




FFA Tractor Operators First Baptist Church Contest Next Saturday
O. R. Clark of Clark's, announces
there will be a FFA tractor opera-
tor's area contest for 15 Future
Farmers in this area representing 15 . Farmers in this area representing 15. a class for every . ther FFA areas by Ford tractor The contest in Rotan is at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. May 29. Each one entering the con-
test has already been declared winner of the county plowing contest. The county contests was held the first part of May by dealers in state.
Winner of each of the 10 area edi trophy cup, awarded at an honor banquet in San Antonio night of July 20.
All area winners will enter a state new Ford tract to compete for a state champion. Second place winner to receive diamond wrist watch, and
third, a 17 -jewel wrist watch. State contest will be held in San
Mr. Clark said Harold Calhoun district supervisor, will supervise please take notice
The election on garbage and trash to be held Saturday, May 22, as appeared in the Advance last week,
we failed to mention that charge we failed to mention that charge of
$\$ 1.00$ per month is for hauling only, and if garbage container is furnish-
ed by residence, or $\$ 1.25$ if the city is to furnish the container. Please emember this. Thank you.

The City
Mrs. W. W. Livingston of Lubbock visited her aunt, Mrs. W. B.MicKin

## or the future. Our congratulations for the achievement of another milestone on the road to success. <br> Riley Drug <br> Phone 289 <br> 



Newton's Variety 5 f 10 c

Similar contests are being held in 9 mastor preaching on "Shoes

## Swimming Pool Has Good Opening

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one who helped on this in any way. one who helped on this in any way.
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held this Saturday for foneweek's held this Saturday for oneweek's
free swimming. Winner must be
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ble school sessict with vacation Bi-
classes will be held finming
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cle shool sessions, the swimming
clases will be held for 5 bos 6 each
day during June. First class will be
day during June. First class will be
May 31, A few openings remain in
May 31, A few openings remain in
the first class. Any other informai
tion may be secured from Coach

| $\begin{array}{l}\text { the first } \\ \text { tion may } \\ \text { Newman. }\end{array}$ |
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Services Held For
Dave Claxton, Monday
Graveside Rites Held
For Ray Green Infant
Graveside rites were at 10 a.m
Wedinesiay for Michael Ray Green,
Wednesiay for Micheel Ray Green
infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray
Green of Roby.
Offrciating was Rev. Roy Patter
Son, pastor of the Firist Mey Methodist
Church. Burial was
in Rotan Coent
Church. Burial was in Rotan Ceme
tery. Wethersbee Funeral Home o
tery. Wethersbee Funeral Home of
Rotan was in charge of arrange-

## The baby was born in Callan Hos-

 pital in Rotan at $11: 50$ p.m. Monday and died about noon Tuesday.Survivors besides the Survivors besides the parents are
he maternal grandparents, Mr. and H.s. Verl Phillips of Decatur, Mrs. Clyde Green of Rotan.


The Meribee Club met in the
home of Mis. Aud Gerald in the
Dowell community with each mem-
home of community with each mem-
Dewell bringing her own needle work.
bel Decorative theme of the Gerald
thome with spring roses. A covered Chome with spring roses. A covered
dish luncheon was served at the
noon hour. Canasta games were noon hour. Canasta games
played during the afternoon. piayed during ehe afternoon.
The next regular meeting the
club will be in the home of Mrs. Perry Eaton in the Dowell commun-
ity ity.
Attending, besides the hostess
were Mrs. Grover Terrell, Mrs. 0 . weve Mrs. Grover Terrell, Mrs. O.
R. Nowlin, Mrs. Pearl Cooper, Mrs. Charlie Levens, Mrs. Hugh ISwann,
Mrs. Dick Clements. Mrs Hal Mrs. Dick Clements, Mrs. Hal Bur-
cow, Mrs. Tommy Helm, Mrs. M. P. mow, Mrs. Tommy Helm, Mrs. M. P.
MeGrew, Mrs. Perry Eaton, Mrs.
Ab Aaron, Mrs. John MeCombs, Mrs. Ab Aaron, Mrs. John McCombs, Mrss.
Homer Aaron and Mrs. Oscar Hodo.
Hobbs HD News
The Hobbs HD club met with Mrs.
Tom Hargrove, May 13 at 3 p.m. Recreation was led by Mrs. Ray Womack. Mrs. Joe Miers was in
charge of the business meeting. Mrs. J. P. Phillips. Mrs. Miers and Mrs. J. P. Phillips. Mrs. Miers and
Mrs. Phillips gave the diemonstra-
tion on basket weaving. tion on basket weaving.
Refreshments were served to
Mmes. Joe Miers, Ed Hawkins, Mmes. Joe Mierss, Ed Hawkins, Dav-
id Williams, L. E. Hardin, Joe Dismore, Jess Stinson, Ray Womack,
J. R. Phillips, F. E. Tutt and the Thastess.
The next meeting will be with The next meeting
Mrs. L. E. Hardin. Guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Pat-
terson last week end were their son, terson last week end were their son,
Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Patterson of Odessa, and then Sunday a brother, Mr.
and Mrs. L. B. Patterson and grandr son of Munday visited them. Everyone individual has a place to
fill in the world, and is important fill in the world, and is impontant
in some respect, whether he chooses
to be so or not.


IT'S QK. NEIGHBOR, WE GOT A FIRE
POLICY ON OUR NEW STOEE WITH
$\underset{\substack{\text { R. L. YOUNG } \\ \text { ISURANGE } \\ \text { mamem }}}{\substack{\text { man }}}$

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Ralph Willingham New Officer in College Club Dale Hoover, Perryton enior,
was awarded the Block and $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bridle }\end{aligned}$ was awarded the Block and Bridle Club's menit award, and J. D. Jones
Jayton junior, was given the club's Jayton junior, was given the club's
$\$ 100$ scholarship at the organiza$\$ 100$ scholarship at the organiza-
tion's 20 oth annual awards bancuet last week.
Hoover, retiring president, was selected the outstanding Block and Bridle Club member by a special awards committee, and an engraved
plaque was presented by Fred Bioplaque was presen
ren, club sponsor.
Jones, newly elected secretary of the club and ranking high academically in the animal husbandry der
patment, placed second in a departpatment, placed second in a deparest
mental livestock judging contest prior to the awards banquet.
Guest speaker for the banquet was W. J. Largent, Merkel Hereford
breeder an dformer president of the breeder an dformer president of the
American Hereford Association. Largent was made an honorary member of the club. New officers for 1954-55, a
nounced at nounced at the meeting, are Jim Howard, Panhandle senior, presi-
dent; Bill Sims, Paint Rock junior, vice president; Jones, secretary vice president; Jones, secretary
Hugh Lackey, Camp Wood senior treasurer; Ralph Willingham, Rotai senior, reporter; Charles Cunning
ham, Ganden City junior, histocion and Ike Trimble, Seminole junion marshal.

RuralLife Sunday, May 23, for Freedom
Sppringtime is an eternal remind-
er of the tug and pull on the heart of man
Closely related to this is the urge to worship in some rural cathedral and to celebrate the re-birth of the - Rural Life Sunday, celebrated by many churches on May 23, affaords us all an opportunity to remain ourselves of strong roots in America's search for tontinued freedom. freedom, as out of the strong rural churches in the past generations came to us our faith in simple things like seedtime and harvest, praying,
and working, and freedom and lib-艮 $\begin{aligned} & \text { and } \\ & \text { erty. }\end{aligned}$
America will never pay her deht
to the rural churches of the past for to the rurral churches of the past for their contributions.
But by being reminded of the imrural welfare today, our peopple can put the future generations in debt to us. So Rural Life Sunday once again has come to remind us of our need
for strong roots, simple faith, and the multitudese of peoople who will pray in little white churches whose spires reach to the sky.


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If you oro hondy with tools Yuill find fored one pomere in building one or more of
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of Accountants

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council The City of Rotan
Rotan, Texas

## Gentlemen:

Pursuant to engagement we have examined the records and books of account of the City of Rotan for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1954. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards for municipalities, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Condensed comparative statement of financial condition of the City of Rotan follows.

Assets:
Cash-Current Funds
Taxes Receivable
Accounts Receivable Water
Accounts Receivable-other
Cash-Sinking Funds
Cash-Capital Funds
Due to Capital Funds contra
Fixed Properties
Totals

| Year Ending March 31 |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1952 | 1953 | 1954 |
| $10,228.34$ | $24,479.92$ | $40,265.23$ |
| $15,843.34$ | $17,925.16$ | $22,438.14$ |
| er | 535.14 | 78.06 |
| 800.00 |  | 305.33 |
| $28,525.01$ | $34,186.63$ | $37,121.77$ |
| $17,302.15$ | $14,319.26$ | $3,602.88$ |
|  |  |  |
| $5,500.00$ |  |  |
| $442,220.55$ | $461,814.76$ | $493,644.28$ |
| $520,954.53$ | $552,803.79$ | $597,422.63$ |

Liabilities and Surplus:

| Customer Meter Deposits | $5,830.50$ | $6,095.50$ | $6,840.50$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Due to Capital Funds | $5,500.00$ |  |  |
| Contra | 315570.00 | $308,320.00$ | $300,820.00$ |
| Bonded Indebtedness | $55,336.83$ |  |  |
| Reserve for Paving | $138,717.20$ | $238,388.29$ | $289,762.13$ |
| Surplus | $520,954.53$ | $552,803.79$ | $597,422.63$ |
| $\quad$ Totals |  |  |  |

Significant changes to be noted in the above comparison are increases in current and sinking fund cash, increase in investement in fixed properties, and decrease in bonded indebtedness.

Ben M. Davis \& Company

The entire citizenshp, the taxpayers and water users has made this fine report possible by paying your part. And the City Council and Mayor are very grateful to you for your cooperation.

Respectfully submitted, Cecil Lotief, Mayor


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## H. L. Davis \& Company

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Sue spent last week end in Lubbock Sue spent last
visiting relatives.

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Matic's velvet-smeoth Matic's velvet-smooth getaways prolong tire life-by as much as three
times in some operations. You save maintenance-because
GMC Hydra-Matic ends all clutch costs-prevents shock-loading
damage.

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Hydra-Matic frees you of all clutching and shifting chores. And being fresher, more alert, you're quicker o avoid hazards that could be costly. You save of trade-in time-because a
Mydra-Matic GMC will rate a Hydra-Matic GMC will rate a shifted trucks.
Are you a shrewd buyer? Then drop in at our showroom. We'll prove
that a Hydra-Matic GMC is your that a Hydra-Matic GMC is your best truck investment.


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Lotief Dry Goods Co.
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Lotief

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Burk visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Prive in


| relatives in Breckenxidge Sunday: |
| :--- | :--- |
| Mr | \(\begin{aligned} \& Saturday afternoon for Kansas City <br>

\& Mr. to visit their daughter, Mrs\end{aligned}\)
Tha $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { Mr. to visit their daughter, Mrs. } \\ & \text { Jerry Hendrix, and Mr. Hendrix. }\end{aligned}$
Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Clark and
Debby of Amarillo, came Friday af- Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hargmove and
ternoon to
There's music in all things if men
had ears: their earth is but an echo
of the spheres. - Byron
Columbus, 0.-The International
Edutuational EExchange IService of
Educational Exchange Service of
the Department of state has an-
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nounced award of a scholarship for
study abroad to John K. Huckaby,
nounced award of a scholarship for
study abroad to John IK. Huckaby,
former graduate student at Ohio
stady abroad oraduate student at Ohio
former graduate
State University.
State University.
The scholarship provides for the
study
study of history at the University
lof Mainz, Germany, during the
1of Mainz, Germany,
1954-55 school year
Huckaby, whose home is in Ro-
tan, Texas, currently is ensrolled at
the University of Strasbourg, Fr:
under the Rotary scholarship. He
under the Rotary scholarship. $\begin{aligned} & \text { He } \\ & \text { spent two years at Ohio State while }\end{aligned}$
spent two years at Ohio State while
working toward the doctor of phil-
losophy degree.
New Phone Directories
Are Delivered
The new Rotan-Roby telephone
directories were mailed to subscrib-
ers here May 17, Truman Black,
ers here May 17, Truman Black,
Southwesterm Bell Telephone Co
manager announces
"The new directory contains ap-
proximately
ingss," Black said
1,750
ings," Black said
Old directories should be thrown
away as soon as the new issue is re-
away as soon as the new issue is re-
ceived. Howelver, care should be
taken to rewmover, cary should items, such as
taken to renrove any items, such as
photos, letters and notes, which
might have been placed between the
pages, the manager advised.
pages, the manager advised.
The Riotan-Roby directory has a
green cover andi contains 12 white,
lor alphabetical pages, and 16. yell $^{2}$
or alphavectical pagases, and 12 white, yel-
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low, or classified pages. Approxi-
mately 2,250 copies of the directory
have been printed.
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printed as replacements fores are those
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curs," Back explained.
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"The telephone directory," He
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ber or need assistance of any kind,
ternoon to spend the week end here
with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hargrove 0 . daughters, Joretta and Burnell, spent
wit
With his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. daughters, Joretta and Burnell, spent we love music for the buried
R. Clark. They also visited his sis- several days last week end with Mr. $\mid$ We tove music for the buried hop-
ter, Mrs. Alvin B. Nitsch and Mr. and Mrs. Preston Underhill near es, the garnered memories, the ten-
Nitsch in Silver. Saturday.
es, the garnered memories, the ten-
der feelings it can summon at
tounch. -L. E. Landon

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Music-Study Club Closes OES Local Members Active Year
club year of the $R$ Attended Abilene Meet
The 1953-54 club year of the Ro- Fourteen members of the Rot tan Music study Club was closed . astern Star Chapter were in Abi-
with a luncheon Saturday, May 15 , lene Wednesday of last week for at the hame of Mrs. R. T. Williams. a school of instruction and frater-
Twenty-nine members Twenty-nine members and two nal visit hosted by the 26 chapters
guests were served from the dining iof Distriet Two, Section 7 O.E.S. table laido with roses linen matching Mrs. Mary Ella Schoverling of
other appointments, with nosegays other appointments, with nosegays Hcusston, Worthy Grand Matron, and in scatter fashion on draperies be- Fydd W. DeWald of Dallas, Worthy
hind the table.
Grand Patron, were at the meet.

## MeDonald. Recorrdi

, parsley, new potatoes, broccoli, Mrs. Jimmy McCright, Mre and Mrs , parsley, new potatoes, broccoli, Mrs. Jimmy McCright, Mr. and Mrs.
 After lunch, a short business Benson, Mrs. Leonardi Morgan, Mrs meeting was held,when the presi- C. B. Barth, Mrs. P. A. Martin and dent, Mrs. Carl Test, intr
new officers as follows:
new officers as follows
President, Mrs. Paul
President, Mrs. Paul Heathington. Vhillins. Vice-pmesident, Mrs. Robert $\quad$ son Mike of Arla, are here visiting Phillips.
2nd Vice-president, Mrs. George

Recording sercetary, Mrs. Thome Corr
Test. $\qquad$
$\qquad$ Critic and parliamentarian, Mrs Bill Day.
Historian, Mrs Jim Historian, Mrs. Jim Day.
Choral director, Mrs. Lance Davis
Assisted by Mrs. Bertlett Strent Choral director, Mrs. Lance Davis,
Assisted by Mrs. Bartlett Strayhorn;
accompanist, Mrs. Henry Withers, assisted by Mrs. Welton Jameson.
Librarian, Mrs. Welton Jameson. Librarian, Mrs. Welton Jameson
The new president presided fo the remainder of the business sessio and presented a lo
retiring president. The program was given by Mrs
Lance Davis, a travelogue by Lance Davis, a travelogue lof he
six week trip to Europe by six week trip to Europe by plane
leaving from Dallas, via New York
Gooise Bay leaving from Dallas, via New York port, Ireland and starting her tou
i nAmsterdam, Holland. nAmsterdam, Holland. Fascinating details of the tor
and interesting visits held the and interesting visits held the aud took them from Holland to Germany,
Switzerland, Italy and the towns of Mian, Venice, Forence, Naples, Sorrento, Isle of Capri and Rome, the high point of the tour, th
Monte Carlo and' Paris.
Guests present were Mrs. Ew $\begin{aligned} & \text { voices and included the Hligh Schoo } \\ & \text { choral group under the direction of }\end{aligned}$ enkins and Mrs. Robert Gray. $\quad$ wishes Bartlett Strayhorn. The club Members present, other than those $\begin{aligned} & \text { wishes to thank everone who coope- } \\ & \text { rated so well }\end{aligned}$ mentioned, were Mmes. Clayton ights possibe.

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Miracle Whip Salad Dressing, pint jar 32

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| Strawberry Schilling's |  |
| Llac MILK, 5-Q |  |

Kimbell's Grapefruit JUICE, 46-Oz. can 22c
SALMON, Tall Can
KRAUT, Two No. 303 Cans
HOMINY, Three No. 303 Cans
White Swan MILK, Tall Can
39 c

Vegetole SHORTENING, 3-Lb. ctn. 69c
TIDE
27c
Foremost MILK, $1 / 2$ Gallon Ctn. SLICED BACON, Pound PICNIC HAMS, Pound 40c DEKER'S OLEO, pound 69 c
49 c CREAM MEAL, 10-Pound Sack 20 c ROBIN HOOD FLOUR, 10 Lbs. See us for Maize, Hegari and Sudan Seed.
Geo. W. Young \& Son
S. Cleveland for a Mrusts of Mothers' Day Wrs. The Rotan Advance S. Cleveland for a Mothers' Day
reunion were their children, Mr. and
Mrs. H. A. MaGinnis of Dumas, Mr. Mrs. Frank Levens of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Cleveland of Dumas, and Mrs. Thurman King and Brenda f Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ed - 1 , Dumas. Mrs. McGinnis became wards, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cleve- wery ill while here and had majo land, Mr. and Mrs. Ode Levens, Mr. surgery, but has recovered sufficiand Mrs. W. M. Williamson. Grand- ently to return to her home in Duchildren visiting them were Mr. and mas.


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