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## Texas Education Agency Report On School

On November 5, 1959 a visit of this school was made by the school of accreditation from the Texas Education Agency. The following is the report of this team concerning the accreditation of the Quitaque Independent School.

The Quitaque Independent School District comprises an area of rolling plains below the Cap Rock Escarpment devoted primarily to cattle raising with supplemental income from farming. Principal crops are cotton and grain sorghums. Some recent irrigation by sprinkler system was observed in the district.

The district has an assessed property valuation of \$2,300,000 for school tax purposes. This figure was reported to represent about 22 per cent of the appraised values. It is a county-line district covering 166 square miles of Briscoe and Motley Counties.

School officials have fixed the tax rates at \$1.10 for local maintenance and operation and 40 cents for bond retirement.

**L. School Plant and Facilities:**  
The school gymnasium was in need of renovation. Dressing rooms were in poor condition and pupil locker space was inadequate.

Additional artificial lighting was needed in some of the classrooms.

The elementary section of the school plant was in need of extensive repair and redecoration. Plaster was cracking and peeling in many places. This part of the plant also housed the auditorium, which was in need of immediate attention.

New window blinds and more nearby adequate storage space was needed in some elementary classrooms. Storage shelves in these classrooms was inadequate.

**The Frederick Douglass School:**

The classroom building was small and in great need of extensive repair.

Classroom space was inadequate for the school enrollment.

Outdoor toilets were insanitary and in poor physical condition.

**Instructional Facilities:**

Additional instructional equipment was needed for vocational agriculture shop, general science, biology, and chemistry.

Many of the books in the library were old and in need of repair. Books of recent publication dates were needed in some areas. The library books were in an enclosed area, but students were allowed to come in and get books as needed.

Maps and other teaching aids were badly worn and inadequate.

Library materials and instructional aids were at a bare minimum level at the Frederick

Douglass School.

**Instruction Program:**

The Physical education program was inadequate for both boys and girls.

Only limited use was made of standardized tests, and counseling and guidance was done without formal organization by individual staff members.

The Frederick Douglass School enrolled pupils in grades one through ten, with a maximum grade enrollment of seven. Total original entries for 1958-59 were 48. Only two teachers were employed. Neither the instructional facilities nor the instructional program was of creditable calibre.

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Quitaque Independent School District be warned of violations of accreditation standards described in the above report.

After due consideration and careful study of the accreditation report of this school it is the intentions of the school board to inform the public about the status of the school. It is apparent, that in order to carry on the program in its entirety, designed by the Texas Education Agency, and in order

to maintain an accredited school, that additional expenditures will arise.

Studying the problem from a financial viewpoint, it has come to the attention of the board that there will be a duplication of expense involved in operating the Frederick Douglass School and the White school. To bring the Frederick Douglass School up to meet standards the following will have to be done:

Teach only eight grades instead of ten. Enlarge and remodel the entire plant. Build indoor restrooms and drinking facilities. Buy additional instructional supplies and library books. It must also be pointed out that the status of this school effects the entire school. It is estimated that the initial cost of the above project will be about \$6000. In addition to this there will be an increase in the annual operation expense of this school. It is doubtful that this school district can operate both school systems on the present tax rate. It is also evident that many improvements will have to be done on the Elementary building and additional teaching aids will have to be purchased.

In view of the above facts the school board has decided to call an election to see if the patrons of this community would like to integrate the Fredrick Douglass School with the White school in order to cut down on the expense of operation. It is suggested that this problem be discussed and the public will be given due notice of the date of the election.

## Chapel Choir Goes To Plainview

By Sue Nell Cates

The Chapel Choir went to a Plainview Music Clinic, March 5. We left Quitaque a little before 8 a. m. The program started at 9, so we got there in plenty of time. There were two cars taken

by Mary Stark and Mrs. John Johnson. The following choir members went:

Sue Nell Cates, Linda Chandler, Cassandra Scott, Cornez Woods, Willie Mae Woods, Tommy Baird, Yvonne Wise, John Johnson, James Starkey, Jerry Faye Elliott, Mike Baird, Jamie Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Beck.

The program was real interesting. Between 9 and 10 we sang a few songs and invocation. Mrs. Jo Ann Shelton the star of the Baptist Hour on Sunday morning sang a special. Then the director separated the altos sopranos, bases and tenors. We rehearsed some songs that Mary had gone over with us so we wouldn't be completely lost.

There were over 480 choir members there. They came all the way from Monahans, Midland, Odessa. All of it was over at 12 noon.

We were all as hungry as could be, so we stopped at Smokey's on the outskirts of Plainview. We got back about 2:00 p. m.

## Volleyball Game To Be Held

The F. H. A. Chapter of the Quitaque High School will sponsor a Volleyball game on Friday, March 18 at 7:30 p. m. in the high school auditorium. Price of admission is 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children.

A girls' team will play the women's team and the Men teams will play. Needed are 16 men and eight women volunteers. Any man or woman who wishes to play is asked to call Jackie Bedwell at 2041 or Jimmie Dale Mayfield at 2467. All contacts must be in on or before March 14.

## Last Rites Held For Former Banker

Funeral services for Zack Cowart Collier, 76, member of one of Hall County's pioneer ranch families were held March 2nd in the First Baptist Church of Estelline.

Burial was in the cemetery at Quitaque under direction of Newberry Funeral Home of Childress.

Mr. Collier died the previous Monday morning in Childress General Hospital following a short illness.

Mr. Collier had operated ranching and farming interest in Hall and Briscoe counties in Texas and near the town of Hope in New Mexico.

For many years he had maintained a home at 2422 Washington in Amarillo, though he spent most of his time on his ranch near Estelline.

Surviving are his wife, Annie three daughters, Mrs. Mary Collier Allman, 3007 Brentwood of Amarillo; Mrs. Laura Mae Chapman of Odessa, and Mrs. Ruth Sherrod of Lubbock; two sons, William T. Collier of Childress and Jackson Collier of Laurel, Miss.

Mr. Collier and family lived for several years on his farm here which was located just west of the Bert Hawkins place east of town. He was banker at the Jackson Collier Bank here for several years and can be well remembered by those who lived in this community as far back as 1915 to 1923.

The F. H. A. girls will also sponsor and run the concession stand and have a cake walk (continued on Page 2)

## Explorer Post

### Prepared Meal

### For Brotherhood

The Explorer post of Quitaque prepared the meal for Baptist Brotherhood Monday night, and Ed Spivey, pastor at Plomot, brought the program. Hubert Brooks was elected new president in a business session which followed the emptying of platters of fried chicken.

Twenty-five men are now enrolled in this vital part of the Baptist program, and the crowd at this week's meeting gave encouragement to the new officers. O. R. Stark, Jr., a member of the nominating committee, was moderator of the election. These men were brought into office: Brooks, the president; O. V. Johnson, program vice-president; R. J. Harmon, enlistment vice-president; Glen Ramsey, activities vice-president; L. B. Monk, secretary; and George Owens, song leader.

Scheduled Tuesday night at 6:00, announced the new president, is a cleanup of the church's new property across the street, where Single Young People and Primaries will begin meeting for Sunday School next Sunday.

J. C. Wagnon has been returned home from the hospital where he has been for several weeks and is doing very well.



Left to right: Mrs. Ed Briley, Mrs. Bob Beck and Bob Beck, at Mrs. Briley's recognition during "It Could Be You," a Training Union attendance campaign.



Mr. N. L. Bedwell in front of the pulpit at First Baptist Church of Quitaque.

## Two TU Members Hears Life History

Two surprised Training Union members, Mrs. Ed Briley and N. L. Bedwell, heard their life histories unfolded to the congregation at First Baptist Church last Sunday night. "It Could Be You," an attendance

campaign during the month of March, thus began with quite a bit of excitement.

Pastor Bob Beck, who acted as master of ceremonies, had secretly found the address of Mrs. Briley's son, Butch, and a long distancephone call revealed enough interesting information to keep the audience in suspense. The pastor told of a (continued from page 3)

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**Flomot News**

Mrs. Maudie Marler went to McLean, Saturday afternoon to be with her daughter, Mrs. James Ellison, who is sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spears returned home over the week end after spending the week at Temple with his sister, who is a patient at Scott-White Hospital. The Spears went back to Temple, Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bourland and daughters of Amarillo were guests of his mother, Mrs. F. S. Bourland, Sunday. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Seay and Mr. and Mrs. John Irwin and Mary Margaret of Matador.

Mrs. Tom Bynum and her mother, Mrs. T. J. Hall went to Plainview, Thursday and visited friends and relatives until Saturday.

Mrs. Harmon Moseley was a patient in a Lockney Hospital several days last week for a check up and some medical tests.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Kell visited at Portales, New Mexico, over the week end with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Kell.

The Home Demonstration Club approved the Council project of printing and the sale of a birthday calendar, to be worked up to go to press for next year's calendar. The club members are asked to bring two or more glasses, each, as a gift to the lunch room the next club date. The response to roll call was, "How are you prepared for an emergency?" Refreshments were served to Mesdames C. C. Jones, L. B. Isbell, Raldo Martin, Maudie Marler, G. E. Whitaker, L. B. Turner, Joe Deagan, Doyle Calvert, Malcolm Turner, Van Martin, G. E. Washington, L. W. Crowell, R. M. Martin, Lois Martin, J. H. George, W. Z. Martin, George Pope and Ike Gilbert.

Johnny Speer has just recently entered an engineering school in Weiser, Idaho and is studying heavy equipment. Two of his friends, Junior Rollins of Amarillo and Cliff Willis of Girard visited in the Speer home since Johnny's departure. They had expected to visit the son but missed him and enjoyed a stay with the parents.

The WMU of the Baptist Church had a day of prayer and Mission study, Monday with thirteen women and the pastor present. Mrs. Leon Cloyd led the singing and Mrs. Spivey played the piano. The morning service began at ten o'clock, with the lunch period eleven forty to one o'clock. The theme "Behold Your God" was carried through the day. Brother E. D. Spivey brought the morning message and a mission film, "Trophies of the King was used to open the afternoon session. The closing hymn was, "Sweet Hour of Prayer" as we dismissed for our homes.

Mrs. Joe Smith who had planned to enter Quannah Hospital, Monday was advised to wait a week because of her doctor

having been sick.

Roy Marler, 58, of Amarillo and former Flomot resident passed away at his home in Amarillo, Tuesday night, March 1st, after a brief and sudden illness of about an hour. Death was attributed to a heart attack. Funeral services were held at the Flomot Baptist Church, Saturday afternoon at 4:30 with the pastor, Rev. Ed Spivey officiating. The delay of the services was the waiting for the youngest son, Joe Marler to arrive from Germany, where he is serving in the United States Army.

Pallbearers were Harold and Robert Marler of Amarillo, Walter Glen Marler of Lovington, N. M., Orvil Marler, Floydada, Glen McCoy and Kenneth Kell of Tulia.

Roy Marler was born May 17, 1901, in Navaro County, Texas and came to this part of the state when just a boy. He grew to manhood in this community. He met and married Louise McCoy in the early twenties. To this union were born three children, Inetha Embree of Lubbock, Carl of Amarillo and Joe of the armed forces in Germany.

The Marlers made their home here until a few years ago, when the children began to move elsewhere.

**Wesleyan Service Guild Has Meeting**

The Wesleyan Service Guild met in the home of Minnie Mae Roberson, Tuesday evening, March 8th.

Mrs. Ella Colvin called the group to order with a prayer after which she directed the business session.

Mrs. Edna Hawkins gave the devotional for the evening.

Mrs. Mary Pittman led the discussion on the study, "People, Land and Churches."

She was assisted with talks given by Mrs. Geneva Curtis and Mrs. Clara Ruth Davidson.

At the close of the program the hostess served refreshment plates of congealed tuna salad, potato chips, crackers, olives, cookies, coffee and tea to Mesdames Ruth Anderson, Clara Ruth Davidson, Edna Hawkins, Ella Colvin, Jeanne Woods, Geneva Curtis and Mary Pittman.

**RETURNS HOME**

Returning home from Hot Springs, Arkansas, is Billy Mac Farley, accompanied by his mother, his brother, Eugene, his sister, Shirley, his sister-in-law, Jo Ann, and his nephew, Mike.

Billy's folks live in Kirtland and Farmington, New Mexico.

While they were here, they stayed with Babe Chandler and Wendell Farley.

Their trip was to see their aging grandmother, Mrs. Lingo. Mrs. Lingo was very happy to see all her grandchildren and daughter.

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**Poem To Friends**

My mother, Mrs. Emma Burgess who is now living in Lampasas with my brother, Charlie Burgess wishes to dedicate this poem to all her old friends here who are still young in heart as she is:

**MY GET UP AND GO HAS GOT UP AND WENT**

How do I know  
My youth is all spent?  
Well, my get up and go  
Has got up and went.  
But in spite of it all,  
I am able to grin  
When I think of where  
My get-up has been.  
Old age is golden,  
So I've heard it said,  
But sometimes I wonder  
As I get into bed,  
With my ears in a drawer,  
My teeth in a cup,  
My eyes on the table  
Until I wake up,  
Ere sleep dims my eyes,  
I say to myself,  
Is there anything else  
I should have laid on the shelf?

I am happy to say  
As I close my door,  
That my friends are the same,  
Only perhaps more.  
When I was young  
My slippers were red,  
I could kick up my heels  
Right over my head.  
When I grew older  
My slippers were blue,  
But still I could dance  
The whole night through.

Now that I am old  
My slippers are black,  
I walk to the store  
And puff my way back.  
The reason I know

My youth is all spent,  
My get-up and go  
Has got up and went.  
But I really don't mind  
When I think with a grin,  
Of all the grand places  
My get-up has been.  
Since I've retired  
From life's competition  
I busy myself  
With complete repetition.  
I get up in the morning  
And dust off my wits,  
Pick up the paper  
And read the obits.  
If my name is missing  
I know I'm not dead,  
So I get a good breakfast  
And go back to bed.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Vines drove to Spur last Sunday for a visit with relatives.

**VOLLEY BALL**  
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between games. The cakes left from the cake walk will be auctioned off to the highest bidder.

All proceeds will be put in the F. H. A. fund, which will be used to send two of our girls to the State FHA Convention at Austin, and to finance our FHA Sweetheart Banquet.  
Reporter, SeReatha Stephens

*The Old Timer*



"When men and women get together at a party, it's usually time to go home."

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## SCHOOL NEWS

We still don't have a full coverage of school news but we do want to use what we do have as these grades were so kind to this reporter and work on it.

### SECOND GRADE

By Dora Hawkins

We enjoyed having visitors "Public School Week."

Our circus was on display and we liked showing it very much. Some of us drew pictures of life size clowns.

We are happy to have all our classmates back in school. Some have been absent with the flu.

The Red Birds have new "On We Go" work books.

Those making hundreds on six weeks spelling test were: Danny Brooks, Roger Brunson, Bruce McWilliams, Glen Roger Taylor, Karol Blankenship, Carol June George, Glenna Ramsey and Maggie Valdez.

### THIRD GRADE

By Ina Mae Baird

Third Graders are getting ready to help entertain the P.T. A. in April. We are practicing on a play, "The Gingerbread Family."

We are putting up a spring border of lambs and blossoms, and our eagerness for the coming of spring is showing.

The talk in our classroom now is what we must be able to do to pass to the fourth grade. After all, there aren't many weeks left to get ready for the closing of school.

Our Third Grade boys and girls are competing on the race track out on the school ground. Did someone see some of the girls outrun some of the boys.

### FIFTH GRADE

By Jill Johnson

We got our report cards last Wednesday and most of us were happy.

This week in our Science we are studying about the sun, planets, and the Moon. Some of us were surprised to find the earth is one of the smaller planets. Melinda brought us a map of outer space. We have been bringing things for a science table we made. So far we've got quite a few things. We have been making clowns. Some made two and brought both of them.

### SIXTH GRADE

By Pinky Price and Judy Dyer

Today, we worked at the board most of the afternoon. We wrote all the countries in South America, Central America and Europe. Our Dennis the Menace for this week is Rex Harmon. Our little Iodine is Judy Dyer.

### EIGHTH GRADE

By Sue Nell Cates

Track season has started and

our boys are real sore from running till they can hardly walk. I don't know which of them is the sorest. Do you?

Mr. Berryhill is our sponsor. We have a party planned. There were three boys in our room who didn't know what kind of a party they wanted. Can you guess who they were. We are going on a skating party to Plainview by bus next Tuesday night and we really plan to have fun.

### SENIOR CLASS

By Adell Grundy

This week has been a busy week for the Seniors. The entry blanks for the rodeo were mailed and we have high hopes of a large number of entries and spectators the 16th and 17th of April at the Morris Stephens Ranch. The final pages of the "Panthers Den," the annual, was also mailed after much work, worries and wonders.

Tuesday night, Mrs. Carter invited the Seniors to a surprise come as you are party. This was the first party the Seniors has had this school year and it was very much appreciated.

Mrs. Carter served all sorts of goodies and the group stuffed, played canasta, read very educational books (comics), argued and had a jolly good time. Parties are good to break the monotony of school life. We must try it more often.

### BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Mrs. E. P. Rumph had a delicious birthday dinner on March 5 to celebrate her birthday. Her daughter, Mrs. Dudley Crump, and her two granddaughters, Mrs. John Reed and Mrs. Travis Stovall of Clovis, N. M., came and brought a beautiful big pink and blue birthday cake. Mr. and Mrs. Salon Owens of Turkey came and brought another lovely cake. A delightful time was enjoyed by all and the honoree received many nice gifts.

On Sunday, her sister from Abilene and her daughter from Amarillo, accompanied by her two daughters, came and also brought a cake and gifts and all shared a delicious dinner. So Mrs. Rumph had two birthday parties and a happy time even though she was sick.

### SENIORS STILL WORKING

The Senior boys and girls today (Friday) are out gathering up bundles of feed that have been donated to the class for the coming rodeo. They have to have 750 bundles and anyone who hasn't contributed and wishes to do so, please contact the seniors and they will be picked up and greatly appreciated.

## Local Events...

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gregg of Amarillo spent the week end in the homes of relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Morris and Mr. and Mrs. John Ewing.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Vines were Sunday visitors in Brice and Memphis, visiting relatives and friends.

The Edgar Morrisons have returned from Glen Rose where he reports they had a very restful stay but also saw some awful cold weather even down there.

Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Gregg of Silvertown and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Gregg of Plainview were Sunday dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Ewing.

Mrs. C. M. Wells of Coalgate, Oklahoma is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. J. Carter and family.

Pete Blankenship is at home and around town after being ill and in a Lockney Hospital for several days.

Quitaque is going to miss the sweet face of Mrs. H. E. Curtis who has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Pauline Cagle, of this city for several years. She has decided to make her home in the Briscoe County Convalescent Home in Silvertown. Her daughter, Mrs. Glen McWilliams of Silvertown came for her last Tuesday and moved her to her new home. The home seems to be a very nice place and I am sure Mrs. Curtis will be happy. All of her old Quitaque friends will certainly want to visit her when they are in Silvertown.

Grandmother Carpenter looked as spry as a daisy when she was in town a few days ago getting a new permanent. She said she had stayed at home most of the winter due to the bad weather and she was enjoying herself while the sun shone.

Pauline Cagle is still confined to the Tulia Hospital today (Friday) with a severe case of Bronical pneumonia. She is doing very well and Johnnie is hoping he can return her home Sunday. Josephine is keeping Rhonda while her mother is in the hospital. Word has just been received that Mrs. H. E. Curtis who has just recently moved to Silvertown is also sick with the flu.



William P. (Bill) McKee, Jr., a Pioneer Natural Gas Company engineer in Plainview since 1955, has been named manager of Plainview and the Plainview district, replacing John W. Scott. Scott retired March 1, after 29 years of service with the gas company.

McKee was born at Ralls and received all of his early schooling there. He is a graduate of Texas Tech and received his bachelor of science degree in petroleum engineering in 1949.

Bill joined Pioneer Natural Gas Company in 1952 as a Junior Engineer in the Lubbock distribution department. He transferred to Plainview November 1, 1955 and was pro-

moted to Engineer in 1957.

A registered engineer, McKee is a member of the South Plains chapter of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers. He is also a member of the Plainview Rotary Club and is Vice-Chairman of the Hale County Red Cross board. McKee is a member and Sunday School teacher of the First Baptist Church, Plainview.

Bill and his wife, Wistie, have two children, Vicki, 8, and Jimmy, 6.

Towns included in McKee's Plainview district are Plainview, Tulia, Hale Center, Kress, Hart, Petersburg, Quitaque, Silvertown, Turkey, Lockney and Floydada.

### TWO TU MEMBERS

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three-year-old girl who hit a boy over the head with a lunch bucket because her brother was losing a school fight at Franklin, Texas.

Said Mrs. Briley afterward, "When you began that story, I remembered the incident. But I told myself that you couldn't possible have found out something that far back in my childhood!" Other things about Mrs. Briley, who has lived in Quitaque only a few weeks while her husband is working on the railroad tunnel, were: she was born in the Bois d'Arc community near McKinney, Texas, where her father farmed, and

later ran a filling station. She has two brothers, one in California, and one in Calera, Oklahoma. She was converted while in high school. In 1954 she joined First Baptist Church in Grapevine, Texas. That year year she also married Ed Briley.

Mr. Bedwell was described as a boy who was born at Center Point, Arkansas, and came to the Gasoline community in 1927. His stepfather was a farmer. He has four daughters and one son.

Next Sunday, March 13, people whose last names begin with E, F, G, H, I, or J, will be recognized. And somebody will get another special surprise.

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# STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights by Vern Sanford TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN—Texas adults by the thousands are going back to school this year.

Their object: to learn what unclear warfare could mean to the country and what they can do to better their chances of surviving it.

Texas Education Agency and the State Division of Defense and Disaster Relief are co-sponsors of the civil defense adult education program. Since the program got under way late

last year, 2,816 persons over the state have taken the free 12-hour course. Another 1,295 persons are attending 66 classes now in progress, and 150 new classes are due to begin this month.

Classes are held at public schools and taught by public school and junior college teachers who have been trained and certified by TEA's civil defense staff.

Seven new teacher training workshops are scheduled with-

in the next few weeks. Eventual goal is to have civil defense classes in or near every Texas community.

Course material ranges from study of the effects of a nuclear bomb and probable capabilities of hostile powers to step-by-step instructions for personal survival preparedness.

Persons interested in having the course in their communities may contact their local school superintendent or write Civil Defense Education Director, Texas Education Agency, Austin.

**No Session Before Primary—** Gov. Price Daniel said he will not call a special legislative session to raise teacher pay before May 7—the first primary date.

Conferences with lawmakers have convinced him, said the governor, that there is no hope of a successful session during the coming eight weeks.

However, the governor said he may call a session after the May 7 primary of submit the school improvement program as an emergency measure at the 1961 regular session. If he waits until 1961, Daniel said he would recommend an increased program to make up for money lost by delay.

Many observers have noted that a special session after the first primary election would pose many problems. As much as 25 to 30 per cent of the

House could be made up of "lame ducks"—persons retiring from office or defeated at the polls. Incumbent legislators with run-off races would not want to leave their home districts to come to Austin.

Teachers would prefer to have the matter submitted at a special session. Regular session rules require that the budget be provided for before new spending can be considered. Last year approval of the budget was just about the last thing before adjournment.

**Accident Study—** A new study indicates that motor vehicles and heart attacks or similar difficulties were involved in more than half of Texas' fatal industrial accidents in the last fiscal year.

Industrial Accident Board reported on an analysis of 23,000 accident claims. In the group studied, it found that fatal accidents were most often connected with motor vehicles, 28 per cent; heart disease, 26 per cent; slips and falls, 10 per cent; striking or being struck by an object, 7 per cent.

Altogether, in the last fiscal year, the Board processed claims resulting from 195,000 non-fatal accidents and 497 deaths.

Annual cost of industrial accidents is estimated at \$500,000,000 a year. Board plans to make an accident analysis every year to gain information for grams.

**Utility Payments Available—** planning improvement programs. Cities and private utility companies can now get reimbursement for money spent moving utility lines to make way for new interstate highways.

State Highway Commission said it is now ready to begin making payments under a law that was held constitutional by the State Supreme Court earlier this year.

Cost of the utility moving, as well as construction costs for the interstate system, comes 90 per cent from federal funds, 10 per cent from state funds.

**Bridle Paths Contested—** Whether a person owning grazing rights in a state park area can bar the public from riding horseback in that area is at issue before the Supreme Court.

High court is to hear arguments March 30 stemming from a dispute over use of the Davis Mountains State Park.

Trial court upheld the right of the grazing lease holders to lock out horseback riders while the lease is in effect. Court of Civil Appeals held that riders

should be kept out at least nine months of the year.

State contends that if a public park is locked, it is no longer any good as a public park and that any least is predicated on this assumption.

**Bomb Law Attacked—** A law prohibiting possession of a bomb or conspiracy to bring about a bombing is under attack in a case before the Court of Criminal Appeals.

Defendant in the case is accused of having masterminded a bombing of the premises of a non-striking employ of a Dallas industrial plant a union walk-out. Two persons who were convicted of having thrown the bomb in the victim's driveway said they were carrying out the defendant's instructions.

Attorney for the defendant called "dangerous" a law that makes it a felony to possess items from which a bomb could be made.

**Crime Toll Mounts—** An average day in Texas sees 3 murders, 3 rapes, 7 robberies, 32 aggravated assaults, 43 automobiles stolen, 266 thefts other than automobiles and 125 burglaries.

This is the end result of a crime increase that in the past ten years has brought a 73.2 jump in crime while the population increased only 24.4 per cent.

Department of Public Safety announced that in all categories, crime in 1959 was up 3.9 per cent from the previous year. Largest gain was in aggravated assault—up 22 per cent. Only robbery showed a decline.

### SCHOOL BOARD HOLDS MEETING MARCH 7th.

At its regular board meeting on March 7, 1960 the following action was taken by the Quitaque Ind. School Board. A motion was made, seconded and carried that the dual school system be abolished, the system being abolished being the Fredrick Douglass School. The election is to be held on Saturday, April 2, 1960.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bro. Earl Cantwell filled his regular appointment here Sunday. Lester Monk will speak next Sunday. The revival will start March 18th. at 7:30 and everyone is invited to attend these services. Bro. Tommy Williams will be our speaker for these series.

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