

# THE FOARD COUNTY NEWS

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## FOARD COUNTY SCHOOL MEET HERE FRI.-SAT.

Due to the cold weather last Friday and Saturday the Foard County Interscholastic meet was not held at that time and was postponed to this Friday and Saturday. Thursday night, April 2, the Thalia school auditorium will be the scene for debate and extemporaneous speaking. The tennis championship was decided at Thalia Wednesday.

## Texas-Johnson Oil Test Reaches Depth 3,200 Ft.

John Bock, driller on the Texas oil well on the L. K. Johnson ranch, 16 miles west of Crowell, stated Wednesday that a depth of 3,200 feet had been reached and that considerable gas was in the hole at the time.

### BIRTHS

Since the first of the year it has been difficult for The News to get complete account of births due to change required by law for the registration of births. Births are now registered with the justices of peace at both Crowell and Margaret, instead of being registered at county clerk's office as has been the case in the past.

## Red Cross Gives Instructions To Local Officials

Specific instructions have been received by the Foard County chapter of the Red Cross to discontinue all assistance to every family who can possibly secure other means of support. This applies especially to farmers who are eligible for drought relief food loans.

## ELECTION FOR CITY WILL BE HELD TUESDAY

The city election for Crowell is to take place here Tuesday, April 7. The following are to be elected: mayor, city marshal-tax collector and assessor; three aldermen and city attorney.

## MASS MEETING CALLED BY CITY AND COUNTY OFFICIALS TO BE HELD IN CROWELL MON., 3 P. M.

A mass meeting of the citizenship of Crowell and Foard County has been called by Claude Callaway, county judge, and C. T. Schlagal, mayor of Crowell, to be held Monday afternoon, April 6, at three o'clock in the district court room.

### PURCHASES MARKET

W. H. Sellers has purchased the Bomar Meat Market and has taken over its management. The market is located in Franklin Cash Grocery. Mr. Sellers is a former operator of this market.

## ATTEND MASS MEETING MONDAY

The News wishes to endorse the call of County Judge Claude Callaway and Mayor C. T. Schlagal for the mass meeting that is to be held here Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock and to join them in urging the people of this city and county to attend it.

### ON HONOR ROLL

Miss Juanita Osborn, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. B. J. Osborn of this city, has been on the honor roll throughout the year in McMurry College at Abilene.

### PLAY AT FOARD CITY

The women of the Foard City Home Demonstration Club will present a play and a general entertainment program at the Foard City school Saturday night, April 4, at 7:30 o'clock.

## Grasshopper Infestation Is Expected In This Section of Texas; Early Plans To Prevent Damage Urged by Co. Agent

It is very probable that Foard County and this section of Texas will experience heavy damage from grasshopper infestation this year unless early steps to check these pests are taken, according to Fred Rennels, county agent.

### New Farm Board Head



James C. Stone of Kentucky, who succeeded Alexander Leage as Chairman of Federal Farm Board, Mr. Stone was formerly president of the Dairy Tobacco Growers Association.

### ROY BARKER NEW AGENT

Roy Barker is now the local wholesale and retail manager for the Phillips Petroleum Company, succeeding E. O. Barnett who has moved to Electro.

## Trustee Elections Will Be Held In Foard County Sat.

School trustee elections will be held in the various school districts of the county this Saturday, April 4. The Crowell election will take place at the court house, while the others will be conducted at the respective school houses.

## COTTON CO-OP MEMBERS MEET HERE SATURDAY

T. M. Haney of Thalia, director for the Texas Cotton Co-operative Association for this section of the state announces that a meeting of the members of this organization will be held at the court house here on Saturday afternoon, April 4, at 4 o'clock.

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## PROUD TO BE A PIONEER OF FOARD COUNTY

"I am proud that I came to this section when I did and of the fact that I may have had, in a small way, a share in the upbuilding of Crowell and Foard County," Mrs. N. A. Crowell, affectionately and widely known as "Mother Crowell," stated when interviewed recently concerning her life.

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## First Week of Spring Brings Coldest Weather of the Year; Damage to Crops As Result of Freezes Is Undetermined

### Special Easter Program At Baptist Church At 6:30 Sunday Morning

Special Easter services will be held on the steps of the Baptist Church Sunday morning at 6:30 o'clock with the young people's organizations of the Crowell churches cooperating.

The first week of Spring brought the coldest weather of the year to Foard County and a great part of the Southwest. The freezing temperature was accompanied by rain, snow and sleet which brought moisture amounting to about one-half inch.

## Annual Paving Work on Highway No. 28 Will Begin Soon; Plant for West End Work Being Put in by Vilbig Company

Work of erecting a rock crush-plant seven miles west of Crowell has been started by the J. Lee & Vilbig Company of Dallas, company for paving 15.4 miles from about five miles west of Crowell to the Cottle County line.

### Motor Boat Is Being Constructed Here for Four Local Fisherman

Grady Magee, Leon Solomon, Granville Lanier and Vance Swaim are to be the owners of a cabin motor boat which is now being constructed here and which will be ready for fishing service on Lake Kemp within a short time.

### About \$15,000 Drouth Relief Checks Received

Eighty-one checks have been received by farmers of Foard County from drought relief loan fund of the U. S. Government to the present time. These checks average around \$175.00 each and their total value is close to \$15,000.00.



### Items from Neighboring Communities

#### WEST RAYLAND (By Special Correspondent)

Mrs. Pete Gregg and baby returned from Bowie Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Prescott and Pete Gregg visited relatives at Harrod Monday.

The home demonstration club met Thursday with Mrs. Cap Adkins. The next meeting will be April 14 at Mrs. E. M. Key's.

Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Haynes of Four Corners spent the past week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Derrington.

Mr. and Mrs. Eudale Oliver and Nell Roberts of Thalia spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Scales.

Mr. and Mrs. Cherwinkle of Harrod spent Wednesday with Ignac Zesek and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Rennels visited Fred Rennels and family at Crowell Tuesday.

The singing at West Rayland was well attended Sunday afternoon.

The severe cold weather the past week has frozen all early gardens and done much damage to fruit.

Mrs. L. C. Streit is still on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Key of Rayland spent Sunday with their son, E. M. Key, and family.

The National Museum has received from China the skin of an Asiatic flying squirrel which measures thirty-nine inches from nose to tip of tail.

#### THALIA (By Special Correspondent)

Rev. A. O. Hood of Margaret filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church here Sunday morning. He preached at Margaret Sunday night.

Miss Faye Tole of Rayland has been very ill in the home of her uncle, Sam Tole, this week.

C. B. Morris and family and Mrs. M. C. Adkins and daughter, Mildred, were Vernon visitors Monday.

Mrs. Billie Rutledge, who has been visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. C. H. Wood, and family here returned to her home in Wichita Falls Wednesday. She was accompanied to Vernon by Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Truett Neill and Mrs. T. J. Wood.

M. S. Henry of Crowell visited M. C. Adkins and family here awhile Sunday afternoon.

A large crowd attended the singing at the Christian church here Sunday afternoon. Mr. Taylor of Vernon had charge of the singing.

M. C. Adkins and family and Earl and Mutt McKinley were Crowell visitors Saturday.

Rev. B. E. Adams of Barstow preached at the Baptist church here Sunday.

J. D. Baker returned home Friday from a visit in New Mexico.

Elvy Berry and family of Stith, Texas, visited John Sims and family here last week-end.

A large crowd from here attended the Crimm revival in Vernon Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. B. E. Adams of Barstow visited their daughter, Mrs. W. C. Jones, here last week-end.

F. W. Alger of Vernon visited his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Stovall and family here Sunday night.

W. C. Gardner and family visited his father who is ill at his home near Chillicothe a few days last week.

Miss Mildred Adkins returned home Sunday from a week's visit with relatives in Quanah. She was accompanied home by her aunt, Mrs. C. F. Henry.

Miss Alta Doris Roberts visited her brother, Claude Roberts, and family in Vernon last week-end.

Mrs. E. G. Grimsley and daughter, and Mrs. E. J. McKinley were Vernon visitors Saturday afternoon.

W. J. Long and son, Wilson, returned home Saturday from a visit to the Plains.

Charlie Wood and family and Mrs. E. B. Mayfield attended a picture show in Vernon Saturday night.

Mrs. Lee Sims, Mrs. H. R. Randolph and Mrs. John Sims were Vernon visitors Wednesday afternoon.

Mutt McKinley entertained the young people with a party Saturday night.

#### FOARD CITY (By Special Correspondent)

Mrs. V. C. Wardell and Jack Welch returned from a visit in Norman, Oklahoma, Saturday.

Dave Bailey and E. V. Halbert made a business trip to Abilene Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady McLain entertained with a party one last week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Stone, a boy, March 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barker and daughter, Marjorie Ruth, of Crowell visited Mr. and Mrs. Barker Sunday.

Hazel Canup spent Friday night with Mrs. Roy Barker of Crowell.

Ruby and Carl Cox of Good Creek and Rex Traweck of Antelope Flat visited Pauline Blevins Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady McLain, Miss Opal Canup and Pauline Blevins, Rowland Lefevre and Lois Morris went to Vernon Saturday night.

Lee Morris of Vernon is visiting his brother, Lois, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Traweck of Antelope Flat visited Mrs. M. J. Traweck Sunday.

John and Fay Rader entertained with a singing Sunday night.

Raymond Hudgsons of Good Creek, Henry and Shorty Randolph of Truscott was in this community Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Herrington visited his father in Chillicothe Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lilly of Crowell visited in Foard City Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. McDaniel is visiting her daughter of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Osie Turner of Truscott visited in the McDaniel home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Bailey and son, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Mooney visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bailey of Gambleville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Bell and daughter were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mel Gover Sunday.

Hazel Canup and Mary Dot Denton were the guests of Mozelle Lilly of Crowell Saturday.

Mrs. Joe Ward of Crowell visited her father and family, F. R. Lefevre, Sunday.

Mrs. W. B. Jones and daughter, Evelyn, were shopping in Vernon Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fox of Paducah and Miss Alma Patton of Crowell visited Mr. and Mrs. F. Farrar Sunday.

Miss Trudie Patton returned to her home at Crowell Sunday after a week's visit with Mrs. Farrar.

Remember the club play Saturday night, April 4 at the school house.

wholesale, retail and jobbing houses throughout the territory.

The report points out that considerable unemployment, lack of collateral for negotiating loans, and the poor condition of oil markets are the principal deterrents to improve conditions at the present time. It is felt that approaching harvest, resumption of oil activities, and the anticipated large crops will have a stabilizing effect on West Texas commerce and industry in the near future.

The West Texas Utilities Company makes a property wide survey of general agricultural, ranching and business conditions every thirty days. Covering a section some 45,000 square miles in area, this survey gives a composite picture of the estimated conditions in the territory served by the company.

Texas is the only State with the privilege of self-division. Texas has as many as five separate States, each with two United States Senators.

Texas produced 5,120,304,000 pounds of sulphur in 1930, valued at more than \$30,000,000 and representing 90 per cent of the world's total production.

Boys will be boys, but lots of people forget that they will be men in a few short years.

Strange as it may seem, a mansion never holds as much happiness as a small cottage.

Health teaching needs to begin in a lot of homes first.

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#### Certified Grain of Importance to Diversified Farm

Austin, Texas, April 2—Breeders of grain sorghums and small grain seed subscribing to state certification standards are destined to play an important part in promoting diversified farming in Texas, in the opinion of R. J. Miller, certification chief for the state department of agriculture.

Hundreds of cotton farmers, he said, have learned the advantages of planting cotton seed known to be pure by the state's red tag attesting certification; and these same farmers, sold on the necessity of diversified farming, are turning to certified sorghums and small grains for their diversified crops.

State certification of the varietal purity of seed was applicable at first only to cotton seed. So successful was the program that in recent years small grains and grain sorghums were added to the list, and the legislature has under consideration bills to provide certification for citrus nursery stock.

Purity of grain sorghums has been certified by the state for only three years, and small grain certification enters its second season, in 1931. During these comparatively short periods, acreages of certified seed have increased rapidly.

In 1929, three breeders constituted the grain sorghum certification program, with a production of 220,000 pounds. Four were added in 1930, with an aggregate production of 516,000 pounds. Prospects are for a healthy increase this season, with seventeen firms qualified to produce certified seed, subject to state inspection.

The first year of certification for small grains saw the production of 20,000 bushels of certified Nortex oats and 15,000 bushels of Denton wheat, both being varieties developed by the Experiment Station, furnishing the initial stocks of pure line seed for both the grain sorghums and small grains breeders.

Texas requirements for certification of grain sorghums, Miller said, are well above requirements in other states. Pure line stocks, extensive bagging, proper isolation, thorough roguing, freedom from diseases, germination qualities, exclusive recleaning and threshing, are some of the requirements.

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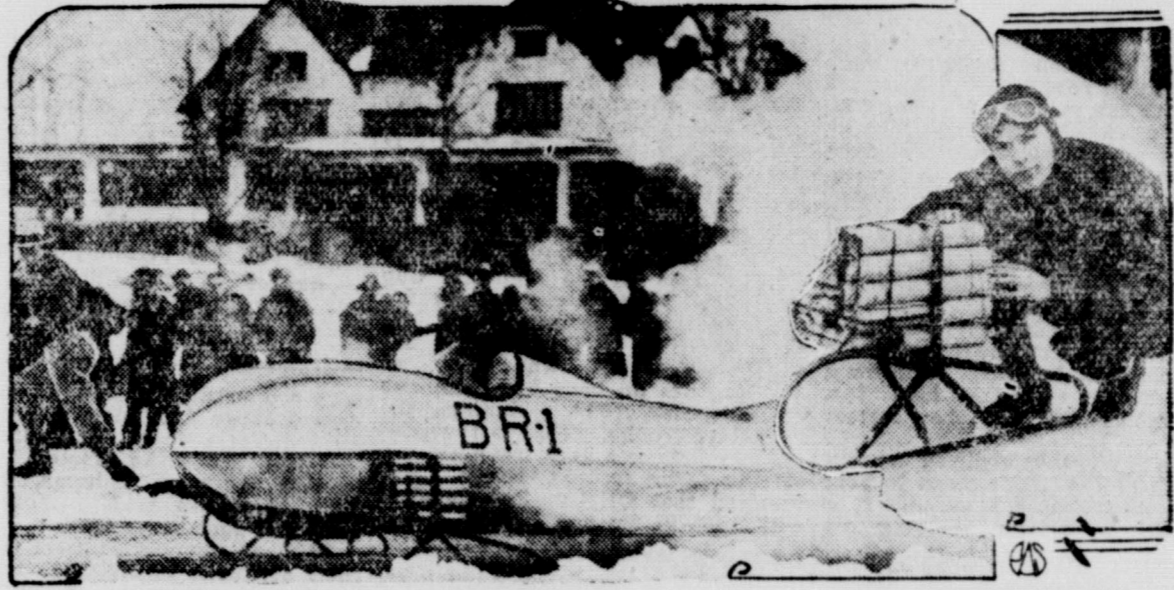
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When the Rocket's Red Glare Acted as a Motor and Propeller



Harry W. Bull, 21-year-old Syracuse University student, conceived the idea of a sled propelled by the explosive force of rockets. He tried it out on Oneida Lake and it went at a speed of 75 miles an hour until it hit a snowbank and turned over.

The chief nut crops of the United States are walnuts and almonds from the Pacific coast, pecans from the Gulf states, and peanuts throughout the south.

An archaeologist says that the Egyptians wore sandals as far back as 3500 B. C., but footwear did not come into general use among them for 2,000 more years.

Texas has one of the oldest towns in the United States still existing as a town. Ysleta, El Paso County town of 1,500 population, was established between 1580 and 1680 by Spanish explorers.

Great quantities of skim milk are still wasted, even though dried skim milk can be successfully used in ice cream making.

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