

NEWS FROM VERA

(Mrs. Thelma Lee Coulston)

Mrs. Maribelle LaFrance and

her father, Mr. Hyder Blackburn, are in Phillips this week to attend the wedding of the former's son, Ernest D., to Miss Mary Kay Lunsford of Pampa. Mr. LaFrance was raised in the Vera

community.

Word was received recently that Mrs. Luther Horne of Corpus Christi had passed away. Mrs. Horne is the mother of Elmer Horne, one time resident of Vera.

Wesley Trainham and Clarence Allen of Abilene hunted deer in Jack County last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Weiss were north of Lockney last Friday to see after their farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Trainham of Benjamin visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Trainham.

Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Thomas and family of Wichita Falls visited Sunday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kinnibrugh.

Oga D. Murphree of Jacksboro visited Saturday and Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Iva Murphree and other relatives.

The O'Brien basketball boys defeated the Vera boys in their game last Friday night with a final score of 52 to 41.

Mrs. Donnie Crouch and children of Seymour visited Sunday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hardin and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Struck and family of Goree visited over the week end with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Nichols and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Trainham of Mesquite and Mr. and Mrs. Edd Trainham of Holiday visited over the week end with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Ritchie and daughter, Melba, visited over the week end with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell Ritchie and family in Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Brown of Seymour visited Sunday with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown and family.

Mrs. Clarence Allen of Abilene visited last Wednesday with relatives. She was accompanied home by her mother, Mrs. Jim Hughes, who visited for a few days.

The Vera High School basketball boys and girls will play the

Mattson teams in the Vera gymnasium this Tuesday night beginning at 7:00 p. m.

Stanley Ray of Wichita Falls spent Wednesday through Friday at home last week.

J. R. Allen and son of Kiowa, Oklahoma, visited over the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Townsend and Mrs. Roxie Morris of Goree. Mrs. Morris accompanied them home for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Caldwell of Holiday visited Sunday in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ferman Dowd, Nelda and Jo Carol.

Wilbur D. Adkisson of Shepard Air Force Base visited in the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Adkisson and family, over the week end.

Olen Coffman of Midwestern University visited Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olen Coffman and family.

Weekly Health LETTER

Issued by Henry A. Hollie, M. D., State Health Officer

What do people die from most? How many accidental deaths were there in 1957? What was the leading cause of death in 1932?

These and other questions involving vital statistics are ever available from the Division of Vital Statistics of the State Health Department.

Most people look upon the Division of Vital Statistics as merely a place to obtain a copy of a birth certificate for a new job, or a copy of a death certificate for an inheritance.

This is true, but the division offers many other services as well. Some are familiar; others are unknown except to public health workers.

Let's take the first question: Just what do people die from

most?

By careful compilation of death statistics, listing cause of death, place, conditions and other information, it is possible for statisticians to determine what diseases are killing the most people in Texas.

What value is this? It was just fifty years ago that tuberculosis was the leading cause of death.

Medical and public health officials could see this frightening fact and direct their activities towards curbing the disease.

Year after year, employing various methods for lessening the occurrence and severity of tuberculosis, the researchers' only method of checking their progress was by checking statistical death records.

In this manner they were able to discern which measures were the most successful. Today, tuberculosis is no longer the leading killer it was.

Refined techniques are carried on today with emphasis on other diseases.

For instance the M. D. Ander-

son Hospital and Tumor Clinic uses death records to check on past patients of the hospital. In this way they hope to find out how successful are certain methods of cure. The study is on a continuous basis, and began several years ago.

Similar studies can be applied to heart patients. Heart and cancer diseases are the two leading causes of death today.

The fourth ranking killer is accidents. Traffic accidents lead, but how and where and in what manner do these and other accidents occur? By careful scrutiny of death records, answers may be found that will enable engineers to build safety into homes and highways.

The Division of Vital Statistics sends you certificates upon request, but the service doesn't end there — it only begins. (A weekly public service feature from the Division of Public Health Education, Texas State Department of Health.)

Biologists Ask Information On Kill Of Ducks

Some 7500 Texas duck hunters have an opportunity to provide information which will be helpful in setting up seasons and bag limits on waterfowl, according to the director of wildlife restoration of the Game & Fish Commission.

Random sample of 7500 license buying hunters has been sent a questionnaire designed to help the commission regulate the annual game harvest at peak efficiency.

This fact gathering questionnaire will provide grass-roots information on the yearly kill from the only people who can supply it — the hunters. This information, coupled with game population counts and habitat information, forms the foundation for a sound state-wide wildlife conservation program.

Hunters who receive the questionnaire are asked to fill out the card and return it to the Game & Fish Commission as soon as possible.

The biologists who have been making a census on the coast will then have this additional information as a basis for future regulations, according to the director.

Social Security Benefits Modified

"The Social Security Amendments of 1958 modified the work requirements for both cash disability benefits and the disability freeze," Erton F. Tate, manager of the Wichita Falls social security office said today. He pointed out this modification will make it easier now for people, whose disabilities have a gradual onset to qualify.

Under the new law, a worker is no longer required to have 1 1/2 years of coverage out of the 3 years immediately preceding the onset of his disability. A person can now qualify for either the disability freeze or cash disability payments starting at age 50, if he worked 5 years out of the 10 year period preceding the onset of his disability and is fully insured. Tate further explained that if a person has the required 5 years of coverage he will be fully insured through June, 1961, at least.

The change in work requirements is effective with applications filed on or after August 28, 1958. Tate emphasized that anyone whose application for disability payments or disability freeze was turned down because of not having 1 1/2 years of coverage out of the last 3 years before onset of disability should contact the social security office located at 432 Post Office Building, Wichita Falls, Texas, for the purpose of filing an application under the new law.

Tate concluded by stating that the new law did not change the definition of disability. In other words, if a claim was disallowed because it was determined the person was not disabled to the extent required by law, then the recent amendments would have no effect.

LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Frazier of Haskell visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Moore, and her sister, Mrs. Boyd Moore, and family last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cude and Mrs. Ralph Weeks went to Altus, Okla., last Sunday to visit Mr. Cude's niece and to meet his brother, John Cude of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Kreitz of Bastrop are visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Kay Stewart

A licensed beauty operator and recent graduate of Scoggins Beauty School in Abilene, will be employed at our beauty shop from now until Christmas.

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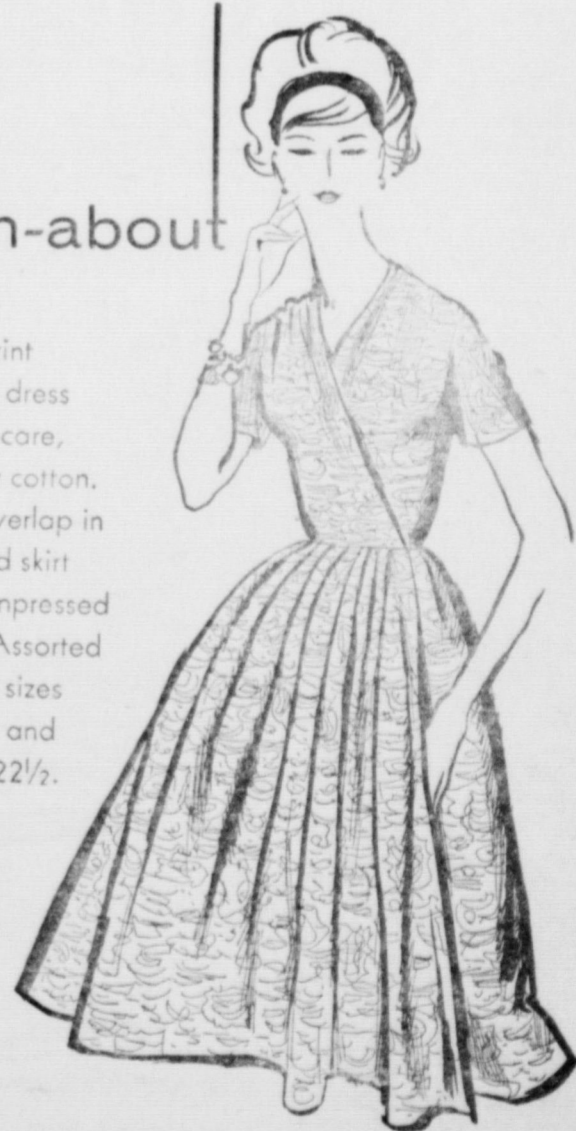
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