

The Weather

From records of Fred Byerly, Weather Observer.

Wed. 19th	81	47
Thurs. 20th	74	38
Fri. 21st	68	34
Sat. 22nd	66	49
Sun. 23rd	17	69
Mon. 24th	64	42
Tues. 25th	56	29

Total precipitation to date 1968 6.78
Total precipitation to date 1969 2.96

City of ROTAN
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THE ROTAN ADVANCE

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Rotan Dept. Has Pre-Easter Sale



Shown above is Carl Proctor, sales manager for Rotan Department Store with a nice door prize to be awarded some lucky visitor to the store. Nothing to buy, just come in and register for the nice electric broiler.

Mr. Davis has secured services of Mr. Proctor, who is a sales manager of many years experience to stage the big Pre-Easter Sale which opens today at Rotan Department Store.

Fresh stocks of merchandise has been arranged for convenient selection and you will find many worthwhile bargains.

This is the first sale for Mr. Davis in his business and he is making special effort to show his appreciation of the customers of this area with a large array of special offerings.

See their ad in this issue of the Advance.

Thriftway Has New Equipment

Thriftway store has just installed a new dairy refrigerated display case. This is the upright type which gives excellent display of merchandise, conserves space and has very efficient refrigeration.

Mr. Holt also recently installed a large walk-in refrigeration system for their fresh meats. Ample space here, too enables them to properly care for meats after delivery and with convenient access, they can serve customers faster and more efficiently.

Hospital News

Local patients admitted to Callan Hospital March 19 to March 25 were:

Jan Kincaid, Mrs. Ysabel Almanza, Ernest Carrillo, Terry Daniels, Mrs. Morrow Hunsaker, Mrs. Alfred Medrano, Kelley Sue Tidwell, Joe Kersh, Annette Weems, Mrs. E. T. Warren, A. A. Aaron, Mrs. John D. Henry, Mrs. Guy Murphree, Mrs. Jim McCright, Mrs. Homer Stanford, Willard Tillotson, Lee Decker, Mrs. Robert Quintinella, Mrs. Benny Smyrle.

Out of town patients:

Mrs. Alvin Lee, Snyder; Mrs. W. A. Noles, Roby; Mrs. C. H. Meador, Jayton; T. P. McFerrin, Dallas.

A 6 lb. 2 oz. girl, Catarina Darlene, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Benny Smyrle, Thursday, March 20 at 10:30 p.m.

An 8 lb. 12 oz. boy, Joe Patrick, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ysabel Almanza, Thursday, March 20.

Club Has Easter Seal Drive

Calendar Club will hold annual door to door drive for Easter Seal Funds today, Thursday from 5 to 6 p.m. This has always been a popular fund, but will be more so this year as the entire amount will go to West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene. In the past only a portion has gone to WTRC with balance being used for other worthy causes.

Calendar Club members who will assist in the canvass are asked to meet at home of Mrs. Glen Holt at 5 p.m. today.

Mrs. Patterson Dies Wednesday

Mrs. E. E. Patterson died at 2:15 a.m. Wednesday in Stamford Inn following an extended illness. She had been in the nursing home since Sept. 1968 and was in Stamford Hospital previous to this.

Funeral service is scheduled for 2 p.m. Friday, with place to be announced later by Weathersbee Funeral Home. Rev. Bob Ford will officiate with burial in Belview cemetery.

Mrs. Patterson was married to the late Mr. Patterson Oct. 6, 1901 in DeLeon and they moved to Fisher County in 1908. They made their home on the farm south of town until his death Sept. 5, 1956. She was a lifelong member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors are 3 daughters, Mrs. T. A. Smith of Dallas, Mrs. R. E. Posey of El Paso and Mrs. M. E. Worrell of Dallas; 2 sons, Dow of La Canada, Calif. and Clyde R. of Odessa; 9 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to building fund of First United Methodist Church of Rotan.

Adult 4-H Heads Attend Meeting

Two Fisher County 4-H Adult Leaders attended the District III Adult Leaders Association in Benjamin, Tuesday.

Mrs. W. D. Cleveland of McCaulley and C. D. Herron of Rotan represented the Fisher County Adult Leaders Association at the District Meeting.

Adult leaders who attended the recent State Adult Leaders Forum in Austin presented the program. The program consisted of reports of the various phases of the State 4-H Adult Leaders Forum and how they see this information can help the District Adult Leaders Association to strengthen 4-H work.

Purpose of this District 4-H Adult Leaders Association is to coordinate and strengthen 4-H work in the district. The organization meets four times each year.

Only those counties having active County Adult Leaders Associations are eligible to participate in the District Association.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Springer, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph South and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Porter spent last weekend in El Paso.

Smith Heads BCRIA Here

Roger Smith of Rotan has been named chairman of the newly organized, statewide Brush Control and Range Improvement Association for Fisher County.

The BCRIA was established last November by a group of livestockmen to fight one of the state's major agricultural problems — brush invasion of land throughout Texas. Each county has a leader representing the association.

Smith said the BCRIA is a non-profit organization and is not directly associated with a university or company. The goal is to obtain 1 cent per acre, each year, for five years from landowners and other interested individuals and organizations to greatly increase brush control research.

He said surveys show that about 82 per cent of Texas rangelands are infested with brush, putting the animal carrying capacity by 50 per cent or more. Despite much research in the past, greater financial help will be needed if the problem is to be solved.

Funds obtained at the county level will be pooled and used to support research and education projects on brush control and range improvement. A project evaluation committee, appointed by BCRIA Chairman John Matthews of Abilene, will approve research projects submitted by universities and other agencies.

A total effort by more than 200,000 landowners in Texas will go a long way toward beating back the brush invasion of rangelands.

Special Program For Buzz Bugs

The Buzz Bugs had another special program presented to them last week by Arthur Medrano and the Lamplighters Band. Games were played, various articles made from the Buzz Bugs Scrap Box were displayed, and refreshments were enjoyed by a good crowd consisting of Sosie Soliz, Mary Soliz, Lola Lopez, Elvera Lopez, Paul Moreno, Aida Medrano, Ofelia Trejo, Essie Eaton, Alma Herbst, Ann Cozart, Gladys Cross, Lelia Nash, Lena Feagan, Claude Powers, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Welch, Gracie Tankersley, Annie L. Owen, H. G. Rogers, Gaines Smith, S. R. Congleton, Emily Garrett, Floy Smith, Rev. Bob Ford, and Aice Ballenger, County Home Demonstration Agent.

The next special program will be next Wednesday, April 2nd, presented by Mr. Aubrey Simpkins, from Sweetwater, on making decorative items from tin. Let's give Mr. Simpkins a real "Buzz Bugs" welcome to Rotan.

YOUNG FARMERS TO MEET TONIGHT

Rotan Young Farmer group will hold regular meeting at 7:30 tonight at Community Center.

All members asked to attend as important business is to be transacted.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil J. Malouf of Dallas attended to business and visited here last weekend.

Methodist To Have Revival



REV. DANN SOLOMON

The First United Methodist Church of Rotan is having a revival from April 6 to April 9. The revival services will begin on Easter Sunday evening at the regular time of worship at 6:00 p.m. They will continue through Wednesday evening with the evening services beginning at 7:30 p.m. There will be morning services at 7:00 with coffee and milk and donuts being served in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

The Rev. Dann Solomon of St. Stephen Methodist Church in Amarillo, will be the preacher. Rev. Solomon is a graduate of McMurry College, summa cum laude; a graduate of Perkins School of Theology, with honors. He is married to the former Joy Causseaux of Abilene. There are three children in the family. He was formerly associate pastor of First United Methodist Church of Plainview. He is the only pastor St. Stephen has had, it being organized in 1962. He was a delegate to the World Methodist Conference in London, England in 1966.

The series of services will be dealing with the Sermon on the Mount. This is one of the study emphasis of the United Methodist Church for the next four years. Following each evening service, there will be a "talk-back" session in the Fellowship Hall in which people will be free to ask and discuss questions which will be raised in the sermon.

Following the revival services the church will be involved in a depth study of the Sermon on the Mount. The public is invited to join with the members of First United Methodist in the study of this most important document of the Christian faith. For further information about the times and places of study, contact Rev. Ford.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services and the study which will follow the revival.

Thornton Sale Going Good

Thornton's Store has their Spring Sale in full swing and it is meeting good acceptance from the public.

This store has increased stocks of merchandise and you can find most any item you need in this line. Practically all of the merchandise is greatly reduced in price, and you will be surprised at savings to be made.

Visit the new store and register for nice free door prize.

Easter Cantata Sunday Evening

First United Methodist Church will present an Easter Cantata, "The Glory of Easter" at the evening worship hour on Sunday, March 30 at 6:00 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend the observance of Easter in music.

Brother of Strayhorn Dies

J. P. Strayhorn, 65, lifelong resident of Snyder, died at 6:10 a.m. Friday in Coddell Memorial Hospital after an illness of six weeks.

He was brother of J. R. Strayhorn of Rotan.

Funeral was at 2 p.m. Saturday at the First United Methodist Church with Dr. John A. English, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Snyder Cemetery.

He was born in Snyder in 1903 and was a member of the Methodist church. He graduated from Snyder High School and attended Maryville College in Tennessee and Trinity University at Waxahatchie, where he received a degree.

Surviving are one son, Eddie Joe of San Angelo; four sisters, Miss Neoma Strayhorn of Snyder, Mrs. J. W. Templeton of Houston, Mrs. W. W. Cork of San Angelo and Mrs. Phil Boucher of Post; brother J. R. of Rotan.

Service Held For Oran Gann

Oran Gann, 62, a resident of Rotan and Fisher County most of his life, died at 3:15 a.m. Tuesday in Hamlin Hospital. He had entered the hospital the previous day.

Funeral service was held from Weathersbee Chapel at 2 p.m. Wednesday by Rev. Roy Patterson, Methodist minister of Lazbuddie, Rev. Robert Ford, Methodist minister of Rotan and Rev. Donnie Linscott, Baptist minister of McCaulley, officiated. Burial was in McCaulley Cemetery.

Mr. Gann was born Jan. 8, 1907, in Taylor County, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gann. He came to Fisher County as a small child, where he had lived since. He married Edna Moore in Roby July 10, 1926. They moved to Rotan from the Longworth community in 1949. He was a member of the Methodist church.

Mr. Gann operated Texas Cafe here for some time and had farmed and been employed in oil field work for several years.

Survivors include his wife of Rotan; two sons, Oran Jr., of McCaulley and Rondal of Fort Worth; four sisters, Mrs. John Cornelison of Bowie, Mrs. Ross Boyd of Hamlin, Mrs. Gladys Williams of Sylvester and Mrs. Rena Thomas of Carrollton; two brothers, Jack of Sylvester and Ade Clinton of Oakland, Calif.; and seven grandchildren.

One grandson died in 1964.

LIBRARY PROJECT IS POPULAR

Jaycees report excellent response to their proposed public library project for Rotan.

They had a number of commitments of cash contributions as well as numerous books. They will appreciate any assistance on the movement and will announce progress of the library in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pauling and Bill Jr. of Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Tillotson last weekend.

Restaurant Assn Debaters Do Well In Tourney

Abilene Chapter of Texas Restaurant Association met at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Rotana Restaurant. Seven towns were represented, Abilene, Snyder, Cisco, Breckenridge, Anson, Roby and Rotan.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mitcham were hosts for the regular meeting.

Mr. Mitcham is active in work of the Association and attends all meetings, which brings new ideas for successful operation of this type business.

To Honor Etheredges

Sardis Baptist Church will have a special service Sunday, April 6, honoring Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Etheredge, Sr.

The Etheredges have recently celebrated both their birthdays, Mr. Willie, being 90 years young and Mrs. Ruth 87. They will observe their 68th wedding anniversary in May.

Mr. and Mrs. Etheredge have served their Lord faithfully in their church and community through out their long and fruitful life.

The Etheredges have 13 children, all still living, 41 grandchildren, and 43 great-grandchildren.

Services will begin at 10 a.m. continuing through the noon hour with a covered dish lunch being served and lots of fellowship to follow. An interesting program has been planned. We welcome all the friends and relatives of this fine couple to come and rejoice with us this day.

Beef-Range Meeting Ap'l. 1-2

A Beef and Range Short-course will be held April 1 and 2 at the Agriculture Building in Roby. The meetings will begin at 7:30 p.m. each night.

The Shortcourse will cover supplemental and creep feeding, cattle utilization of feed and forage, livestock pests, and range management.

Dr. Lowell Schake and Emory Boring, Extension Livestock Specialist and Entomologist respectively will be on the program the first night, and Joe Norris, State Range Conservationist with the SCS will speak the second night.

All livestock producers and anyone else interested are urged to attend, according to Richard Spencer, County Agent.

ROBERT PHILLIPS BACK AT WORK

Postmaster Robert Phillips is coming to the office for short periods during the past week, following serious illness and surgery at Abilene last month.

He is doing nicely and hopes to be back in full swing in the near future.

Mrs. Fred Huber of Irving visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Huckaby last weekend.

Debby Day who is attending San Angelo State College spent the weekend here.

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Car Inspection Deadline Near

Austin — Colonel Wilson E. Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, today reminded motorists that only one month remains before the 1969 motor vehicle inspection deadline.

To date, an estimated 2.8

million vehicles have received the inspection required by state law. The Department of Public Safety said some 3.2 million additional vehicles remain to be inspected prior to midnight, April 15.

Speir said 42.2 per cent of the vehicles inspected so far required mechanical adjustments prior to issuance of an inspection sticker. The defect

found most often has been misalignment of headlights.

The Department of Public Safety urged motorists to get the inspection soon to avoid long lines which will develop at inspection stations as the April 15 deadline approaches. Texas has 5,466 licensed inspection stations. The required inspection fee is \$1.75.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has developed new dairy drinks using cheese whey reports Gwendolyn Clyatt, Extension consumer marketing specialist. One beverage containing whey and cream is chocolate or fruit flavored. The second drink contains whey and soy flour with citrus flavoring.

Former Resident 94th Birthday



Mrs. Mary Louetta Jones (J. M.) Smith celebrated her 94th birthday on February 4th at Westminister Manor Hospital in Austin. Daughter of the late Solomon B. and Eliza Herd Jones of West, she came to the Ross community, 11 miles north of Waco in August of 1875.

After her marriage in 1895, the Smiths engaged in farming and Mr. Smith worked part time for Solomon Jones in his general store at Ross. In 1900 the Smiths moved to West where they formed a partnership with the late Bert Boone in a livery stable and freighting business. They freighted goods and materials in competition with the railroads from Waco to West and Hillsboro, rented saddle horses and horse drawn vehicles to the public and operated a hearse for the then "funeral parlors."

Mrs. Smith's husband acquired farm land near the newly organized town of Rotan, in Fisher County, Texas in 1909, and followed with her family in January 1910 where she lived until moving in Austin in 1946. Mr. Smith died in Austin in 1947.

Having been promised a gift of one hundred dollars on her one hundredth birthday, Mrs. Smith says she will collect it.

The J. M. Smiths lived in the Dowell community where they reared their children to maturity; all five children graduated from Rotan High School.

Mr. Smith engaged in farming, was a real estate broker, a director of the First National Bank of Rotan, a County Commissioner, member of the school board and was associated with most of the county's progressive efforts during his 36 years, 1909-1946, in the Rotan community.

He was always a sports enthusiast, starred as pitcher for the early day baseball "fats" team; almost never de-



WASHINGTON
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Washington, D. C.—AT THIS SEASON OF THE YEAR Chambers of Commerce in our various communities are selecting the Outstanding Man and or Woman of the Year. This is a high honor that any recipient must deeply appreciate since he is chosen by those who know him best.

THERE ARE MANY MEN AND WOMEN in every community who qualify every day for such an award. Of course, all can not be chosen at one time but this person can be recognized daily by his fellow citizens.

THE MAN OR WOMAN OF THE YEAR WE ARE TALKING ABOUT will not have his picture in the paper and we may not even recog-

feated in croquet games; directed most of the rabbit drives and many wolf hunts and was the friendly protector of most "newcomers" in the area.

Mrs. Smith was active in the Baptist church and was a member of Eastern Star, Alfred, "A. B." Smith, the eldest son, graduated from Texas A&M College and the Law School of University of Texas. He now resides in Houston, where he is an automobile dealer. Cecil, "C. B.", Smith, BA, MA, University of Texas, lives in Austin, where he is in the automobile and investments business.

Clotilde, who married Tom Wingo of Rotan, died in 1929, left a daughter, Mrs. Pauline Cochran, now lives in Santa Monica, Calif with her husband and two children. Her son, Dr. Lewis Wingo lives in Nashville, Tenn with his wife and daughter, and is an executive of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Arlene, married Ellis Taylor; they have four boys, two in college and two in high school; she is a music teacher in San Antonio.

Cordeia, the youngest daughter, for many years was a music teacher in the Tyler Public School System, now deceased; she had two sons and four grandchildren.

Cecil reports that his mother, except for some deafness and poor eyesight, is in excellent health. Recently Mrs. Jewel Smart Malouf, of Dallas, visited with Mrs. Smith and had a great time discussing incidents and people of the Rotan community. Mrs. Smith's address is Westminister Manor Hospital Austin, Texas.

PRE-EASTER and into SUMMER

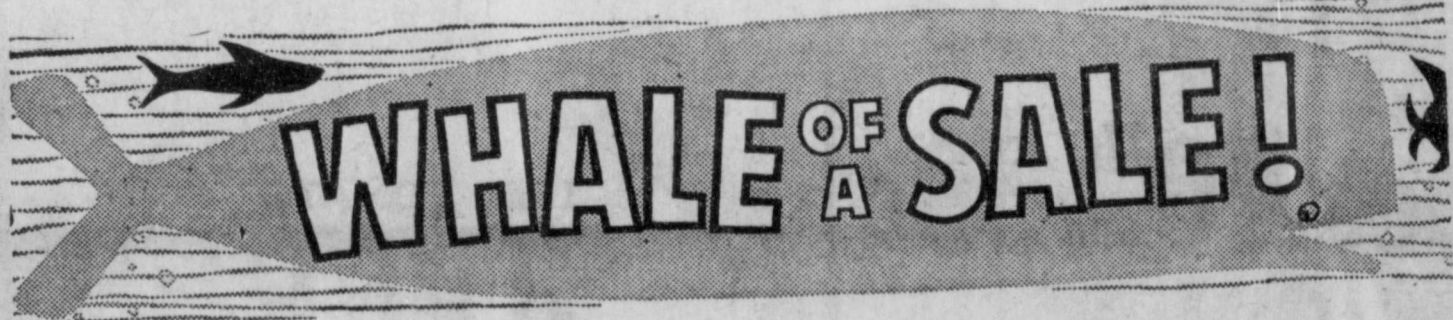
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nize him or her as particularly outstanding when we meet them on the street. The man or woman of the year likely to be in the middle income bracket. He gets up every morning at about 6:30 so that he can get to his job in an office or factory on the fields in time to do a day's work. He works hard, not only because he wants advancement, but because if he is working for someone else he thinks his employer deserves a fair shake. If he or she is self-employed, he has to be on the job early and late to make ends meet. He is honest and dependable.

THE THOUSAND AND ONE CHORES OF A HOUSE WIFE do not make headlines. Her participation in Red Cross work, her club and as an active member of the PTA is not particularly sensational. The dedicated teacher, the efficient secretary, clerk or whatever endeavor, doing her daily job well, does not often break into print.

THIS MAN OR WOMAN OF THE YEAR CAN GET ALONG WITH ONE SPOUSE. They probably have three or four children whom they love enough that they teach them to be responsible, law-abiding and self-reliant. They do their best to earn and save enough money in the hope of sending the kids to college but the rising cost of everything, including education makes this goal more and more difficult.

THE INCREASE IN COST OF EVERYTHING MAKES IT HARD to put money aside for that rainy day. He pays his taxes, which are high, and voices some complaint of the unfair burden which he feels is imposed—but he pays.

OUR MAN OF THE YEAR BELONGS TO A CHURCH and works at his religion. He is no saint but he understands the Biblical meaning of neighbor and tries to be decent to men of all races and creeds. We will not find him in "civil disobedience" demonstrations and the like. He believes laws ought to be enforced.

HE IS NOT ASHAMED TO BE A PATRIOT. He may be willing to have his bumper cluttered up with a sticker saying "The Stars and Stripes Forever." He flies the Flag on appropriate occasions. He can not understand Americans who join organizations dedicated to the destruction of America. He can not understand why some legislators, judges, college and high school administrators in some places, allow some of the things to happen which are going on. He believes in our system of Government. He votes at every election and, although he voices his share of griefs, which is his right, he is dedicated to his Country. He has probably served it in the Armed Forces.

THERE IS AN OLD COWBOY SAYING THAT "When you sleep on the ground you don't have to worry about falling out of bed." Our man or woman of the year is not afraid to sleep in the master's bedroom. He or she is concerned about the future but is not afraid to involve themselves in efforts to make their community better. When their community is better the whole Country is better.

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COUNTY AGENT NEWS

by Richard Spencer

Due to the late arrival of warm weather and the abundant rainfall in most areas of the state, few flowers have been panted and very little landscape work has been done. There is still time to have an attractive garden even in the southern part of the state. By using started plants as soon as the soil is dry enough to plant, attractive flower borders can be established before the extreme heat of summer arrives. These plants are available in any good garden outlet.

When selecting the plants to place in your flower garden remember that size doesn't always indicate the best plants, nor is price always an indication of a bargain. Short stocky plants with a rich green color are usually the best plants. If plants are tall, spindly or have a light green color, it is an indication they have been grown under crowded conditions or had too long under poor light conditions. Regardless of the price you pay for them, if the plants aren't vigorous and healthy in appearance, they are seldom a bargain.

Annuals that are available or soon will be available are many and varied in size and color. As a conversation piece try some of the new All-American Seed selections. These are always new and different although not necessarily any better than some of the old favorite varieties that have withstood

the test of time. If you are looking for plans for a bright sunny area, try Petunia, Portulaca, Zinnia, Marigold, Salvia, and Celosia. For that shady area try Coleus, Impatiens, and Begonias; and if the shaded area needs a splash of color, try massing a group of Caladium bulbs as a contrast. Do not attempt to plant Caladiums until the soil is warm and night temperatures remain above 55 degrees Fahrenheit.

The important consideration in successfully growing the annuals or so-called bedding plants is proper preparation of the soil. If the area is low and poorly drained it may be advisable to build raised beds to insure good drainage. Incorporate ample organic matter, such as compost or sphagnum peat moss, into the soil. It will loosen a tight clay soil and prevent crusting. Peat moss will also improve the moisture retention ability of a sandy soil.

A good thorough soaking as needed is a much better method of watering than to give the bed a light watering every day. The plants should not be allowed to dry out nor the soil kept saturated with water.

An application of two to three pounds of complete fertilizer per 100 square feet of bed area should be applied every three to four weeks during the active growing season. Don't make the mistake

of trying to grow too many flowers. Remember a small well-kept flower bed is always more attractive than several large beds that require more maintenance time than you can spare.

Whether building a flower bed, establishing a lawn, or filling in low spots in the yard be sure you know the source of the soil being used. Soil from an unknown source while low in price can be costly in the long run. Many homeowners have found that bringing in topsoil adds to the gardening problems with the addition of unwanted weeds, insects, and diseases. Rich looking river-bottom soil is frequently infested with nutgrass, bermudagrass, and other hard-to-kill weeds as well as being a source of nematode infestation.

These pests may completely destroy lawns, flower beds, and other garden plants. The homeowner is then forced to spend extra money for chemicals to control the pests and re-establish the plants.

Investigating your soil source can pay big dividends in the future.

A Fisher County youth, 15-year-old Mike Herron of Rotan, will be heading for the National Showmanship Contest in Lexington, Ky. August 4 and 5 after being named one of two state showmanship winners.

Herron, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Herron, competed at the state level in Fort Worth last week. The contest is sponsored by the American Angus Association and state competition was held in conjunction with the State Angus Futurity.

The Lexington competition with a \$2,000 college scholarship to go to the winner, will be held during the National Angus Futurity.

Herron is a member of the Fisher County 4-H Club, Jr. Leaders.

In its first two years, Medicare paid out \$8.4 billion in hospital and medical benefits.

Dr. Jack Lewis
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Housing Short-Course Planned

The Family sub-committee of the Fisher County Program Building Committee met Tuesday in the office of the Home Demonstration Agent, Mrs. Alice Ballenger.

The committee met to make some final plans for A Housing Shortcourse which is to be conducted April 22-24 in the Community Building in Rotan.

Included in the three day program is information on planning the home, storage, financing, insuring, legal aspects, structural features and home decorating.

Many local people are expected to participate on the program.

The public is invited to attend any part or all of the three-day program.

Former Resident To Head SCS

Appointment of Clyde W. Graham to head the work of the United States Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service, Texas, was announced today by administrator Kenneth E. Grant.

Graham, a career employee currently Director of its Watershed Planning Division, succeeds H. N. Smith as State Conservationist of the Agency at Temple, April 20, Smith died March 13.

From 1965 to 1966, Graham, 49, served under Smith at Temple as Deputy State Conservationist.

He will transfer from Washington, D.C. to Temple April 20, Graham, a 1943 Texas A&M graduate in Agricultural Engineering, was in the U.S. Army Air Force from January 1943 to September 1946 when he joined the SCS as a field engineer in Rotan. He holds a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Harvard University awarded in 1958. He is a native of Knox City.

He held Texas field jobs in Brady, San Saba, and Brownwood before coming to Washington in 1954, where he was an SCS Budget Analyst until he received a Littauer Fellowship for graduate study at Harvard. He returned to Texas after completing his work at Harvard. He was Assistant State Conservationist for Watersheds until his promotion to Deputy State Conservationist in 1964.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

March 10, 1969

Sealed bids to Mr. Clay Fowler, President, Rotan Independent School District of Rotan, Fisher County, Texas, will be received at the office of Mr. K. C. McCasland, Superintendent until 4:00 p.m., C.S.T. April 14, 1969 and then publicly opened and read, for furnishing all plant, labor, material, and equipment and performing all work required for the construction of Concrete tennis courts, curb and gutter, sidewalks, asphalt paving, grading and drainage. All proposals must be accompanied by a cashier's or certified check upon a national or state bank in the amount of Five percent (5%) of the total maximum bid price payable without recourse to the Rotan Independent School District or a bid bond in the same amount from a reliable surety company, as a guarantee that bidder will enter into a contract and execute performance and payment bond within Ten (10) days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without check or bond will not be considered.

The successful bidder must furnish performance and payment bonds upon the forms which are attached hereto in the amount of 100% of the contract price from an approved surety company holding a permit from the State of Texas to act as surety or other surety or sureties acceptable to the OWNER.

The rights reserved, as the interest of the OWNER may require, to reject any and all bids, and to waive any informality in bids received.

Plans, specifications and bidding documents may be purchased from the office of HICKS & RAGLAND, Consulting Engineering Company, 2101 - 40th Street, P. O. Box 3008, Lubbock, Texas 79410, on payment of Ten dollars (\$10.00) per set, which sum will NOT be refunded.

Plans and specifications may be examined at the following locations:

Rotan Independent School District, Office of the Superintendent.

Hicks & Ragland, Consulting Engineering Company - 40th & U, Lubbock, Texas.

Bidders should carefully examine the plans, specifications and other documents, visit the site of the work, and fully inform themselves as to all conditions and matters which can in any way affect the work or the costs thereof.

Rotan Independent School District
by Clay Fowler, President
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"Ye Shall Know The Truth"

John 8:32

PRIVATE INTERPRETATION

Question: "What is the meaning of the passage 'no prophecy of scripture is of any private interpretation?' (2 Peter 1:20). Does this mean that I cannot understand it and must rely upon someone else or some group to interpret for me?"

Many views are erroneously held regarding this passage. Some conclude that we must depend upon the scholars for interpretation, but in as much as scholars differ, we ask "Which scholars?" Others say that the church is the custodian of the word and the only dependable interpreter, but if God tried to tell us something through inspired men (as Peter and Paul) and failed, why should we put more confidence in a pope? Still others say that only under the directive of the Holy Spirit can we understand what the words of the Holy Spirit mean, but this makes God responsible if we do not understand.

Many passages teach that the common people can understand the Bible. Jesus said to the Jews, "Search the scriptures;—they are they which testify of me" (John 5:39). The noble Bereans (not professional theologians) "received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so" (Acts 17:11). Paul said, "Understand what the will of the Lord is" (Ephesians 5:17 ASV), and again, "How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in a few words, whereby, WHEN YE READ, YE MAY UNDERSTAND my knowledge in the mystery of Christ" (Ephesians 3:3-4). "Study to show thyself approved unto God—rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Tim. 2:15).

What then does Peter mean? Peter is affirming that the scripture is not the product of those who delivered it; the truths which the prophets communicated did not originate with them and were not of their own invention. The best commentary on the passage in question is verse 21. "No prophecy of scripture is of any private interpretation?" Why? "FOR no prophecy ever came by the WILL of MAN; but men spake FROM GOD, being MOVED by the Holy Spirit" (2 Peter 1:21). Since the scripture was a revelation from God and not an interpretation of man, Peter says that ye would "do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place" (2 Peter 1:19).

—Wardell Halliburton

CHURCHES OF CHRIST

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NOTICE

Fisher County Nursing Home maintains an open admission policy in regard to admitting patients in need of nursing care. Anyone seeking admission is done so without regard to race, creed or color. All patient care services of the facility are rendered without regard to race, creed or color.

Soil Survey Is Available

The Fisher County Soil Survey completed in the early 1960's contains various information on soils and related items.

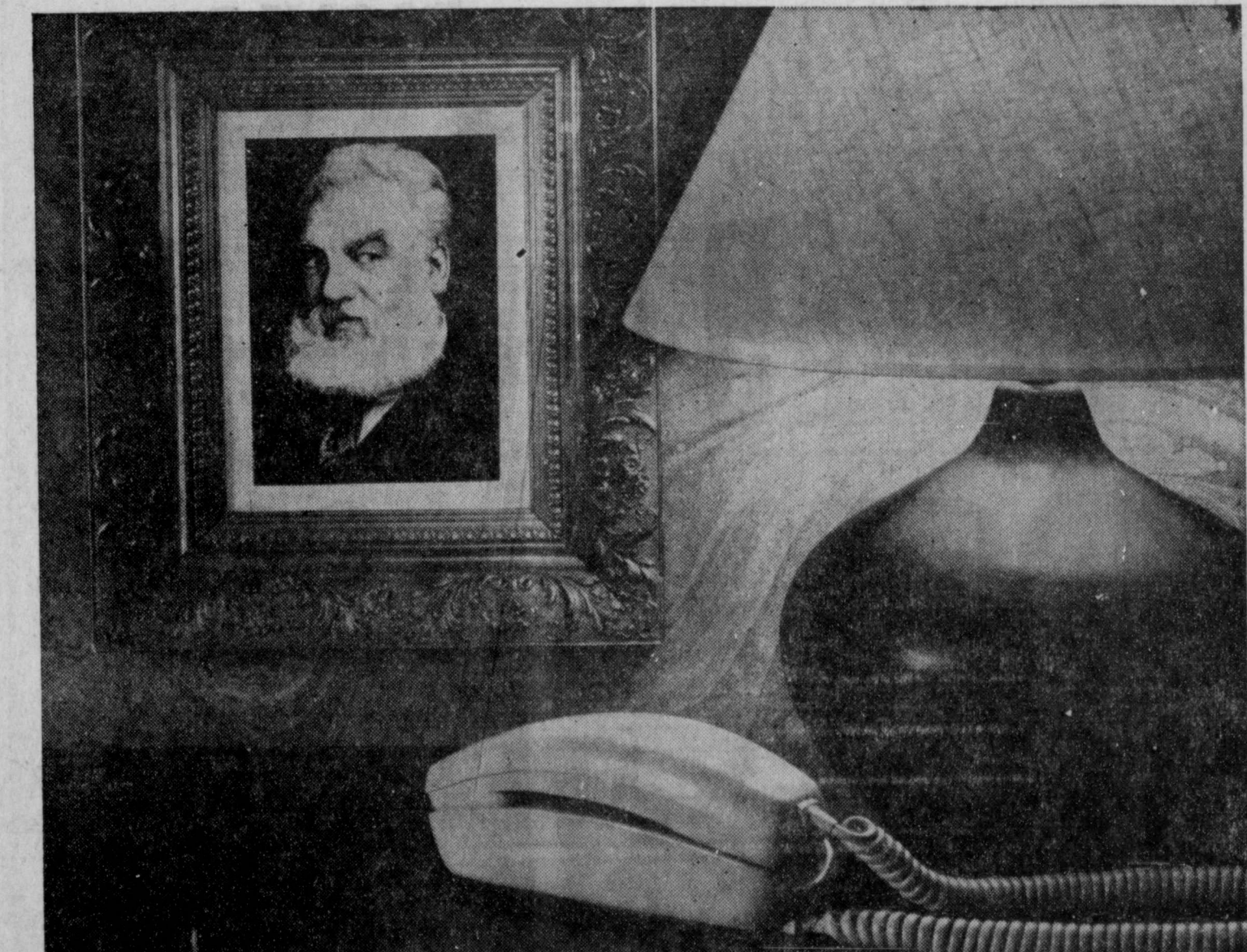
In making the survey soil scientists looked at soils in all parts of the country. They dug holes and examined surface soils and subsoils; measured slopes with hand levels; noted differences in growth of crops, trees, grasses, weeds, and in fact recorded everything about the soils that they believed might affect their suitability for farming, ranching, wildlife, and related uses.

Soil scientists plotted the boundaries of soils on aerial photographs. Then cartographers made detailed soil maps of these. The survey has sections on soil management for crops and range, predicted yields, engineering use of the soils, factors of soil formation and classification, and the general nature of the area, plus a brief history of the country. Copies of the Fisher County Soil Survey can be obtained free from the Soil Conservation Service in Rotan.

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Rate High On Piano Solos

Cheribeth and Mary Lynn Crawford won superior ratings with their piano solos in the National Federation Junior Festivals at Lubbock on March 14th. The Festivals are held under the auspices of the Texas Federation of Music Clubs.

Each entrant is judged on her own merits as a student and not as a professional performer. Natural talent and potential ability are considered as well as the performance at the festival. Other general factors considered were musicianship, technique, poise, ratings given were: Superior, intonation, and diction. The Excellent, Very Good, Good and Fair.

Cheribeth, a senior in Rotan High School, won her superior rating in the Moderately Difficult Class III. This is her second year to win this high rating. She has had piano lessons for ten years and plans to continue her study of music in college.

Mary Lynn, a fourth grade student in Rotan Primary School, won her superior rating in the Primary II Division. She has had piano lessons for seven months.

The girls are students of Mrs. E. L. Kubola in Snyder and are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Crawford.

Former Resident Honored in N. M.

The article below is in regard to Mrs. Don King of Stanley, N.M. She is the former Dorothy Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Miller, and has many friends here:

"Gov. David F. Carco has announced his appointment of Mrs. Don King, Stanley, to the Hospital Advisory Council.

Mrs. King will replace G. L. Butler, Farmington, whose term on the council expired Jan. 1.

A native of Texas, Mrs. King attended school in Stanley, and has been a resident there 17 years. She is the wife of Don King, Santa Fe County commissioner.

She is a member of the Association for Retarded Children, and is active with the Santa Fe County Homemakers Club, an extension of New Mexico State University's State Extension Club.

Also in connection with the State Extension Club, Mrs. King is a member of the State Residential Care Committee, a group which provides homes for youngsters who have received treatment for mental or physical disabilities in the state's institutions.

She also has been active with the Stanley Parent-Teacher Association; the Stanley 4-H Club; and the Stanley Union Church.

Mr. and Mrs. King have three children, Jerry, 10; Jeana, 7; and Rhonda, 5.

The Hospital Advisory Council is concerned with the operation, construction or utilization of hospital facilities. Qualifications include a familiarity of the needs of hospital services in rural as well as urban areas."

SS Class Enjoys Luncheon

'Spring' was the theme used by Mrs. Rudolph Middleton and Mrs. Odell McQueen at the luncheon in Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church. Guests were members and ladies of I Adult II Sunday School class.

Attending were Mmes. Mac Weathersbee, Neil Wright, Murl McKinney, George Dorman, Bill Graham, J. C. Alls, W. D. Eades, Ruple Morrow, Kenneth Vann, Marvin Kersh, Billy Hudnall, Marie Cashen and Farris Kingsfield.

Rev. and Mrs. Carl McMasters of Littlefield visited friends and attended church here Sunday. Rev. McMaster was pastor of the Rotan Methodist Church here several years ago and they have many friends in Rotan.

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