guests of their nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Coleman, and family Friday night. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, Messrs and Mesdames Ira Clary and B. W. Hobbs, Sr. left Thursday for a few day's fishing at Lake Brownwood. During their absence Carolyn Clary visited in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Clary at Slaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crowder and

Mr. and Mrs. Norris Raymond and son left Wednesday for Georgia for a few weeks visit with Mrs. Crowder's parents, and with other relatives and friends.

Miss Grovanda Coleman, Tech student spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ross of New Home were Wilson visitors Friday.

Misses Jo Bess Boston of Brownfield and Joan Chisum of Whitesboro spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith.

Misses Joan and Frances Henderson of Lubbock spent the weekend with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lamb spent Sunday in Lubbock with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Lemon. Rita Kay Lemon returned to Wilson with her grandparents for a few day's visit.

Messrs and Mesdames C. G. Talkmitt and Monroe Talkmitt and daughter spent the weekend at Lamesa with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Talkmitt.

Billy Joe Campbell who works for the Halliburton Oil Company at Victoria, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell, Sr., and family Wednesday.

Messrs and Mesdames Arthur Adams of Tahoka and Jim Tra-week of Muleshoe spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Crowson and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Noble at tended the Hopkins County reunion at MacKenzie Park at Lubbock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Brown of Brownfield, visited Mrs. Brown's sister, Mrs. G. T. Galneau, and children Sunday. Tommy Galneau returned home with the Browns for a visit.

Rev. and Mrs. J. P. King and son of Rush Springs, Oklahoma, spent last week with Rev. King's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. King. Other guests in the J. O. King home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Bailey and son of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie King and children of Plainview, and Mrs. J. B. Durham. Mrs. Bailey in the Kings' daughter, and Lonnie King is their son. Mrs. Durham is Mr. King's sister.

Mrs. Mert Allard and son, David, of Cleburne arrived Sunday for a ten day's visit with Mrs. Allard's mother, Mrs. Josephine Smith.

Mrs. Loyd Kirtley and son Bruce, of Austin arrived Friday for a week's visit with Mrs. Kirtley's mother, Mrs. Willa Wakeland, and with Mr. Kirtley's sister, Miss Gladys Kirtley.

Donald Raymond is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Raymond, at Union.

Mrs. G. T. Galneau and two children, Tommy and Lavada, returned Tuesday from Port Lavaca and Corpus Christi after a four week's visit with their husband and father who was employed there.

Mrs. M. B. Bruedigam and son were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Bruedigam at Southland.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hickey and

daughter of Crane were recent guests of Mrs. Hickey's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lynn Kahlich.

Mrs. Hautence Parker and children and Mrs. Nannie Rhudy spent Thursday with their cousin, Mrs. D. W. Malone of Slaton.

Miss Nona Ruth Campbell of Lubbock spent from Tuesday until Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell, Sr. On Friday night Mona Ruth celebrated her birthday with a dinner at the home of her parents. Present were Horace Arnold Durham of Wolforth, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell Jr., and baby, and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell, Sr. and daughter, Shirley.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Phillips of Texarkana were recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Crowson.

The Walther League of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church met Sunday night at the Church for a business meeting with the president Leonard Dube, in charge. A report on the statewide Walther League convention which was held in Lubbock was given by Miss Jane Dube, who was a delegate. Host for the social hour was Rev. P. W. Heckman and refreshments were served to Misses Ruby Faye Teinert, Frances and Darlene Wuensche, Allyne and Lucille Umlang, Janet and Uernell Dube, Dolores Luker, Jerene Wuensche, Myran Jean Koatz and Messrs Hubert Teinert, Marvin Umlang, Leonard Dube, Delvin Beheand, Ronnie Mueby, Rev. Heckmann, and three guests, Miss Betty Brandt of Littlefield, Pete Menden of Amarillo, and Gayle Sagebiet of Temple.

Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Holder and family were in Slaton Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Dora Neitsch and Oscar Neitsch and son of Lubbock visited Mrs. M. G. Bruedigam and family Sunday night. Mrs. Neitsch is Mrs. Buridigam's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. King had the following as guests Thursday; Messrs and Mesdames W. P. McDonald, L. M. Nordyke, W. T. Luttrell, and George Henry and daughter, all of Tahoka. Mesdames McDonald, Nordyke, and Henry are Mrs. King's sisters and Mr. Luttrell is her brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith visited Mrs. Smith's sisters, Mesdames Martin and Harrison Donley, and families in Lubbock Sunday.

Mrs. G. T. Galneau and children and Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Mahurin and children spent Sunday in Slaton with Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Snider and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Brown had as guests Sunday Messrs and Mesdames Edward Spurgeon and children of Crane, Walter Posey of Albany, and James Lattimer; and Mesdames Lucy Matthews and B. W. Tomme of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Crooks spent Sunday afternoon with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crooks at Petty.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Noble and son have moved to Wilson from Greenville and are now occupying one of the apartments in the Howard Cook duplex. Mr. Noble has accepted a position as bookkeeper at the co-op gin.

Mrs. Josephine Smith was in Mercy Hospital in Slaton from Wednesday until Friday with a

heart ailment. During her stay she was visited by Rev. and Mrs. Lynward Harrison, and Mr. and Mrs. Luke Coleman, and Mr. and Mrs. Prentiss Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Leach and daughter, Patricia of Albuquerque N. M. were Saturday night guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cook and family. Mr. and Mrs. Leach are former Wilson residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brannon and son visited Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Brannon and son in Lubbock Tuesday night.

Johnny Robinson who spent a 15 day furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Robinson, reported to Okland, California Thursday for further Army training.

Elizabeth Parker was in Slaton Friday for medical attention. Miss Willa Wakeland, sponsor of the Wide Awake Junior Training Union Class of the Baptist Church, entertained the class with a party Monday night in the home of Miss Lois Ware. Games were played and refreshments were served to Misses Elizabeth Parker, Shirley Campbell, Nita Hewlett, Daisey Stander, Willie Pat Baxley, Nancy Cook, Hazel Robinson, Erva Owens and Donald Gryder, John Henderson, Robert Christopher, Paul Henderson, Travis Brown, Mesdames Homer Campbell Sr., Willa Wakeland, and Miss Lois Ware.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Roy Steen and Mrs. Katie Numan were Lubbock visitors Tuesday.

Messrs and Mesdames Melvin Wuensche and Delbert Kuschnick were in Corpus Christi Sun-

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Improvements Are Made At Schools

Many repairs and improvements have been made in the Tahoka school plant this summer in preparation for the new school year, which begins on August 1.

At the High School building, the heating plant has been completely renovated, with new flues installed, and the boiler and radiators have been repaired. New plumbing has been installed, but this work is not entirely complete pending the arrival of new sinks for the science laboratory.

All floors of the High School have been refinished, and venetian blinds have been installed in all windows on the east side.

Floors of the North Elementary School have also been refinished, and rest room facilities added in the boys and girls dressing rooms of the gymnasium.

A seal coat of wax has been applied to the floors of the South Elementary School. A new dishwasher has been added to the cafeteria equipment.

The football field has been resodded during the summer, and

will have a fine turf for this fall's games. The areas south of and in front of the High School and in front of the two Elementary buildings have also been planted to grass, adding greatly to the appearance of the school grounds.

The area south of the High School will be used for football practice field this year to help preserve the stadium turf for games.

Steel still has not arrived for the football stadium addition, but is expected any day. When complete, the stadium will seat 2,500 people comfortably.

Work is expected to start soon on the home economic cottage and addition to the vocational agriculture building, but these two buildings will possibly not be ready to use before Christmas.

The nine school buses have been repaired from bumper to bumper.

Also, Supt. Otis Spears states, several thousand new books have been received from the State for use by local children.

CARL HENRY McMILLAN IS HOME ON LEAVE

QM/3 Carl Henry McMillan of the Navy and his wife, who lives in Port Hueneme, Calif., arrived Sunday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McMillan Sr., and other relatives. They will leave Monday.

Carl Henry, who was formerly employed by The News, has been in the Navy two and a half years and has about eighteen months yet to serve.

For many months now he has been aboard the USS Pittsburg with the sixth Fleet, and has touched several European countries, nations bordering the Mediterranean, South Asia, including India.

ATTENDING REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Davis went down to Stephenville by bus over the week end and Mrs. Davis visited a sister in that city while Mr. Davis attended the Old-Timers Reunion at Desdemona, some time known as Hog Town.

Mr. Davis says a lot of the boys and girls he went to school with about 70 years ago are beginning to look old. He thinks the climate down there must be telling on them.

Comparison Made On Stock Feeds

Comparative prices and essential nutrients of feeds being used by livestock raisers in the Emergency Feeding Program have been made available by the Extension Service through County Agent Bill Griffin.

For use of such livestock raisers, the following table has been prepared:

Price per hundred: *Wheat, \$2.18; *corn, 2.14; *oats, \$1.91; cottonseed meal, \$2.10; molasses, \$1.40. *35 cents per cwt. added for preparation for feeding.

Digestible protein, per cent: Wheat, 11.3; corn 6.4; oats, 8.7; CS meal, \$2.10; molasses, .5.

Therms prod. value, per cwt: Wheat, 78.8; corn, 48.8; oats, 71.3; CS meal, 63.9; molasses, 61.6.

Price of dig. protein, pounds: Wheat, 19c; corn, 34c; oats, 22c; CS meal, 5c; molasses, —.

Price of prod. value, therms: Wheat, 2.8c; corn, 2.5c; oats, 2.7c; CS meal, 2.7c; molasses, 2.3c.

MRS DWIGHT TOWNSEN AND BABY ARE HERE

Mrs. Dwight Townsen and baby, Beverley Jeanie, of Denver, Colo., are here visiting Mrs. Townsen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Slover. Mr. Slover met them in Amarillo Sunday and brought them on to Tahoka. They will visit here until near the end of the month.

Mrs. Townsen, the former Miss Joan Slover, is to receive her B. A. degree from Denver University on August 28, and must be there in time for this happy event. Her husband in a senior student in Iliff School of Theology at the University.

SEES BROTHER FIRST TIME IN 50 YEARS

S. F. Johnson of Livingstone, Tennessee, has been here visiting his sister, Mrs. M. P. Clinton. They had not seen each other in 50 years.

Mr. Johnson brought Charley Clinton a piece of red cedar that was part of a house built 100 years ago, and Charley says the wood was still as sound as a dollar.

REV. HAWKINS WILL PREACH AT DRAW

Rev. J. W. Hawkins of Fluvanna, former pastor at Draw, will preach at Draw Methodist Church Sunday morning. Rev. Silas Dixon, the pastor reports.

Rev. John Sewell, Methodist pastor at Franklinton, La., is also home visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. A. Z. Sewell, a Draw.

Strange Wins Over Wilson

Tahoka's Bill Strange Motors upset the Wilson Bankers 21 to 1 Sunday at Wilson Park in the first of a best two-out-of-three series for the Junior League Baseball championship.

The local Ford boys shattered the Bankers hopes of gaining the championship undefeated. Wilson won the title last year. This year, Wilson had not been previously defeated in league play.

Wilson pitcher Leonard Breiger, who had shut out Bill Strange in their last game, was shelled from the mound in the third inning. Thomas Mason finished the game for Wilson.

Richard Havens pitched steady ball for the locals and got credit for the victory. James "Bobo" White hurled the last inning for Tahoka.

Garland Hudleston and Billy Tong led the Tahoka hitting attack, and Pete Bruedigam and Gilbert Steinhauer paced Wilson at the plate.

Next Sunday, the two teams will meet at Tahoka Park at 2:30 p.m. If Tahoka wins, it will be the last game; but if Wilson is the victor, then the two teams will return to Wilson on August 23 for the final game.

Also, next Sunday will be "James White Day" at the local park. This is the last year the big pitcher can play in the Lynn County Junior League, and the boys of Bill Straxge Motors have deemed it fitting to honor James by playing the game in his honor. White will start on the mound for Tahoka.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to express my thanks for all the acts of kindness that were shown me during my stay in the hospital. Your visits, the beautiful flowers and cards helped more than you will ever know. Especially do I want to thank Dr. Prohl and the hospital staff for their faithful services. May God bless each of you in my prayer—Mrs. George McCracken

COMANCHE REUNION

The annual reunion of all former Comanche county residents living in the area is slated at Mackenzie State Park in Lubbock Sunday, Aug. 23. Each year attendance is greater. Come and bring a basket lunch.—Mrs. Duval, Secretary.

DRY WEATHER MAKES DIFFERENCE IN COTTON DEFOLIATION

College Station, August—Harvesting this year's drought stunted cotton may be a problem, says Fred C. Elliott, cotton specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The acre yield will be low and pickers or pullers will pass it up for the better yielding fields.

Elliott believes the answer to the problem of defoliation and mechanical harvesting. Knocking the leaves off the stunted plant will require the use of a defoliate, he says, such as endothal of pentachlorophenol. Under some conditions, he adds, liquid chlorates used as spray may be used. This would be true on cotton which was not severely stunted and on which present each morning, calcium cyanamide does a good job. The chemical to be effective, says Elliott, must remain in moisture on the leaf for at least two hours—four is better. The chlorates applied as spray under the above conditions should also be satisfactory.

When dew is not present but plants are still active and yields are expected to be normal, the specialist says, the chlorates used as spray and the soluble form of monosodium cyanamide should give good results.

Regardless of the defoliate used, Elliott makes the following recommendations. Apply the defoliate at about the same rate the machines will cover when harvesting begins; if an airplane is used, always use flagman; use fenders on ground equipment in rank cotton; follow the instructions of the manufacturer to the letter and avoid the use of unknown mixtures since they are dangerous and could cause fires.

Finally, says Elliott, L-145, cotton Defoliation Guide In Texas, has been revised and may be obtained without cost from local county agents. The leaflet contains the latest information on the defoliates and suggestions for their use.

The military word taps comes from the Dutch word taptoe of time to close up all the taps and taverns in the garrisoned towns.

Bakelite was invented by Leo Hendrick Beakland.

Negro Singers Will Be Here Sunday

Sykes Gospel Singers, Negro radio and recording artists of Los Angeles, Calif., will present a program at the Tahoka First Baptist Church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Another program, for Colored people, will be presented at Wesley Chapel at 5 p. m. Admission to both program is free, but collections will be taken.

The Sykes Singers feature Prof. Charles Hall, "one of the world's greatest piano players," Miss Eula Faye Manners, lyric soprano and Sister Sykes, nationally-known Gospel singer.

The same program will be presented at O'Donnell Methodist Church Thursday, Aug. 20, at 8:15 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McMillan Sr. had as their guests Wednesday a number of relatives, including a brother, W. D. McMillan and family, Crosbyton; an uncle, Willie Blair and wife, and an aunt, Mrs. Walter McConnell and husband, all of Houston; a cousin, Ted Watts, wife and daughter of Wasco, Calif.; a nephew, W. B. McMillan, and family, of Brownfield; and Denzel McMillan and H. L. McMillan Jr. and families, of Lubbock.

Mr. M. A. Wood of Hughes Springs and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Wood and son Ralph of Linden in Cass county, Texas, left for their respective homes Monday morning after a visit of several days here with N. E. Wood and family. M. A. Wood is the father and R. C. the brother of N. E. The elder Mr. Wood had a birthday Tuesday of this week, his eightieth, still enjoying good health.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hill and son, Claude Lary, of Munday, spent Saturday night here with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Samie Norwood and son, Samie Ewell, and all went to the Knox-Haskell county reunion at Mackenzie State Park in Lubbock Sunday.

Roy E. Poer returned home Monday from a week's visit with relatives at Hillsboro, Kerens, and Hubbard, all in Hill county. He said it made him sick to see the beautiful cotton in Central Texas and to think that he had none.

ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS MEETING OF TAHOKA-POST N. F. L. A., AUGUST 18

The Tahoka-Post National Farm Loan Association will hold its annual stockholders meeting at the American Legion Hall, Tahoka on Tuesday August 18, at 3:30 p. m. for the purpose of electing a director for a three year term, obtaining the annual financial report, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. Special cash prizes will be awarded.

The association has 315 stockholders who are an excess of \$1,250,000.00 in loans, also the stockholders completely own their association with a total capital of \$228,635.00. Ross Smith is the Secretary-Treasurer. The present directors are T. L. Jones, and J. C. Fumagalli of Post, Fred McGinty, Vernon Willhoit, and Oscar Roberts of Tahoka.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ray of Garolia community will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on next Sunday afternoon, August 16, from 4:00 to 6:00 p. m. in their home. Their friends are invited to call.

The Rays are natives of Bell county and were married there fifty years ago. They have been residents of this county for more than thirty years and are among the best people on earth.

Rev. Lee Ramsour, was called to Marion, Alabama, last week by the serious illness of his father Rev. H. B. Ramsour who was the principal speaker in a successful revival meeting held in the First Baptist Church here a few months ago. Latest reports from his bedside are that the elder Ramsour's condition is still very critical. It was not known whether the pastor will be here Sunday or not.

Mrs. Monte McGinty of Spur, who recently underwent major surgery at Levelland, is improving nicely and may get to go home this week end, according to her father, I. M. Draper, who visited her at the hospital Wednesday.

Tom Mason, from out New Lynn way, brought The News two delicious cantaloupes Monday. Mr. Mason has a small irrigation well that has helped out this terribly dry year.

Lloyd Craig and N. J. Hudspeth, former citizens of Lynn county, who now live in California, came back from California last week, the former to visit his father, R. L. Craig of Garolia community, and Mr. Hudspeth to visit old-time friends here. Lloyd left Wednesday for his home in California, but Mr. Hudspeth remained here with the intention of leaving for Corpus Christi about the end of the week to visit a brother of his there before returning to the far west.

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