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Heavy Rain And Hail In Area Wednesday

The weeks total rainfall was given a big boost about four o'clock Wednesday afternoon when 1.70 inches fell in a short period. Considerable hail accompanied, doing considerable damage to Rotan Theatre signs and neon display.

Hackberry 'flat' west of town was flooded, with water backing up to the post office building. A good portion of the colored section was under water, but failed to reach floor level in homes. This is the highest mark in several years.

The highway department crew worked into Wednesday night clearing streets in the north part of town. Mud and debris covered streets in several places.

Heaviest fall was north and northwest, reaching a short distance east and south.

Clear Fork reached the highest point in some ten years Wednesday when it came within a foot of the bridge south on highway 70.

Double Mountain river was at a high point Wednesday night, and was expected to rise more as the afternoon rain drains into it.

Rainfall for the week according to Fred Byerly totaled 4.03 Wednesday night with 8.90 for the year.

Monday night and Tuesday morning 1.24 inches fell and Tuesday night and Wednesday morning 1.09 covered the area.

All sections of the area have now had rainfall of from 3 to 6 inches, lightest precipitation has been in the Wright section north of town.

Early Wednesday night another hard rain-storm fell, dumping half-inch moisture in some 30 minutes. This added to the flooded condition in parts of town, and was accompanied by heavy hail which covered the ground.

Services Here Today For Mrs. H. Kizzire

Funeral services for Mrs. Hershel Kizzire of Odessa will be held at 3:00 o'clock today from Weathersbee Chapel by Rev. J. Alvis Cooley.

Mrs. Kizzire died in Odessa Wednesday at 7:45 a. m., after an extended illness. Mr. and Mrs. Kizzire lived in Roby until 1945.

She was the daughter of a pioneer Fisher County family, the late D. R. Chance and Mrs. Chance, who lives here.

Pall bearers are Frances Floyd, Herman Baillio, James Cave, Floyd, Herman Baillio, James Cave, Preston Campbell, Jim Turnbull and Wade Finch.

Interment will be in Roby cemetery.

In addition to the husband and mother, survivors are four sisters, Mrs. Alvin Morton, Sweetwater; Mrs. Bruce Campbell, Rotan; Mrs. Audie Snodgrass, Lohn and Mrs. Fulton Jones of McAllen; three brothers, Amos Chance, San Angelo, Gilbert Chance, Amarillo and Hubert Chance, Rotan.

Farm Bureau Working On Allotment Problem

Texas Farm Bureau recommendations for improvements in the cotton allotment program have been presented to a cotton committee of the American Farm Bureau board of directors and are under study according to TFB President, J. Walter Hammond.

Hammond, a member of the AFB board, as well as the cotton committee, made the recommendation at a meeting of the committee April 22-23 in Washington. The committee is studying methods of correcting inequities in the allotment program and ways to develop markets for cotton.

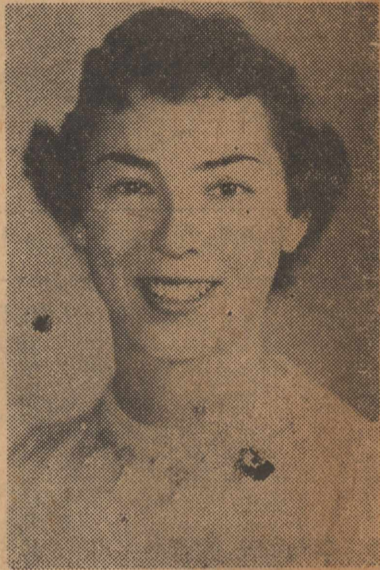
Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Barth attended graduation exercises of the Hamlin high school Sunday night. Their niece Peggy Briscoe is a member of the class.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Barnes of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. Ross Burnes Sunday.

Sunday afternoon Beverly Smith, Jerry Thomas and Mrs. Roger Smith attended a district M. Y. F. Council meeting at Stamford.

High School Honor Students Named

Honor students of Rotan High School were determined last week, according to Josie Baird, high school principal. Averages were determined on four year basis.



JEANNINE CURLEE

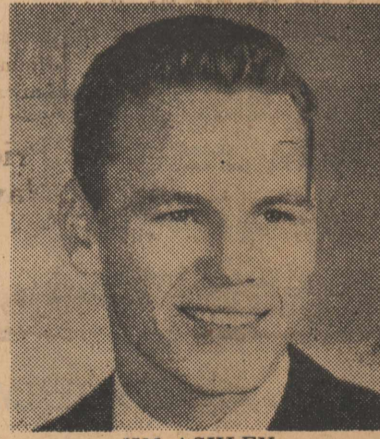
Valuedictorian of the senior class is Jeannine Curlee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Curlee. Her average was 93.98. Jeannine was named Best All Round Girl of high school this year. Other honors have been Herff-Jones Award in Homemaking; winner of the Betty Crocker in Homemaking; member of the annual staff; officer in the FHA Chapter; cheer leader for two years.



JUDY PORTER

Salutatorian of the class is Judy Porter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbourne Porter, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Porter.

Judy's average was 92.88. Other honors for Judy have been major-ette in the band for two years; officer in the FHA Chapter, and the Honor Society; member of the Choral Club, Spanish Club, and Band. She won the Herff-Jones Award in Science this year.



JIM ASHLEY

Highest ranking boy in the senior class, and close runner-up to Judy, is Jim Ashley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Ashley. His average was 92.03. Jim has been a star player in football, baseball, and basketball, and won the Herff-Jones Award in Athletics this year. He was captain in football and baseball. Jim was named Best All Round Boy of high school this year, and also won the district honor of being named Outstanding Boy of high school this year.

Other seniors with four year averages above 90 include: Cloe Ann Noles, Carol McCullough, Betty Lou Templar, Sam Smith, and Rhonda Hayes.

Mrs. Bruce Campbell and daughter, Mrs. Thomas O. Levens of Abilene went to Odessa Sunday to be with Mrs. Herschel Kizzire, and remained until Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill Smith of Medicine Lodge Kansas spent last week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Worth Smith. Mrs. Smith and Mike are now visiting her family in Odessa.

Storm Warning Monday Was Correct

The storm warning bell was sounded Monday afternoon after a twister had been sighted in Kent County was correct as the twister was headed in this general direction, it held a course towards Roscoe and hit the ground several times causing considerable damage.

Heaviest reported was in the Midway section, where a number of power line poles and buildings were destroyed. Some citizens thought it was a false alarm, but it came from official sources.

First Baptist Honors Sunday School Workers

This evening (Thursday) at 7:30 the First Baptist church is honoring some twenty-five of its Sunday School teachers and officers in an Appreciation banquet in Fellowship Hall. Rev. George Wilson of the First Baptist Church, Sweetwater is to be guest speaker.

Harold King, SS superintendent will be master of ceremonies. The program will include music by the Roughneck quartet, other special numbers, "An Appreciation" by the pastor, response by a member of the honored guests and the closing message by the visiting speaker.

Local Men Get Degrees From Texas U.

The University of Texas has released the list of spring graduates from West Central Texas. 17 are from this area.

Included in the list are Rudolph Lotief and Howell Clifton McCleskey of Rotan, bachelor of arts and Mrs. Patsy O'Neill Formway of Roby, bachelor of science in home economics.

Relative Gaining Renown As Musician

The Dixon High School Band will attend the Cotton Carnival in Memphis this year for four straight years. The Band will give a concert and march in the tribute to King Cotton on Saturday night.

The band has had what would be termed by most as a very successful year. They have attended the Solo and Ensemble Festival, The Marching Festival and the Concert Festival, besides playing for all football games and marching in the Governor's Inaugural parade.

In the Solo and Ensemble Festival, Thayer Martin received an "A" rating. He is the son of Mrs. Thayer Martin and the late Mr. Martin of Dixon, Tenn., and grandson of Mrs. Annie Tillotson of Rotan.

Regular Farm Bureau Meeting May 31st

The 22nd Annual Convention of the Texas Farm Bureau will be held November 6-9 at the Texas Hotel in Fort Worth. State policies and recommendations to the AFBF will be voted on at the state convention.

The Fisher County Farm Bureau regular monthly meeting is the last Tuesday in each month. This month is May 31. Everyone is invited to attend any and all of these meetings.

School Transfers Have June 1st Deadline

According to County Superintendent C. J. Dalton June 1 is deadline for pupils transfer from one school to another.

Parents expecting to change schools are urged to make this transfer before the deadline.

Mr. and Mrs. Sybil Tankersley of Roswell, N. M., visited her brother Mr. and Mrs. Ross Burnes, last week end. Mrs. Tankersley is the former Julia Burnes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Burnes went to San Angelo Tuesday of last week where Mrs. Burnes had a check-up. The report was excellent.

Mr. and Mrs. James Allen of Jayton visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Dono Darden Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allie Young and Cindy of Seminole visited his mother, Mrs. George Young, Sunday.

Baccalaureate Service Sunday Night, May 22

Baccalaureate Service for Seniors of Rotan High School will be held Sunday evening, May 22, at 8:00 o'clock at the First Baptist Church.

Dr. Lawrence Hayes, pastor, will deliver the address. Processional will be given by Beverly Smith. Invocation, Max Garland.

"Show Me My Task" will be by a chorus, and "Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled," by Becky Strickland and chorus. Scripture reading, Jim Ashley. Benediction, Boyce Irvin and Recessional by Beverly Smith.

Baptist Services Include Baccalaureate Sunday

The pastor of the First Baptist Church, Dr. Lawrence Hayes will preach Sunday morning at 10:50 on, "Christian Education." M. D. Ivey will have charge of the congregational music with Sue Morrow and Mrs. Frankie Fortune at the organ and piano.

Sunday school meets at 9:45 in eight departments. Training Union meets at 7:00 o'clock with the Baccalaureate Service for the Senior class of the local high school at 8:00.

The church extends congratulations to the Senior class and invites visiting friends to worship in all of its services.

MYF Elects Officers For Year

The local M. Y. F. elected officers for the coming year. They are as follows: Pres., Wesley Minton; V-Pres., Kinney McKinney; Sec., Becky Strickland; Treas., Sylvia Cehand; Publicity, Jerry Thomas; Christian Faith, Judith Morrow; Christian Witness, Sarah Cardwell; Christian Outreach, Rita Hendricks; Christian Citizenship, Nancy Acker; Christian Fellowship, Beverly Smith; Pianist, Beverly Smith; and Song Leader, Sandy Morrow.

MYF Dist. Meeting Held At Longworth

At a recent M. Y. F. sub-district meeting held in Longworth, the officers for the coming year were elected. From Rotan, Jerry Thomas was elected president, Becky Strickland was elected publicity chairman, and Sarah Cardwell, Christian Faith chairman. Beverly Smith was also elected a district officer at Albany. Others who went to Longworth were Pat Blount, Ruby Rives, Sylvia Cehand, Jim Watson, Wesley Minton, Jimmy Finch and the sponsor, Miss Laura Whittenburg.

Price Serving With Navy In Pacific

Fleet Home Town News Center, Pacific Fleet—J. D. Price, seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. F. Price of Rotan, Texas, is serving aboard the attack cargo ship USS Skagit.

The Skagit, a veteran of the Indo-China evacuation, is participating in amphibious operational training exercises in the Far Eastern area.

Next Week Bond Week

Next week is "U. S. Defense Bonds Week". If you plan to buy bonds in the near future, your purchase next week will help reach our quota.

Mrs. C. L. Sutton went to Irving Tuesday to visit her son, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Sutton. A little girl was born to M. and Mrs. Sutton Sunday night. They have one other child, an 8-year old son, Jack.

Mrs. Billy John Waddell and baby of Pasadena Texas are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Streetman and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Waddell in Roby. Her little son, John Lynn has been here several days previously.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rives and daughter Ruby, visited Mr. and Mrs. Billy Rives and two sons in McCamey Sunday, also visiting Mr. and Mrs. Rives Sunday was his sister Mrs. Troy Adams and three daughters of Sweetwater.

County Held On Emergency Feed List

According to a telegram received by the Farmers Home Administration from Acting State Director, W. E. Farrell, Dallas, Texas, Fisher County has been redesignated eligible for the emergency feed grain program. Ed Deaton, County Supervisor for Fisher County, stated that it was effective May 5, 1955.

Applications for the feed are being taken at the Roby FHA office and applications will be accepted through June 15, 1955. The total amount of feed grain for which applicants may qualify will be the feed required to carry the applicants' livestock through June 30, 1955. Feed on hand and growing feed crops are taken in consideration.

Applicants are certified eligible by the FHA County Committee, George A. Pyburn, David C. Williams, and C. C. Roach. The program will be handled the same as the previous program which ended February 15, 1955. After the applications are certified, the Fisher County ASC office will issue certificates for the purchase of feed at local dealers.

Hobbs Baccalaureate Service Held Sunday

Rev. J. Alvis Cooley, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Rotan, delivered the address at the baccalaureate service for Hobbs high school Sunday evening at 8:00. Invocation was given by Rev. O. C. Byrd, pastor of Hobbs Baptist Church. Congregational singing of "Count Your Blessings" was led by Eddie Williams of Hobbs. Scripture reading was by Rev. Frank Oglesby, pastor of the Camp Springs Methodist church. Benediction was by Rev. Healer of Bethel Baptist church.

Processional and recessional was played by Joanna Wells, Hobbs high school junior. Special music was by the junior class.

Supt. W. G. Herring announced the following honor students: valuedictorian, Dave Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Williams. His four-year average was 92.99. Salutatorian was Charles Masters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Masters. His average was 89.23. Highest ranking girl is Barbara Sellers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clint Sellers. Her average was 88.6.

Commencement program will be in the auditorium at 8 p. m. Friday. Seniors will present the entire program. Featured will be addresses by the two honor students. Class history, prophecy, and will, will be given by class members that had not been selected.

Special awards will be presented by Coach W. C. Hodges, who is also high school principal. Diplomas will be given by Supt. Herring.

Besides the three top ranking students, other members of the graduating class of 13 include Clara Neves, Francine Hardin, Ralph Hardin, Morris Hardin, Emmett Joe Helms, Durwood Hopper, Bobbie Pullig, LeRoy Masters, Bynum Miers and Melvin Thompson.

Following their graduation, the seniors will leave in a school bus for their annual trip to New Orleans. En route they will make a brief stop in Galveston.

Sponsors on the trip will be Supt. Herring, Mrs. Miers and Mrs. David Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Euell Gregg of Tullia, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Simpson of Amarillo visited their sister Mrs. C. M. Huckaby Friday night and Saturday morning. They were on their way to Miami Florida where they attended the Southern Baptist Convention Tuesday and Wednesday. They plan to tour several states.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Cave made a business trip to Abilene Tuesday.

Approaching Marriage Is Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Errin Grice are announcing the approaching marriage of their daughter, Bonnie Fae to John D. Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Richardson of Roby.

The wedding date is May 31. Miss Grice is a senior of next year and Mr. Richardson is a 1954 graduate of Roby schools.

New Nazarine Pastor To Be Here Friday

Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Perryman, Jr., will arrive Friday to assume duties here as pastor of the Nazarine Church. They will reside at 207 Burnside.

They have a son two and one half years old.

Rev. Perryman will hold his opening service Sunday morning, and members as well as visitors are urged to attend.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Evening Service 7:30 p. m.
Mid-week Service 7:30 p. m. Wed.

Bureau Queen To Be Selected This Summer

Some beautiful and charming Texas farm or ranch girl will be chosen 1955 Texas Farm Bureau Queen and will receive many prizes and honors: including \$500 for expenses to attend the American Farm Bureau Federation Convention in Chicago.

Every Fisher County girl between the age of 16 to 22, whose family maintains membership in the Farm Bureau, is eligible to enter. Think about this girls!

Summer Institute of TFB will be held in Mineral Wells, Texas, July 31-August 3, at the Baker Hotel. This has formerly been held each summer at College Station. Courses are especially designed for county officers, board members and Committee chairmen. Office secretaries, service agents and county agricultural agents are also urged to attend for additional training in Farm Bureau Activities.

"Dancers On Parade" Here Tonight

Dorothy Brandt will present her pupils of dance in a program to-night at 7:45 in high school auditorium.

Some twenty pupils will appear in "Dancers On Parade" and a variety of danger will be portrayed.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Berry returned to their home in Milsap Tuesday after visiting his sister, Mrs. W. W. Ogden several days. Mr. and Mrs. Berry and Mrs. Ogden spent the week end in Spur with another brother, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Berry.

Betsy Frese of Killeen, a student at Texas Tech, spent the week end here visiting Reva J. Watson.

'Its The Rain You Keep That Counts'

The soil conservation district slogan, "It's The Rain You Keep That Counts", was proved again following the good rains of May 8. Checks made by Soil Conservation Service technicians on the depth of moisture penetration showed that it penetrated several times as deep under good grass cover as under poor grass cover.

Tests were made on the Paul Hill ranch about 12 miles southwest of Roby. On areas with to-bossa grass cover, moisture penetrated 18 inches deep, but under poor grass cover the soil was wet only 4 to 6 inches. About two inches of rain had fallen on this soil.

Similar tests were made on the W. C. Davidson place near Hobbs. Under good grass cover moisture had penetrated 36 inches, while under poor grass cover the soil was moist only 5 inches.

The principal factor limiting the growth of grass and field crops on most of the soils in this district is water supply. Water soaks in good if the surface is covered by growing vegetation or dead litter. With our limited rainfall we cannot afford to let any moisture get away. In this area of high surface evaporation a large percent of the moisture stored in the surface foot of soil is lost by evaporation.

Results at the Spur Experiment Station shows that it is the available moisture stored in the second and third feet of the soil that really counts.

**Former Resident Is
Valedictorian At
John Tarleton**

A list of graduates of Tarleton State College recently released from the office of the registrar, J. B. Tompkins, declares Miss Joy Riherd of Stephenville valedictorian. She has a 3.00 grade point average (straight "A" on all subjects studied at Tarleton.) She was also honored at the Parents Day Program on Sunday, May 1 by a scholarship "T" award for outstanding scholastic achievement and further honored by being designated as outstanding student for the year in English.

She was valedictorian of Stephenville High School in 1953 with an average of 96.31.

Miss Riherd is active in church and community affairs in addition to her high scholastic record. She is church pianist, local M. Y. F. Officer, sub-district M. Y. F. Secretary-treasurer, and Cisco district M. Y. F. council member. And she is serving her second term as secretary-treasurer of the Erath County Farm Bureau.

She is an Elementary Education Major. Will attend Texas Tech next year where she has been awarded a scholarship for outstanding work done at Tarleton.

Miss Riherd is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Riherd of Stephenville who will be remembered as former residents of the old Grady community and teachers in the rural schools of Fisher, Nolan, and Scurry counties for a number of years. Maternal grandparents are the late James A. Wells and Mrs. Wells now of Stephenville but formerly of the Hobbs community.

**HD Club Met In
Home Of Mrs. Nowlin**

"Overweight is the No. 1 problem of adults the nation-over" stated Miss S. C. Kinsey to the Rotan Home Demonstration Club May 6 in the home of Mrs. Wayne Nowlin. "However this problem is not without solution", she says.

Being over-weight is a health hazard, for each 5 pounds of excess fat causes the blood to travel an extra 5 miles. Also one is more susceptible to heart ailments, gall bladder trouble and diabetes.

Losing weight when needed is a source of great satisfaction, however one should have the advice of a physician as to amount to lose and how fast to lose it.

According to Miss Kinsey, one can lose weight and still eat the foods required in the Texas Food standard.

A short business session was conducted by club president, Mrs. Annie Mae Hughes.

Others present were: visitors, Mrs. Dave Posey, Mrs. Archie Neely, Mrs. H. Swan and Mrs. Ab Aaron. Members, Mes. Vida Frazier, O. R. Nowlin, C. C. Roach, C. A. Ragan, D. T. McDonald, L. E. Wright, Champ Clark, W. L. Terrell, Inez Ray and Judson Thompson.

Mrs. Elizabeth Herring of Snyder visited Mrs. Clinnia Grindstaff last Tuesday.

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TOMATOES	2	303 Our Value	25c	Crisco	3 Lb. Can	69c
BLACKEYED PEAS	2	303 Kimbells	27c	Coffee	Admiration 1 lb. can	79c
HOMINY	2	303 Diamond	15c			
Whole Green Beans		303 Del Monte	24c			

Prune Plums	No. 2 1/2 Hunts	23c
TEXSUN GRAPEFRUIT JUICE	46 Oz. Can	25c
SHOE STRING Potatoes	2 303 Cans	23c

CAMPFIRE Viennas	3 for	27c
HUNTS Catsup	2 14 Oz. Bottles	39c
PARD Dog Food	2 Cans	27c
Kotex	1 2 count	29c
VANILLA Wafers	25c Size	19c
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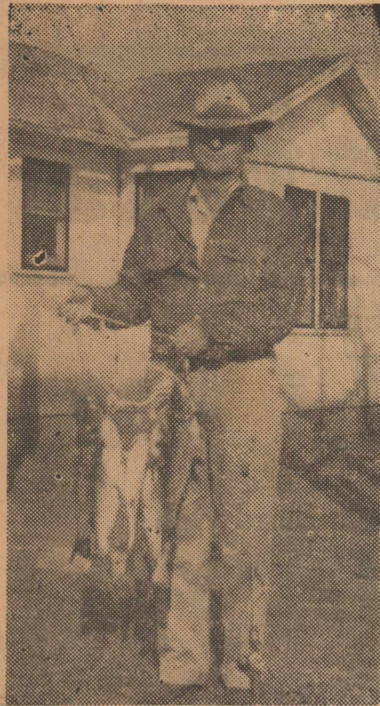
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	Chuck Roast U. S. Good	Pound	39c
	Ground Beef	Pound	29c
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	BACON Mid-West Tra-Pak	Pound	45c
	RIO OLEO	2 Lbs.	39c
	TEA	1-2 lb. Lipton	69c
	DEL MONTE Tomato Sauce , 3 cans		25c
	HEARTS DELIGHT Tomato Juice 46 Oz. Can		27c
	TOMS Home Freeze	1/2 Gallon	49c

Frozen Foods

GRAPE JUICE , Welch's	23c
STRAWBERRIES , 16 oz. Thomas	39c
BROCCOLI , 10 oz. Donald Duck	23c
CUT CORN , 2 10 oz. Thomas	29c
WHOLE OKRA , 10 oz. Donald Duck	22c
CAT FISH , lb.	49c



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The above picture of Emory Keener and the nice string of fish was sent in by Mrs. Lee Dowell of Electra. Keener caught the string recently at Diversion Lake while visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dowell.

Hobbs FFA Holds Parent-Son Affair

On May 12, Hobbs FFA held their parent-son supper at the lunchroom. Approximately 55 guests were present along with 23 members.

The menu was built around broilers, which were raised as an FFA cooperative project. The Sophomore Home Ec class prepared and served the meal.

New officers being installed were, D. Hayes, president; R. Masters, v-pres.; M. Etheridge, secretary; G. Adams, treas.; P. Murphy, reporter, G. Gantt, sentinel.

Awards presented by Advisor, M. R. Womack were, chapter star farmer, Henry Medrano; electrification, Mac Etheridge; farm safety, Chester Hartsfield; farm mechanics, Clifton Carnes; public speaking, Jimmy Pullig; soil and water conservation, N. G. Underwood.

We closed out the years activities with Hobbs Western Day.

Reporter, Chester Hartsfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Parker and daughters Sherry and Candy of Brownwood spent the week end here with his mother, Mrs. Clinia Grindstaff.

Rural Mailbox Week Made Official

The week beginning with the third Monday in May has been designated officially and permanently by the Post Office Department as Rural Mailbox Improvement Week.

Here are a few pointers for RMI Week:

See that posts are securely erected—and that box is fastened securely.

Replace obsolete box if it is hard to get mail into it, or if it is hard to see into it for letters that you want mailed.

Name should be painted on side of box which carrier approaches (or can be on front of box if several boxes are closely grouped together).

It is a big help if several boxes are neatly and closely placed on a plank extending between two posts.

Bottom of box should be 45 inches above the roadway, and should be on an arm extending out away from the post, in such a manner that it can be easily reached, with all obstructions including bushes and large weeds.

Drive your own car up to your box. If you can easily reach your mail from behind the wheel of your car, as the carrier is required to do, then the chances are that your box is pretty well located. But better yet, talk to your carrier about the proper location, and the correct setting.

Your carrier serves this box 305 days every year. If it is correctly set, it lightens his work and saves him time so that he can more quickly serve other patrons farther along his route.

Your mailbox is the front door to your home. Since it is usually in front of your home, its neat appearance will add considerably to the neat appearance of your home.

Application for money order should be made out by patron before purchasing order. Blanks may be obtained from carrier or from Post Office.

All letters should be stamped before being placed in box for collection by carrier. Adequate supply of stamps should be kept on hand by patron for this purpose.

Where two or more letters are mailed at once, stamps and addresses should be faced the same direction. If you receive a daily paper, it is not necessary to raise the flag when mailing your letters. Otherwise, flag should be raised.

When you expect important mail, or for any other reason, desire your mail before carrier arrives at your box, you may receive it at the post office window in the morning at about 9:15 or 9:20 before mail is tied out for route delivery.

Alta B. Parker of Hendricks School of Nursing, Abilene, visited her parents here the first of the week.

Mrs. Tom Stinson visited relatives in Monahans this week.

Mrs. S. A. J. Willingham, Mr. and Mrs. Parker Kennedy were dinner guests of Mrs. J. W. Kennedy Monday evening.

Mrs. D. J. Smith and Mrs. R. M. Smith returned Monday from a visit of several days in Fort Worth.

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Aunt Jemima Flour 5 Pound Box 39c

Pillsbury FLOUR 25 lb. Sack \$1.49

Miracle Sandwich SPREAD Pint 33c

Chum SALMON Tall Can 39c

Armours Vienna Sausage 3 Cans 57c

Our Value Tomatoes 8 303 Cans \$1

Rosedale CORN White or Yellow 8 303 Cans \$1

Pure Cane SUGAR 10 Lb. Bag 79c

Silk TISSUE 3 for 25c

Diamond NAPKINS 2 roll 25c

Reynolds FOIL box 29c

Cut Rite WAX PAPER Box 29c

Libby Tomato JUICE 3 Tall Cans 33c

Our Value PEARS 4 303 Cans 98c

ALL 10 lb. Sack \$1.75

Aunt Jemima Meal 5 Lb. Sack 39c

Choice Meats

Fully Cooked Picnic Hams Pound 39c

Pork STEAK Pound 39c

Pork ROAST Pound 39c

Banner BACON 2 Pound Pack 89c

Sugar Cured JOWLS	Dry Salt JOWLS
Lb. 29c	Lb. 19c

Fresh Ground Meat Lb. 29c

Choice Chuck ROAST	Lean BEEF RIBS
Lb. 39c	Lb. 25c

SLAB not sliced BACON Pound 45c

Churches large bottle Grape Juice 35c

TIDE Large Box 29c

CHEER Large Box 29c

Ivory SOAP 2 Large Bars 25c

Guest Ivory SOAP 4 Bars 25c

JOY Giant Bottle 69c

Camay SOAP 3 Reg. Bars 25c

Spic & Span Box 29c

Ivory SNOW Large Box 29c

S.O.S. Pads 10 count box 25c

Vegetables

Fresh Tomatoes carton 19c

Yellow Squash 2 Lbs. 25c

Long Green Cucumbers Pound 15c

Cello Carrots 2 Bags 19c

Fresh Blackeyed Peas 2 Lbs. 29c

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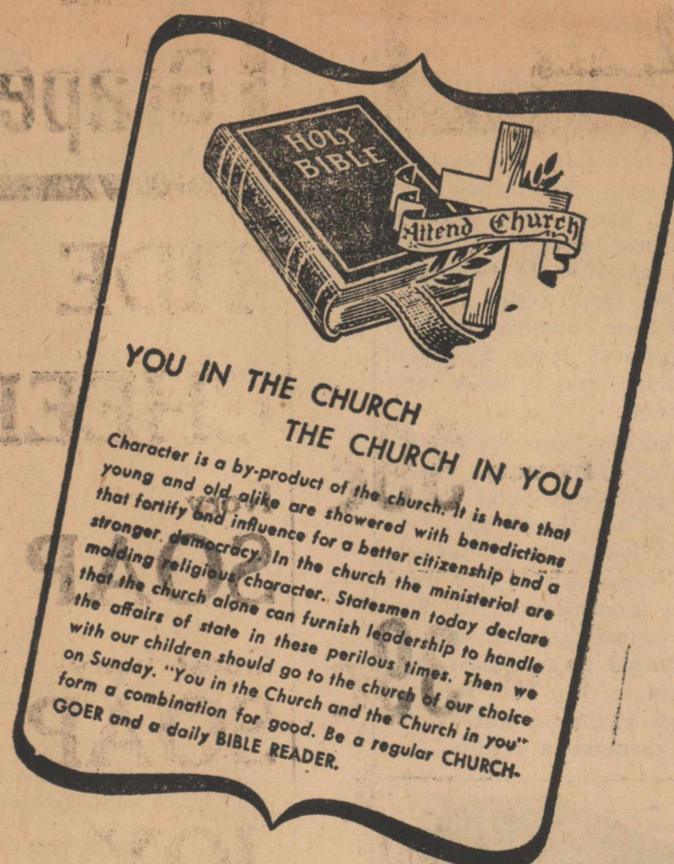
REMEMBER the Sabbath Day to keep it HOLY

IN THE Ten Commandments, which do you suppose gets the larger treatment? Reverent observance of the divine order for a day of rest and of worship gets chief emphasis. A moment's reflection makes the reason clear. The man who does not take time to keep the Sabbath will likely forget to worship the God of his fathers; he who does not reverence God cannot be expected to regard his neighbor and his neighbor's goods. Sabbath observance stands, therefore, at the very center of religion and of morality. Then if you disregard the Sabbath you do it at the peril of your soul!

NOTICE the argument of Moses. God could get His work done in six days, even the creation of a universe and all its creatures. Surely you do not need the seventh day for the lesser tasks of your doing.

YOU are under the command of God; you are a part of His creation; there is nothing more important for you than that you remember God and your relation to Him. The Sabbath is such a time of remembrance. The church bell, the rest from daily toil, the quietness in the busy street, the need of your own soul, unite to remind you of your God and His day. The law giver commanded His people to keep this one day sacred to the Lord; to use it for one's own profit is to rob God of the time which belongs to Him.

HERE is an ancient command, never more important than today. The press of the material and the secular was never more insistent; things want to get in the saddle and ride mankind. Remember the Sabbath; then you will worship God and know that you are the eternal child of the Highest. He who remembers the Sabbath most is most likely to remember to attend his church.



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Carl Underhill, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
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Training Union 7:00 p. m.
Mid-week service 8:00 p. m.
Evening Worship 8:00 p. m.
Church Visitation 7:00 p. m.

NORTH ROBY BAPTIST CHURCH

Midway between Rotan & Roby
Gene Y. Brock, Pastor
Sunday
Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Morning Worship, 11 a. m.
Training Union, 7 p. m.
Preaching 7:30 p. m. Sunday.
Prayer Meeting 7:30 Wednesday.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

902 Cleveland
Rev. Fred Robertson, Pastor
Sunday School — 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship — 11:00 a. m.
Evening Worship — 7:00 p. m.
Prayer Meeting — 7:30 p. m.
Thursday.

HIGHLAND HOME BAPTIST CHURCH

(4 miles N. E. of City)
J. Dale Martin, Pastor
Order of services
Sunday
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Services 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 7:00 p. m.
Worship Services 8:00 p. m.
Monday
Brotherhood Meeting Monday after 1st Sunday of each month 8:00 p. m.
Tuesday
W. M. S. Meets First and third Tuesdays 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday
Bible Study 8:00 p. m.
Prayer Meeting 8:00 p. m.
S. S. Officers & Teachers meeting 8:40 p. m.

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Father B. A. Erpen
Sunday morning Mass 10:00 a.m.
Week day Mass 8:00

CROSS ROADS BAPTIST CHURCH

R. M. Parsley, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union, 7:30 p. m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Prayer Service, Wed. 7:30 p. m.
with officers and teachers meeting following.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

209 McKinley
J. Alvis Cooley, Pastor
Sunday Services
Sunday School, 9:45
Morning Worship, 10:50 a. m.
Youth Fellowship, 6:00 p. m.
Evening Worship, 7:00 p. m.
Womens Society of Christian Service, Monday, 8:00, p. m.
Wednesday Services
Intermediate Choir Practice—6:00 p. m.
Youth Bible Study—6:15 p. m.
Choir Practice—7:00 p. m.
Adult Bible Study—7:45 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

305 McKinley
Otta Johnson, Minister

Sunday
9:45 a.m.—Bible Study period. Classes for all ages.
10:45 a.m.—Worship Service, Sermon, and Communion.
6 p.m.—Young People's Training Class and Teacher training class.
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship service and sermon.
Monday
9 a.m.—Ladies Working Group meets
3 p.m.—Ladies Bible Class
Wednesday
7:30 p.m.—Bible Study and singing.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

McKinley at Mead
Lawrence Hayes, Pastor
Sunday
9:45 a. m. Sunday School
10:50 a. m. Morning Worship
6:00 p. m. Training Union
7:00 p. m. Evening Worship
Monday
3:00 p. m. WMU and Sunbeams
Wednesday
7:00 p. m. Officers and Teacher's meeting and Y. W. A.
8:00 p. m. Hour of prayer

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10:00 a. m. Sunday School
11:00 a. m. Morning Worship
7:30 p. m. Training Union
8:30 p. m. Evening Worship
Wednesday
7:30 p. m. Hour of Prayer
Revival Aug. 12 through 21.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. J. E. Perryman, Jr. Pastor
Corner of Lee and McKinley
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p. m.
Mid-week service Wed. 7:15 p.m.

LITTLE ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

(colored)
G. W. Henry, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Service, 11:00 a. m.
Evening Worship, 7:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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10:00 a. m. Sunday School
11:00 a. m. Bible Class
7:30 p. m. Preaching

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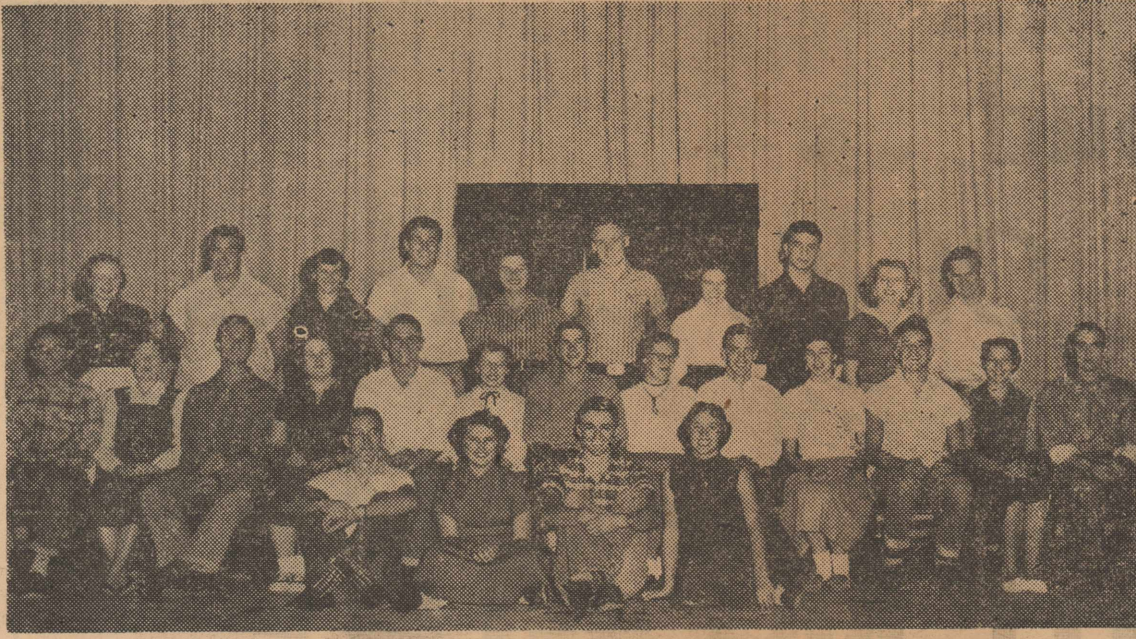
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Sunday school, 10 o'clock.
Preaching, 11:45.
and workers at 6:30.
Night services, preaching at 8:45.
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Farm Ownership Loans Are Speeded Up Under New Program

Building improvements loans and faster service in getting loans approved and processed are some of the new developments in the farm ownership loan program carried on by the Farmers Home Administration, Ed Deaton, the agency's county supervisor serving Fisher county, said this week. Insured funds advanced by banks and other private lenders are being used to a greater extent.

The building improvement loan, made available only recently, is for the farmer who has an adequate farm but needs to construct or repair essential buildings. Loans can be made to build or remodel farm dwellings, barns, milk houses, or other outbuildings, needed to carry out sound farm management practices.

The agency supplements rather than competes with private or cooperative credit. No farm ownership loan of any type, or loans, for soil conservation or farm operations can be made to farmers who are able to get the necessary credit from other lenders at reasonable rates and terms.

Other types of farm ownership loans include: (1) farm purchase, for young farm families, veterans, renters, sharecroppers, or farm laborers—who are ready for farm ownership; (2) farm development loans for farmers whose farms need, for example, such land development as pasture improvement, gully filling, reorganization of fields and fencing, and some repair or remodeling of farm buildings; and (3) farm enlargement loans for those who need more acres to make their farms efficient.

Farm ownership loans are amortized over a 40-year period except building improvement loans which may be for 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, or 40 years. Farm ownership borrowers may make repayments at any time, and interest is charged on the outstanding principal balances. Borrowers are required to refinance their loans as soon as they have accumulated enough equity to qualify for private or cooperative credit.

Farm ownership loans are made primarily from funds advanced by private lenders and are fully insured by the Farmers Home Administration. Insured loans are made for not more than 90 percent of the fair and reasonable value of the farm. Investments by private lenders in this program are increasing.

Direct farm ownership loans from appropriated funds are made only when eligible farmers need to borrow more than 90 percent of the value of the farm. Most of the applicants in this situation are your veterans wanting to become established as

farmer owners.

As a means of speeding up services to farm families and cutting costs at the same time, appraisers who are also qualified as county supervisors are located at county offices throughout the State. They are more accessible for appraisal work than were the more limited number who formerly were stationed in the State office.

Elimination of a triple agreement that required signatures of the insured lender, the borrower, and a representative of the Farmers Home Administration has helped speed up

Bride-Elect Honored With Party In Hogsett Home Friday

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hogsett was the setting for a gift tea that honored Reva Jo Watson, bride-elect of Elwood Freeman of Aspermont.

Mrs. Hogsett greeted guests as they arrived. In the receiving group was Miss Watson; her mother, Mrs. Morris G. Watson; the bride-groom-to-be's mother, Mrs. J. M. Freeman of Aspermont; and his sister, Mrs. Carlton Allison of Rule.

Miss Watson wore a tulle gown of white nylon organza, accented with black coin dots. The bouffant skirt was clasped at the waist with a contour belt of black patent. Push-up sleeves were full, and the neck of the gown tied with a large bow.

Hosting the affair with Mrs. loans. Discontinuing other forms and files found to be unnecessary has also helped.

Farmers apply for loans at the county Farmers Home Administration office, located at Roby. Applications are referred to the agency's local county committee. This 3-member committee decides on the applicant's eligibility for the loan. Veterans with farming experience have preference. In determining eligibility the committee considers character, ability, and whether the applicant and his family are likely to succeed on the farm they have in mind or with the improvements they intend to undertake.

Since January 1, 1955, the Fisher county office has processed 4 loans amounting to \$51,790.00.

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Hogsett were Mmes. R. T. Wilkinson, Roger Smith, Thomas Colwell, Ray Brown, Preston Morrow, R. L. Springer, and Jack Patton.

In the house party, and in charge of music, were Judith Morrow and Beverly Smith.

Mrs. Brown presided at the tea table, assisted by Mrs. Morrow. Mmes. Smith, Colwell, and Wilkinson were in charge of the three gift display rooms. Mrs. Patton registered guests, and Mrs. Springer said the goodbyes.

The tea table, draped with hand-made cloth of green nylon net, banded with gold braid, was appointed with chrysal. Golden punch with floating red cherries was served with confections, decorated with musical note. A standing musical staff, with the first four notes of the wedding march highlighted the table decor.

Near the tea table was a revolving musical wedding box, topped with nuptial decor, which played soft strains of the wedding march. The arrangement, based in mock orange blossoms, was on a tier table.

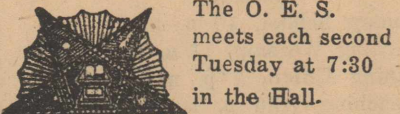
The buffet featured a cascade arrangement of delicately tinted Peace roses, the colors reflected in slender lighted tapers. Another arrangement of Peace roses was in the living room and gift display rooms.

Miss Watson has been honored at a number of affairs since formal announcement of the approaching marriage was made. A number of other affairs are planned for this week.

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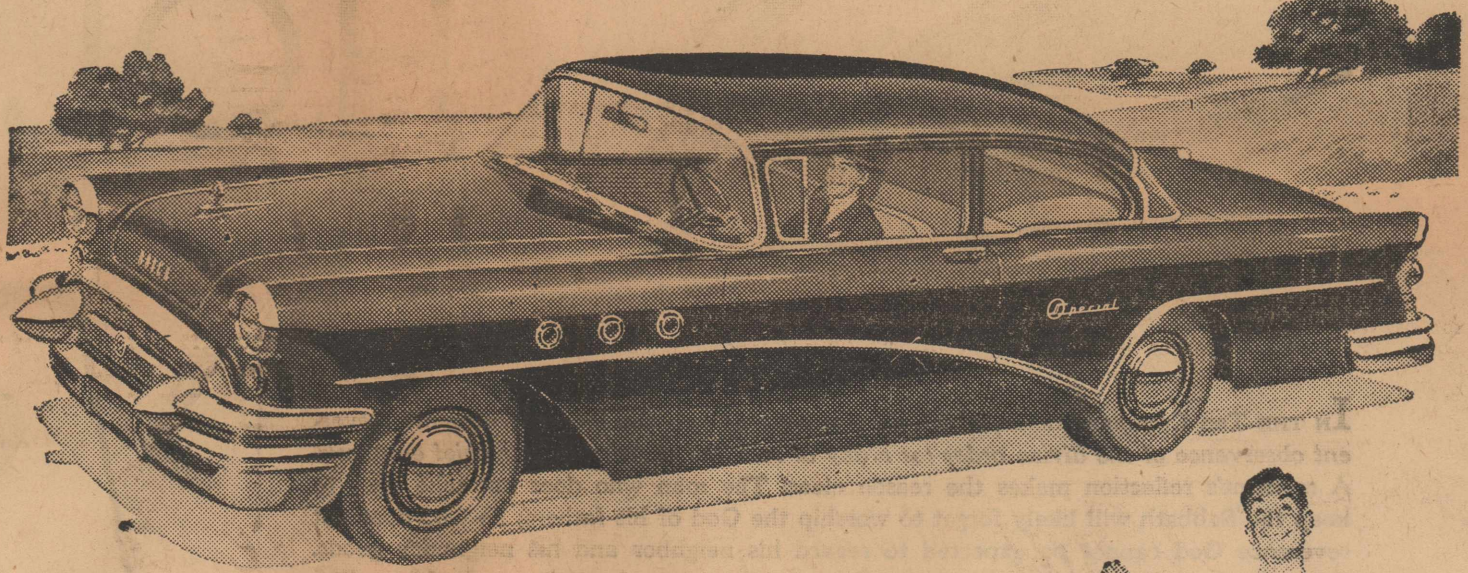
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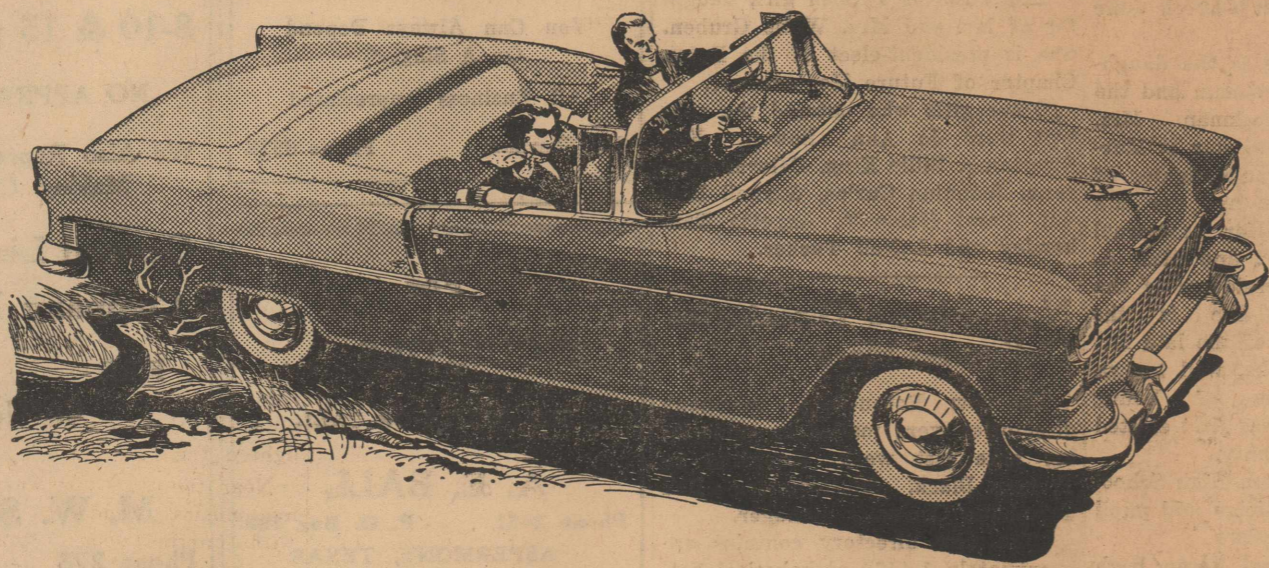
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A house and all contents burned on the W. B. Willingham ranch west of town Friday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Magdolino Garcia, foreman of the ranch, had lived in the house 27 years. The men were in the field and the family had gone to a neighbors only a short time before the fire was discovered.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Snodgrass and son Donald of Spur visited Mrs. Audrey Snodgrass Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Beardin of New York City and Mrs. Charlotte Huff of Caddo Mills, spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Branch. Mr. Beardin is a brother of Mrs. Branch.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Connan Albert from Tuesday until Saturday of last week were her brother, W. B. Willingham of

Tulla, and her sister, Mrs. Ralph Martin of Weatherford.

Mrs. O. E. Ramsey returned Sunday from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Dick Loter and Mr. Loter in Childress.

G. W. Darden of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Dono Darden several days last week and his daughter, Mrs. Florenne Miller visited them Sunday.

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Stanley Nowlin Serving In Germany

4TH DIV., GERMANY - Pvt. Stanley Nowlin, son of Wayne Nowlin, Route 1, Rotan, recently completed a series of spring training

exercises held by the 4th Infantry Division in Germany.

The "Ivy" division's spring maneuvers were part of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's preparedness for the defense of Western Europe.

Private Nowlin, an ammunition bearer in Company M of the division's 12th Regiment, entered the

Army in October 1954 and arrived overseas last March.

A graduate of Rotan High School, he attended Texas Technological College, Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Lehman Newton attended a reception given by Gamma Sigma Sorority at McMurry College, Abilene, Friday afternoon.

Their daughter, Patsy is a member of Gamma Sigma.

Rev. Doyle Morton and daughter, Carolyn of Eldorado visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nealy Morton, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Montgomery visited several days last week.

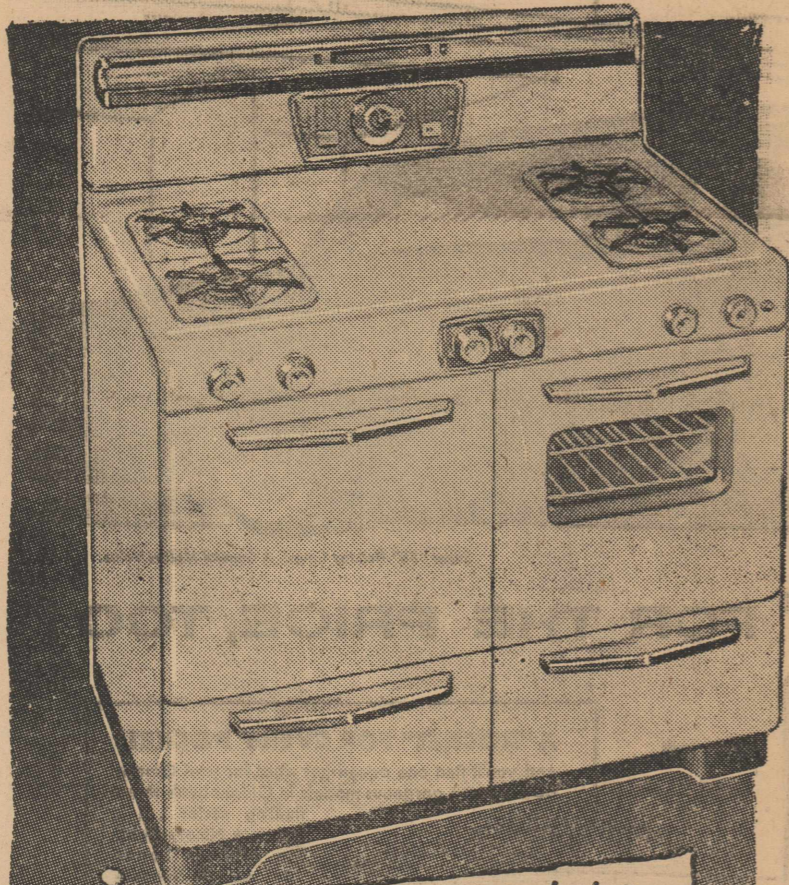


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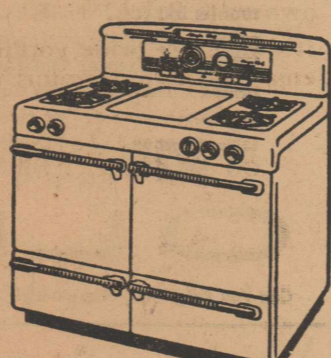
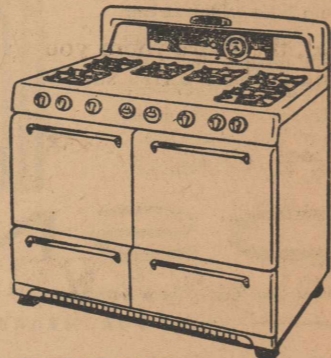
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**Wm. Wicker To Marry
Murray Girl, June 9th**

Mrs. J. T. Brockman of Murray, announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter Miss Donna Louise Brockman to Mr. William Warren Wicker of Abilene, which will take place at the Murray Methodist Church June 9th.

Miss Donna Louise is the daughter of Mrs. J. T. Brockman and the late Mr. J. T. Brockman. Mrs. Brockman is the postmaster at Murray. Donna is the granddaughter of Mrs. E. E. Brockman and the late E. E. Brockman. Her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hulse, long-time residents of the Murray Community. She is the great granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Brooks, well known and beloved pioneers of Young County. Mr. Brooks was first elected sheriff of Young County.

She attended Graham High School and is a talented musician and pupil of Mrs. N. B. Crenshaw.

Mr. Wicker attended Rotan High School and served in the Marine Corp for three years and is now employed by a grocery firm in Abilene. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Wicker of Rotan.

After a brief wedding trip the couple will make their home in Abilene.

**Margaret Gruben Wins
Cooking Contest**

Margaret Gruben, 17, high school junior, and third year homemaking student, was winner of the Abilene Reporter-News Cooking Contest in the Rotan school, according to Mrs. R. M. Parsley, homemaking teacher.

Ten girls were entered in the contest, with projects judged this week. There were nine cakes and one pie.

Judging was on points outlined in the Homemaking text book, Mrs. Parsley said. Each project was numbered and identity of the winner was not known until the judging was concluded.

Judges were Josie Baird, high school principal, and Joe Heathington, English teacher.

The homemaking department of the Rotan school was selected as

one of 33 in the area to participate in the contest. Recipes used were taken from "Family Weekly," Sunday supplement of the Reepporter-News.

Miss Gruben used the "Luscious White Cake" recipe which appeared in the April issue of "Family Weekly" to make the prize winning confection. She used the seven minute icing recipe which appeared in the March 6th issue.

The winner is a farm girl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Gruben. She is president-elect of the Rotan Chapter of Future Homemakers.

Other girls who entered the contest were Jo Ann Bowen, Kay Swarining, Billie King, Delores Medrano, Jeannine Curlee, Gaynell Ratliff, Carol Hammitt, Annetta Tankersley and LaNell Tucker.

**New Phone Directories
Delivered Here**

The new Rotan-Roby telephone directories were mailed to subscribers here last week, according to Truman Black, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company manager.

"The new directory contains approximately 1,4470 alphabetical listings," Black said.

Old directories should be thrown away as soon as the new issue is received. However, care should be taken to remove any items, such as photos, letters and notes, which might have been placed between the pages, the manager advised.

The Rotan-Roby directory has a gray cover and contains 12 'white', or alphabetical pages, and 16 'yellow' or classified pages. Approximately 2,400 copies of the directory have been printed.

"A number of extra copies are printed as replacements for those used in public telephone booths and other places where much use occurs," Black explained.

"The telephone directory," he added, "remains one of the 'best read' books in town."

You can save time by referring to it if you are not sure of a number or need assistance of any kind. The yellow pages are a convenient listing of almost every business in town, he added.

Mrs. Lee Martin is recovering from major surgery she underwent in St. Ann's Hospital in Abilene, Thursday morning of last week. Her mother, Mrs. H. F. Mize and her sis-

ter, Mrs. Jim O'Brian, were with her during her operation. Byrle Martin, a student at Texas Tech came Saturday and he and his father, Mr. Martin visited Mrs. Martin Sunday.

Mrs. Dona Pierce returned to her home in Lubbock Sunday after spending ten days here visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. D. Sartor and Mr. Sartor who took her home.

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Thursday, May 19, 1955 No. 16

Jr. Class Elects Officers And Annual Staff

The Junior class met last week to elect their officers, annual staff and sponsor for next school year.

Elected president was Jimmy Finch. Other officers selected were vice-president, Freddy Smith; secretary-treasurer, Carole Hargrove; reporter, Jackie Lewis. The annual staff includes, editor, Jerry Black; asst. editor, Jim Watson; business manager, Sarah Cardwell; asst. business managers, Jane Hargrove and Beverly Smith; art editor, Mickey Taggart; asst. art editor, Jackie Waggoner; society editor, Lanny Posey; boys sports editor, Wesley Minton; girls sports editor, Carole Hargrove; snapshot editor, Freddy Smith; asst. Jim Loving and Peggy Roberson; typists, Wayne Rivers, Margaret Gruben, Wesley Minton and Stanley Edwards.

Sponsors elected were C. E. Booth and Laura Whitenburg.

'As It Looks From Here'

Omar Burleson, M. C.
17th District, Texas

WASHINGTON, D. C. —It was a dramatic action by the United States in bringing the twenty young women from Japan to this Country for plastic surgery due to scars and disfigurements caused by the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima in 1945. Perhaps it impresses me more by having seen Hiroshima when my Navy ship put into port in Japan shortly after the bomb fell.

Speaking of the atomic and hydrogen bombs, a mock hydrogen bomb assault on 51 American cities, including Washington and New York, will take place on June 15th. It will send hundreds of thousands, including President Eisenhower, streaming out of Washington to secret location centers in a half-dozen States, from which they will operate the Government for two days. Forty-three United States cities have been designated for the test, and seven will be attacked by surprise. The mock raid will provide an exercise in civil defense preparedness, evacuation, and survival techniques.

The Republican Administration has said that greater attention must be directed to the needs of low-income farm families.

If we do not get some general rains and if the Government is not more attentive to the present plight of the farmers, there is going to be nothing except "low-income" farmers.

I regret to report that the Committee on Agriculture rejected Bills proposed by Congressman Poage of Waco and myself to increase allotments for farmers in the drought-stricken areas.

A number of high schools have honored me by extending an invitation to make their commencement address. It would afford me a great pleasure to have accepted these invitations, but my duties here in the Congress simply will not permit.

I would, however, like to remind graduates of the great opportunities in advanced technical education. From all indications, the demand for technicians will exceed the supply for the next ten years.

The new frontiers of science offer an inspiring and a compelling challenge to the youth of today. Not only our progress, but our very survival may depend on these 20th Century pioneers, scientists, chemists, physicists, and electronics specialists. Also in the professions there remain great opportunities for physicians, dentists, veterinarians and geologists.

From reports which seem authentic, Russia is graduating 2 1-2 times as many students in technical fields as we are in the United States. On the other hand, reports show that a great many foreign countries are producing at a high rate this type of graduate. In a few years a problem may be created with these people because of a lack of demand for their services in those areas. If the "intellectuals" have nothing to do but sit around the cafes and drink coffee, it can well be imagined that they will be plotting something to reform or revolutionize.

Perhaps the spring graduate will want to remember the fellow who just couldn't keep a job. It seems he spent his life trying to find a boss as smart as he was.

Post Stampede Set For May 25-28th

POST. —One of West Texas' top cowboy events, the Post Stampede and Rodeo, will open here at 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 25, following a street parade at 6:30. The rodeo will continue through Saturday with



April 13, 1955. Cattle grazing blue panic grass on the Wayne Nowlin Farm, near Rotan, Texas.

"My calves got in my blue panic grass and started grazing it before that freeze set it back in March," said Wayne Nowlin.

Nowlin has a four acre patch of blue panic he planted in the spring of 1954. He kept it clean, and did not graze it until he harvested seed off it in late summer of 1954.

Nowlin has plowed his grass once this year. On April 13, he took his cattle off wheat and put them on his blue panic grass.

Blue panic is a perennial plant. Early in the spring, it begins to

sprout out from the old roots. This eliminates a lot of seed bed preparation, seed costs, and planting every year.

Nowlin planted another four acre patch of blue panic on April 29, which will make his total 8 acres.

Nowlin is manager of the Rotan Gin Co. along with his farming. He became a cooperater with the Upper Clear Fork Soil Conservation District in 1947.

"It is good grass," Nowlin said, "and chickens like to graze it better than they do wheat," he added.

night performances only scheduled.

Approximately 200 cowboys and cowgirls will compete for more than \$3,500 in prizes in bareback riding, ribbon roping, cutting horse contest, wild steer riding, wild mare race, calf roping, cutting horse contest and saddle bronc riding.

Announcer and clown for this year's rodeo will be James Michler of Mertzon and Louis Blair of Petrola, respectively. Added attractions

will include an acrobatic tumbling team and a dance each night on the rodeo grounds pavilion.

Post's \$40,000 rodeo arena seats 6,000.

Mrs. W. E. Peters and her grandson, Pat Young of Abernathy visited her sister, Mrs. Audrey Snodgrass, Saturday.

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For Sale, Western Prolific Storm Proff, see, V. B. Murphree, phone 5987. 16-2tp

For Sale, 4 room modern house, newly repapered, city water, just west of city limits, D. C. Hammond rt. 4, box 173A, Abilene. 15-4tc

For Sale, Used Refrigerators, Ranges and Washing Machines—Home Lumber Company.

For sale or trade for equity in Rotan city property, 1952 Ford tractor with planter, cultivator, double disc plow, used only 425 hours, see John Young.

My home, corner of Burnside and Sally av., fully carpeted and draperies, will consider reasonable offers. Also have store building and dress shop fixtures for sale. write, Sally Montgomery, 3417B University dr., Ft Worth. 12-4tfc

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For rent, apartment, close in, 3rd house north of Riley Drug on west side, Mrs. Lee Fancher. 16-1tc

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Will parties who borrowed our Waxers please return same, D. J. Smith & Co.

Lawn Mowers Machine sharpened, also furniture repaired, G. B. Lemley Repair Shop, 202 Harrison Ave., Rotan. 14-4tp

For Water Hauling and more

water see John Seaton, phone 5461 if no answer 6962. 11-4tp

Take notice my place south of town is posted against swimming and fishing, after May 20th. No trespassing after this date, please. A. D. Sumerlin.

Lost bill fold containing \$47, social security card, drivers license. Charles Reed Vittitow, here on leave from the Navy, will finder please return to L. C. Vittitow at City Barber Shop. Reward.

Eyes examined, glasses fitted, Dr. H. K. Finley will fit glasses in Rotan every Tuesday afternoon, 1:00 to 5:00. All glasses under \$20.00. Office at Morrow Hotel office.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to thank the local American Legion Post and Yoke Fleming for their assistance in arranging funeral services for Mrs. Smith's brother in Tampa Florida. Your kindness and help will not be forgotten.
Mr. and Mrs. Worth Smith.
Mr. and Mrs. Hill Gardner Smith.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to take this means of expressing our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone who helped in any way during the loss of our father, W. H. Dudley.
R. L. Dudley, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Stoddard, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hayes and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Driver and Dan, Mrs. Pearl Neely and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Snapp and family.
Rev. and Mrs. Dan D. Jones will leave Saturday to fill the pulpit of their new work at Ropesville. They will return Monday and move their household goods there.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Berry of Mil-sap were here last week end visiting relatives.
Human language can repeat only an infinitesimal part of what exists.
—Mary Baker Eddy
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