HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PAST TO THE PRESENT

Visiting to the north again we visit in the home of the W.G. O' Brien family and later in the Robert Alexander home. Highlights from the Past to the Present takes up again and turns back the pages of time as it watches the country grow and develop as early settlers came to fulfill their desires.

The son of D.W. O' Brien, W.G. O' Brien was born in Collin County, Texas in 1869. W.G. O"Brien was of Irish nationality since his forefathers came to this country from I reland. Collin County was where W.G. O'Brien was reared and where he attended school.

Lulu May Williams was born in Collin County, Texas in the year of 1871. She was the daughter of J. B. Williams whose family originally came to Texas from Kentucky.

Being reared in the same county and area W.G. O' Brien and Lulu May Williams met and were later married in 1890. The couple made their home on a farm in the same county where their three children, Curran, Nella Beth, and June were born.

Desire for new opportunity and land of his own drew Mr. O' Brien to the Texas Panhandle where he found land. At that time the land could be filed upon and Mr. O'Brien staked his claim on four sections on the Beaver Creek near Stratford, Texas. The family packed their belongings and moved by train. They arrived in Dalhart and moved on to their claim in the year of 1901

Their home was located some twenty-seven miles northwest of Gruver and was situated not far from the Beaver Creek. They lived in a dugout which had a two story structure above which served as home. Their farm was joining the 3-C Ranch and was far from any neighbors. The only person the family would see was a windmill greaser who rode through by horseback greasing the windmills over the area. Mr. O' Brien made his living by breaking horses and soon became a stockman and

Mrs. O' Brien taught her children their school work in the home. The children recall that when they made good enough grades in Spelling they were to receive a present. As their father would make the trip to Stratford for supplies he would always bring home the surprise. Thrilled and suspense filled, the children would wait anxiously for their father to return with their surprise. Once it is remembered that the surprise turned out to be a matchholder which the grocer gave away. They recall that they were quite excited and loved them as though they were priceless possessions.

The O'Briens lived as did the other pioneers using the conveniences of that time which were a far cry from that of the modern day times. Cow chips were used for the heating. The water was hauled from the creek to the to the house by barrels in their wagon until thewell was dug. The washing was done with the water carried from the creek on a wash board.

In 1904 Mrs. O'Brien passed away and Nella Beth and June moved to Alvord, Texas to make their home with their grandmother. Several years later Mr. O' Brien re-married and the children came back to the Panhandle to live in the town of Stratford where they continued their education. June married H.L. Vincent of Stratford and they make their home there where her husband is engaged in farming and ranching interests. Curran is also a resident of Stratford and is engaged in farming and ranching.

Nella Beth O'Brien finished her high school in Stratford and attended two years of college, one at Denton and the other at Canyon. A couple years after the O' Brien family moved to the area they were joined by a neighboring family named the Alexanders, whose home was located across the Beaver Creek near what is now Stevens Texas. The Alexander family had moved here from Vernon, Texas.

Recalled by Nella Beth is a visit which the O'Brien family made to the Alexander home. She will never forget the visit. A young boy about her age was being a trick artist and was walking on a rolling barrell. This was the meeting that in later years led to the marriage of Nella Beth O' Brien and Robert Alexander.

Robert Alexander was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Alexander and was a member of a family which included five daughters and two sons. Robert Alexander was born near Vernon, Texas. He attended the schools of Stratford and after his high school graduation he went to the University of Texas for two years. Serving in World War I he remained in the states and was never overseas. When he received his discharge from the service he came home and married Nella Beth O'Brien in June of 1919.

Following their marriage the couple moved to the Oslo Community some seventeen miles northwest of Gruver



Mr. and Mrs. Rober Alexander



Mr. and Mrs. W.G. O'Brien

ing. He farmed the land of his father's and they lived on there tool The place was originally the Anderson Headquarters. Mrs. Alexander taught in the Doyle Schools and in the Oslo Schools. Living in luxury of that time the family had coal as their first source of heat and later got an oil stove which at the time was quite a luxury. Car bide lights also served as a convenience for the family.

Mr. Alexander kept quite busy with his farming and cattle. The family would get their supplies in Texhoma and would buy them in lots of a case. They also freighted their grain to Texhoma.

Mrs. Alexander will never forget their first time to use butane for she was afraid and had heard that the gas would explode easily. At the same time she was raising geese and had saved a setting of eggs on the back porch waiting for them to hatch. One day while she was busily going about her chores she heard an explosion and immediately thought that the butane had exploded. As fast as she could she went to Emil Knutson's home where Mr. Knutson called for a plumber from Guymon. The plumber arrived and examined closely for the explosion which had occurred. Finding nothing the plumber questioned Mrs. Alexander as to what the noise sounded like, and she defined it as though it were an explosion and seemed quite loud. Upon further examination they found that the noise which she heard was that of the goose eggsexplod-

The couple also recall the black dust storms which were fierce in the early days. They remember several experiences of that time with some being quite frightening. Mr. Alexander was caught away from home when they blew in and he recalls following a fense row to his home.

In 1929 John Robert better known as Bobby came to join the couple. Bobby grew up at the country home but attended the schools of Gruyer until he was 12 years of age. He continued his schooling in Colorado where he completed and later attended Goodwell for a couple years. He married Betty Tilley and the couple make their home on the Alexander home place with their children.



Mrs. Alexander loved wild birds but had quite a hard time with them; she seemed to always come in contact with an obstacle which mounted problems for her. She was trying to get a start of white guineas from some eggs which had been given to her. She had about fourteen guineas when the eggs hatched and she pampered tem until they were of the age to let out on their own. I n the meantime Bobby had been given a bird dog and when she turned the guineas out the dog killed them all. She also had problems with her turkeys for she had seventy five young turkeys which had just become old enough to let out of the pen. When let out they immediately went to the creek where they ate kukkel burrs and died as a

Aside from the misfortune which the family encountered they have had many precious memories. Mrs. Alexander recalls that she was assistant organist for the Oslo Lutheran Church at one time. During that time the services of the church were completely in the Norweigan

In 1952 Mr. and Mrs. Alexander built a modern brick home in Gruver and moved from their country home to town where they make their home now. They have made a trip to Europe and several throughout the United States in the last few years. The couple will celebrate their 45th Wedding Anniversary this month.

As we look into the past we see two families who pioneered through times of struggling as well as good years. How fortunate the county is to have such pioneers as these two families in the area!

Grain Harvest Is Underway

for 1964 is underway with being 60 pounds. the first load for Gruver Other combines are being brought to the Gruver moving into town and into Elevators Monday June 8th the fields over the area. by Don Hart.

ported to be quite good wheat tion farmers are anticipatwith the moisture measuring ing good crops.

The Whect Harvest 10.81 and the test weight

Little dryland wheat will be The first load was re- cut this year but the irriga-

INDEPENDENT

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GIRLS WIN HONORS AT STATE MEET

The Gruver High School before Judge J.R. McEntyre honors at State Contest in placed 2nd and is made up Judge John Seagle. The of Glenda Purvis, Judy judges are chosen from the old. Holt, and Arlene Barkley. High Schools and Colleges The French Horn solo by throughout the state. Both Arlene Barkley and accom- entries in the State Intertook 3rd place honors.

The girls left Sunday in the spring. morning at 6:30 accompanied by Larry Sparks, Band the contest the entries Director and Mrs. Har must have made a I Rating in the Stephen F. Austin qualified them for regional Hotel in Austin, Texas.

The first presentation by Arlene which was given rewarding trip.

The girls trio sang at Austin this week. The trio 8:30 Tuesday morning before panied by Kathy Fletcher scholastic League Contest took Regional Honors earlier

> To be eligible to enter contest.

was the French horn solo late Tuesday night from their

Funeral Rites Held For Mrs. Boney

Funeral services for Mrs. Carrie Alice Boney Memorial Park Cemetery in will be held in the First Sunray under the direction Methodist Church of Supray, Thursday June 11th at 2:30 p.m. Mrs. Boney died Tuesthe Memorial Hospital in Dumas at 5:15 a.m.

vices will be Reverand of Happy, Texas; brother, Charles Cates, paster of the First Methodist Church of Spearman and Reverand Le-Roy Baker, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Sunray.

High Tempetures, ranging up to 100 degrees, dominated the weather picture here this week. Cooler weather with the possibility of some rain is being forecast for the remainder of the veek.

Burial will be in the of Boxwell Brothers Funoral Directors of Dumus.

Survivors include a son day morning June 9th in John Boney of Gruver, another son T.J. Boney of Ordway, Colorado; a daugh-Officiating at the ser- ter, Mrs. Lucille Ferguson J.B. Hastings of Mansfield, Texas; four grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Sixty Republicans and eleven Democrats went to the polls in Gruver Saturday to vote in runoff elections.

George Bush of Houston won an overwhelming choice 57-3, over Jack Cox in the Republican Senatorial election. Joe Pool beat Robert Baker, 6-5 in Representative at Large runoff on the Democratic ticket.

Girls Trio and French Horn of Permian High School in ents can show when talking about their youngsters, and There is nothing to compare with the enthusiasm parwe're no exception.

While having dinner with the Corkey Chapman family Sunday we were in the process of explaining how we were winning the discipline battle with our two-year-

Our youngster and the Chapman children had moved into another room to eat on a card table and we were just commenting on how big our boy was being by eating with the older children.

However, our oration came to an abrupt halt with this announcement from Mindy Chapman: "Barry poured that bottle of catsup on the rug."

vey Holt. The group stayed on a Class I number which ford County. A total of 163 wells were drilled, more than had been put down the previous 10 years.

However, this should be a much better year. With The group returned home less than half the year gone, 72 wells have been drilled and 93 permits are pending for a total of 165. Activity will slow down some the rest of the year, but

the county could still reach more than 200 completions Total wells and permits in the county now stand at

627. Only 133 wells were on record in 1955.

The increased drilling has brought many changes in Gruver. Growth continues not only in town but in the surrounding rural area.

A check with Blanche Taber at the Post Office pointed out the rapid growth. Two years ago 485 post office boxes were in use here and the figure stands at 565-an increase of 180. The post office only has about 45 boxes

We are proud to see local residents attempting to solve some of our housing problem. Construction is underway on four new apartments being built by Marvin States and Mrs. Pauline Winger is adding a rental apartment to the north of her house.

As the growth continues Gruver is going to have to ' make some changes. Everyday we grow more in need of a policeman, or nightwatchman. We are going to need such things as trash collection and other city services. *********

Several of the youngsters and some older people interested in baseball are building a new diamond north of the present Little League field. Anyone wishing to help with the project should contact Jerry Trammel at Byrd Texaco. We also understand the backstop needs reinforcing at the Little League Park.

The heat and humidity of the last few days reminds us that summer is here. Seems like such a short time since the new years started. As the old saying goes, "How time flies." And speaking of flies, ---- oh. well forget it.

MORSE YOUTH TAKE HONORS AT STATE

over the state.

division. Allen and Bill won leadership.

Allen McCloy and Bill the District Contest which McCloy, Hansford County 4-H was held earlier in the tection' was the subject of girls received a wrist watch members from Morse, placed spring at Canyon at this the 4-H electric demonstra- and a gold 4-H medal. first in the State 4-H Round- contest the boys won a pen tion which took a first place up Farm and Ranch Manage- and pencil set plus the honor by Sylvia Parks and Suzanne Mr. and Mrs. H.B. Parks of ment Contest held last week to represent the district at in College Station, Texas. the State Roundup. As a Sylvia Parks and Suzanne result of winning at state twenty-three other electric ning by having the best demonstration teams from team effort while presenting their demonstration. Allen and Bill are the

The Title of the Farm and sons of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Ranch Management demon- McCloy of Morse. They both stration was "Feedlot belong to the Morse Junior Profits and Losses' and Leader's 4-H Club. Mrs. they were in competition Wilson McCloy, coach of the with seventeen other 4-H demonstration, received a demonstrations of the same certificate for her coaching



Suzanne Dixon and Sylvia Parks

College Station. Upon win- demonstration.

"Adequate Circuit Pro- ning the state honors both

Sylvia is the daughter of Dixon. These two girls were Morse, and Suzanne is the also district winners at the daughter of Mrs. Jean Dixon Canyon contest where they of Morse. The girls are mem-Dixon, Hansford County 4-H contest the boys received received ballpoint pens and bers of the Morse Junior members also of Morse re- gold wrist watches and a took the honors of repre- Leaders's 4-H Club. Mrs. H.B. ceived a first place with gold 4-H medal. They also senting Hansford County and Parks and Mrs. Jean Dixon their demonstration out of received a plaque for win- the district at the Roundupat were coaches for the girl's



Allen McCloy and Bill McCloy

LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Alexander attended the funeral of Nella Beth's aunt. Mrs. Ben Griffith of Alvord, Texas on Friday. Mrs. Griffith was 82 years and some months old. She has been in failing health for the last two years.

Squire Maupin of Monte Vista Colorado was released from the hospital and returned to his home on Friday. Mr. Maupin had suffered a heart attack several weeks ago. He is much better now but still quite weak.

Mrs. Agatha Rafferty left this week for a summer vacation to visit relatives in south and central Texas. She will visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Ireland and family in Abilene and in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bonnot and family in Lolita

A house guest in the home of Mrs. Jim Cator, LuAnn and Maelynn for the weekend was Jim Smith of Memphis Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chase returned Thursday from their vacation. They visited friends in Albuquerque and Durango and also their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bil. McNew in Bayfield, Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs.Leon Hobbs and Joette Riley went tol Gai nsville to be with Mrs. Mae Winger who has been quite ill. The reports are that her condition is not much improved. Joette is remaining there with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Mc-Millan and family are vacationing this week. They are visiting in the homes of their parents the Williams in Gainsville and the Mc-Millans in Marietta, Oklahoma. Mac will probably do some fishing while away.

Miss Rhonda Riley the two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barton Riley of Spearman has been a house guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richie Fletcher. Rhonda with her aunt and uncle while her parents were away on the Mule train.

Guests in the home of ther. Mrs. Homer Cluck on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Durward Cluck, Mrs. D.E. Hackley and Kathy of Spearman, Mrs. Myrtle Bernstein, Mr.

Ramona Reynolds was pital. in the hospital in Spearman

Bob Fletcher of Perryton, is visiting in the home of her relatives in Gruver, Mr. and Mrs. Gay Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Fletcher Mrs. W.N. Fletcher, Mr and and Mrs. Richie Fletcher and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. F.A. Shapley, Francis and Mary Tim and Mrs. Langley spent the weekend in Denver Colorado David Shapley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Lemons, ems in New Mexico and also toured other points of home

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Harris Family. have returned from Kansas they purchased a bull which is the son of Ermitre of Haymont, who was the 1960 visit with Gerald Calahan Gerald now lives in the Casa Loma Apartments in Donnie Thoreson. Kansas City and is a First Officer with the T.W.A. Company. Gerald had been stationed in Kansas City since February where he flies throughout the United States on Boeing 707 and

Boeing 807 Jets. and Mickey of Orange Texas visited in the home of their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Harris and family. They also have been visiting in Borger and in Dumas.

Guests in the Alvin Cator home have been Frank Pittman and Chet and Miss Thesia and Miss Lisa Mayo of Skellytown. Thesia and Lisa are the children of Mr. and Mis. Theo Mayo.

Mrs. C.A. Davis Jr. and four children boarded the plane in Amarillo on their way by Boston and on to St. John's Newfoundland for for a two month visit with Wilson of Florida have her sister, father and bro-

Josie Hays in in the Spearman Hospital undergoing tests and treatment. Mr. and Mrs. Chester Mitts spent Saturday night and Mrs. Pete Cluck and Pike. with Bob Hays while his Mrs. Hays was in the Hos-

Charlee and Meiko Simon and sons. for tests and checkup over and baby son, just out of the service visited in the Miss Lee Ann Fletcher home of his sister and famthe daugiter of Mr. and Mrs. ily, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph

Mathis and Children.

Mrs. Justine Criswell of Azusa California was weekend visitor int the home of her uncle and cousin, Frank Fleck and the Albert Hahn's. Mrs. Hahn had not seen her cousin in over twenty years so needless to say a lot of visiting was done. Mrs. Criswell left Monday for Cherokee Oklahoma and Everton, Arkansas where she will make a prolonged visit with her sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Heat's visiting with Mr. and Mrs. and Rosemary of Kansas City Missouri visited in the home of his parents Mr. and Donna and Mike spent the Mrs. C.C. Heath over the past week at Carlsbad Cav- weekend. Sunday dinner guests in the C.C. Heath included Beverly Heath and the J.B. Heath

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wright City where they attended and son were visitors in the an Angus Show. They also Archie Nelson home Monday went by the Blue Sky Farm in night to help Mr. and Mrs. Kearney, Missouri where Nelson celebrate their Seventh Wedding Anniversary.

Mrs. Grace Thoreson and Mrs. Charmin Lyle attended Grand Champion. While in the Dance Recital of the Kansas City they had a nice Guymon Studio last week. One of the features of the who made his home in Gru- evening was a performance ver for quite some time. by Miss Candy Thoreson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

visited in Gruver recently. on Sunday. Mark stayed with his Grandmother, Mrs. Myrtle Berns- weekend with the Roy Cluck tein while his father was Family in Dimmitt, Texas. away on business.

Mr. and Mrs. H.J. Walke: tended their vacation with in Dumas Sunday in the their grandparents, Mr. and Ralph

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gruver have returned from Aransas Pass where they enjoyed a vacation fishing and relaxing.

Mrs. Goldie Wright of Tucumcari New Mexico has been a house guest in the home of her sisters and families. Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones.

come back to spend the summer in Hansford County. They were house guests in the Anson Ward home Sat-

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Betterton of Webb City, Missouri and son Willard visited over the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Henson

Mrs. Verda Mason of Fort Worth has been a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anson Ward over the week-

Anson Ward were in St. Mr. and Mrs. Dave McClellan Louis Missouri for the grad- Mrs. Ralph Eddins, a neice and family ..

Dozier's brother.

While on vacation to Fast Texas to visit Mrs. Mae Winger, Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. James Dorman Leon Hobbs visited his have returned from Arkansas

Hart, have arrived in Gruver return home this weekend. for the summer. They will

Allan Stearns and son Ann of Perryton visited in Gross, Stephanie Hinton, Mark of Tuscon Arizona the Gay Fletcher home Janet Bomer, Kathy Collins,

Betty Webb spent the past McClellan Mr. D.L.

Karen and Greg Bell ex- celebrated his birthday Mrs. Guy Cooper, Karen and Others attending the birth- the snow of February cracked Greg are the children of day celebration celebration the pavement and left chug Mr. and Mrs. Durward Bell were the J.E. Cagles of holes in the streets.

ing in the home of her son lan, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mrs. Clarence Yanke and and family for the week. Gumfory and family and Mrs. Bobby Hessenthaler Recently Mr. and Mrs. the honoree and his wife attended Special Education

uation of a nephew from DeEtta and David of Saga-Concordia University. They naw Texas are spending also toured the city of St. the week in the home of Louis and returned home by Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Hoy way of Colombia, Missouri and family. Mrs. Eddins where they visited with is looking forward to a visit with all her friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Rals-Ward and daughter of Calif- ton and boys hosted a barornia have been guests in the becue at their home to honor home of Mr. and Mrs. Si A.D. Reed of Spearman Dozier. Mr. Ward is Mrs. on his birthday. Those attending included Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Delvin T.C. Harvey Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Simmons and Timmy visited Gary Osborne and baby, Mr. in the Bob Sutton home over Jim Harvey and Mr. and Mrs. the weekend. Mrs. Simmons A.D. Reed and daughter and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eleanor Reed of Spear-

Callisburg, after a visit with their relatives. Their three children Richie and Kenny Brad- remained in Arkansas with ford, nephews of Mrs. Don their grandparents and will

Those on the trip to stay in the Don Hart Home Glorieta are Billie Spradlin, and help with the chores Del Baskin, Dean Bayless, throughout the summer months Ruel Holt, Richard Rasor, Bob Fletcher and Lee Gene Leatherman, Steve Mary Leonard, Vicki Wells, Carol Boyd, Miss Blackner of Arkansas. The group were accompanied by their sponsors james and Ann

> Repairs have begun on McClellan home. the streets of Gruver since

Dumas and the Ralph Mc- Virita Knight, Bobby Classes in Goodwell at Pan-Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dozier Clellans also of Dumas. Mr. Sue Peddy and Nickie Cotter handle A and M College are in Salida, Colorado visit, and Mrs. Randolph McClel- of the Gruver Schools and June 1-5.

NOTICE

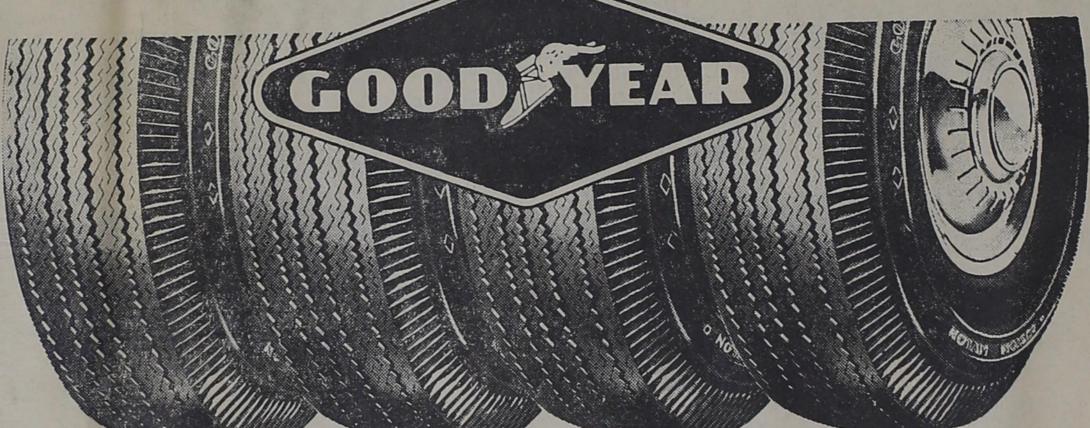
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Methodist Church. Mrs.

program. Mrs. J.T. Hoy and

garten One with twenty small

Two was directed by Mrs.

Gene Wood and eight child-

ren were in attendance Mon-

day through Friday of last

week. Janet I rwin and Reika

Gibson led the Primary

Children throughout the

week, about twenty were

present in this group. Mrs.

Fran Maupin and Mrs. Betty

Snodgrass conducted the

Bible School, some twenty-

eight juniors enjoyed the

Bible study and handicrafts

out the day and enjoyed a

pot luck dinner at noon.

Shapley, Stella Thomas,

Mar gie Barkley, Ruth Lee,

Devona McClellan, Ethel

Davis, Thelma Davis, Ester

Dahl, Alice Walker, Jamie

and the hostess Mrs. Bay-

Gruver, Lola Reynolds,

Brandvik, Gertrude

Guests

Finley

included

Wilmeth, Verna

Attending were Pearl

Juni or Classes during the

METHODIST CHURCH HAS NEW PASTOR

The Methodist congregation are real happy to have a new pastor since they have been without one for some time. The new pastor is Reverand and Mrs. Walker and daughter. They have moved into the parsonage and he held his first service on Sunday. More about them

VBS AND BIBLE STUDY SUCCESSFUL

The Community Vacation Bible School held the past week enrolled 36 children. Mrs. Merle Waner of Amarillo gave the Bible Story on Peter each day. Mrs. R.C. Womble gave the missionary story each day. Mrs. Tom Dortch and Mrs. Desmond Kelly helped with the Memory work and music. Other mothers helped with refreshments. The school was closed with a picnic on Friday in the Desmond Kelly yard.

The Bible Study was well attended with fifteen ladies enrolled.

******** Reverand Vance Zinn and family have just returned from

a visit in San Angelo where

his father has been quite ill. Mr. and Mrs. Jim White and family of Tulsa, Oklahoma spent Memorial weekend in the Harold Fleming home. They were in school together when they went to Dallas Seminary several

years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Mack Dortch attended the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Tom and Ione Henderson of Stinnett. Mrs. Henderson was formerly a Stevenson.

Mrs. Merle Waner of Amarillo spent the week in the home of Mfs. Desmond Kelly while teaching the Community Bible Study.

MORSE LIONS OBSERVE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

At a recent Ladies Night of the Morse Lions Club the Fifth Anniversary of the club was celebrated. Installatinn of officers was also held at the recent meeting which took place in the school cafe teria.

Special guest was W.F. (Billy) Hunter of Amarillo who in 1959 presented the charter to the Morse Lions Club. Mr. Hunter presented the main address and also installed the ensuing officers.

Officers installed were H.B. Parks, president; Willard McCloy, First vice-president; Lynn Davis, second vice-president; Perry Dixon, third vice-president; Grant Miner, secretary-treasure; Lee Jones; lion tamer; Lloyd Poole, tail twister; Charles Reid, Gene Brothers, Don McCammond and Johnny Brumley, directors.

Awards were presented by the Past Deputy District Governor, Paul Preall, for their years in the club. Receiving the awards were R.C. Womble and Willard McCloy for five years; Paul Preall and Jim Womble for four years; H.B. Parks, Perry Dix on and Earl Jasper, three years; Tom Dortch and L.M. Womble for two years; Lynn Davis and Gene Brothers for one year. A key member award was presented to H.B.

The Morse Lions club was the District Winner in the attendance conteet for the year of 1963-1964. This contest is based on attendance at Lions Zone meetings by President and secretary, also attendance at Mid-Winter conference, by the secretary having his reports in on time and the amount of new members gained by the club.

The lowest percent of attendance the past year was 92%. Five months the club had perfect attendance.

Mrs. Bennett To Present Recital

Mrs. Grace Bennett will present her piano students in recital Thursday night at 8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of the Gruver Methodist Church. The date is June 11th.

Included in the program for the afternoon will be numbers presented by John Debbie Irwin, Roxy Robert Kirk, Carla and Paul Langley of Sunray, Joyce and Francis Wood Glenna Harris, Kitty Mathis, Maelynn Cator and Karen Wri ght.

The public is invited to

R.N.A. Meets

The Royal Neighbors met in the home of Mrs. Edna Bayless Tuesday, June 9th for their regular meet-

The ladies quilted through-

Friday night was the clos- during the week. The theme Greeley, Colorado. ing exercises for Vacation of the Bible School this year was "Learning about Church School at the Gruver Janet Irwin, director of the After the program parents and friends were invited to Church School, presented the visit the rooms and see the work which the children her helpers had the Kinterhad done throughout the week. Cookies and punch children present for the maetwere served to all in the ing each day. Kindergarten Fellowship Hall.

During the Fellowship Vacation the following Church School Program, Mike and Kathy Wright were honored. The Young Adult Sunday School Class presented the Wrights with a lovely antique white Family Bible. Mike, Kathy and Steve will be leaving this week to begin ranching near

Sunday night members of Jesus through His Teachings" the Gruver Methodist Church honored the R.L. Kirk family with a "Pounding." This event followed the evening service. Punch and cookies were enjoyed by everyone.

> church were in Follette for a banquet and the installation of the Sub-District officers Sunday night.

Monday the women of the church met in the fellowship hall for their monthly workday. Pot luck dinner was served with both women and husbands enjoying food and fellowship.

Young Farmers Have Picnic

The Young Farmers played. gathered on the Palo Duro Creek at 3:00 p.m. Sunday except for the meat which June 7th for a picnic. The was barbecue prepared by brought their families along Neal Flathers, Roy Washfor the afternoon.

Games were played by the Jim Chockley. men while the women The young people of the visited and the children the picnic on the creek.

The meal was pot luck burn, Mike Wright and

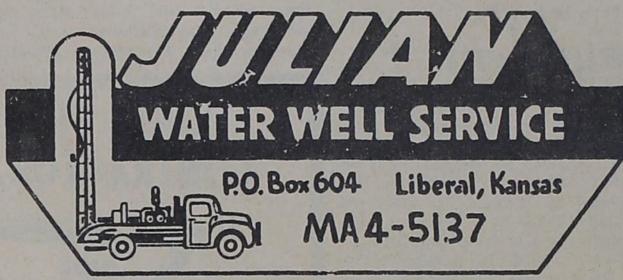
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- 1-2-Wheel Stock Trailer
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- 1—500 gal. Water Tank
- 1-1000 gal. Water Tank
- 4-Stock Tanks
- 1-Lot of Siphon Tubes
- 1-Lot of Wire
- 1-Lot of Posts 1-Lot of Hay and Grain Feeders
- 1-Lot of small Tools
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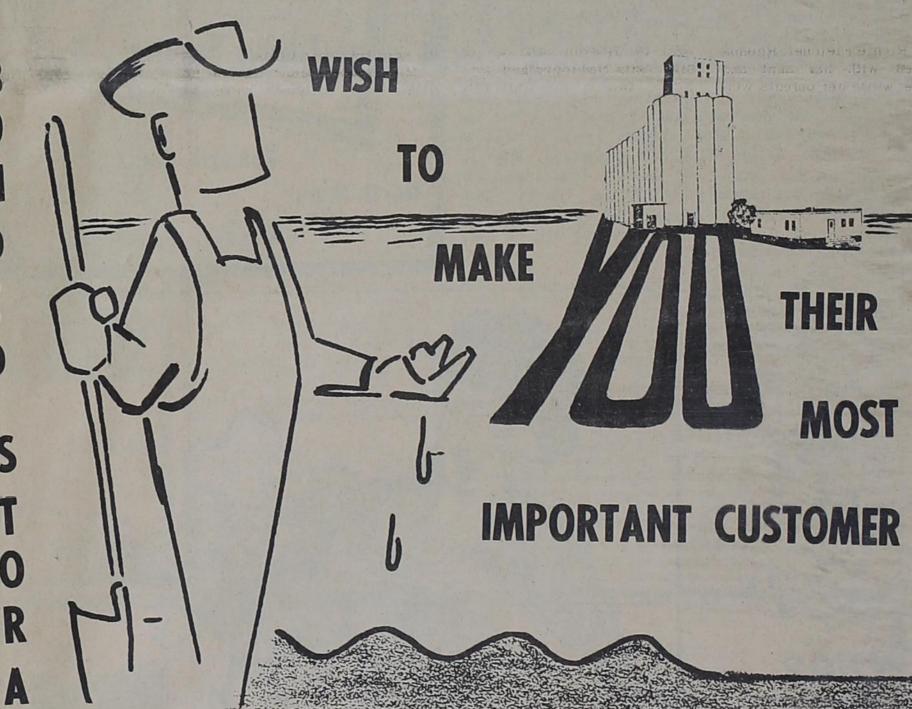
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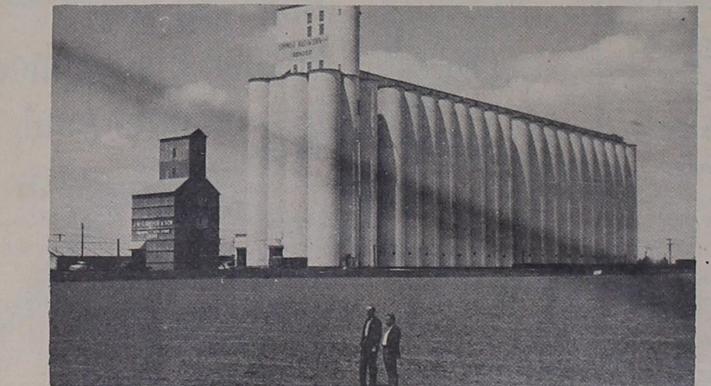
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Kathy Harbour

Engagement

Harbour of 4125 Parklane well, Oklahoma officiating. Lavern David Harbour of uate of Thomas Jefferson announce the engagement is presently a Junior at and approaching marriage Texas Tech where her major of their daughter Kathryn is Elementary Education. Jo to Billy Mack Logsdon, Jr son of Mr. and Mrs. Gruver High School and is Bill Logsdon of Gruver.

Church of Dallas with Rev- fraternity.

Mrs. Francis Williams erand Jim Logsdon of Good-

Texas and Mr. The bride-elect is a grad-Wisconsin High School in Dallas. She

Bill is a graduate of a Junior at Texas Tech The wedding will take where he is studying place August 15, 1964 at accounting. He is a member the Lovers Lane Methodist of Pi Kappa Alpha Social

Baptist News

Vacation Bible School will meet June 15th at came to an end last Wednes- Higgins. .The emphasis day for the First Baptist will be on Youth Work. Church. An all time high in Richie Fletcher preached the enrollment which reach- for the Sunday Services both ed 245 was recorded. The morning and night. Next average attendance for the Sunday David Murrah will first week of the ten day have charge of the serschool was 200 but during the vices. mediate class was dis- from Reverand Bill Butts and the average that he and his family are for the school fell to 187 preparing for their move to which is still a record Gruver. Reverand Butts is for Eible School. Norma to be the new pastor for Edens was the Superintend- the Baptist Church. The ent for the School this family will leave Fort Worth

Seventeen Intermediate that night. boys and girls left in the Church bus for Glorieta for a week of retreat. The group was sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. James Dorman who accompanied them.

The Workers' Conference



WHOS NEW

Miss Dixi Dawn Brillhart is the new baby daughter of Geanette Brillhart. The little Miss weighed pounds and twelve ounces and was born at 12:08 Monday morning May 25th in the Spearman Hospit al.

Dixi Dawn is the granddaughter of Mrs. Edna Marie Williams.

Mrs. Ralston

noon Bridge Club met in the home of Mrs. Margaret Ralston June 3rd.

The ladies enjoyed an afternoon of bridge with prizes going to Ola Florence Henson, Ben Nobles and Gwen McLain.

Refreshments of frosted strawberry squares, punch, cokes and coffee was served to the guests and members

LuAnn Cator Is Shower Honoree

the honoree at a Bridal Cluck. Shower given Friday June 5th Also adorned with flowers Alexander, Blanche Taber, the affair.

take place June 20th in the The honoree was present-

banded bowl while the coffee displayed throughout was served from an ornate two bedrooms of the home.

The home of Mrs. Agatha from the garden was the Rafferty was the scene of table of the guest register. Greeting and registering LuAnn is the bride-elect the guests were Mrs. Opal of Jim Smith of Memphis Stockdale, Mrs. Barbara Texas. Their wedding will Cluck and Mrs. Olene Cluck.

Gruver Methodist Church.. ed a corsage of pink rose-Gorgeous cut flowers buds adorned with net and adorned the home to add bow by the hostesses. Cora touch of summer to the sages were also presented decor. The serving table to the mother of the--was laid with a white linen bride-elect, Mrs. Jim Cator, cloth edged in ecru. Pink Mrs. Guy Smith, of Memphis, farie roses intermingled by and grandmothers, Mrs. C.G. baby breath made up the smith of Memphis and Mrs. centerpiece. Pink punch D.A. Neeley also of Memphis.

made in individual Mesdames, Agatha Rafferty,

pieces carrying the rainbow Colleen Jeffries, Beulah theme which is the brides Winkler, Maurine Etling, chosen colors of pink, green Charlene McClellan, Grace blue and yellow, Serving Bennett, Ceil Gammertsthe beautiful table felder, Fran Maupin, Ester were Miss Sue McClellan, Dahl, Anna Beth Wood, Miss Mona Hale, Miss Karen Charlotte Bergin, Pauline

tor water

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Winger, Lil Fletcher, Edith Wright, Merle Cooper, Beulah Bort, Jennie Hart, Barbara Cluck, Willie Harris, Pauline Harris, Lou Harvey, Rebecca Westerfield, Margie Barkley, class was held in the home Miss LuAnn Cator was Stockdale and Mrs. Barbara, Devona McClellan, Maude Ale xander, Nella Be th Saturday June 6th. Nellie Winder, Marguerite Nelson, Opal Stockdale, Marie Fulfer, Vivian Cluck, Sibyl Boney, Olene Cluck, Edna Cluck, Doris Cluck, Fay Cluck, Alice Hawkins, Elsie Mae Peddy and Miss Reba Bennett, Karen Stockdale and Dotty Jones.

MRS. WRIGHT TEA HONORS

Mrs. Reuben Hintergardt was served from a silver An array of gifts were and Mrs. Tom Jones hosted a Tea for their sister, Goldie Wright, Monday June 8th in silver service. The cake Hosting the shower were the home of Mrs. Reuben

> Several ladies of the town who knew Mrs. Wright gathered for the afternoon affair which was enjoyed

> The hosts served the guests coffee cookies and punch while they visited.

Those present included Beula Ben Bort, Vivian Cluck, Charlene McClellan, Myrtle Bernstein, Gertrude Hazel Brooks, Thoreson, Maupin, Kathryn Ward, Georgia Holt the honoree, Goldie Wright and the hosts, Polly Jones and Mildred Hinter-Gardt.

Instruction For **Knitting Held**

A knitting instruction of Mrs. Merle Delano last

Larue Dixon and Mary Ellen Newton of Guymon were the instructors for the knitting class.

Those enjoying the Lessons were Barbara Cluck, Nell Thoreson, Edna Cluck, Lee Cluck, Ginger Hart, Jean Hudson, Judy Hudson, Jana Green, Bonnie Sullins, Lola Reynolds, Beula Bort, Doris Cluck and the hostess Mickey Delano.

Prior to the afternoon

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Between the Bookends by Helen Truck book to read at this time.

display at the World's Fair Sistine Chapel dome. --- It is a most interesting and Mary Ellen Newton.

"The Agony and the "The Pieta", which means Ecstacy' by Irving Stone. sorrow, is an expression of This story of the life of love for the Christ and Michealangelo is found in Mary. Michealangelo's life Reader's Digest Book Shelf was a sad, frustrating one--at the Gruyer Public Library. and perhaps at its worst Because his Pieta is on while he was painting the

This world is a much of instruction, Mickey Delano better place because Michaeland Lola Reynolds hosted angelo lived and touched us a luncheon for Larue Dixon all---with the sculptures and his painting.



GRUVER CHURCH DIRECTORY

THE OSLO LUTHERAN CHURCH pastor, Robert Cordes

Sunday School-----9:45 Adult Bible Class-----9:45

THE GRUVER METHODIST CHURCH pastor, Reverand R.L. Kirk

Sunday School 9:4	15
Morning Worship11:0	00
M.Y.F 7:0	
Evening Worship 6:0	00
Wednesday Bible Study 7:0	00
Wednesday Choir Practice 8:0	00
Thursday W.S.C.S monthly 3:0	0
Dorcas Circle Thursday 9:3	30
Mary Martha CircleThursday3:0	00

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

pastor Reverend, A.G. Purvis	
Sunday School	9:45
Morning Worship	11:00
Training Union	7:00
Evening Worship	8:00
Junior & Intermediate Choirs, Sunday-	3:00
Adult Choir Practice Tuesday	7:00
Wednesday Prayer Service	
Wednesday Evening Lesson Study	
Y.W.A., Wednesday	5:30
R.A.'s Wednesday	5:30
G.A.'s Thursday	
W.M.U., Thursday	
Sunbeams, Thursday Beginner & Pri. I	
Primary 2	3:30
Primary Choir, Thursday	4:30
Beginner Choir, Thursday	4:00

THE COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH pastor, W.L. Porterfield

Sunday School-----9:45 Morning Worship-----11:00 Youth Meeting------6:30 Evening Worship-----7:30 Wednesday--Bible Study------8:00

THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH pastor, Reverand Robert Lamson Sunday School------10:00 Morning Worship------11:00 Chi-Rho-----7:00 Adult Bible Study-----8:00 Wednesday---Juniors-----4:00 Prayer Meeting------8:00

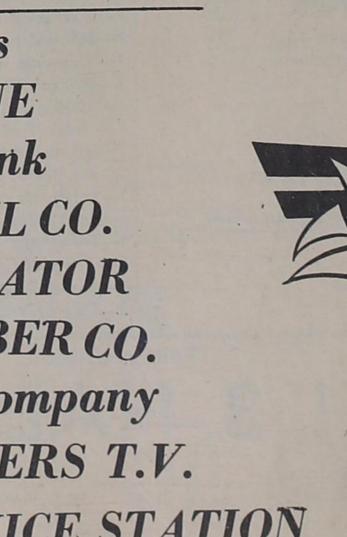
> THE ASSEMBLY OF GOD pastor, Robert G. Slaton

Sunday School-----9:45 Sunday Evening Worship-----7:30

> THE CHURCH OF CHRIST minister, Alfred White

Bible Study-----10:00 Morning Worship------11:00 Evening Worship-----6:00 Bible Study Wednesday-----8:00 Ladies Class Thursday Juniors Children Cared for-----2: 00 Ladies Class Thurs' Senior-----2:45

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by Pastor Robert Cordes

receive Him. Why?

Since Jesus has atoned

the cross. But in practice it

is not so. People want to

good works, fine rules to

live by, good teachers and

good examples. This they

can find in Jesus, and they

willingly accept this part of

the message, for they like

to think that they have all

it takes to live a good life.

They want to believe that

living a decent life, doing

the best you can, is the way

But the cross Christ judges

men have sinned and come

to heaven.

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short of the glory of God. It says that there was no other way of saving sinful men than for God to send His only be-Why do some people re- Luke 9:52-62. Jesus was on gotten son to die and atone to suffer and die and give means that man must face Himself as a ransom for the himself, face his sin, face sin of the world. Many souls humiliation, face the truth. for a time will accept all fact Jesus Christ, the Light that you say about Christ, of the world. Everyone who but as soon as you speak does evil hates the light, about sin and His atoning and does not come to the death for sin, they will not light, lest his deeds should

be exposed." (John 3:20) O God, give us the courfor sin and there is forgive- age to always look to the ness for sins, people should cross of Jesus Christ and gladly accept the message of then to face what it exposes in our own hearts. We pray that our pastors and churches hear a message about love and may so preach Christ crucified as to reveal our sins and Jesus as our Savior. Amen.

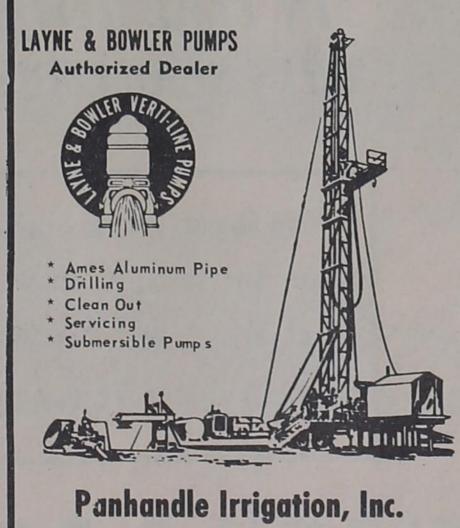


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County Agents Report

by Robert Adamson

Life is ten percent what you make it and ninety percent how you take it.

STATE 4-H CONTEST

Last week I was attending the State 4-H Roundup on the Campus of Texas A & M University. There were four 4-H team demonstrations from Hansford County participating. We were very happy to have two state winners at this state contest. The Farm and Ranch Management team placed first and team members were Allen and Bill McCloy from Morse. The Electric Demonstration team, composed of Sylvia Parks and Suzanne Dixon from Morse, also placed first in that contest. The 4-H Safety Demonstration from Hansford County placed second in the Safety Contest, losing only by two points. Team members were Sharon Parks and Patricia Henderson of Morse. The Forestry Demonstration, given by Evelyn and Don Kelly of Morse, placed sixth in that contest.

I want to thank the parents of these 4-H members for their time and support it coaching these demonstrations.

CO-RAL USE

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al chemicals.

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COUNTY 4-H CAMP

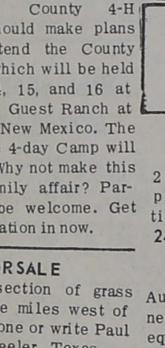
Hansford County 4-H members should make plans now to attend the County 4-H Camp which will be held July 13, 14, 15, and 16 at Aspen Park Guest Ranch at Red River, New Mexico. The cost for the 4-day Camp will be \$15.00. Why not make this camp a family affair? Parents will be welcome. Get your registration in now.

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bats." As far as naturalists All are untrue! can tell, they have fair daytime vision.

probably are attracted to the is grasshoppers. death scene by scent.

The skeleton of the ant is Except for vultures and par- ground or water.

on the outside of its body. The so-called silver eel Bet you didn't know that: The so-called silver eel is Bats are not attracted to just a common green eel with was introduced in the United ights because of the illumin- a date. When they are six to States in 1872. ation. They zoom in only to eight years old, eels stop very color for their long trip -104 to 110 degrees Fahren-

drawn to the light.

The "song" of the tiny cricket, an insect which is less die.

Very color for their long trip into the ocean to spawn and die. than an inch long, sometimes The kangaroo rat is neith- backward to prevent escape of can be heard a mile away. er a kangaroo nor a rat. He animals captured for food. Mister Cricket is the only vo- is a near relative of the pock- It is quite doubtful that calist. Mrs. Cricket is mute. et mouse which shares his camels, as many suppose, can

ingly loyal and affectionate Three common myths are without great discomfort or parent. It will not desert its that bats snarl themselves in physical danger. Two or three young even if the tree on women's hair, falling cats al- days is believed to be the limit. which it nests is in flames. | ways land on their feet, and | The wild goose has about Bats are not "blind as elephants are afraid of mice. 12,000 muscles - 10,000 of

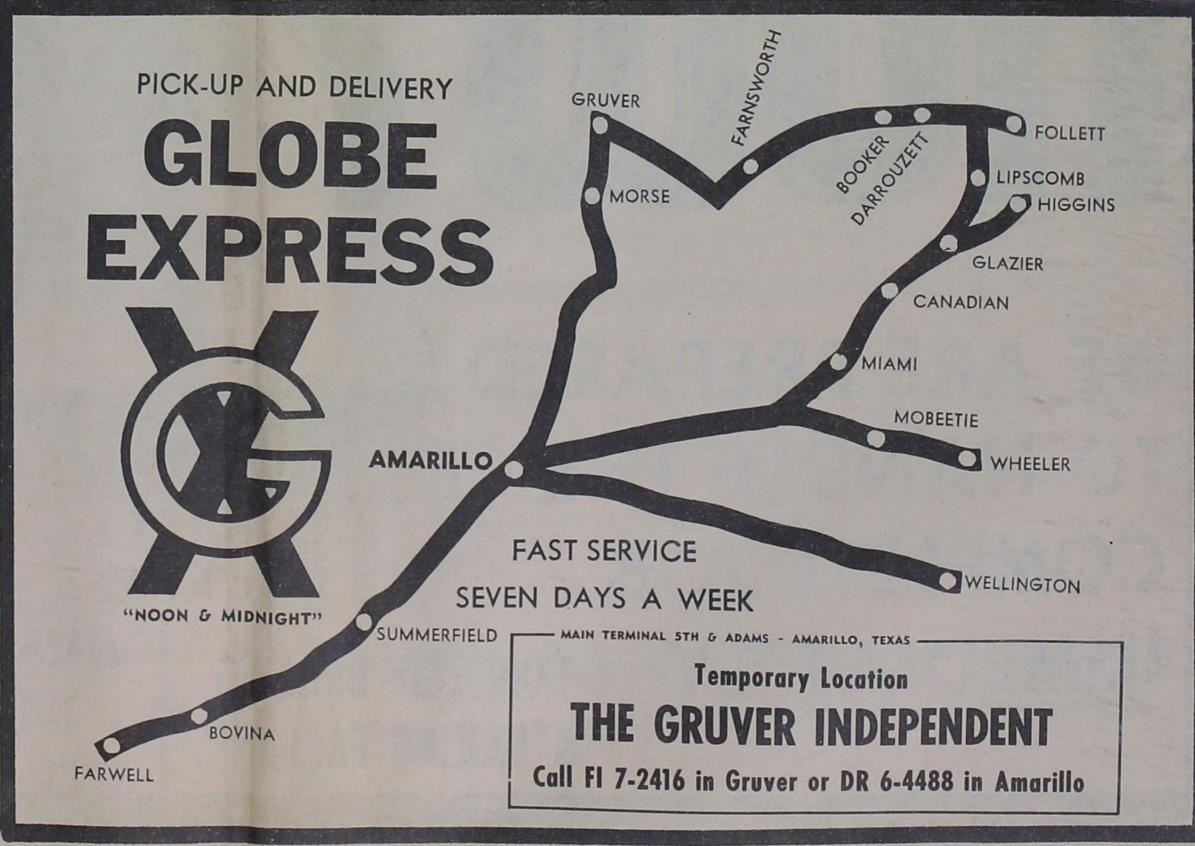
> Surprisingly enough, the feathers. small Ruddy duck lays the The ant has two stomachs.

Frogs are able to sing un-When the Pacific horned li- der water because they norm- but these ears have no outside and nostrils closed.

which control the action of its

Rattlesnakes, contrary to largest egg of all wild ducks. One he uses for himself. In the belief, do not seek to avenge Regardless of his name, the other, he stores food which is the death of a mate. They main diet of the sparrow hawk to be shared with other ants Snakes and fish have ears

zard is frightened, it squirts ally sing with their mouths openings. They "hear" mostly through vibrations in the



Texas and The Civil War

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of Texas voters.

seven representatives to the

Montgomery (Alabama) Conven-

tion of seceded states. The Tex-

TEXAS AND THE CIVIL WAR for secession conventions, Tex-By ALLAN C. ASHCRAFT, Ph.D. ans ran into a formidable ob-History Department

Texas A&M University (No. 1 in a series published in a cooperative program of this paper, the Texas Press Association and the Texas State Historical Survey Committee.)

"Secession"

"Fellow-citizens of Texas, I forced when two groups of can't say, as I once could, fel- prominent citizens signed proclano longer a citizen of the United in Austin on January 28, 1861. States."

Thus, in late November of 1860, a fiery orator addressed an excited following in the town of Marshall, Texas.

Elsewhere, in many parts of the Lone Star State, similar speeches were being uttered, black banners of mourning and state flags were replacing the national ensign, and effigies of "the man from Illinois" were hanging in municipal squares. Texas had learned of the victory of Abraham Lincoln in the presidential election of 1860: most Texans were completely outraged by this news!

Old South, the half-settled fron- weapon for striking down "the sults were made known to the cial strength.

The state had firmly and con- interests and prosperity of the convention. Provident Pobents. tier state had firmly and con- interests and prosperity of the convention, President Roberts At the same time, it helps Uncle sistently identified itself with people of Texas and her Sister proclaimed Texas to be "a free, Sam watch over our peace and the Southern side of the long Slaveholding States." Because sovereign and independent na- security. existent sectional controversy. of these and other intolerable tion of the earth." problems of early settlement, Union. The convention then an- ination of Texas. most Texans now stood ready nounced that in an election to to leave the Union and to face be held on February 23, the the dire resulting consequences, voters of the state could adopt Viewing Lincoln as an arch-foe or reject the secessional proof States' Rights, convinced posal. Texas, alone of the origthat the Northern Republicans inal seven Confederate States, would strip them of their privi- allowed its electorate to have leges and damage their econom- such a direct say on the secesic structure, Texans joined the sion issue. Next, the assembly people of the Lower South in appointed a Committee of Pubadvocating disunion as the final lic Safety to oversee state sestand that had to be taken in curity matters, and it named defense of Southern rights.

As other states issued calls as Secession Convention then

adjourned until early March, when it expected to examine the results of the secession elec-

secession drama took place in mid-February at San Antonio. The Committee of Public Safety, deciding that it was imstruction in the massive figure entered into negotiations with of Governor Sam Houston. Brevet Major General David E. Strongly against dismembering Twiggs-United States military the Union and violently opposed to joining any confederation form of government for the to meet the Committee's de- dinner followed. fused to order an election of mands, it was considered nec- In the evening the bus- Mrs. Olin Sheets of Spearessary to direct a show of inees meeting was called man. delegates to a secession constrength against his San An- to order by the president, vention. In early December, tonio Headquarters. In what conceivably could have erupted Loyd Andrews. An gie Sheets, joyed by about 135 members however, Houston's hand was into the first firing of the Amer- se cretary read the minutes ican Civil War, some 500 Tex- of the last year's meeting I say it with sorrow, but I am tion of a convention to be held as volunteers used the conceal- and also the weddings, births sitions that gave them tactical and Mrs. Lee Powell of The second of these calls, citing superiority over Twiggs' 160 Erick, Oklahoma were as its authority a state constitutional provision that guarsituation in the chill grow the oldest members present. anteed "the people have at all misty dawn of February 15, Julie Ann Woods, daughter times the unalienable right to Twiggs conceded to evacuate of the Ben Woods of Amarillo alter, reform, or abolish their his troops from Texas soil with was the youngest. Travelform of government," included a solemn pledge that the a minimum of delay.

convention's work would be A week-later, amidst heated fully subject to the approval discussions and burning editorials, the state election on secession was held. On March 4, On the announced date, the county election results were canconvention met and organized vassed by the re-assembled Seunder the presidency of Judge cession Convention. Of one hun- Most of us think about the future O. M. Roberts. The group quick- dred twenty-two counties re- in terms of paying off the mortly passed an Ordinance of Se- porting, only nine, located main- gage, educating the children, protier, and it harshly condemned figures, secession was upheld your country, too. Basically an outgrowth of the forge Federal authority into a 46,129 to 14,697. When these re-

Although small in population circumstances, the Ordinance Secession was now complet- lars this double assignment? You'll (just over 600,000 including 30% concluded, Texas was comed, but the results of this action families who are investing in their slaves) and beset with many pelled to withdraw from the contract of t slaves) and beset with many pelled to withdraw from the will prove to stagger the imag- country's future—and you'll prob-

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Sheets Family Reunion

The next scene in the involved ily Reunion was held at was Mrs. Jack Walker of at Dalhart on Saturday night Walker is the daughter of and Sunday of June 6 and Loyd Andrews and visited perative to secure the evacua- 7. Supper and visiting were in their home prior to the tion of the 3,000 Federal troops enjoyed by those who were reunion. normally stationed in Texas, able to come Saturday night. Church services were held commander of the District of Andrews of Guymon as speak-Texas. When Twiggs hesitated er. A "spread-together"

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cession by the ringing majority ly in northern Texas and along But with the world the way it is vote of 166 to 7. This document the middle of the frontier line, today, it's almost impossible to charged the central government showed a preference to remain make plans for your own future with failing to protect the fron- in the Union. In popular vote without considering the future of

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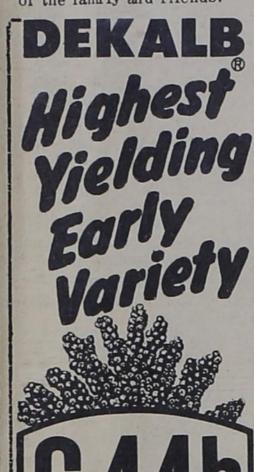
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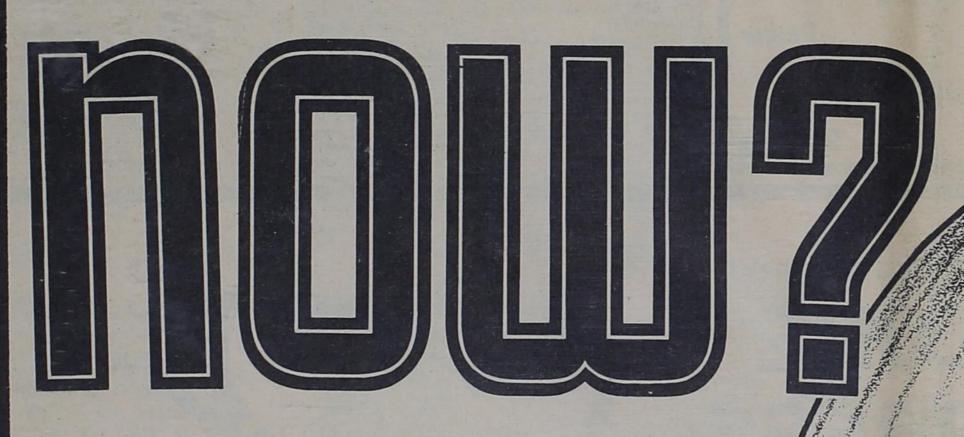
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ic bills.

igns of wasting some of the water. uel you pay for. A clean etter, lasts longer--and meal. ooks better. Rule No. , is o avoid high temperatures ·a cooking ''pan'' which which cause boil-overs and needs to be washed after spatter s. Rule No. 2 is to use. When cool, remove all clean-as-you-go, using a shelves and racks, and let sudsy cloth or sponge, collowed by rinsing. Rule No. washtub full of hot suds. 3 is to give your range a This makes it easy to reach thorough cleaning at least all inside surfaces, nooks, nce a week.

General Methods for Range cleanliness

1. Use a dry cloth or paper towel to wipe up spills as they occur. This is impor- the pan is cool, soak it and contain acids which "eat" suds. Then scrub with a

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2. Wipe the top and slideange helps cut costs, looks out crumb trays after each

> 3. Think of the oven as these soak in a sink or and crannies with a welllathered cloth or sponge.

4. Wash the broiler after switches. each use, pouring the grease off while still warm. When

tant because many foods the broiler grills in hot

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5. To loosen stubborn greasy film, place a bowl Then washaway the softened grease with clean hot suds the next day.

6. Wash warming ovens and storage drawers the same way.

7. Wash doors with suds, both inside and out. If a door is removable, wash it at the sink with hot suds and cooker, keep the inside

percolator brush, pipe cleaner or cotton tip swab to get around and in back of con-

Tips on Gas Ranges Remove the burners and scrape out food or soot with a pipe cleaner or wire. Plunge the burners into a bug, sink or pail of hot suds and scrub

with a stiff Brush. Rinse, EMORY ROPER WINS shake of excess water, and allow to dry before replacing. To keep carbon from jam-

ming the pilot light, turn off the gas and scrub the for two was won recently housing with a soft wire by a one-time Gruver citibrush before washing with a zer, Emory Dee Roper. Boy Singers from the Boles of the local church of Christ, children live. cloth wrung out of warm Emory and his wife will Home at Quinlan, Texas and no contributions are suds. Make sure the sur- leave June 21st and fly are scheduled to sing at the taken. These Boy Singers, an rounding surfaces are com- by jet to New York City. pletely dry, and connections The son of Mr. and Mrs. June 12, at 8:00 p.m.

fore relighting it. themselves off the electric he works provided a contest month tour includes appear- their school year. They are

scrupulously clean, remov- home to work. 8. Use a well-lathered ing the liner for washing in hot suds. A vacuum cleaner Ward home is Mrs. Verda ton, D.C. West Virginia, sucking crumbs from the Mr. and Mrs. Grover Wilson East Texas. trol knobs, handles, and bottom of the well. A noninsulated cover can be immersed in sudsy water; if insulated, and cover should Mr. and Mrs. David Schmeljust be wiped clean with a ing and family. sudsy cloth.

OSLO NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ted TeBeest and family visited Friday night in the John Sheppard

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Thompson and family enjoyed a fishing trip and visit at the F.L. Haines home near

David Knutson went to Amarillo Sunday and met amther boy who will help him this summer, he is Tim Knutson from San Antonio. His brother Mark is employed at the Elmo Dahl home. Welcome, also to Jim Reinertsen of Humboldt, Iowa who has returned to the Elmo Dahl

Sunday School and Church again next Sunday after which Pastor Cordes and family will leave for their summer vacation. Services will continue being held with various helpers "filling in." Spearman services will continue to be the same time, 9:00 a.m. followed by Sunday School at 10:00. These services are held at the Farm Bureau Building. Everyone is wel-

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of Florida.

the Robert Cordes home were -

Everyone enjoyed the congregation picnic held in the Stedje park Sunday. Bolleyball, baseball, horse- miles of construction on U.S. around the campfires.

evening were: Reverand and mission. Mrs. Orris Sougstad, Amarillo, Reverand and Mrs. submitted the low bid of Walter Weihmeir of Guymon \$105.972 on the project. and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Webb Grading, structures, base, of Guymon.

closed last week and the at Amarillo. Bible School very much.

Boles Home Singers To Present Program

Gruver Church of Christ on a cappella group specializ-

his wife make their home on their annual summer tour, church songs, present seven in Stratford where he is em- under the auspices of the concerts each week during Tips on Electric Ranges ployed as a Kirby Salesman. churches of Christ, The first the summer, and many week-Food spills will burn The company for which half of the present three- end appointments during units, but the burner rims which ran for three months ances in many cities in under the direction of Allan and reflectors or drip cups and the winner was deter-west Texas, the Dallas area, Lewis. need to be removed when nined by the amount of sales and east Texas. In July and Boles Home is a home cool for washing in hot during that period of time. August, they are appearing in for children supported by Congratulations are extend- Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, - South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Deleware, New Visiting in the Anson York, New Jersey, Washingattachment is handy for Mason of Fort Worth. Also Kentucky. Oklahoma, and

Sunday dinner guests in sented free of charge as a

Contract For **Construction Let**

A contract for 4.992 show pitching and ground 83 and Farm Road 760 in bowling was enjoyed by all. Ochiltree and Hansford County Supper at 6:00 and singing has been awarded to an Amarillo firm, it was an-Supper guests at the nounced in Austin this week Robert Cordes home Friday by the State Highway Com-

Cooper & Woodruff Inc. surfacing and curb and gut-Vemon G. Johnson of ter U.S. 83 at .3 miles north LaFayette, California and of Loop 143 in Perryton Homer W. Johnson of Pat- FM 760 from Spearman to ters on, California spent the north 5.0 miles is expected to weekend in the Elmo Dahl take 75 working days, according to Charles W. Smith Vacation Bible School District Highway Engineer

program was presented at Lewis R. Loyd, Resident Church on Sunday. A very Engineer at Perryton will inspirational program was be in active charge of the given and the youth enjoyed project while it is under

The accomplished young service of Boles Home and ing in inspirational hymns, The singers are currently spirituals, and other familiar

units, with the original one located at Quinlan, Texas, where 255 children live, and the Foster Home at Stephenville, Texas, where 32 Boles Home is a community within itself, where 12 grades of public school are conducted on the campus.

members of the churches of

Christ. I t is composed of two

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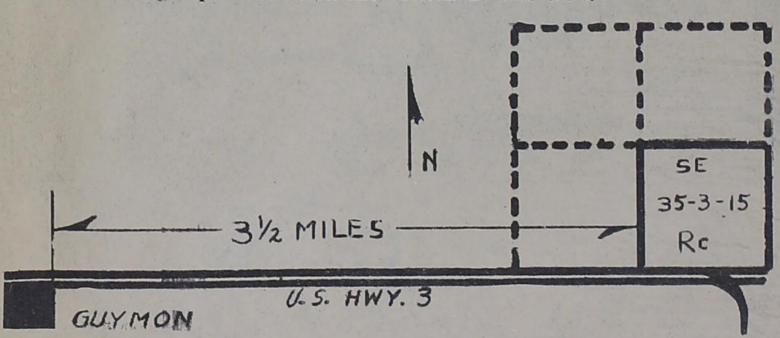
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