

Little League Games Have Been Hot

Thursday night of last week the Little League fans witnessed one of the best games when the Little Pigs made three runs in the fifth inning to win 7 to 5 over the Rebels.

The Rebels threatened in the last half of the sixth inning, but were able to bring in only two runs. Pitcher Ratliff of the Pigs, went all the way, striking out several Rebels in the clutches.

Friday night saw another very close game, when the Little Vets almost pulled one out of the fire in the last inning. They had the tying and winning runs on bases. However, Hamlin popped up to the infield to end the inning and the game with Prune Peddlers on the long end 8 to 7.

Probably one of the deciding factors of the game was the good hitting of the Peddlers when they collected seven runs at the end of two innings off of Pitchers A. Lopez and Eaton of the Vets.

The Prune Peddlers picked up another win over the Rebels Monday night, 8 to 7, to move even closer to the Little Vets in the League standings.

The Peddlers used Baugh and Thornton on the mound, and the Rebels used Underhill and Klindworth. An error in the last frame allowed the winning run to score for the Peddlers.

The Rebels came bouncing back Tuesday night to break up a tie in the last inning and downed the Prune Peddlers 9 to 8. The batteries for the Peddlers was Hyer and Rushing on the mound, Harrison behind the plate; for the Rebels, Blount and Shipp.

Mother of Chas. Kelly Died at Tulsa July 16

Mrs. C. M. Kelly, 76, mother of Chas. Kelly of Rotan, died in a hospital at Tulsa, Okla. at 10:30 p.m. Thursday, July 16. Funeral service was held at the East Side Church of Christ in Tulsa at 5:00 p.m. Saturday, and graveside rites and burial was at Portales, N. M., at 2:30 p.m. Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly attended the service.

Survivors include three sons, Chas. Kelly of Rotan, Warren Kelly of Muskogee, Okla., and Wallace Kelly of Tulsa; three daughters, Mrs. Betty Skeen of Carlsbad, N. M., Mrs. Elmer Gray of Tucson, Ariz., and Mrs. Ida Bright of Melrose, N. M., and 19 grandchildren.

Mrs. Kelly was born Maggie Davis in Henderson county July 16, 1877. She was married to C. M. Kelly in 1893. They lived in Taylor county a few years, many years in Scurry county and in Portales. Mr. Kelly died January 31, 1941, and Mrs. Kelly had been living in Tulsa for the past five years.

She had been a member of the Church of Christ for 60 years.

Ann Tillotson in Dance Number at Sweetwater

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Tillotson and Ann attended a barbecue for State Highway Department and their employees and their families in Sweetwater Friday night at the American Legion building in City Park.

The barbecue dinner was served by the Chuck Wagon Gang and president P. D. Warren of Sweetwater, was in charge of the entertainment program, which included a lively music show by pupils of Mrs. Dorothy Brandt and a safety film by Magnolia Petroleum Co.

Highlights of the evening was the music show by pupils of Mrs. Brandt which included a dance number, "Bugle Call Rag," by Ann Tillotson and Betty McGinnis of Roby.

T. I. Harwell returned to his home in Dallas Monday. He had visited his daughter, Mrs. Roy Patton, and Mr. Patton about two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Watson of Midland, visited her mother, Mrs. Lena M. Green, Saturday night and Sunday.

Hospital News

Local medical patients in the Callan Hospital the past week were Mark Cave, John Floyd, O. H. Brown, Rufus Goodrum, Carl Taylor, Mrs. W. W. McNaron, Earl Ray Burnes, Mrs. Bobby Clark, Mrs. J. E. Hyer, Mrs. Shed Ragsdale, Manuel Ramez, Cliff Henry, Bill Gray, Bobby Lynn Peek, Ramona Gasper, Mrs. Odis Sparks, Mrs. Eugene Claxton, Rogelio Cantu.

Out of town medical patients were Alfred Turner of Jayton, W. H. Boone of Girard, Mrs. Herbert Bennett of Roby.

Mrs. Neal Smith of Aspermont, had surgery.

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Disastrous Fire Sweeps Business Section Early Sunday Morning

One of the most disastrous and spectacular fires Rotan has ever had occurred early Sunday morning when the Moon Drug Store, the Fair Store, Ideal Barber Shop and H. T. Fillingim office building and contents were destroyed.

Before the smoke had ceased to rise from the fire, plans were being made to rebuild all buildings and resume business in them when completed.

The fire was discovered about 4:30 Sunday morning, and in a few minutes the Rotan Volunteer Fire Department was pouring water on the flames. The fire seemed to be in the ceiling at the rear of the drug store, and it was nearly impossible for the firemen to reach the flames from either underneath or from above until there was large enough openings burned in the roof and outside openings in the buildings. There was strong pressure on the hoses from the big pumper, but the fire continued to consume the buildings until the walls were weakened and holes burned in the ceiling and roof, and finally broke out inside the buildings, and then had gained such headway that the best that could be done was to confine the fire to the buildings.

Hose streams continued to play on the fire until about nine o'clock and even Wednesday there was heavy smoke rising from the interior of the drug store. As soon as the walls cooled enough, a winch truck from Clark Tractor & Implement Co. pulled the walls down to the first story height on both buildings.

The drug store building was owned by Mrs. H. T. Fillingim. The barber shop building owned by M. W. Strickland, and the Fair store building owned by the Nayfa family of Rotan and Sweetwater. All buildings and contents were partially covered by insurance, but there was heavy losses.

Heaviest contents losses were by the Fair Store and Moon Drug. The drug store contents were completely destroyed with the exception of the safe and a tray of jewelry. Dry goods in the Fair Store to the extent of some \$80,000 as reported by Mr. Nayfa, were either destroyed or severely damaged. The barber shop lost the chairs and some furniture, saving most of the other equipment, and Mr. Fillingim lost the furniture, typewriter and all records, which, however can be replaced.

The fire, when first discovered, was coming out of the roof of the drug store building, and for an hour it continued to eat its way across the roofs and then the ceiling fell in and the interior of the drug store was an inferno. By the time the fire had eaten into the Fair Store building it was being brought under control, and water poured into the interior saved some of the stock of goods. There were several thousand dollars of dry goods stored in the upper part of the building, and this was completely destroyed.

The drug store, Fair Store and barber shop buildings were two stories, with office, unoccupied, on the second floor. The drug store corner was built about 1909, replacing a wooden building erected by the old Cowboy State Bank, and the brick was built by the bank and occupied by the bank until it was merged with the First National, then since that time has been occupied by the Moon Drug Store. The Fair store building was erected some years ago, and owned by Mrs. W. W. Callan until sold to the Nayfas a few years ago.

It is understood that all buildings will be rebuilt at once, and will be modern, one-story buildings. As an indication of the optimistic attitude of the owners of the destroyed property, the Nayfas say they will build a modern building for the dry goods store, with mechanical refrigeration type cooling system. The other buildings will be modern and suited to the businesses formerly occupying them.

The Moon Drug Store was owned by Mrs. George Riley, who says she will re-open when another building is finished. The barber shop was owned and operated by Fire Chief A. B. Parker and H. V. Vittitow, and they have leased one of the Phillips buildings directly across the street and were back in business in a couple of days. Mr. Fillingim is

Drizzles and Floods Over the Country The Past Week

The past week has been one of rains over a large part of Texas, and most every section has received more or less rains, though there are many places where the rain was so light that the drouth cannot be said to be broken. Even within one mile radiuses the rain varied greatly.

Abilene received a small flood last Friday morning; Albany, Baird and other towns had rains up to 6 to 8 inches, all of the hard rains tapering off with a mile or so of the heavy downpours.

In Rotan there was .20 of an inch Wednesday night; .45 of an inch Thursday; .25 of an inch Thursday night and Friday, and Saturday morning the fall was .30 of an inch, making a total of 1.20 for the week. But even within this small area the fall was measured considerably more in some parts of town and less in others.

West of town the rain dwindled to a quarter of an inch, but in some small localities it gauged up to four inches, and also heavier rains fell north of town.

Sunday afternoon we had a very light sprinkle, but three miles south of Rotan it got heavier and at Roby the fall was probably an inch.

Lakes were filled at Abilene; Paint Creek reservoir caught several feet of water, the Clear Fork filled the Stamford reservoir at Lueders, though this is only about two-months' supply for the town, while Oak Creek reservoir, the water hope for Roby, Bronte and Sweetwater, caught very little water.

The rains will be very beneficial to cotton in this section where it fell in any appreciable amounts, and where cotton was not too far gone to be benefitted, and it gives farmers a chance to plant feeds where the cotton will not produce. Also it will be of great benefit to pastures in all parts of the country.

Methodist Church Sunday Services

Our regular services at the same hours Sunday.

Sunday school at 9:45. Morning worship at 10:50. M. Y. F., both Intermediates and Seniors at 6:00 p.m. Evening worship at 7:00. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., with Choir Rehearsal to follow immediately after 8:00 o'clock.

A warm welcome for everyone. We want no one to feel a stranger here, for if you will give us the opportunity, we will prove our friendliness. If you will allow God to bless you, His spirit will fill your heart.

The fellow who stays away from church has no right to criticize what church people do, for he knows nothing about what the church is doing, and if the critic of the church knows so well how a church member should live, why not give your heart to the Lord, become a church member and show the rest of us how to live a Christian life? If the critic knows how the church should be run, then why not get in it and carry your part of the load or keep your mouth shut. Anybody can criticize, it takes real grit and grace to live a Godly life. The church will help you to do that if you will give her the opportunity.

"Trust in the Lord and He will give thee the desires of thine heart." Marvin Brotherton, Pastor.

O.E.S. To Entertain At Hall July 28

Members of the O. E. S. are entertaining Masonic Lodge July 28 at 8:00 in the Masonic Hall. All members of both lodges are invited. Gwendolyn Snapp.

securing office space in another location for the present. The Fair Store has rented the old Majestic Theatre building for their salvaged stock and will open there in about two weeks.

The only accident during the fire was when Mitchell Nayfa, working in the Fair Store trying to save some goods, was hit on the head by a brick falling through the ceiling, cutting a gash on his forehead. He was taken to the hospital for treatment and was back at the fire scene in a short time, and the wound has not proven serious.

Local Boys Attend FFA Meet at Ft. Worth

Among the 3,000 boys who went to Fort Worth July 22 to help celebrate the Future Farmers 25th anniversary at the annual FFA convention were four from Rotan. Those from here were Ted Posey, Walter Miers, Jimmy Counts and Peggy Sparks, sweetheart. They were accompanied by Tommy Toland, teacher.

The delegates attending the convention were representing Texas' 40,000 Future Farmers who belong to 840 different chapters.

State officers were elected at the meeting, the state public speaking winner chosen and state contest winners received their awards. The outstanding events of the convention was the second annual Lone Star Farmer Banquet at which 661 Future Farmers were awarded the Lone Star Farmer degree. The banquet speaker was Jimmy Dillon of Jons, La., National FFA president.

Wednesday, the opening day, a machinery parade wound through downtown streets. Door prizes were given at each afternoon session.

First Baptist Sunday School Goals Set

The Sunday school of the First Baptist Church is in a campaign during the last half of July and the month of August for its attendance. Goals have been set for each department and class, the Roughneck having the largest class goal of 50. The Adult Department has a goal of 150.

The Roughneck class is calling all who are interested to meet in the class room at the Weathersbe Chapel Sunday morning at 9 o'clock for a prayer meeting for 30 minutes for rain and thanksgiving.

The pastor, Dr. Lawrence Hayes, will preach at the regular services Sunday, with M. D. Ivey in charge of special and congregational music. Sunday school meets at 9:45 with the Training Union meeting at 7:00 o'clock.

The nursery is open for all services. Visitors and friends are invited to the services.

Rebekahs Installed Officers at Rule

Members of the local Rebekah Lodge went to Rule recently and had a joint installation of officers with the Rule lodge.

Mrs. Jessie Vittitow was installed Noble Grand of the Rotan Lodge. Installed with Mrs. Vittitow were: Mrs. Nora Berry, Vice Grand; Mrs. Opal Sites, Past Noble Grand; Mrs. Minnie Porter, Chaplain; Mrs. Rena Thomas, Secretary; Mrs. Geneva Bostick, Treasurer; Wilda Ruth Ogden, Financial Secretary; J. W. Porter, Inside Guardian; Charlie Seaton, Outside Guardian; Mrs. Virgie Weems, Right Support to Noble Grand; Mrs. Jeanette Baker, Left Support to Noble Grand; Mrs. Maggie Hefner, Left Support to Vice Grand; Mrs. Allie Lou Compton, Right Support to Vice Grand; Mrs. Audrey Snodgrass, Color Bearer; Mrs. Lucy Smith, Warden; Mrs. Mary Fawn Wiley, Conductor.

Ann Clark-Alvin Nitsch Married July 17

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Clark are announcing the marriage of their daughter, Ann, to Alvin Nitsch of Winters, Friday, July 17, in Carlsbad, N. M.

Following a honeymoon in New Mexico, the couple is living in Silver, Texas, where the bridegroom is employed by Haliburton Co.

The bride, graduate of Rotan schools, attended H-S-U, Abilene last fall and is a recent graduate of Abilene Beauty School. She has represented Rotan in numerous rodeos in the area during the past two years, and is winner of several sponsor contests. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Clark of Abilene.

Mr. Nitsch, graduate of Winters schools, was in the Armed Services with duty in Korea.

Rush Callan returned Saturday from Fort Worth, where he had been since Monday with his mother-in-law, Mrs. Pearlina Boughter, who had major surgery there. Mrs. Callan stayed with her mother.

All-Star Little League Players Announced

The Rotan All-Star Little League Team was announced at the Tuesday night's game. Fourteen boys were selected from the 60 players in the League by the team managers. Five boys were selected for the managers to pick from, in case it was necessary to replace any boy on the tournament team.

No playing position was specified for any boy, as they were picked on the basis of their all-around playing ability, in the best judgment of the managers.

This team will be managed by Erbie Rogers and Ed Patton. They will play the winner of the Sweetwater-Snyder game which is in Area Two, District Two, of the National Little League.

The Rotan League will play the winner of the above game on Wednesday, July 29, on the winner's home field.

The 14 boys selected are as follows:

- 5 Little Vets: H. Lopez, M. Yan- ez, L. Hamlin, A. Lopez, E. Eaton.
- 3 Rebels: T. Underhill, P. Klindworth, J. Blount.
- 3 Little Pigs: J. Snapp, L. Hill, R. Ratliff.
- 3 Prune Peddlers: R. Rushing, C. Thornton, M. Harrison.

The following five boys are on the substitute list: E. Allen, J. Morrow, Clark, D. Baugh, T. Baugh.

The fans are asked to remember that local league play continues thru July 31, and you are asked to continue your fine support of this worthwhile activity.

This week we will have games on Thursday and Friday, and next week will see four games played on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday to end up local league play.

Cross Roads Revival Begins Friday Night

The Cross Roads Baptist Church will begin their revival Friday night, July 31, and continue through Aug. 9, with the pastor, the Rev. R. M. Parsley, doing the preaching.

Bobby Gruben, the local song director, will be in charge of the music, with Mrs. Odell McQueen at the piano.

Prayer services will be held each evening at 7:45, and the evening preaching service at 8:45. Morning services will be at 10:30.

Members of the church join with the pastor in cordially inviting the public to attend each and every service. Come and enjoy the good spiritual singing and the old fashioned Gospel as it is preached in each service.

The church closed their vacation Bible school last Friday night, with a commencement service when 62 diplomas were given. There were 62 enrolled in the school with an average attendance of 61. The church, in cooperation with the Associational and District Vacation Bible School leaders, had a team of two invincibles from the Texas Baptist Sunday school board, to work with them. Everyone expressed their belief that the church was strengthened and the Bible school was a grater success by having had them.

Names of the team members were Miss Oma Dell Franklin of Lubbock, student at Southwestern Seminary of Fort Worth; and Miss Helen Sharp of Odessa, recent graduate of North Texas State College, Denton, and teacher-elect in the public schools at McCamey.

YWA's in Camp At Lueders This Week

Miss Lois Rogge, from the First Baptist Church, accompanied a group of young women to Lueders Monday of this week, where YWA camp is being held. Some 18 attended from the First Baptist Church.

The pastor, Dr. Lawrence Hayes, is camp pastor and Mrs. Hayes is a member of the faculty, teaching a missionary book. Miss Rogge is in charge of the YWA conferences.

Some 300 were expected to attend from this area, which includes the Abilene district. Rev. Henry J. Littleton, district missionary, is the camp manager.

Mrs. J. T. Stephenson and Mrs. Clifton Thomas attended to business in Stamford Monday.

First Cool Living Show Farmers Implement Co.

The first Cool Living Show ever presented in Rotan will be held at the Farmers Implement Co. show rooms Saturday. The management says, "We want everyone to see just how far refrigerators have advanced since the days of the ice wagon."

Attractions at the Cool Living Show will be International Harvester's refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners and dehumidifiers. These include the Decorator models of refrigerators and air conditioners.

Decorator models are the newest thing in the appliance field. They're refrigerators and air conditioners that can be covered with fabric to match walls, curtains, or even linoleum. They're made only by International Harvester.

"Changing fabrics is a very simple operation," is pointed out. "For example, it takes just 7 minutes and 1 3-4 yards of material to give an International Harvester Decorator Refrigerator a new color scheme."

During the Cool Living Show, the Farmers Implement Co. will give away free gifts. One adult in every family will receive a free set of four iced tea glasses for viewing the Decorator refrigerators or air conditioners.

Mother of Mrs. Heathington Died at Abilene

Mrs. Mary Jane Dalton, 74, mother of Mrs. P. L. Heathington of Rotan, died at St. Ann Hospital in Abilene at 1:30 a.m. Monday. She had been ill for the past three years but became seriously ill three weeks ago and entered the hospital last Friday.

She was born Mary Jane McCamey in Arkansas. When 12, she came with her family to Texas settling at Moody. She married Mr. Dalton in Moody and they lived there until his death in 1936. Dalton moved to Abilene two years later.

She was a member of the Grace Methodist Church in Abilene.

The body was taken Tuesday to the First Methodist Church at McCamey, where funeral services were conducted at 3 p.m. by the Rev. R. H. Boyd, Methodist minister of Gatesville.

Survivors, besides Mrs. Heathington, are two sons, J. B. Dalton of Abilene, and L. A. Dalton, stationed with the Army in South Carolina; four sisters, Mrs. Alice Willis, Mrs. Emily Goode, Mrs. Bonnie Naylor, all of Moody; one brother, Jim McCamey of Moody; four grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Ideal Barber Shop Open Across Street

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Vittitow visited his mother in San Angelo Sunday night. A. B. Parker went early Monday with a truck for a load of fixtures they had bought there for their barber shop that was burned Sunday morning.

They will open in the Mrs. H. R. Phillips building across the street from their old location and plan to be there until the burned building is rebuilt.

All Water Restrictions Have Been Removed

City officials announce the removal of all water restrictions including the increased rate which was recently enacted.

No further water shortage is anticipated this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Gilliland and Gary returned home Thursday night. Gary had been counselor at a boys camp near Durango, Colo. for six weeks, and Mr. and Mrs. Gilliland had spent their vacation in Colorado. Gary entered Texas Tech Friday morning to do special work the last term of summer school.

Approaching Marriage For August 14

Mr. and Mrs. Fant Posey are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lula, to Billy Wayne McMeans, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McMeans of Swenson. The wedding will take place in the home of the bride's parents August 14.

**Preview of Progress
 Show at Midwest Meet
 in Roby July 30-31**

A demonstration that opens with a real bang, a hydrogen explosion, and tells of a world that runs on sunshine, that's part of the 1953 General Motors Previews of Progress.

The show will appear on the program of the Midwest Electric Co-Op annual meeting, Electric Fair in Roby July 30-31.

Previews, a stage show dramatizing the rôle of science in American life, is like the rest of the big entertainment program at the Electric Fair, free and is presented by Frigidaire.

Nationally known previews will be shown throughout the world soon with the completion of plans by General Motors to send the show overseas to Europe, South Africa and New Zealand. Units of the show have already gone to Australia. But the complete show will be seen at the Electric Fair in Roby.

One demonstration is on energy conversion. In three parts, the lecturer proves:

There is energy in matter; energy can be converted to useful purposes; and the solution to the secret of sunshine, nature's greatest energy reservoir, could be the world's greatest scientific discovery.

To prove that there is energy in matter the preview lecturer separates water into hydrogen and oxygen by electrolysis. He collects the gases in a tube and explodes them over a candle flame.

"You see," he says, "there is energy or power in water, and we need less than one drop of water to make that explosion."

To show that energy in matter can be converted for useful purposes the demonstrator uses a fire tube. This is a clear plastic tube, three feet long and three inches in diameter, with a stopper in each end.

He places a few drops of fuel into the tube and notes that the proportion of air to liquid in the tube is about 9,000 to 1. This is about the same as the proportion of air to gasoline in a car's cylinder. He mixes the fuel and air by moving the tube up and down and then places a lighted match to one end.

There's a whoosh! A blue flame travels slowly down the tube and as it nears the end, an explosion blows out the stopper.

"That burning," he explains, "is very similar to that which takes place in your automobile engine, at the rate of 100 firings a second if you are driving at 40 miles an hour.

"We have proved that there is energy in matter and we have proved that this energy can be converted to useful purposes, such as running an automobile. As a matter of fact, he explains, our material progress depends to a great extent on how well the engineers convert energy from one form to another. Our standard of living is very closely linked with the amount of horsepower we produce.

"In this connection it is interesting to note that we think of our central power stations as being big producers of power. Yet, the automobiles alone now on the road in America are capable of producing 50 times more horsepower than all the electric power stations combined.

"Even though we have made a great deal of progress in converting energy from one form to another, we have not yet been too successful with the source of almost all energy, the sun."

The demonstrator then shows the sun motor which can convert sunlight into enough electrical energy to spin a cardboard wheel on the shaft of a small motor.

If sunlight isn't available, heat of a candle or light from a 150-watt lamp does the job.

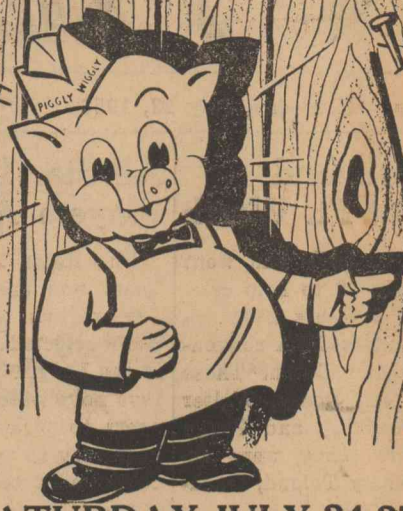
General Motors engineers point out that the Sun Motor is an extremely low efficiency power producer for anything beyond illustrating a principle, the principle that sunlight is power.

How to harness this power for such everyday chores as heating homes, running electrical appliances or even propelling vehicles is a top priority problem at General Motors, says Charles L. McCuen, General Motors vice president and general manager of the Research Laboratory Division.

As Charles F. Ketterling, former head of GM Research Lab, has expressed it, the problem is "to short circuit" nature and convert power directly from the sun's rays, rather than obtain it from such byproducts of solar energy as coal, petroleum or vegetable matter.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Goodrum Sunday were her sisters, Mrs. J. B. Mashburn and Mrs. H. E. Minnix of Abilene.

WHAT'S ALL THE CHEERING ABOUT?



**It's PIGGLY WIGGLY'S
 BETTER VALUE DAYS
 - YOU PAY LESS TO GET THE BEST!**

FRIDAY & SATURDAY JULY 24-25

REMEMBER-DOUBLE STAMPS WEDNESDAY

CRISCO, 3 Lbs. 79c

ADMIRATION

**COFFEE, 1 LB. 83c
 TIN**

FRONTIER GIRL

Vienna Sausage, 2 for 19c

OUR VALUE

PEARS, 303 19c

SUN SPUN

PEAS, 303 2 for 29c

GLADIOLA DEVILS FOOD

**CAKE MIX
 PIE CRUST 44c**

GLADIOLA

BISCUIT MIX 19c

KIMBELL 24 Oz.

Waffle Syrup 34c

Miracle Whip, pt. 29c

CHUM 1 Lb.

Salmon, 2 for 69c



FIRST OF SEASON
 GENUINE
 PECOS
Lb. 10c

(Genuine C. A. Lg.)

BANANAS, 2 Lbs. 25c

CORN, Ear 5c

GREEN BEANS (Kentucky Wonder) 19c

CELERY HEARTS, pkg. 25c

LEMONS (Sunkist) Lb. 15c

(We Reserve the right to limit quantities)



7 Steak 39c

CHUCK ROAST lb. 33c

Round Steak lb. 59c

Ground Beef, 3 Lbs. \$1

Arm ROAST, Lb. 49c

Longhorn Cheese, Lb. 45c

RIO OLEO, Lb. 19c

Budget Bacon, Lb. 43c

Cello Franks (Delite) LB. 39c

HEART'S DELIGHT (California)

TOMATO JUICE 46 Oz. 4 for \$1

BAMA 20 Oz.

PEANUT BUTTER 49c

JELLO, 2 for 15c

SUGAR, 10 Lbs. 89c

CAMPFIRE No. 2 1-2

PORK & BEANS 19c

Toilet Soap (WRISLEY'S) 10 Bars 49c

PILLSBURY

Flour, 25 lbs. \$1.69

THANKS

We sincerely appreciate everything done for us during our recent disastrous fire.

The Fire Department deserve special thanks for their untiring efforts and in doing the swell job that they did.

The many words and expressions from friends in encouragement are a wonderful help in a time such as this. And this makes us proud indeed to live in a community where such spirit of fellowship exists.

Again may we say from the bottom of our hearts—thank you!

The Nayfa Family

History of Great Drouth and Famines

(John C. White, Commissioner of Agriculture, Texas Dept.)

There is nothing new under the sun. History can be rightly called "a study of parallels" and particularly in regard to the present record-breaking drouth.

Bad as the prolonged dry spell has been, we can take refuge in the fact that disasters, either local or national, bring out the humanitarian instincts of the more fortunate. As a result, tragedy is averted through gifts, loans and other economic means.

But this was not always so. Recent studies show that man has sometimes had to resort to cannibalism in order to live through the famines following great drouths.

Arthur Edson reports a study of age-old drouths made by Julius Allen of the Library of Congress. Edson quotes Allen as saying famines also have been the cause of wars, migrations, revolutions and Communists.

"India and China, near starvation level when things are at their best, have been hardest hit," he writes. "The University of Nanking figures that China has had 1,829 famines in the past 2,000 years.

"Famines have been no respecter of geography. Some 650 famines have been recorded in Europe. In 936, in Scotland, 'people began to devour one another.' During that same time, the Irish sold their children for food."

There is this description of the Egyptian famine of 1064-1072, according to Edson.

"The wretched resorted to cannibalism, and organized bands kidnaped the unwary passenger in the desolate streets, principally by means of ropes furnished with hooks and let down from the latticed windows."

"Even the mere statistics are awesome: five million dead in the India famine of 1876-78, 9½ million dead in North China in the same period, and 12 million dead of starvation during the Russian revolution.

"The first written account of a drouth remains one of the best. Two thousand years before the time of Abraham, a drouth struck Egypt. The king, Tosorthrus, left his report on it, and any Texas or Oklahoma farmer will know how he felt.

"I am mourning on my high throne for the vast misfortune because the Nile flood has not come for seven years. Light is the grain; there is lack of crops and of all

kinds of food.

"Each man has become a thief to his neighbor. They desire to hasten and cannot walk. The child cries, and the youth creeps along, and the old man; their souls are bowed down . . ."

Edson ends his story with Tosorthrus' note of almost complete desperation: "Torn open are the chests of provisions, but instead of contents there is air. Everything is exhausted."

Rural Water Survey Being Made in State

Austin.—A farm to farm, ranch to ranch survey of Texas water resources is now underway in an effort to gauge drouth effect on public health.

Information is being sought by questionnaires sent from the State Health Department to all county judges. When complete, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health chief, says a compilation sheet will be made showing:

Towns with ample water supplies; towns with impending shortages; number of wells and tanks and the amount of water available from them; how much water is being hauled and from where; steps rural organizations are taking to relieve their shortages; to what extent is land being irrigated; and what outside help is necessary to relieve shortages in individual communities.

National attention has been directed to Texas in view of the drouth-caused plight of West Texas cattlemen, but "there's more to this thing than just cattle," Dr. Cox said.

"When a drouth becomes as widespread and as prolonged as this one, it affects every factor of state operation, including the public's health."

He said sanitation is the most serious threat posed by drouth conditions.

"There's some typhoid in Texas now," he indicated. "Did contaminated water cause it? We're in the process of finding out."

He said the bulk of the questionnaires are due in "soon," and that a copy of the compiled data would be turned over to the State Office of Defense and Disaster Relief.

Carole Byerly of Colorado City, visited her parents here last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Watson, Reva Jo and Jim returned Thursday from a vacation spent in Colorado and New Mexico.

Mrs. Mark Cave and her daughter, Mrs. Abner Aaron, and children, Jan and Ande, of Dallas, returned Tuesday of last week from New Mexico, where they visited Mrs. Bertie Spivey at Las Vegas, and Mr. and Mrs. Sid Dennis in Springer, and other relatives. When they arrived home they learned that Mr. Cave had been carried to the hospital suffering from a heart attack. He is still in the hospital for treatment. Mrs. Aaron will stay until her father is more improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Colonel Mize and two sons of Midland, visited relatives and friends here last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Ray Hughes and Craig of Kingsville, came Saturday to visit their parents, the Obed Hughes and the George Moores.

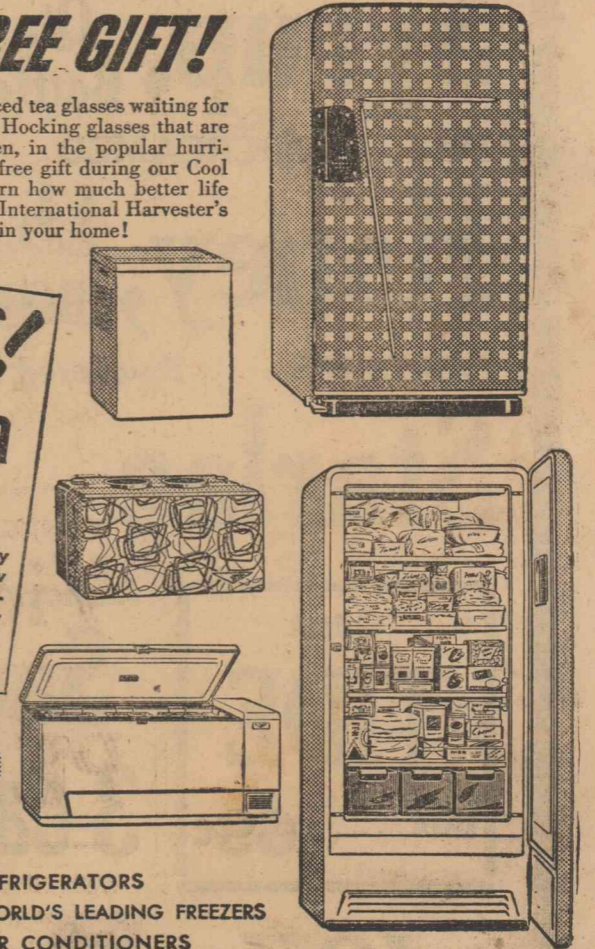
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CHEESE 2-Lb. 89c
Box

CHUM

Salmon TALL 35c
CAN

SUN SPUN No. 303 Can

Tomatoes 15c

CHURCHES Large Bottle

Grapejuice 39c

Miracle Whip
SALAD

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Qt. 55c

FOLGER'S

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**GARDEN FRESH
VEGETABLES**

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Vine Ripe
Cantaloupes lb. 9c

Bananas lb. 15c

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Lemons lb. 19c

Bell
Pepper lb. 29c

Fresh
Okra lb. 25c

Cello
Carrots 2bags 29c

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**Sgt. Thelma Gerth and
Sgt. Julian Lashbrook
Married July 18**

In a candlelight home service, read Saturday, July 18, at 3 p.m., Sgt. Thelma Louise Gerth, daughter of H. C. Gerth, Sr. of Rotan, became the bride of Sgt. Julian R. Lashbrook, son of Mrs. Stella Lashbrook of Smith Creek, Mich.

Reading the double ring service in the Gerth home was the Rev. W. T. Hardy. Besides Rev. and Mrs. Hardy, only members of the Gerth family attended.

Bridal appointments included palms in bronze stands, and lighted white tapers in bronze floor candelabra.

The reception that followed the simple home wedding, the dining table was laid with an imported cut-work linen cloth from Japan. Centerpiece was a bridal scene in miniature, amid pink palm asters.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a tailored navy suit, with navy and white accessories, and carried a white orchid, nestled in brocade satin and net.

Her attendant, Mrs. H. C. Gerth, Jr., of El Paso, wore navy and white, with navy accessories. The bride's brother, Pfc. Jimmy Gerth, a Marine recently returned from Japan, was best man.

The bride, who is completing a tour of duty with the WAC's in August, was home on three-day pass from her station at Fort Hood, where she is serving as Lab Technician. She is completing three years in the service, with nine months duty in Tokyo, Japan. She returned to the States last November.

The bridegroom has just returned from duty with the Army in Tokyo.

Besides those in the wedding, other members of the Gerth family who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gerth and family of Sweetwater, Mrs. Jimmy Gerth of Eastland, Mrs. T. J. Gerth and family of El Paso, Mrs. H. C. Gerth, Jr.'s children.

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**Simpson-Lasseter
Reunion at Lueders**

The annual family reunion of the Simpson and Lasseter families was held at Lueders Baptist Encampment last Saturday. Around 50 persons attended and the day was spent in visiting, with a picnic lunch at the noon hour.

The reunion, which is held the third Sunday in July each year, will be in Abilene State Park next year.

New reunion officers include Levy Simpson of Girard, president, Mrs. Hitson Green, Rotan, secretary, A. G. Lassiter, Stamford, J. E. Simpson, Rotan, and Hitson Green, Rotan, arrangement committee.

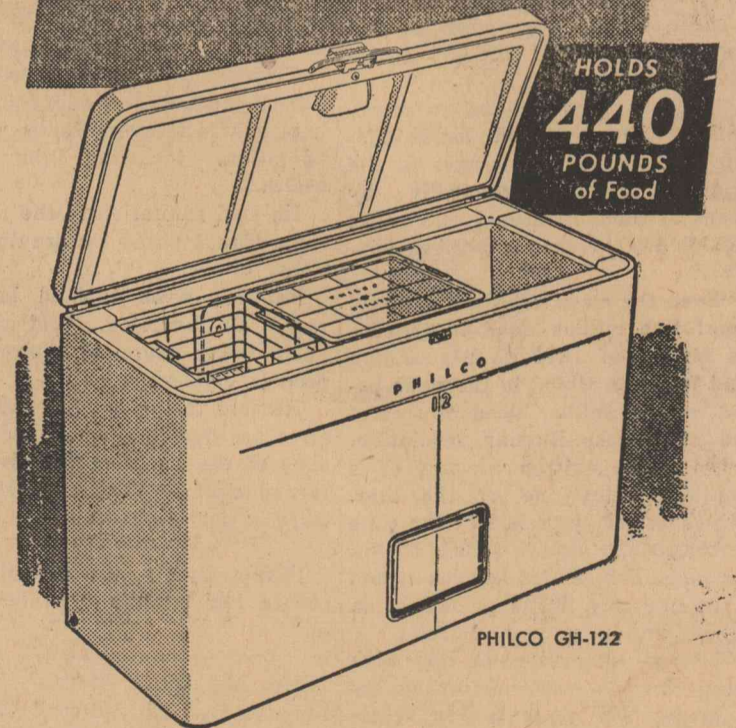
Besides the officers, others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Odstick, Stamford; Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Parson, Friona; Mrs. Mirtle Cox, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lassiter and family, Mrs. A. G. Lassiter, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Lassiter and family, Annie B. Lassiter, all of Stamford; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lassiter, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Simpson and family, all of Spur; Mrs. Louise Lasseter Hagle, Abilene; Mrs. J. C. Simpson, Rotan; Mrs. Levy Simpson and son, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Cox, Girard; Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Parsons, Hereford; Lon Lasseter and family, Lindsay, Cal.; Joe T. Gamble and family, Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Keith, Dublin; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Keith, Dublin.

Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Gilbert and daughters, Lisa and Jan, arrived Wednesday of last week from St. Louis, Mo. to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Fillingim. They will also visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gilbert in Midland. Dr. and Mrs. Gilbert went to Dallas Monday to attend to business. Mr. and Mrs. John Gilbert of Midland, visited them here Sunday.

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Synthetic Rubber out of a pop bottle—and in only two minutes. The secret, of course, lies in combining the right liquids. This is one of the many interesting scientific demonstrations of the General Motors Previews of Progress at the Midwest Electric Co-Op annual meeting—Electric Fair in Roby July 30-31.

Actress Roles no Cinch

It seems paradoxical, but Joan Fontaine stoutly insists that the toughest role for an actress to play is the role of an actress.

Joan made this startling discovery when she began her assignment in George Stevens' "Something to Live For," Paramount picture coming to the Lance Tuesday and Wednesday. The romantic drama casts her as a young hopeful.

"The trouble," Joan confides, "is that you think of the character in terms of your own theatre experience, not in terms of the special personality that the author had in mind. I understood the terrible trials that the Jenny Carey of the story faced in starting her career—I had plenty of my own. But my reactions were so very different from hers, and I remembered them so vividly, that at first I was playing part Jenny and part Joan."

Joan rates the role the most challenging of her career.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Roberson took their daughter Peggy Jo, to McMurry College Sunday, where she is attending Band School.

Pvt. Harvey C. Palmer left Tuesday for Fort Jackson Reception Center South Carolina, after spending a ten-day leave with his mother, Mrs. Alva Palmer, and brother, Martin Palmer and family. He has just completed special training with the engineers at Ft. Belvoir, Va., and will be re-assigned to the Third Army Area upon arrival at Fort Jackson. Another son, Sgt. George T. Palmer, and wife and daughter from Ft. Smith, Ark., returned home Sunday, after spending several days here with his mother and brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dickey and family of Camp Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ratliff and family, and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lear, Betty Hardy and Alton Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Terry at Johnson City over the week end, and attended a reunion of the Terrys at Lampasas Sunday. A group of the young folks enjoyed Saturday evening in San Antonio.

Mrs. W. F. Edwards, Mrs. Roy Edwards and son, Mrs. Ernest Kolb, Freddie Raspberry and his mother are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Chester in Washington.



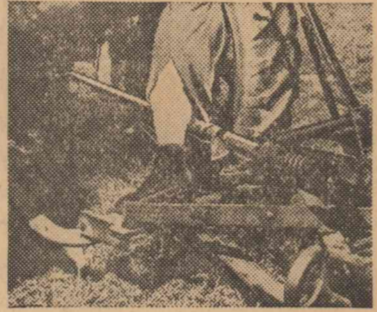
Safety Week Set For July 19-25

'Farm to Live and Live to Farm' Slogan

The 10th annual National Farm Safety Week will be observed July 19-25, the National Safety Council has announced.

The goal of National Farm Safety Week, which has been jointly sponsored by the National Safety Council and the U. S. Department of Agriculture since its inception in 1944, is to encourage all farm residents to "Farm to Live and Live to Farm" by practicing safety in the home, at work, in traffic and at play.

Farm accidents take thousands of lives annually. For the most



Carelessness caused the accident that is pictured above. National Farm Safety Week will promote safety on the nation's farms. Don't let this happen to you.

part they can be attributed to carelessness and neglected repairs of machinery and facilities.

Careless handling of animals is a big factor in the farm accident toll. Also, failing to turn off machinery such as tractors when making minor adjustments causes numerous fatalities and serious injuries.

Nothing saps the nation's strength as much as lost man-hours due to accidents. And the farmer who is injured during the busy season faces great financial loss if not disaster.

"Farm to Live and Live to Farm" is one of the most practical slogans for the annual campaign that has been devised in a number of years.

Cattle Marketings Near Panic Stage

According to the U.S.D.A. marketing of cattle almost reached panic proportions last month. Slaughter was up 44 per cent from last year at major markets and marketing of calves was up 38 per cent over the same period in 1952.

At the beginning of 1953, farmers and ranchers had 93.7 million head of cattle and calves, according to estimates. A normal yearly slaughter from such a herd is about 38 per cent.

To date the rate of slaughter is about 24 per cent over the rate of slaughter for the corresponding period of 1952.

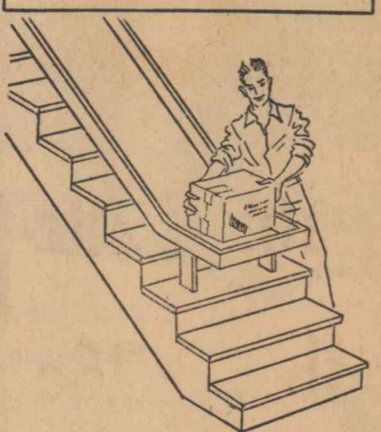
Although prices were considerably lower than last year and the year before, they could have been even lower if pork supplies had not been sharply reduced during the period and employment and consumer buying power were not at an all-time high level.

The U. S. D. A. has indicated in previous reports that the increased marketing trend is likely to continue through June.

Marketing Trend

According to reports from Iowa, Nebraska and Illinois, farmers in those states were feeding 781,000 head of calves in January as compared with 491,000 last year at the same time. This would indicate an increase in the marketings this fall.

Loading Chute



Time and energy are important to every farmer. Savings in these departments will yield both money and better health. One simple method of saving time is the installation of a chute for case goods such as empty egg crates. Located on a stairway, this chute has lumber sides and a slick, smooth bottom of pressed wood or a panel material without splinters or grain. Here the chute takes the beating, saving the farmer's time and money.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Morrow took their children, Preston, Jr. and Judith, to Abilene Sunday, where they are attending Band School at McMurry College. Mr. and Mrs. Morrow returned home by way of Stamford, where they visit-

ed her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Terry.

Mrs. Effie Teague of Ft. Worth, spent last week end at Royston with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rush Rector.

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Mrs. June Colwell and niece, Sandra Lowe left Wednesday by car to visit Mrs. Colwell's mother and sister in California.

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Starting Thursday Morning July 23

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Boys Shirts
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Dress Straws
1-2 Price

Men's
Western Straws
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SKIRTS and BLOUSES
1-2 Price

1 Table **CHILDREN'S Sandals**
Size 0 to 12 ... **\$1.00**
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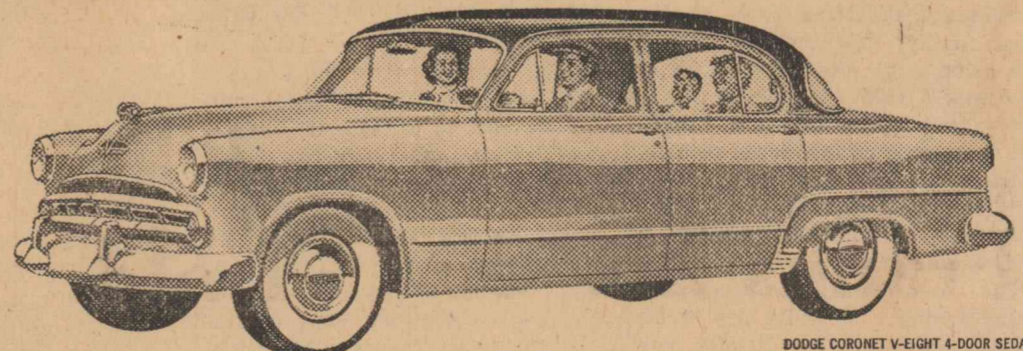
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White Swan TEA, 2 glasses free. ½ lb.	69c
TOMATOES, Carton	15c
LEMONS, Dozen	29c
SPUDS, 10 Pounds	39c
SUGAR, 10 Pounds	93c
PURE LARD, 3-Pound Carton ...	59c
GIANT TIDE,	69c
FOLGER'S COFFEE, Pound	89c
White Swan PORK & BEANS, 24-oz. Can	17c
Concho English PEAS, No. 303 can .	15c
SALMON, Tall Can	39c
SUN VALLEY OLEO, Pound	20c
BEEF RIBS, Pound	25c
CHUCK STEAK, Pound	39c
HAMBURGER MEAT, Pound	29c
Print Bag FLOUR, 50 Pounds .	\$2.98
Bewley's FLOUR, 5 Pounds	49c

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VFW Auxiliary Had Clean-up Party

A clean-up party was held Monday night by the Ladies Auxiliary to Fisher County Memorial Post 5072, VFW, at the post home in Rotan.

A short business meeting was held after the work detail, during which the president, Billie Neeper, presented delegate Jessie Morrow her credentials for the National Encampment of the VFW, which will

be held in Milwaukee, Wis.

A surprise party for Jean Tucker with love gifts was given as a farewell since Mrs. Tucker and family are moving to Lawton, Okla. Thursday of this week.

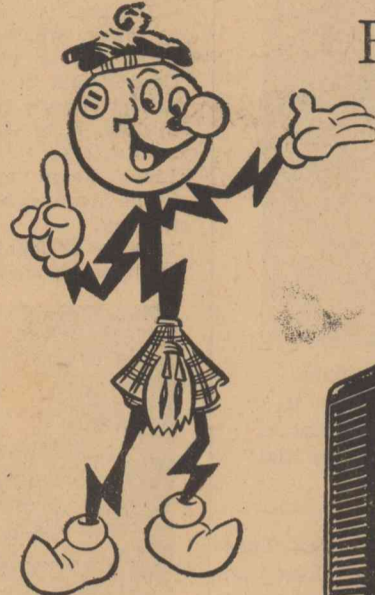
Hostesses Hazel Coker and Jessie Morrow served iced tea and iced watermelon to close the meeting.

Members attending besides those named above were Joe Mills, Mary Edwards, Elya Mae Decker, Margaret Eakins, Sally Test and the young son of Mrs. Neeper, Phillip.

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Cash in on good late summer and early fall egg prices by keeping your hens as long as they'll lay while pullet egg size is coming up.

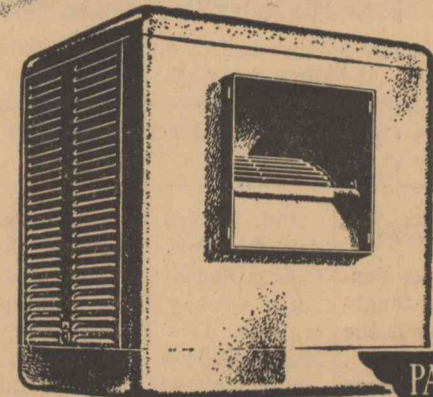
Demand for farmland has been weakening across the nation for the past year, and farm real estate values in general have trended downward, according to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, USDA.



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Deplores Loss of Small Communities

Life in the country has values that are worth every effort to preserve, stressed R. William Dennis of New York, speaking at the recent Institute for Town and Country Ministers at the College of Agriculture, Rutgers University.

"We need a re-affirmation in modern terms of the value of the small community, and a skillful, powerful effort to stabilize it," he said.

Dr. Dennis represented the Town and Country Division of the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The speaker contrasted the dismal life of people in the city with the serene prospects of country life with community spirit.

Big cities are doomed, he stated, because of the lack of this community spirit. This is the age of the "lost," rather than the free individual, he said.

Man's lost sense of community must be recovered in the small towns and rural areas, Dr. Dennis continued. It cannot come from the cities.

"When institutions such as the rural family, neighborhood, church and community are swallowed up or weakened," said the speaker, "the bonds that unite men are broken and the source of individual security disappears."

"When we break the bonds that unite men, we alienate men from God," he said.

The one agency capable of strengthening community life is the church, concluded Dr. Dennis, and he urged pastors to work toward community unification, regardless of the cost in pride or denominational prestige.

On June 28, 1950, the first naval punch was delivered at North Koreans only three days after the initial invasion as the cruiser Jeanne fired on targets near Samchok.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Low and Mrs. Dan Robinson and two children of Winters, visited the Alva Palmer family Friday.

Lightning Losses Can Be Prevented

You can prevent most lightning losses, says A. V. Krewatch, Extension agricultural engineer at the University of Maryland.

Except in unusual instances, livestock losses in pastures and damage or loss of farm buildings during the lightning storm season can be avoided by following a few simple rules.

Wire fences on wood posts should be grounded at regular intervals of 10 rods or so by means of No. 10 or heavier wire thrust into the ground at least post depth. Staple the ground wire tightly across each intersecting wire on the post.

Trees that cows like to gather under during storms can be protected with lightning rods extending to the top of the trees and having the usual ground to constantly moist earth.

Correctly rodded buildings are seldom struck and rarely destroyed by lightning, according to the engineer. But installation calls for technical information, and he advises entrusting the job to a reputable and experienced worker.

Check the system periodically and keep it in top condition for good performance.

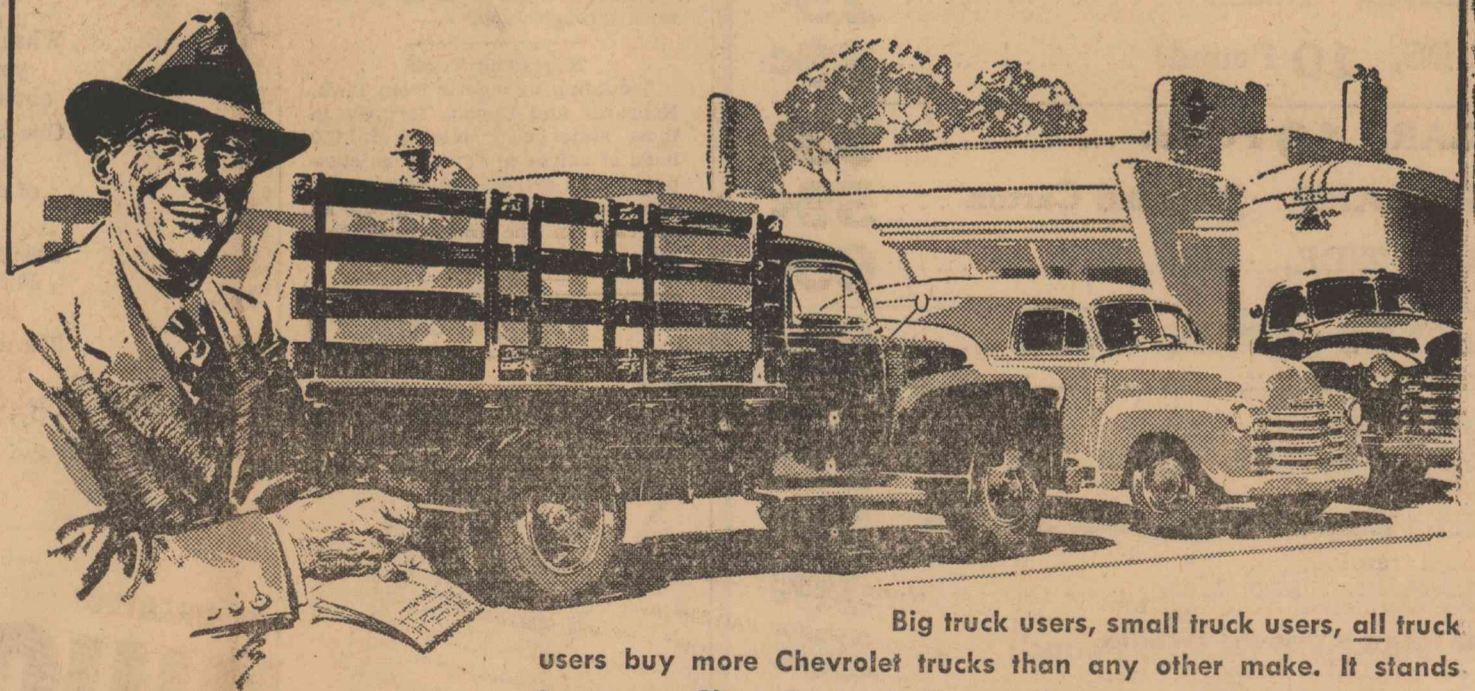
Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith and children, Nancy, Cathy and Hughie, of Plainview, came Friday. Mrs. Smith and children visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Bridges, and Mr. Smith, who is chamber of commerce manager in Plainview, went to Dallas to attend a chamber of commerce institute. They returned to Plainview Tuesday. Also visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bridges Sunday and Monday were Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Moore and daughter Pat of Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Burk took their daughter, Mrs. Elmo Cummins and son Chris to Dallas Sunday and she went from there to Great Lakes to join her husband.

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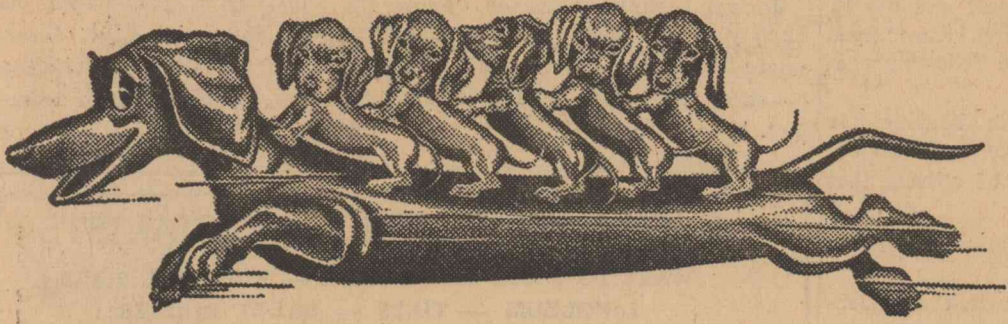
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Teach Youngsters to Be Safety Conscious

College Station. — Train youngsters the art of living safely. According to Mrs. Eloise Johnson, family life education specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, children follow the examples set by older folks. Certainly, then, if you want your children to live safely, parents must live safely and teach the children to be alert to danger.

The attitude children, as well as adults, have towards danger will have an influence on their being safe. Accidents just don't happen, they are caused, so teaching young folks and helping older ones to live longer safely is a matter of developing safety attitudes—good positive attitudes towards safety and accident prevention.

The specialist says the home at-

mosphere is partly responsible for a major portion of the accidents that happen each year. Some of the most potent causes are worry, dissatisfaction, annoyance, anxiety and unhappiness. "We need to slow down to live safely with the hazards that we cannot eliminate," Mrs. Johnson says.

Teaching the young child to push the button on the door to lock it when she first gets in the car will help create in the child an attitude of safety first. That is much better than frightening the child about falling out. Safety belts for automobiles like those used in airplanes are good investments. They can promote a feeling of great security in car riding for both child and the driver.

Children love to climb and they can be taught to climb without danger. Study the procedures used for

teaching this in nursery schools. Children are helped to learn to climb, where to put their feet and how to brace and hold, to reach with their hands, and how to come down as well as climb up.

Teach children how to cross streets. For a year or so before children begin to travel along the streets, give them the responsibility of giving the go or stop signal, by watching the lights or pretending there are lights. They can enjoy being the traffic policemen at each corner. Help them learn not to laugh and talk while crossing the street, but to be alert until they are safely on the other side.

Recreational activities are a major source of injuries in the 14 to 25 age group—the group which suffers accidents due to cars, burns and shock. The parents' attitude about safe driving, and handling equipment and machinery can help the young folks to learn safe habits.

Training for crises can prepare young and old alike to react without panic. They can have prepared decisions or plans ahead of time if one member of the family falls or if the car skids around a curve or slides on a highway, or if they are in a burning building. Having a plan and practicing how to use the plan helps transform fear and panic into positive action.

Help your children think and feel positively towards safety. This is sound safety insurance for the whole family.

4-H Rodeo at Roby Was Big Success

The Fisher County 4-H Club Junior Rodeo, held at Roby Friday and Saturday nights, July 10-11, was called a success in every way by County Agent Frank Crowder.

Approximately \$1,100 was taken in for the two nights. Approximately 1,500 people witnessed the fast, action-packed rodeo and all agreed it was one of the finest shows ever held here.

Parades preceded the affair each day, with the various riding clubs of the county, the Roby High School band and almost every rider in the county participating.

Preceding the dinner the possemen met at the rodeo arena for practice. They took part Wednesday afternoon and night in the parade and grand entry at the Scurry County Rodeo in Snyder.

The next scheduled appearance for the posse are at Lameas and Spur within the next few weeks.

Named outstanding cowboy was Freddie Max Stuart, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Stuart.

Winners in the various divisions in order of placing were:

Senior bull riding: Freddie Stuart Chick Carter; Doyle McSpadden, and Wayne Bacot of Rotan.

Junior calf roping: Truman Mauldin, Sylvester; Doyle Rasco, Roby.

Junior bull riding: Jimmy Waddell, Rotan; Neil Carter; Roby; and James Jessie, Claytonville.

Girls goat tie-down: Becky Sumerlin, Roby; Jackie Sumerlin and Gloria Stuart, Roby.

Senior calf roping: Tommy Feiniken, McCaulley; Walter Miers, Rotan; Doyce Waddell, Rotan.

Girls barrel race: Gloria Stuart, Becky Sumerlin, and Jackie Sumerlin.

Ribbon roping: Derwayne Rascoe Roby; Doyce Waddell, Rotan; Kenneth Mauldin, Sylvester.

Open-barrel race: Jackie Sumerlin Roby, Shirley Whitworth, Busby; Beverly Landers, Longworth.

Winners of the matched roping contest, an exhibition event, was Sammy Baugh and T. J. Clements, of Rotan. They defeated a Clairemonte team consisting of Manuel David and Bobby Bird.

The junior and matched roping winners were named on the basis of the best average times of both nights of the show. Medals and trophies were given for three places.

The show announcer was Max Carriker. Local stock was used.

All members of the county's 4-H

Five From Rotan in McMurry Band School

Five young musicians from Rotan are among the more than 200 participants in the fifth annual Vacation Band School being held July 19 through August 1 at McMurry College in Abilene.

The Rotan students are Roark Barnes, who is studying cornet; Relna Sue Branch, flute and twirling; Judith Morrow, saxophone and twirling; Preston Morrow, cornet; Peggy Jo Roberson, clarinet, and twirling.

The two-week band school, under the direction of Raymond T. Bynum, McMurry College band director, will run through August 1. Participants are studying music theory and solo instrument work in addition to their actual practice with the training band or the concert band.

About 60 of them are receiving special instruction in baton twirling.

Two public concerts, faculty and student recitals, and numerous social and recreational activities are on the band school's agenda. Participants are being housed in the McMurry College dormitories.

Mr. Bynum's staff for the band school includes a large group of well-known specialists in instrumental music and twirling instruction.

Bernard Weews In Training at OCS

Bernard B. Weems, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Weems of Rotan, and a 1950 graduate of Rotan High School, is among the 2,500 officers candidates now undergoing training in the Marine Corps' Platoon Leadership class at Quantico, Va.

The students will take six weeks' training during the two summer vacations from college and upon graduation will be commissioned second lieutenants in the Marine Corps Reserve to serve two years active duty. Later they will receive intensive training at specialized schools in the Marine Corps.

Weems is a McMurry College student.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Huckaby visited her sister, Mrs. Ewell Gregg, and Mr. Gregg in Tulia last week end.

clubs and the county agents wish to thank each person who had a hand in helping make the rodeo the success it was.

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TCU to Give Korean Vets \$100 Scholarships

Dr. Worth. — Texas Christian University will grant all Korean veterans annual scholarships of \$100 starting this fall, Dr. M. E. Sadler has announced.

"The action was just been approved by our board," he said. "It was taken in appreciation of the services of our veterans who have served in Korea. The men and women who qualify will receive \$100 each year while attending school."

To be eligible for the scholarships veterans must qualify under Public Law 550 and any amendments there to. Veterans must enroll as full-time students carrying 12 semester hours or more. Qualifications will be based on certification by the Veterans Administration. The \$100 scholarship will be given as a supplement to any benefits that veterans may receive from the VA.

Girl Scout Camp Was Dedicated Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Davis attended the dedication of the new West Texas Area Girl Scout Camp, south of Sweetwater Sunday, July 12. Mr. Davis is vice-president of the Scout organization.

There was a large crowd attending from the 13-county area. The camp plant is valued at \$45,000 and donations of labor and money has reduced this cost to about \$13,000, Mr. Davis says.

The camp has been named "Boothe Oaks," it was announced Sunday. This was in stressing the many big oak trees on the site and in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Boothe, pioneer residents of that area. It was Ray Boothe, who owns 460 acres adjoining the 40 acres owned by the camp, has provided deeds to the land to give the Girl Scout camp permanent rights to use of the land for hiking, camping and outings. This was in honor of his parents.

The big new mess hall and administration building was named "Oates Hall" in honor of Chas. B. Oates, Abilene builder who organized and supervised the campaign to construct the building, largely with contributions of materials and labor from scores of persons.

The big fire-proof building is made of steel, concrete and masonry and would have cost \$25,000 or more. It is estimated that the utilities, roads, building and facilities of various kinds which cost the area council \$13,000 has a total value of \$40,000, exclusive of the 40-acre site.

The board meeting Sunday was pleased with the progress made and laid plans for constructing a swimming pool and a staff offices and infirmary next year, if cookie sales turn out well.

There were 265 girls in the summer camp ending Sunday and during the remainder of the summer the camp will be used for local troops from the 13 counties which embrace some 3,000 girls and leaders.

Sunday's program was in charge of Mrs. Delmar Hayter, president of the Sweetwater Girl Scout Association. Jeanne Michael gave the opening prayer and music was furnished by a chorus from the girls in camp.

Area president Rigdon Edwards of Sweetwater, welcomed visitors to the opening program and told of the long planning for a permanent camp, started back in 1943 at Big Spring. "This is the result of dreaming and working by hundreds of persons and it is only the beginning," he said.

Mrs. Roy Ziock of Brownwood, made the principal address.

"Thanks Badges" were presented to President Edwards, Camp Committee Chairman Morgan Jones, Jr. of Abilene, "without whom we wouldn't have the camp because he wanted it as much as did the girls." Melvin Newton of Snyder, Irving Loeb of Sweetwater, Miss Margaret McAdams, who is area executive, and others received badges.

Mr. Jones presented scores of certificates of appreciation to individuals and firms who contributed to the building of the mess hall. He told how the girls sold 21,000 boxes of cookies in 1951 and 28,000 in 1952 to raise a nest egg for their camp.

"We were amazed and pleased to find this beautiful site after years of looking," he said. "Then when we got plans for the building, the cost staggered us, but Mr. Oates got people to help—so it was built."

The area board met at the camp during the day, prior to the dedication program.

When Oak Creek reservoir fills the camp will be amply supplied with water, as the water line runs right by the front door of the buildings.

Sheriff's Posse And Wives Enjoyed Saturday Night Dinner And Entertainment at Roby

Members of the Fisher County Sheriff's Posse honored their wives, sweethearts, mothers and daughters Monday evening, July 12, at the Silver Spur in Roby with a dinner. Charles Patterson and the entertainment. President O. R. Clark was in charge of the ceremonies. Charles Barnes gave the invocation.

Following the meal Harris Davis, with Mrs. Davis as accompanist, gave a program of popular songs. Celia Deane Reese and Diane Farmer played piano music. A number of extemporaneous speeches were made by some members of the posse and by guests.

Rev. Roy Patterson closed the meeting with prayer.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Howell Burrow, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Connally, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Reese, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. McSpadden, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Weems, Mrs. Lois McFaul, Mrs. J. D. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Sumerlin, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Wilkins, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnes, Luther Burk, R. H. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Strickland, Mr. and Mrs. Edell Bristow, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Clark, Dr. and Mrs. Ewell Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Hittson Green, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilhite, Mrs. Fred Parker, Doyle Parker, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Davis, Mr. and Mrs.

Suggestions for Farm Safety Week, July 19-24

In urging Farm Safety, National Farm Safety Week July 19-24, the National Safety Council and the U. S. Department of Agriculture urges people to observe the following precautions:

- Use safety pad or backing for rugs to keep them from slipping.
- Keep floors clear of objects that could trip anyone.
- Repair broken steps, and porch floors.
- Provide a light switch or flashlight within reach of every bed.
- Have a safe step ladder or step-stool to stand on to reach high places.
- Do not use flammable liquids to start or hasten fires.
- Keep matches out of reach of small children.
- Provide plenty of ash trays.
- Store flammable fuels outside the house.
- Keep and use flammable cleaning fluids a good distance from any spark or flame, never in the same room.

O. O. Hollabaugh, Mrs. Lucy Williams, Mrs. Pearl Cooper, Reed Cooper, Rev. and Mrs. Roy Patterson Charles Patterson and th entertainers.

The next scheduled appearances for the posse are at Lamesa and Spur within the next few weeks.

Judge and Mrs. H. F. Grindstaff and Shirley Parker visited District Attorney E. C. Grindstaff and Mrs. Grindstaff in Ballinger Sunday.

Jimmy Bigham returned home Sunday from Monte Vista, Cal., where he had spent two months with his sister, Mrs. John Ross Hale, and Mrs. Hale.

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The first MIG, shot down Sept. 10, 1952, by a prop-driven plane, was one flown by Capt. Jesse G. Folmar of the Marine Checkerboard Squadron, flying a Corsair from the USS Sicily.

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On July 13th 1953, The Commissioners Court met in regular session, compared and examined the Quarterly Report of Mrs. Isla McClure, County Treasurer, for the Quarter ending June 30th 1953, and found the same to be correct and the respective amounts to have been received and paid out during the Quarter.

Fund	Balance 4-1-53	Received Last Quarter	Transferred		Paid out last Quarter	Balance 6-30-53
			in	out		
Jury	9,793.93	139.33			1,016.55	8,916.71
General	35,891.80	1,678.36			9,830.31	27,739.85
Officers Salary Fund	14,718.26	7,557.92			14,927.12	7,349.06
Building and Permanent Imp.	9,711.76	129.33			1,060.08	8,781.01
Road & Bridge, Prec. No. 1	11,546.22	5,199.47			7,220.46	9,525.23
Road & Bridge, Prec. No. 2	12,250.79	5,333.74			8,293.08	9,291.45
Road & Bridge, Prec. No. 3	5,982.04	5,446.12			8,387.21	3,040.95
Road & Bridge, Prec. No. 4	12,204.74	5,250.75			9,633.96	7,821.53
Deficiency Warrants	58.04					58.04
Courthouse Sinking Fund	9,387.50				3,112.50	6,275.00
R & B Ref. Bonds 1941	16,412.31	51.75				16,464.06
Road Bonds, Series "F" 1929	27,026.72	4,127.19				31,153.91
R & B Ref., Series "F" 1937	12,903.60	176.75				13,080.35
R & B Ref., Series A-1941	13,239.57	228.46			11,680.00	1,788.03
R & B Warrants, Series A-42	12,669.78	51.74			4.00	12,717.52
Prec. No. 1, Warrants 1951	1,049.62	58.71			198.00	310.33
Prec. No. 2, Warrants 1951	708.38	43.45			149.40	602.43
Prec. No. 3, Warrants 1951	1,097.00	62.08			210.00	949.08
Precinct No. 4, Warrants 1951	685.54	36.22			120.00	601.76
	\$207,337.60	\$35,571.37			\$75,842.67	\$167,066.30
Fisher County Permanent School Funds	1,072.44	225.00			125.00	1,172.44
	\$208,410.04	\$35,796.37			\$75,967.67	\$168,238.74

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Securities Owned by various Sinking Funds

ROAD AND BRIDGE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES A-1941			
1 U. S. Government "G" Bond 2 1-2%	\$10,000.00		
1 U. S. Government "K" Bond 2.76%	10,000.00		\$20,000.00
Road and Bridge Refunding Bonds, Series 1941			
Fisher County Road and Bridge Refunding Warrants, Series A-1942-4%	6,800.00		\$6,800.00
ROAD BONDS, SERIES "F" 1929			
U. S. Government "G" Bonds, 2 1-2%	330,000.00		
U. S. Government "K" Bonds, 2.76%	100,000.00		
Fisher County Road & Bridge Refunding Warrants, Series A-1942, 4%	15,600.00		\$445,600.00
SERIES "F" REFUNDING ROAD BONDS, 1937			
1 U. S. Government "G" Bond, 2 1-2%	10,000.00		\$10,000.00
Total securities owned by County Sinking Funds \$482,400.00			
FISHER COUNTY PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND INVESTMENTS			
Fisher County R & B Refunding Bonds, Series A-1941, 4%	76,900.00		
Fisher County Road Bonds, Series "F" 1929, 5%	5,000.00		
Port Lavaca Independent School, School House Bonds, 1948, 3 1-3%	3,000.00		\$84,900.00

BOND AND WARRANT INDEBTEDNESS

Issue	Original	Bonds and Warrants		
		Issue	Redeemed	
Courthouse Refunding Bonds, 1946	27,000.00	21,000.00		6,000.00
R & B Ref. Bonds, Series 1941	111,000.00	53,500.00		57,500.00
R & B Ref. Bonds, Series A-1941	79,590.93	690.93		78,900.00
Road Bonds, Series "F" 1929	1,210,000.00	202,000.00		1,008,000.00
R & B Ref. Bonds, Series "F" 1937	41,000.00	—		41,000.00
R & B Ref. Warrants, Series A-1942	54,585.96	32,085.96		22,500.00
TOTALS	\$1,523,176.89	\$309,276.89		\$1,213,900.00

WARRANT INDEBTEDNESS PAID FROM COMMISSIONERS OPERATING FUNDS

Precinct No. 1, Warrants 1951	16,500.00	3,300.00	13,200.00	
Precinct No. 2, Warrants 1951	12,460.00	2,500.00	9,960.00	
Precinct No. 3, Warrants 1951	17,500.00	3,500.00	14,000.00	
Precinct No. 4, Warrants 1951	10,000.00	2,000.00	8,000.00	
	\$56,460.00	\$11,300.00	\$45,160.00	\$45,160.00

The requirements of Art. 394 Penal Code have been complied with and a tabular statement has been filed as required.

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'As It Looks From Here' (Cong. Omar Burleson)

DROUTH FEED
The Secretary of Agriculture has clarified instructions to the State PMA Director regarding livestock feed for drouth disaster areas.

The County Committees will operate under these advices, and it is left up to them to apply the rules to each individual case. To become eligible to buy feed, the purchaser must be a bona fide farmer or stockman. He must show that he does not have the finances to purchase feed at prevailing market prices, to maintain a basic foundation herd and remain in the livestock business with reasonable chances for successful operation.

The basic foundation herd is defined as consisting of cows, bulls, nursing calves, and heifers needed to replace over-age and other undesirable cattle culled from herds.

Specifically, to be eligible for feed at reduced prices, a farmer or stockman must, first, have less than a 30-day supply of feed to supplement roughage to maintain his foundation herd. The feed, however, may be fed to cattle other than those in the foundation herd, if they are to be marketed not later than Sept. 30, 1953, and provided they are not feeders in feed lots.

Second, farmers and stockmen must not have the financial ability to remain in business and satisfactorily maintain their herds unless they can purchase feed at prices substantially below the prevailing market price.

The Secretary of Agriculture emphasizes that the purpose of the Drouth Feed Program is to maintain basic foundation herds. The Secretary states that to avoid undue hardships, County Committees should use reasonable discretion in carrying out their instructions.

There are going to be a lot of headaches connected with these undertakings. There were a great many in the Hay Program last fall and winter, but there will be more in this. Personally, I think the County Committees should be given very broad discretion to exercise their best judgment. No one in Washington can sit in an armchair and dispense rules applicable to every case and they should not try.

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION
Many of my friends have been interested in H.R. 4353, which reorganizes the Farm Credit Administration. It gives more authority in policy-making to farmers, who own the Farm Credit, and takes away the direct influence of the Department of Agriculture.

The Senate Committee reported the bill out favorably at the same time the House passed the measure, and I hope the Senate will likewise act in the very near future.

DISTILLERS TAX HOLIDAY
In a former column I described the inexcusable action of the House of Representatives in giving a tax holiday to the big distillers who have whiskey stored in warehouses. I am glad to report action more palatable which has just occurred.

PRAYER ROOM
A measure, earlier approved by my Committee on House Administration, to provide a room in the Capitol Building where members of Congress may go for meditation and prayer, has just passed on the House Floor. It will now go to the Senate for its approval. The room will be equipped to accommodate every faith. In Congress, there are Protestants, Catholics and Jews, with about every type of denomination under the Protestant religion.

There was not a dissenting vote against the measure. It indicates the

Legion Convention at Houston July 31-Aug. 2

Houston.—For the first time in 26 years, Houston will be host to the Legionaires of Texas when the annual department convention meets here July 30-Aug. 2.

Albert D. Brown, Jr. of Austin, state commander, says this, the 35th annual convention, looms as the largest and most enthusiastic in the history of the organization. Pre-convention registrants will show 6,000 Legionnaires and members of their families will be here for the four-day meet.

U. S. Senators Price Daniel, Lyndon Johnson and Attorney General John Ben Shepperd head an impressive list of dignitaries that will address the convention.

The 40 & 8, fun and honor society of the organization, and its Auxiliary the 8 & 40, will start the convention Thursday July 30 with typical fanfare and color.

The convention proper will begin Friday, July 31 with a colorful downtown parade starting at 10 o'clock. Among the bands will be the unit from Ellington Field.

Mrs. Adolph Blieden of Houston, state president of the Auxiliary, has arranged an outstanding program, which will run concurrently with that of the American Legion.

Delegate voting strength for the convention, based on 1953 membership, will be 3960. A like number of alternates is usually named by the posts. Many members who are not delegates are also expected to attend, Moody states.

Just Suppose— (Crosbyton Review)

While our own church attendance record is not unblemished, we were impressed by this squib about excuses offered by us onerous folks:

Just suppose the Lord would begin tomorrow to make people as sick as they claim to be on Sunday;

Just suppose the Lord should take away the child whom the parents use as an excuse for staying away from church;

Just suppose the Lord would make people as poor as they claim to be when asked to help finance His program;

Just suppose the Lord should have everyone stoned to death for covetousness as was Achan;

Just suppose all who lie about giving or paying tithes should be stricken dead as were Ananias and Sapphira for lying about money matters;

Just suppose the Lord should let some parents look into the future and see what their example and lack of control did for their children;

Just suppose all Christians really lived consistently and proved by their lives they really love the Lord;

Just suppose—and then, by help of the Lord, go forth and live and serve as if eternity were soon coming!

Latest figures released by the USDA show that agricultural exports from the United States are continuing to decline. Exports for April were 11% below those for March. Totals for the year are expected to be a fourth less than for last year. Cotton, rice and wheat are among the commodities showing the greatest loss.

Ginger Dennis of Albany, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Dennis, this week.

feeling of need on the part of many in the Congress, for a place of refuge from the hurly-burly life one leads here at the Capitol.

Bride-elect Honored With Gift Tea

A gift tea, hosted in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Dalton from six to eight p.m. Saturday, honored Margie Chilcutt of Weatherford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Chilcutt of that city.

Miss Chilcutt is bride-elect of Marvin Lott, Jr. of Swenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lott, also of Swenson. He is a graduate of Swenson schools, later serving several years in the Navy. He is a rural mail carrier and has farming interests near Swenson.

Miss Chilcutt is a graduate of Weatherford high school, Weatherford Junior College and Texas Wesleyan College, Ft. Worth. She taught one year at Aspermont, and then five years in Rotan schools. She taught last year in the schools at Rankin.

Marriage of the two will be August 1, in the Northside Baptist Church in Weatherford.

Receiving with the honoree were Mrs. Dalton, Miss Chilcutt's sister, Norma Jean Chilcutt of Weatherford, and two former teaching associates, Mrs. Wendell Morrow of Wichita Falls, and Vydell Brown of Abilene. The honoree was gowned in trousseau frock of white net over taffeta, with corsage of Happiness rosebuds. Hostesses and all members of the house party wore corsages

that were gifts from the honoree.

Assisting Mrs. Dalton in hosting duties were Mrs. Nash Miers, Mrs. Roger Murff, Mrs. Wendell Morrow, Mrs. L. D. Bridges, Mrs. Lawrence Weatherman, Mrs. Chas. McCall, Sue Morrow, Lois Rogge, Vydell Brown, Delila Baird, Josie Baird, Mrs. Glenn Reeves of Abilene, and Laura Whittenburg of Paradise. With the exception of Mrs. Dalton and Miss Morrow, all were former teaching associates of the honoree in the Rotan schools.

Record music was played during calling hours, with Miss Morrow in charge. Delila Baird was at the registry. Miss Rogge and Mrs. Reeves presided at the tea table.

The tea table, laid with natural cut-work linen, was centered with a rural scene in styro-foam, featuring the bride-elect's chosen colors, orchid and pink. There was a tiny rural mail box with miniature mail carrier. Waiting at the box was a miniature bride in pink. Orchids and pink plant asters outlined the scene. Table appointments were in crystal and silver.

Rooms of the Dalton home featured arrangements of garden flowers. Gifts were on display in rooms adjoining the reception room.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Byerly, Lynn and Mike went through the Carlsbad Caverns Monday of last week.

Why Auto Liability Rates Are Higher

The rise in automobile liability insurance rates since 1939 is attributed largely to the inflation-induced increases in claim costs for both bodily injuries and property damage. This unfavorable situation was further aggravated by a marked upturn since 1949 in claim frequency, that is, the number of claims per given number of insured cars.

The increase in hospital costs over the past decade and the marked rise in the size of verdicts rendered in liability suits during the same period have naturally helped to raise the average cost of claims for bodily injuries.

Charges for hospital care rose 180%, and the average verdict for the plaintiff in liability suits in New York, for example, increased 132% in this period, while jury awards in further aggravated by a marked upward trend.

The rise in the average cost of property damage claims is attributed to the effect of inflation and other factors. New automobile prices and the costs of car repairs have increased 150%.

Mrs. Nelson Smith and Linda Lou went to Dallas Sunday to visit her sister, Mrs. Harold Cheek, and Dr. Cheek.

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Ensign Elmo Cummins Coach for Navy Team

Ensign C. Elmo Cummins, former All-Texas Conference tackle, has been named head football coach of the 1953 Bluejackets varsity football team of the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

Cummins, who reported to Great Lakes last month from duty on the aircraft carrier USS Sibony, was selected All-Texas Conference tackle in 1949, his senior year at McMurry College, Abilene.

He also was captain of the 1949 McMurry College grid team.

Cummins succeeds Lieut. C. T. Niedzieski, 1952 Great Lakes football coach, recently transferred to the aircraft carrier USS Point Cruz.

Cummins, 24, is from Rotan. Following graduation from McMurry in 1950, he coached football at Pleasant Grove high school, Dallas, and at Fort Stockton high school, before entering the Navy.

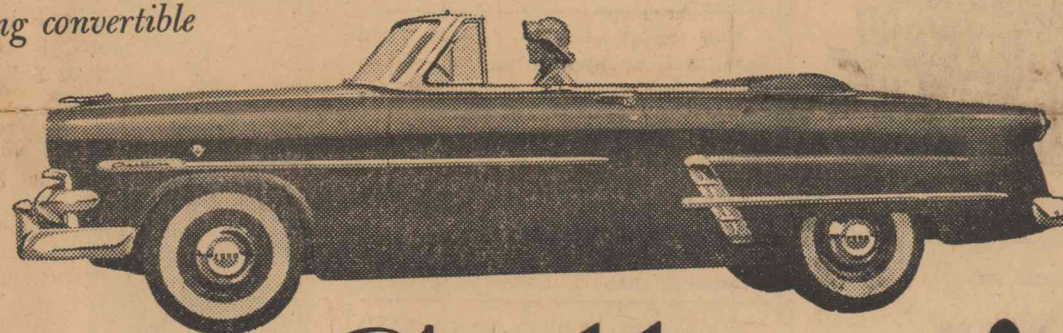
Mrs. Cummins and baby Chris left Sunday to join her husband at Great Lakes.

Mr. and Mrs. Dono Day, Jr. and daughters, Donna and Cheryl, of Abilene, visited Mr. and Mrs. Dono Day, Sr. Sunday.

FORD SUNLINER

America's fastest selling convertible

Ford's Sunliner is the "top downers" delight! And its power-operated Breezeway top converts it to a snug, closed car in a jiffy. And it's the only low-priced convertible with V-8 power plus a choice of three great drives.



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America's most beautiful car of its type

Again for '53, Ford's Victoria is America's "best-dressed" car. Like all '53 Fords, its Crestmark body is huiltight, its picture windows give Full-Circle Visibility. And you ride in style on foam-rubber cushions over non-sag springs. Front-end road shock (the kind you feel most) is reduced up to 80%.



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America's most popular Station Wagons

Ford's wood-trimmed Country Squire is a "double-duty" beauty that changes from eight-passenger sedan to hard-working cargo hauler in three minutes flat. Ford offers two other popular "quick change artists" . . . the 2-door, 6-passenger Ranch Wagon and the 4-door, 8-passenger, all-metal Country Sedan.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Porter, Mrs. Mildred Casteel, Mrs. Ruth Yarborough and Mike Porter returned Tuesday night from a visit of several days with Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Porter at Uniontown, Ark.

Mrs. Sally Montgomery has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Ebert at Fort Bliss several days this week.



CLASSIFIED ADS

2c per word first insertion; 1c per word subsequent insertions. Minimum charge, 35c. Cards of thanks take classified rate.

For Sale—A 5-room house and bath, new house, 7118 Burnside in new addition. Sell my equity in a G. I. house, corner lot.—O. D. Stricklin, Phone 6982.

For Sale—Peaches, \$2 bushel or \$2.50 delivered to Rotan, Monday and Wednesday—Claud Senn, phone 2334, Jayton, Texas. 26-2tc

One Kelvinator Electric Range, at bargain price for quick sale.—Bennett Plumbing Co. Phone 284.

For Sale, Used Washers, Ranges, Refrigerators and Furniture, Garlands, phone 360, Rotan.

One Kelvinator Electric Range, at bargain price for quick sale.—Bennett Plumbing Co. Phone 284.

FOR RENT

Clean, furnished Cabins at Vallecito Lake. Boats, motors, tackle, groceries. Call Bayfield, 2560. Write Lake Haven Resort, Bayfield, Colorado. 26-4tp

Air conditioned furnished houses and apartments, 2 to 5 rooms.—Dono Darden. Phone 206 or 4364.

For Rent—Furnished house, 2 rooms and bath, bills paid, air conditioned. Also bed room, kitchen privileges if desired. 503 Burnside, Mrs. Betty Seaton.

For Rent, close in, 2 room apartment, private bath, bills paid, call 223, Mrs. Ruth McCall. 26-tfc

For Rent Practically new 5-room modern house with attached garage, T. O. SoRelle. 27-3tp

For Rent—Clean rooms, furnisher apartments, bills paid, across from postoffice.—Glenn Apts. 23

For Rent—4-room house and bath. Call at Beauty Bar, or phone 7761. 25-tfc

SERVICES

WATCH, CLOCK and RADIO repair. All work guaranteed. Fast and dependable service. C. G. Campbell, 301 E. Johnson st 36tfc

For Trash hauling, phone 8171, also plenty of trash barrels for sale. Lee Hefner. 52-tfc

Mrs. Walter Harris, 212 West Johnson, would like to do your ironing, quilting and housecleaning. 27p

For Water Hauling see John Seaton or call 5461. 26-4tp

Think to ask for Mrs. Baird's Bread.—Leon Moore, Dist. Phone 8171.

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T-4-L, a keratolytic fungicide, SLOUGHS OFF the tainted outer skin exposing buried fungi and kills on contact. Leaves skin like baby's. In just ONE HOUR, if not pleased, your 40c back at any drug store. Today at
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Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Williams and daughters, June and Jean, of Lovington, N. M., and Edith Heron of Hobbs, N. M., visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Foy, Sunday and Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Williams drove a new Buick home, which they purchased here. June stayed to visit longer with her grandparents, but Jean went home to practice on her riding. She has ridden in several rodeos this summer and will ride in the Post rodeo.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Patterson Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Patterson and daughter of Seminole, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Patterson and children, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hutchinson, all of Munday, Mr. and Mrs. LaFoy Patterson and two daughters of Hamlin, Mrs. Birdie Patterson of Sweetwater, Lee Williams and Lon Masters of Rotan.

Dr. and Mrs. C. U. Callan and Charlotte made a business trip to Dallas last week end. Sharon Turk of Fort Worth, came home with them to visit Charlotte this week.

Son-in-law of J. R. Pettitts Died in Lubbock

Sam H. Cadell, 51, of Lubbock, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Pettitt of Rotan, died at 12:40 p.m. Saturday in the Lubbock Memorial Hospital. Funeral services were held at 3:00 p.m. Monday, with the Rev. R. N. Huckabee of the First Methodist Church, Lubbock, officiating.

Mr. Cadell was a civilian employee at Reese AFB, and had been a resident of Lubbock for the past 11 years.

Survivors are his wife, three daughters, Bonnie, Sammie and Jan, all of Lubbock; four brothers, Riley of Hereford, Hazel of Crowell, Ross of Oklahoma City, and Perman of Lubbock; three sisters, Mrs. Cassie Draper and Mrs. Julia Cox, both of Oklahoma City, and Mrs. O. Queensberry of Aubrey.

Members of the Masonic Lodge were pall bearers.

Mr. Cadell lived here 18 years before moving to Lubbock in 1942.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Terrell attended the reunion of the Dulin family at Buffalo Gap last week end.

Mrs. J. M. Jackson and grandson Johnny will go to Amarillo Friday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Craig Stone.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Leon of Lubbock, visited her mother, Mrs. J. W. Patton, Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Dowell returned Saturday from a visit with her children in New Mexico.

Mrs. Pearl Basket is in the Hamlin hospital for treatment.

Mrs. Valarie Nayfa of Dallas, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ashton, last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Dobie of Austin, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McComb Tuesday. Mr. Dobie was on a speaking tour, and he always is bus ycollecting early day Texas history from old timers like Mr. McCombs.



PERFECT MEDIUM as a material for this long line suit is a gray mixture wool, designed by Ben Reig. A slim, trouser pleated skirt is topped with a short buttoned bolero.

Molded Salads Ideal When Entertaining

Having your club group over for luncheon or afternoon refreshments? Delectable molded salads are pretty to serve, may be made in advance to give you more time at the last minute for primping and are always welcome.

- Gala Peach Mold (Serves 4)**
- 1 1/2 cups canned cling peach slices
 - 3/4 cup syrup from peaches
 - 1 cup water
 - 1 package lemon-flavored gelatin
 - 2 tablespoons lemon juice
 - 5 to 6 walnut halves
 - 1 small banana

Drain peaches. Heat syrup and water together and dissolve gelatin in it. Stir in lemon juice. Chill until syrupy. Arrange walnut halves in bottom of 1 1/2 pint mold and cover with thin layer of gelatin. Fold sliced banana and 1 cup peaches into remaining gelatin. Spoon carefully into mold and chill until firm. Unmold and garnish with remaining peaches. Decorate with mint leaves and whipped cream, if desired.

SAVINGS EVERYDAY -- HERE --

PURE CANE SUGAR 10 Lbs. 89c	TUNA FISH, Flat Can 25c
Swift Jewel Shortening 3 Lbs. 69c	Kimbell's Pure PEACH PRESERVES, 2 lb. 43c
	Van's Homo Milk 1-2 Gallon 45c

Short	Pound	Fresh Ground
Ribs of Beef	29c	BEEF, lb. 39c

RED or YELLOW MEAT	Delicious
Watermelons, lb. 3c	Fro-Zan
	Quart 29c

Yellow Bermuda ONIONS, Pound 5c	Mrs. Baird's BREAD
KY. Fresh BEANS, lb. 19c	Lg. Loaf 19c

CHEER, Large 27c	Giant 69c
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Robin Hood Flour, 10 Pounds 89c	25 Lbs. \$1.85
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Frozen STRAWBERRIES	Donald Duck ORANGE JUICE
12-Ounce 35c	Can 15c
Sweet POTATOES	303 Primrose CORN, Can 19c
No. 2 Can 29c	

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Farmers Are Country's Greatest Gamblers

People who play the races have nothing on the farmer. Even the most avid of them are pikers by comparison.

Horses are predictable; the elements, and insects, and plant diseases and farm market prices are not.

Quietly, without fanfare the farmer places his bets. Day in and day out, year after year, he does so every time he seeds a crop or puts in a batch of broilers. The market may be fine when they mature; or the bottom may have dropped out. The boll weevil or the army worm or blight may hit him, or it may not. There may be flood, a drought, or a windstorm or hail. Excessive rain may ruin his plantings. Disease may hit his hogs; excessive heat may endanger his chickens. He never knows the odds.

City folk often look upon the farmer's life as an easy one; as something to retire to someday. Frequently they are prone to complain that the government coddles him too much; that the price for this and that is too high at the corner grocery, and all those surpluses.

Yet, who else would run the risks, would do as much for as little?

Even under drought conditions, areas treated with chemicals for brush control, will produce twice as much grass an acre as will untreated areas, Texas A&M College Extension Service says.

Newcomer Lists Strange Hobby

John Forsythe, the handsome New York stage favorite now starring with Loretta Young in Universal-International's "It Happens Every Thursday" and Friday, collects superstitions. To date the handsome actor has collected more than a thousand superstitions connected with show business and the people who work in it.

The collection when completed will serve as the basis of an Anthology of Theatrical Superstitions on which the young actor has been working ever since he began his show business career barnstorming the middle western hinterlands with a Shakespearean repertory troupe.

Forsythe, incidentally, has no particular superstitions of his own. Says he's been too busy on his research to have time for that sort of stuff.

"But I'm keeping my fingers crossed until I find a publisher," he adds paradoxically.

Mrs. T. A. Smith and two sons returned to their home in Dallas Saturday. They had spent last week here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Patterson.

Rotan H. D. Club Met With Mrs. Roach

The Rotan Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. C. C. Roach July 17.

Roll call was answered by What You Notice First When You Meet a Person.

The program was on Self Improvement. Those participating on the program were Mrs. Wayne Nowlin and Mrs. Cleo Shell.

Other members present were Mrs. O. R. Nowlin, Mrs. Homer Aaron, Mrs. L. E. Wright, Mrs. C. A. Ragan, Mrs. S. T. Martin, Mrs. Vernon Frazier, Mrs. Judson Thompson and Mrs. Barney Bigham.

Next meeting will be Family Meeting Friday night, July 31 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Bigham.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon King of Houston, came Saturday and visited her mother, Mrs. J. W. House, until Sunday afternoon, when they went to Tahoka to visit his mother. They returned here Tuesday night and spent the night with Mrs. House and returned to Houston Wednesday. Also visiting Mrs. House Tuesday night was another daughter, Mrs. F. W. Martin, and Mr. Martin of Haskell.

Cotton is the crop with the biggest cash value for the country as a whole. According to USDA economists, cotton accounts for 1-12th of total U. S. cash receipts.

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